GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT CHECKLIST

ANNUAL REPORT
2020–2021

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE REPORTING FRAMEWORK

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

The Local Government Performance Reporting
Framework is a mandatory system of performance
reporting for all councils.

The regulations set out our reporting requirements for Local Government in four broad areas.

- A governance and management checklist of 24 items.
- A set of service performance indicators, which aim to measure efficiency and effectiveness of a range of Local Government services.
- A set of sustainability capacity indicators, which aim to assess councils ability to meet agreed service and infrastructure needs.
- A set of financial performance indicators, which aim to provide information on the effectiveness of financial management.

GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT CHECKLIST		
Governance and management items	Assessment	Outcome
Community engagement policy (Policy outlining Council's commitment to engaging with the community on matters of public interest)	Adopted in accordance with section 55 of the <i>Local</i> Government Act 2020	~
	Date of operation of current <i>Policy</i>	23/02/2021
Community engagement guidelines (Guidelines to assist staff to determine when and how to engage with the community)	Current guidelines in operation	✓
	Date of operation of current guidelines	22/05/2021
Financial Plan (Plan under section 91 of the Act outlining the financial and non-financial resources required for at least the next 10 financial years)	Adopted in accordance with section 91 of the Local Government Act 2020	~
	Date of adoption	29/06/2021

GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT CHECKLIST (CONTINUED)		
Governance and management items	Assessment	Outcome
Asset Plan (Plan that sets out the asset maintenance and renewal needs for key infrastructure asset classes for at least the next 10 years)	Adopted in accordance with section 92 of the Local Government Act 2020	✓
	Date of operation of current Plans	Includes the:
		— Road Management Plan (16/11/2018);
		— Asset Management Strategy (25/11/2014);
		— State of Community Assets Report (17/3/2015);
		— Roads and Laneways Asset Management Plan (February 2016);
		— Footpaths Asset Management Plan (November 2014);
		— Building Services Asset Management Plan (March 2014); and
		— Stomwater Drainage Asset Management Plan (November 2015).
Revenue and Rating Plan (Plan setting out the rating structure of Council to levy rates and charges)	Adopted in accordance with section 93 of the Local Government Act 2020	~
	Date of adoption	29/06/2021
Annual Budget (Plan setting out the services to be provided and initiatives to be undertaken over the next 12 months and the funding and other resources required)	Budget adopted in accordance with section 94 of the Local Government Act 2020	✓
	Date of adoption	29/06/2021
Risk policy (Policy outlining Council's commitment and approach to minimising the risks to Council's operations)	Current <i>Policy</i> in operation	~
	Date of operation of current <i>Policy</i>	Risk Management Framework and Policy 05/02/2019

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Fraud Policy (Policy outlining outlining Council's commitment and approach to minimising the risk of fraud)	Current <i>Policy</i> in operation	✓
	Date of operation of current <i>Policy</i>	26/09/2017 Fraud Policy currently subject to review
Municipal Emergency Management Plan (Plan under section 20 of the Emergency Management Act 1986 for emergency prevention, response and recovery)	Prepared and maintained in accordance with section 20 of the Emergency Management Act 1986	•
	Date of preparation	25/09/2020
Procurement Policy (Policy outlining the principles, processes and procedures that will apply to all purchases of goods and services by the Council)	Adopted in accordance with section 108 of the Local Government Act 2020	✓
	Date of approval	30/06/2020
Business Continuity Plan (Plan setting out the actions that will be taken to ensure key services continue to operate in the event of a disaster)	Current Plan in operation	•
	Date of operation of current Plan	27/05/2020
Disaster Recovery Plan (Plan setting out the actions that will be undertaken to recover and restore business capability in the event of a disaster)	Current Plan in operation	✓
	Date of operation of current Plan	19/02/2021
Risk Management Framework (Framework outlining Council's approach to managing risks to the Council's operations)	Current Framework in operation	✓
	Date of operation of current Framework	Risk Management Framework and Policy 5/02/2019
Audit and Risk Committee (Advisory Committee of Council under section 53 and 54 of the Act)	Established in accordance with section 53 of the <i>Local Government Act</i> 2020	~
	Date of establishment	11/08/2020
Internal audit (Independent accounting professionals engaged by the Council to provide analyses and recommendations aimed at improving Council's governance, risk and management controls)	Internal auditor engaged	✓
	Date of engagement of current provider	1/07/2020

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Governance and management items	Assessment	Outcome
Performance Reporting Framework (A set of indicators measuring financial and non-financial performance, including the performance indicators referred to in section 131 of the Local Government Act 1989)	Current Framework in operation	✓
	Date of operation of current Framework	30/06/2021
Council Plan report (Report reviewing the performance of the Council against the Council Plan, including the results in relation to the strategic indicators, for the first six months of the financial year)	Current report	✓
	Dates reporting presented	Reported to Council quarterly on 11/08/2020, 24/11/2020, 23/02/2021,19/05/2021.
Financial reporting (Quarterly statements to Council under section 138 (1) of the Local Government Act 1989 comparing budgeted revenue and expenditure with actual revenue and expenditure)	Quarterly statements presented to Council in accordance with section 138(1) of the 1989 Act	✓
	Dates statements presented	Financial reporting to Council is performed monthly until year-end. Dates statements presented to Council: 08/09/2020; 22/09/2020; 24/11/2020; 15/12/2020; 02/02/2021; 16/03/2021; 06/04/2021; 27/04/2021; 08/06/2021 and 29/06/2021.
Risk reporting (Six-monthly reports of strategic risks to Council's operations, their likelihood and consequences of occurring and risk minimisation strategies)	Risk reports prepared and presented	✓
	Dates reporting presented	To Audit Committee every quarter: 14/08/2020; 11/12/2020; 19/02/2021 and 28/05/2021
Performance reporting (Six-monthly reports of indicators measuring the results against financial and non-financial performance, including performance indicators referred to in section 131 of the 1989 Act)	Performance reports prepared and presented	✓
	Dates reporting presented	Reported to Council quarterly on 11/08/2020; 24/11/2020; 23/02/2021 and 19/05/2021. <i>LGPRF</i> (Mid Year) Indicators to Council on 06/04/2021
Annual Report (Annual Report under sections 131, 132 and 133 of the Local Government Act 1989 to the community containing a report of operations and audited financial performance statements)	Considered at a Council Meeting in accordance with section 134 of the 1989 Act	✓
	Date of consideration	13/10/2020

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Governance and management items	Assessment	Outcome
Councillor Code of Conduct (Code setting out the standards of conduct to be followed by Councillors and other matters.)	Code of conduct reviewed and adopted in accordance with section 139 of the Local Government Act 2020	~
	Date adopted	23/02/2021
Delegations (Documents setting out the powers, duties and functions of Council and the Chief Executive Officer that have been delegated to members of staff)	Delegations reviewed in accordance with section II(7) of the Act and a register kept in accordance with sections II(8) and 47(7) of the Local Government Act 2020	~
	Dates reviewed	01/09/2020; 24/11/2020 and 08/06/2021
Meeting procedures (Governance Rules governing the conduct of meetings of Council and delegated committees)	Governance Rules adopted inaccordance with section 60 of the Local Government Act 2020	~
	Date adopted	11/08/2020

I certify that this information presents fairly the status of Council's governance and management arrangements.

Rebecca McKenzie
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dated: 26August 2021

Councillor Margaret Esakoff

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MAYOR

Dated: 26 August 2021