



Audit and Risk Committee Minutes – 11 November 2024



Please be advised that an **Audit and Risk Committee** was held at **5.30 PM** on **Monday 11 November 2024** in the **Djeran Meeting Room**, Administration Centre at 99 Shepperton Road, Victoria Park.

Mayor Karen Vernon – Presiding Member 15 November 2024

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1 Declaration of opening

Mayor Karen Vernon opened the meeting at 5:32pm.

Acknowledgement of Country

Mayor Karen Vernon read the Acknowledgement of Country

Ngany djerapiny Wadjak – Noongar boodja-k yaakiny, nidja bilya bardook.

I am honoured to be standing on Whadjuk - Nyungar country on the banks of the Swan River.

Ngany kaaditj Noongar moort keny kaadak nidja Wadjak Noongar boodja. Ngany kaaditj nidja Noongar birdiya – koora, ye-ye, boorda, baalapiny moorditj Noongar kaadijtin, moort, wer boodja ye-ye.

I acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and respect past, present and emerging leaders, their continuing cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land, which continues to be important today.

Ngany youngka baalapiny Noongar birdiya wer moort nidja boodja.

I thank them for the contribution made to life in the Town of Victoria Park and to this region.

2 Attendance

Presiding Member Mayor Karen Vernon (Online)

Banksia Ward Cr Claire Anderson

Jarrah Ward Cr Jesse Hamer

Independent Committee Members Ms Tracy Destree (Online)

Mr Jonathan Seth

Acting Chief Executive Officer Ms Natalie Martin Goode

Chief Financial Officer Mr Duncan Olde

Acting Manager Governance and Strategy Ms Rhonda Bowman

Observer

Corporate Performance Advisor Mr Adrian Borthwick

Meeting Secretary Ms Winnie Tansanguanwong

2.1 Apologies

Nil.

2.2 Approved leave of absence

Nil.

2.3 Statutory leave

Jarrah Ward Cr Daniel Minson

Town of Victoria Park Meeting Procedures Local Law 2019

All meetings of the Council, committees and the electors are to be conducted in accordance with the Act, the Regulations and the *Town of Victoria Park Meeting Procedures Local Law 2019*

In accordance with regulation 14C and 14CA of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, Mayor Karen Vernon authorised herself and Ms Tracy Destree, Independent Committee Member of Audit and Risk Committee to attend the meeting via electronic means.

Mayor Karen Vernon has declared that she is able to maintain confidentiality during the meeting in accordance with regulation 14CA(5) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996.

Ms Tracy Destree has declared that she is able to maintain confidentiality during the meeting in accordance with regulation 14CA(5) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996.

3 Declarations of interest

Nil.

4 Confirmation of minutes

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Mayor Karen Vernon Seconded: Ms Tracy Destree

That the Audit and Risk Committee confirms the minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 22 July 2024.

Carried (5 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Cr Claire Anderson, Ms Tracy Destree, Cr Jesse Hamer and Mr Jonathan Seth

Against: Nil

5 Presentations

Nil.

6 Method of dealing with agenda business

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Mayor Karen Vernon

Seconded: Cr Claire Anderson

That Audit and Risk Committee in accordance with clause 58 of the *Meeting Procedures Local Law 2019* suspends clause 50 - Speaking twice of the *Meeting Procedures Local Law 2019* for the duration of the meeting.

Carried (5 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Cr Claire Anderson, Ms Tracy Destree, Cr Jesse Hamer and Mr Jonathan Seth

Against: Nil

7 Reports

7.1 Risk Management Framework Review

Location	Town-wide		
Reporting officer	A/Manager Governance and Strategy		
Responsible officer	Chief Executive Officer		
Voting requirement	Simple majority		
Attachments	 Draft Revised To VP Risk Management Framework - Marked Up Changes [7.1.1 - 19 pages] Draft Revised To VP Risk Management Framework - Changes Accepted [7.1.2 - 17 pages] 		

Summary

The Town's Risk Management Framework was last reviewed by the Audit and Risk Committee on 19 June 2023 and adopted by Council on 18 July 2023. Since that time, the Town has reviewed the operational and strategic risk registers. As an outcome of these reviews, it is recommended the Risk Management Framework be amended.

Recommendation

The Audit and Risk Committee recommends to Council to adopt the revisions to the Risk Management Framework as contained in Attachment 1.

Background

- 1. The Town has an embedded risk management approach in accordance with the Australian Standard AS/NZS 31000 Risk Management. As part of this approach, the Town had adopted the following:
 - (a) A Risk Management Policy (Policy 004) which sets out the general scope, expectations, roles and responsibilities for risk management, with reference to the Risk Management Framework.
 - (b) A Risk Management Framework which outlines the Town's approach to the management of risk by setting out key governing elements:
 - (i) Principles, framework and process and systems
 - (ii) Structure
 - (iii) Risk appetite statement for the Town
 - (iv) Risk assessment and acceptance criteria adopted by Council.
 - (c) A Risk Management Practice (004.1) which provides information to C-Suite, managers, senior staff and other employees on how risk management philosophies and practices are operationalised throughout the organisation.

- 2. In July 2023, the Risk Management Framework was reviewed with minor edits made.
- 3. In 2024, the operational and strategic risk registers were reviewed and amended.
- 4. Following these reviews, it has been identified that the Risk Management Framework also requires amending.
- 5. An amended version of the Risk Management Framework was presented to the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting held on 22 July 2024 however it was identified that further amendments needed to be made. It was recommended by the Committee that approval of the amended framework be deferred to a committee workshop. That workshop was held on Monday 14 October 2024.

Discussion

- 6. **Attachment 1** provides the draft revised Risk Management Framework showing the changes in mark up.
- 7. The Risk Management Framework has been updated to include the following:
 - (a) Reference to the Towns Strategic Community Plan
 - (b) Definitions of risk management and risk
 - (c) References to the Strategic and Operational Risk Register, and inclusion of project risks
 - (d) Changes to the governance structure for risk management
 - (e) Changes to the risk impact categories and Risk Consequences table.
- 8. Some edits to the names of the Risk Impact categories have been made to more accurately reflect the risk. Some of the corresponding descriptions have been changed also.
- 9. The Risk Impact Category of Infrastructure/ICT Systems/Utilities has been removed and replaced with two separate categories titled 'Assets' and 'Data, Information Technology and Cyber'. It is considered that splitting the category in this way better reflects the risks that are to be managed. Descriptions have also been added for these two categories.
- 10. The Risk Appetite and Opportunities table has been amended to reflect the changes to the Risk Impact Categories.
- 11. The Risk Consequences table has been amended to reflect the new naming conventions, and new ratings have been added for the new categories of Information Security and Assets. In addition, the Risk Consequences for the Financial category have been updated.
- 12. **Attachment 2** provides a clean version of the draft revised Risk Management Framework for ease of reading.
- 13. Should the amendments to the Risk Management Framework be approved, the risk section for Council reports will be amended accordingly.

Relevant documents

Nil

Legal and policy compliance

Policy 004 Risk Management

Financial implications

Current budget impact	There are no budget implications associated with this report.
Future budget impact	Not applicable

Risk management consideration

Risk impact category	Risk event description	Risk rating	Risk appetite	Risk Mitigation
Financial			Low	
Environmental			Medium	
Health and safety			Low	
Infrastructure/ ICT systems/ utilities	Not properly identifying and classifying the risks can cause incorrect assessments and treatment options to be implemented.		Medium	Treat the risk by correctly labelling the risks.
Legislative compliance			Low	
Reputation			Low	
Service delivery	A Risk Management Framework is lacking in important information.		Medium	Treat the risk by amending the Risk Management Framework

Engagement

Internal engagement		
Stakeholder	Comments	
Risk Management Working Group	The Town's internal Risk management Working Group recommended the Risk Impact Categories and Risk Consequences table be amended.	

Strategic alignment

Civic Leadership			
Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact		
CL1 – Effectively managing resources and performance.	Amending the Risk Management Framework will enable the resources of the Town to be managed more effectively and improve performance.		
CL3 - Accountability and good governance.	Sound risk management approaches and processes that are embedded into the Town's operations and culture, promotes good governance and better accountability outcomes.		

Further consideration

Nil.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Ms Tracy Destree

The Audit and Risk Committee recommends to Council to adopt the revisions to the Risk Management Framework as contained in Attachment 1.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Moved: Ms Tracy Destree

That Attachment 7.1.1, page 9 under Audit and Risk Committee, that the first sentence be amended to read, "The Audit and Risk Committee meets quarterly and receives regular reports on risk management from the **CEO**."

Carried (5 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Cr Claire Anderson, Ms Tracy Destree, Cr Jesse Hamer and Mr Jonathan Seth **Against:** Nil

Reason: The reports received by the Audit and Risk Committee come from the Chief Executive Officer, not from an operational committee.

AMENDED RECOMMENDATION AND COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Ms Tracy Destree

Seconded: Mayor Karen Vernon

Seconded: Mayor Karen Vernon

Seconder: Cr Jesse Hamer

- 1. The Audit and Risk Committee recommends to Council to adopt the revisions to the Risk Management Framework as contained in Attachment 1.
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Carried (5 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Cr Claire Anderson, Ms Tracy Destree, Cr Jesse Hamer and Mr Jonathan Seth **Against:** Nil

7.2 Strategic Risk Register Review

Location	Town-wide	
Reporting officer	A/Manager Governance and Strategy	
Responsible officer	Chief Executive Officer	
Voting requirement	Simple majority	
Attachments	CONFIDENTIAL REDACTED - Strategic Risk Register - Town of Victoria Park - Draft [7.2.1 - 3 pages]	

Summary

To present the reviewed Strategic Risk Register for endorsement.

Recommendation

That the Audit and Risk Committee recommends to Council that the Strategic Risk Register, as contained in Confidential Attachment 1, be endorsed.

Background

- 1. In July 2023, Governance commenced an integrated risk management process for the Town's operational and strategic risks. In July 2023, an internal Risk Management Working Group was formed, and the operational risk register was reviewed to align with contemporary risk management principles and Australian Standards. This review was completed in May 2024.
- 2. Around the same time, the strategic risk register was reviewed internally where it identified that this register also needed to be amended.
- 3. In October 2023, a Strategic Risk Workshop was conducted with Councillors, facilitated by RSM Australia, and areas of improvement identified. A follow up workshop was scheduled to complete the review, however RSM declared a conflict of interest as they were also the Town's external auditor (contracted by the OAG). Therefore, a new company, Quantum Assurance, was contracted to complete the strategic risk register review.
- 4. The first workshop facilitated by Quantum Assurance with Council occurred on 27 March 2024, with a second workshop held on 9 April 2024. Following the last workshop, Quantum Assurance developed a strategic risk register with a few controls and residual risk ratings still being required.
- 5. The Risk Management Working Group met on Tuesday 18 June 2024 and completed the outstanding items on the Strategic Risk Register. C-Suite subsequently endorsed the Strategic Risk Register.
- 6. The strategic risk register was presented to the Audit and Risk Committee on the 22 July 2024 for endorsement. The committee recommended to Council that the item be deferred to a committee workshop.
- 7. A workshop was held on Monday 14 October 2024 with the Audit and Risk Committee and some of the Executive to further work through the Strategic Risk Register. An additional workshop was held with C-

Suite on Monday 4 November 2024 to further refine the register with additional information relating to controls and further mitigation actions.

Discussion

- 8. During C-Suite's review of the draft Strategic Risk Register on 4 November 2024, it was identified that there may be some residual risks that are beyond the current risk appetite. It is recognised that a review of the Risk Appetite Statement will be considered in 2025.
- 9. The changes that have been made to the Strategic Risk Register are marked in red for clarity. In summary, changes have been made to the following sections:
 - a. The first risk description has been amended to reflect more accurately some of the consequences.
 - b. Some additional causes have been added to risks 1, 2, 4 and 8.
 - c. An additional consequence has been added to risk 1.
 - d. Some of the risk ratings have been updated.
 - e. Additional controls have been added and as a result, some of the residual risk ratings have been updated.
 - f. Additional Mitigation Actions have been added in for all the strategic risks.
- 10. The Strategic Risk Register is now presented for endorsement.

Relevant documents

Not applicable

Legal and policy compliance

Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996

Financial implications

Current budget impact	Not applicable
Future budget impact	Not applicable

Risk management consideration

Risk impact category	Risk event description	Risk rating	Risk appetite	Risk Mitigation
Financial			Low	
Environmental			Medium	
Health and safety			Low	

Infrastructure/ ICT systems/ utilities			Medium	
Legislative compliance			Low	
Reputation			Low	
Service delivery	Not reviewing the Town's strategic risks will impact on service delivery	Low	Medium	Treat the risk by endorsing the strategic risk register.

Engagement

Internal engagement		
Stakeholder	Comments	
Council	Council have been involved in the development of the strategic risk register	
External members of the Audit & Risk Committee	The Town's two external members were involved in the development of the strategic risk register.	

Strategic alignment

Civic Leadership		
Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact	
CL3 - Accountability and good	Regularly reviewing the strategic risk register promotes good	
governance.	governance and aids in improving performance and efficiency.	

Further consideration

The committee requested Administration provide relevant updated information prior to the next Audit and Risk Committee Meeting in February 2025.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION AND COMMITEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Mr Jonathan Seth

Seconded: Ms Tracy Destree

That the Audit and Risk Committee recommends to Council that the Strategic Risk Register, as contained in Confidential Attachment 1, be endorsed.

Carried (5 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Cr Claire Anderson, Ms Tracy Destree, Cr Jesse Hamer and Mr Jonathan Seth **Against:** Nil

7.3 Quarter 1 Corporate Business Plan Progress Report: 1 July - 30 Sept 2024

Location	Town-wide	
Reporting officer	Corporate Performance Advisor	
Responsible officer	Chief Executive Officer	
Voting requirement	Simple majority	
Attachments	 CBP Attachment 1 - Outline - Q 1 24 25 [7.3.1 - 6 pages] CBP Report Q 1 24 25 [7.3.2 - 20 pages] 	

Summary

The Audit and Risk Committee recommends that Council accepts the quarterly progress reports for the period 1 July 2024 – 30 September 2024.

Recommendation

That the Audit and Risk Committee recommends that Council accepts the quarterly progress report on the Corporate Business Plan Actions for 1 July 2024 – 30 September 2024.

Background

1. At the Ordinary Council Meeting on 16 July 2019, Council resolved:

"That Council requests that the Chief Executive Officer:

- 1. Develops an Annual Strategic Project Summary for 2019/2020, containing a summary of the projects that are aligned to strategic outcomes in the Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027.
- 2. Presents the 2019/2020 Annual Strategic Project Summary for adoption at the September Ordinary Council Meeting.
- 3. Presents to Council, commencing from the October Ordinary Council Meeting, quarterly written progress reports on the actions, projects and outcomes within the Town's following plans and strategies:
 - a) Corporate Business Plan 18 of 37
 - b) 2019/2020 Annual Strategic Project Summary
 - c) 5 Year Capital Works Program
 - d) Economic Development Strategy 2018 2023
 - e) Urban Forest Strategy
 - f) Reconciliation Action Plan
 - a) Disability Access and Inclusion Plan
 - h) Community Benefits Strategy."
- 2. At the Ordinary Council Meeting on 20 July 2021, Council resolved: "That Council:

....

- c) Instructs the Chief Executive Officer to include the Climate Emergency Plan in the Quarterly progress reports to council, commencing in the next quarter for 2021."
- 3. At the Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 September 2024, Council resolved: (Resolution 207/2024) *"That Council:*
 - 1. will receive one consolidated quarterly progress report on the actions, projects and outcomes of the Towns plans and strategies.
 - 2. no longer require separate reports on the annual strategic project summary or 5-year capital works program."

Discussion

- 4. Progress reports enable Council to oversee the Town's performance and allocation of the Town's finances and resources. They also help to inform the community about the Town's progress in relation to plans and strategies.
- 5. **Attachment 1** provides an update on the progress the Town has made towards achieving each of the goals within the Corporate Business Plan within the first quarter of the 24/25 financial year. This is shown as a percentage, with colour coding indicating if progress towards a goal is on track, behind schedule, not yet started or complete. The greyed out goals indicate the community priorities that the Corporate Business Plan actions fall under.
- 6. **Attachment 2** provides written updates on the progress towards achieving each of the goals within the Corporate Business Plan.

Relevant documents

Not applicable.

Legal and policy compliance

Section 2.7 of the Local Government Act 1995

Integrated planning and reporting | DLGSC

Financial implications

Current budget impact	Sufficient funds exist within the annual budget to address this recommendation.
Future budget impact	Not applicable.

Risk management consideration

Risk impact category	Risk event description	Risk rating	Risk appetite	Risk Mitigation
Financial	Not Applicable.		Low	

Environmental	Not Applicable.	Medium
Health and safety	Not Applicable.	Low
Infrastructure/ ICT systems/ utilities	Not Applicable.	Medium
Legislative compliance	Not Applicable.	Low
Reputation	Negative public perception towards the Town in relation to transparency.	Low TREAT risk by ensuring accuracy of reporting and additional highlighting of any items of note within the report.
Service delivery	Not Applicable.	Medium

Engagement

Internal engagement		
Stakeholder	Comments	
Governance and Strategy	Governance and Strategy coordinates the progress reports for Corporate Business Plan actions with input from all relevant service areas across the organisation.	

Strategic alignment

Civic Leadership	
Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
CL1 – Effectively managing resources	Council is provided with the information in an effective yet time
and performance.	efficient manner.
CL3 - Accountability and good	Progress towards goals of relevant Town plans and strategies is
governance.	provided in a clear and transparent manner with additional
	commentary provided where required.

Further consideration

Nil.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Cr Jesse Hamer Seconded: Mayor Karen Vernon

That the Audit and Risk Committee recommends that Council accepts the quarterly progress report on the Corporate Business Plan Actions for 1 July 2024 – 30 September 2024.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Moved: Mayor Karen Vernon Seconder: Ms Tracy Destree

That the officer recommendation be amended to read,

"That the Audit and Risk Committee recommends that Council **notes** the quarterly progress report on the Corporate Business Plan Actions for 1 July 2024 – 30 September 2024"

Carried (5 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Cr Claire Anderson, Ms Tracy Destree, Cr Jesse Hamer and Mr Jonathan Seth **Against:** Nil

Reason: To properly reflect the work of the committee and the role the Council plays in receiving the quarterly progress report.

AMENDED RECOMMENDATION AND COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Cr Jesse Hamer Seconded: Mayor Karen Vernon

That the Audit and Risk Committee recommends that Council **notes** the quarterly progress report on the Corporate Business Plan Actions for 1 July 2024 – 30 September 2024.

Carried (5 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Cr Claire Anderson, Ms Tracy Destree, Cr Jesse Hamer and Mr Jonathan Seth **Against:** Nil

7.4 Quarter 1 Audit Update Report July - September 2024

Location	Town-wide		
Reporting officer	Corporate Performance Advisor		
Responsible officer	Chief Executive Officer		
Voting requirement	Simple majority		
Attachments	 CONFIDENTIAL REDACTED - AUDIT Attachment 1 - Open Actions Q 1 24 25 [7.4.1 - 7 pages] CONFIDENTIAL REDACTED - AUDIT Attachment 2 - Dashboard - Q 1 24 25 [7.4.2 - 1 page] 		

Summary

The Audit and Risk Committee recommends that Council receives the Audit Update Report for September 2024 as contained in Attachment 1.

Recommendation

That the Audit and Risk Committee recommends that Council receives the Audit Update Report for September 2024 as contained in Attachment 1.

Background

- 1. The 2021-2022 Internal Audit Program was adopted by Council on 16 August 2022.
- 2. The 2023-2026 Internal Audit Program was adopted by Council on 19 June 2023 and the audits for 23/24 have been completed.
- 3. The Regulation 5 Audit was completed in May 2024

Discussion

- 4. All the audits for 23/24 as per the 3 year-audit plan have been completed.
- 5. The Regulation 5 Audit was completed, and the audit recommendations were updated in Cascade.
- 6. All current audit actions are still being monitored in Cascade on a quarterly basis.
- 7. The 24/25 internal audit program will commence in November 2024.
- 8. **Attachment 1** is the Q1 2024/25 report for 1 July 30 September. This report includes details on Open (not complete) audit actions only.
- 9. **Attachment 2** is the Audit Function statistics dashboard for 1 July 30 September 2024. This dashboard has been updated to accurately reflect the status of audit actions in an easy-to-read format, appropriate to the information provided. The information presented is the same as has previously been provided, just in a different way.

- 10. Of note is the progress that has been made towards completion of the four Audit Actions identified as some of the Interim KPI's for the Acting CEO's. Two of these actions have now been completed and two have significantly progressed within the first quarter of 24/25.
- 11. As of 30 June 2024, there were 29 outstanding audit action items at 41% completion. At the end of the first quarter of 24/25, there are 18 outstanding audit action items that are 60% complete.

Relevant documents

Not applicable

Legal and policy compliance

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AUDIT) REGULATIONS 1996 (austlii.edu.au)

Financial implications

Current budget impact	Sufficient funds exist within the annual budget to address this recommendation.
Future budget impact	Not applicable

Risk management consideration

Risk impact category	Risk event description	Risk rating	Risk appetite	Risk Mitigation
Financial	Not adopting an internal audit program means we can't test our financial controls and mitigate financial loss through administrative errors, fraud, and corruption.	High	Low	TREAT risk by Adopting an internal program with a focus area on high-risk financial processes and activities.
Environmental	Not applicable		Medium	
Health and safety	Not applicable		Low	
Infrastructure/ ICT systems/ utilities	Not applicable		Medium	
Legislative compliance	Not adopting an internal audit program means we cannot test our legislative compliance and mitigate financial loss through administrative errors, fraud, and corruption.	High	Low	TREAT risk by ensuring commitment to management actions to address findings.

Reputation	A poorly designed Internal Audit Program will make the Town vulnerable to non- compliance, fraud and corruption risks which adversely impact on the Town's reputation.	Moderate	Low	TREAT risk by ensuring commitment to management actions to address findings.
Service delivery	Not applicable		Medium	Not applicable

Engagement

Internal engagement		
Stakeholder	Comments	
Business unit managers	Providing responses and supporting documentation to the internal auditors. Providing quarterly updates and % completion for audit actions.	
C-Suite	Noting the final internal audit outcomes.	

Strategic alignment

Civic Leadership	
Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
CL1 – Effectively managing resources	Internal audits promote integrity and identify areas for
and performance.	improvement
CL3 - Accountability and good	As internal audit is a key pillar of organizational governance, a
governance.	robust internal audit program, with oversight from the Audit
	Committee, will enable the Town to have a systematic, disciplined
	approach to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of risk
	management, internal controls, and governance processes. The
	business improvements that result from an effective internal audit
	program will add value to the way the Town runs its business.

Further consideration

Nil.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION AND COMMITEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Mayor Karen Vernon Seconded: Cr Claire Anderson

That the Audit and Risk Committee recommends that Council receives the Audit Update Report for September 2024 as contained in Attachment 1.

Carried (5 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Cr Claire Anderson, Ms Tracy Destree, Cr Jesse Hamer and Mr Jonathan Seth **Against:** Nil

Nil.	
9	Meeting closed to the public
Nil.	
9.1	Matters for which the meeting may be closed
Nil.	
9.2	Public reading of resolutions which may be made public
Nil.	
10	Closure
There being no further business, Mayor Karen Vernon closed the meeting at 6:15pm.	
I confirm these minutes to be true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Committee.	
Signed:	
Dated	I this: Day of:

Motion of which previous notice has been given

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