

# agenda

## Finance and Audit Committee



Please be advised that a **Finance and Audit Committee** meeting will be held at **5.30pm** on **Monday 10 September 2018** in the council chambers at the administration building, 99 Shepperton Road, Victoria Park.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A Vuleta".

**ANTHONY VULETA**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**6 September 2018**

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## 1. OPENING

## 2. ATTENDANCE

### Members:

#### Banksia Ward:

Cr C (Claire) Anderson  
Cr K (Karen) Vernon

#### Jarraah Ward:

Cr B (Brian) Oliver (Presiding Member)  
Cr J (Jennifer) Ammons Noble

#### Independent members:

Mr N (Neil) Formosa  
Mr J (Jonathon) Carley

#### Chief Financial Officer

Mr N (Nathan) Cain

#### A/Chief Operations Officer

Mr G (Gregor) Wilson

#### Manager Stakeholder Relations

Ms C (Carrie) Parsons

#### Strategic Projects Manager

Mr J (Jack) Bidwell

#### Senior Governance Advisor

Ms D (Danielle) Uniza

#### Secretary

Ms A (Amy) Noon

### 2.1 Apologies

Mr B (Ben) Killigrew

### 2.2 Approved leave of absence

## 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of interest are to be made in writing prior to the commencement of the Meeting, (a form to assist Elected Members and Staff is attached at the end of this Agenda).

### Declaration of Financial Interests

A declaration under this section requires that the nature of the interest must be disclosed. Consequently a member who has made a declaration must not preside, participate in, or be present during any discussion or decision-making procedure relating to the matter the subject of the declaration. An employee is required to disclose their financial interest and if required to do so by the Council must disclose the extent of the interest. Employees are required to disclose their financial interests where they are required to present verbal or written reports to the Council. Employees are able to continue to provide advice to the Council in the decision making process if they have disclosed their interest.

Name/Position	
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Nature of Interest	
Extent of Interest	

### Declaration of Proximity Interest

Elected members (in accordance with Regulation 11 of the *Local Government [Rules of Conduct] Regulations 2007*) and employees (in accordance with the Code of Conduct) are to declare an interest in a matter if the matter concerns: a) a proposed change to a planning scheme affecting land that adjoins the person's land; b) a proposed change to the zoning or use of land that adjoins the person's land; or c) a proposed development (as defined in section 5.63(5)) of land that adjoins the persons' land.

Land, the proposed land adjoins a person's land if: a) the proposal land, not being a thoroughfare, has a common boundary with the person's land; b) the proposal land, or any part of it, is directly across a thoroughfare from, the person's land; or c) the proposal land is that part of a thoroughfare that has a common boundary with the person's land. A person's land is a reference to any land owned by the person or in which the person has any estate or interest.

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### Declaration of Interest affecting impartiality

Elected Members (in accordance with Regulation 11 of the *Local Government [Rules of Conduct] Regulations 2007*) and employees (in accordance with the Code of Conduct) are required to declare any interest that may affect their impartiality in considering a matter. This declaration does not restrict any right to participate in or be present during the decision-making process. The Elected Member/employee is also encouraged to disclose the nature of the interest.

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## 4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**That the minutes of the Finance and Audit Committee meeting, held on 27 August 2018, be confirmed.**

## 5. TERMS OF REFERENCE

### 1. Name

Finance and Audit Committee

### 2. Purpose

The Town's Strategic Community Plan notes four components of the mission statement, namely –

- Social – To promote sustainable connected, safe and diverse places for everyone.
- Economic – To promote sustainable diverse, resilient and prosperous places for everyone.
- Environment – To promote sustainable liveable, healthy and green places for everyone.
- Civic leadership – To show leadership by communicating with, empowering and supporting people in the community.

The primary purpose of this committee shall be the civic leadership component of the Town's mission statement, which is to show leadership by communicating with, empowering and supporting people in the community.

### 3. Scope

The committee will primarily focus on the following key civic leadership strategic outcomes–

- Well thought out and managed projects that are delivered successfully.
- Appropriate information management that is easily accessible, accurate and reliable.
- Innovative, empowered and responsible organisational culture with the right people in the right jobs.
- Finances are managed appropriately, sustainably and transparently for the benefit of the community.
- Visionary civic leadership with sound and accountable governance that reflects objective decision making.
- Legislative responsibilities are resourced and managed appropriately, diligently and equitably.

Wherever possible, the committee will seek opportunities to address the following additional strategic outcomes –

- Everyone receives appropriate information in the most efficient and effective way for them.
- Appropriate devolution of decision making and service provision to an empowered community.
- People have positive exchanges with the Town that inspires confidence in the information and the timely service provided.
- A community that is authentically engaged and informed in a timely manner.

#### **4. Deliverables**

The committee will –

- Provide strategic leadership in the development and regular review of policies and strategies that are inclusive, empowering and build capacity of the Town of Victoria Park community.
- Provide guidance and assistance to Council as to the carrying out its functions in relation to audits in compliance with the *Local Government Act 1995*.
- Ensure Council maintains its financial capacity to deliver programs and services.
- Provide advice to Council in relation to matters related to the scope of the committee.

Specifically the committee will ensure delivery of the following –

- Annual review of policies, strategies and plans related to the scope of the committee.
- Annual compliance audit.
- Annual risk management audit.

#### **5. Reporting**

Although any service area of the Town may report through this committee on matters associated with the primary purpose and scope, the following service areas of council are likely to predominantly feature –

- Customer Relations
- Financial Services
- Human Resources
- Information Systems
- Leadership and Governance
- Project Management

#### **6. Governance**

The committee is a Council-created committee formed under Subdivision 2 (Committees and their meetings) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and is governed by the provisions of the *Town of Victoria Park Standing Orders Local Law 2011* and the *Local Government Act 1995* and its regulations.

The committee will comprise a maximum of four (4) Elected Members (being two (2) Elected Member representatives from each of the Town's two (2) wards with five (5) Elected Members being appointed in a hierarchical order as alternate deputy members) and up to two (2) other persons (that may be co-opted from time-to-time for such period, or in relation to such matters, as determined, where that person's experience, skills or qualifications would enable him or her to make a contribution to the committee's functions).

In accordance with section 5.19 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the quorum for a meeting of the committee is at least 50% of the number of offices (whether vacant or not) of members of the committee.

#### **7. Meeting arrangements**

The committee shall convene in accordance with the annual adopted meeting schedule.

#### **8. Authority**

The committee has no delegated power. The committee may only make recommendations to Council for a decision.

**9. Review**

The committee and committee terms of reference will be reviewed from time-to-time and immediately following each local government election.

**6. PRESENTATIONS**

<b>6.1 Deputations</b>
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Nil.

**7. METHOD OF DEALING WITH AGENDA BUSINESS**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That clause 6.10 *Speaking Twice of the Town of Victoria Park Standing Orders Local Law 2011* be suspended for the duration of this meeting.**

**NOTE:** The above recommendation if adopted will enable members to speak more than once and assist in open discussion for the entire meeting.

**NOTE:** Mover and seconder required and the matter put to the vote.

## 8. REPORTS

### 8.1 Schedule of accounts for 31 August 2018

<b>File Reference:</b>	FIN/11/0001~09
<b>Appendices:</b>	Payment summary – August 2018
<b>Attachments:</b>	No

<b>Date:</b>	4 September 2018
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	A. Thampoe
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	N. Cain
<b>Voting Requirement:</b>	Simple majority

**Executive Summary:**

**Recommendation - That the Finance and Audit Committee recommends that Council, acknowledges the Schedule of Accounts paid for the month ended 31 August 2018.**

- The accounts paid for 31 August 2018 as included in the appendices.
- Direct lodgement of payroll payments to the personal bank accounts of employees are also included.

**TABLED ITEMS:**

Nil

**BACKGROUND:**

Council has delegated to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to make payments from the Municipal and Trust funds in accordance with the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.

Under Regulation 13(1) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, where a local government has delegated to the Chief Executive Officer the exercise of its power to make payments from the Municipal fund or the Trust fund, each payment from the Municipal fund or the Trust fund is to be noted on a list compiled for each month showing:

- a) The payee's name;
- b) The amount of the payment;
- c) The date of the payment; and
- d) Sufficient information to identify the transaction.

That list should then be presented at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council following the preparation of the list, and recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is presented.

**DETAILS:**

The list of accounts paid in accordance with *Regulation 13(1) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* is contained within the Appendices, and is summarised as thus -



<b>Fund</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<b>Amounts</b>
<b>Municipal Account</b>		
Automatic Cheques Drawn	608415 – 608423	42,270
Creditors – EFT Payments		2,463,001
Payroll		1,126,750
Bank Fees		8,304
Corporate MasterCard		5,930
		<b>3,646,255</b>
<b>Trust Account</b>		
Automatic Cheques Drawn	3595 – 3601	6,000
		<b>6,000</b>

**Legal Compliance:**

Section 6.10 (d) of the Local Government Act 1995 refers, ie.-

6.10. Financial management regulations

Regulations may provide for —

- (d) the general management of, and the authorisation of payments out of —
- (i) the municipal fund; and
  - (ii) the trust fund,
- of a local government.

Regulation 13(1), (3) & (4) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 refers, ie.-

13. Lists of Accounts

- (1) If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing for each account paid since the last such list was prepared —
- (a) the payee's name;
  - (b) the amount of the payment;
  - (c) the date of the payment; and
  - (d) sufficient information to identify the transaction.
- (3) A list prepared under subregulation (1) is to be —
- (a) presented to the council at the next ordinary meeting of the council after the list is prepared; and
  - (b) recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

**Policy Implications:**

Nil

**Risk Management Considerations:**

Three risks have been identified as outlined.

<b>Risk &amp; Consequence</b>	<b>Consequence + Rating</b>	<b>Likelihood = Rating</b>	<b>Overall Risk Analysis</b>	<b>Mitigation/Actions</b>
<b>Compliance:</b> Council not accepting Schedule of Accounts	Moderate	Unlikely	Moderate	Provide reasoning and detailed explanations to Council to enable informed decision making.
<b>Financial Impact:</b> Misstatement or significant error in Schedule of Accounts	Major	Unlikely	Moderate	Daily and monthly reconciliations. Internal and external audits.
<b>Financial Impact:</b> Fraud and illegal acts	Catastrophic	Rare	Moderate	Stringent internal controls. Internal audits. Segregation of duties

**Strategic Plan Implications:**

CL6 – Finances are managed appropriately, sustainably and transparently for the benefit of the community.

CL 10 – Legislative responsibilities are resourced and managed appropriately, diligently and equitably.

**Financial Implications:**

Internal Budget:

Nil

Total Asset Management:

Nil

**Sustainability Assessment:**

External Economic Implications:

Nil

Social Issues:

Nil

Cultural Issues:

Nil

Environmental Issues:

Nil

**COMMENT:**

All accounts paid have been duly incurred and authorised for payment as per approved purchasing and payment procedures and it is therefore recommended that the Committee recommend to the Council to accept and confirm the payments, as included in the appendices.

In anticipation that the Committee will ask questions about the schedule of accounts, please note that these questions and answers will be included in the appropriate Elected Members Briefing Session agenda and Ordinary Council Meeting agenda.

**RECOMMENDATION/S:**

**That the Finance and Audit Committee recommends to Council that pursuant to Regulation 13 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 (as amended)*, Council confirm:**

- 1. The accounts paid for 31 August 2018 as included in the appendices; and**
- 2. Direct lodgement of payroll payments to the personal bank accounts of employees.**

**9. MOTION FOR WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**

*(required 3 ½ business days prior to the meeting, in writing to the CEO.)*

**10. MEETING CLOSED TO PUBLIC**

**10.1 Matters for which the meeting may be closed**

Nil.

**10.2 Public reading of resolutions that may be made public**

Nil.

**11. CLOSURE OF COMMITTEE MEETING**



**DECLARATION OF  
FINANCIAL INTEREST / PROXIMITY INTEREST / INTEREST THAT MAY AFFECT  
IMPARTIALITY**

**TO: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
TOWN OF VICTORIA PARK**

<b>Name &amp; Position</b>	
<b>Meeting Date</b>	
<b>Item No/Subject</b>	
<b>Nature of Interest</b>	Financial Interest* <span style="float: right;"><i>(*Delete where</i></span> Proximity Interest* <span style="float: right;"><i>not applicable)</i></span> Interest that may affect impartiality*
<b>Extent of Interest</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	
<b>Date</b>	

Section 5.65(1) of the Local Government Act 1995 states that:

“A member who has an interest in any matter to be discussed at a Council or Committee meeting that will be attended by that member must disclose the nature of the interest:

- (a) in a written notice given to the CEO before the meeting; or
- (b) at the meeting immediately before the matter is discussed”.

ALTERNATE MOTION / AMENDMENT SUBMISSION



To: HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR:

Please be advised that I wish to move an ALTERNATE MOTION / AMENDMENT

**Name of Elected Member:**

**Signature:**

**Date of Submission:**

**Council Meeting Date:**

**Item Number:**

**Item Title:**

**Alternate Motion / Amendment:** *(strike out which is not applicable)*

**Note: Motions to Stand Alone**

All decisions of the council must be in the form of motions that are clear in their intent and enable a person to understand what has been decided without reference to another motion or information contained in the body of a report.

**Reason:**

**Note: Explanation for changes to Recommendations**

Administration Regulation 11 requires the minutes to include written reasons for each decision that is significantly different from the written recommendation. Members must therefore provide a written reason in the space provided above.