

MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL  
SUPPORT CENTRE  
ON FRIDAY 12 JUNE 2026 AT 10:00 AM

## **1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS**

### **1.1 Members**

- Independent Member Ian SWAN (Chairperson) via audio/video conference;
- Independent Member Carolyn EAGLE;
- Independent Member Claudia GOLDSMITH; and
- Councillor Preston LEE.

### **Staff Members**

- David HURST, Chief Executive Officer;
- Cindy HADDOW, General Manager Corporate Services and Sustainability;
- Tony HOPP, General Manager Community Services and Engagement
- Luke HADDOW, Acting General Manager Infrastructure Services and Planning;
- Cristian COMAN, Manager Corporate Compliance;
- Chathurangi DIAS, Acting Finance Manager; and
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Engagement Coordinator.

### **Guests**

- Greg EVANS, Financial Consultant.

## **2 MEETING OPENED**

The Audit and Risk Committee Meeting opened at 10:21 am. The Chairperson welcomed members, staff and guests and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

## **3 WELCOME TO COUNTRY**

## **4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

### **4.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence**

2026/15 **RESOLVED (Councillor Preston Lee/Carolyn Eagle)**

**CARRIED**

That the Audit and Risk Committee accepts the tendered apology from Councillor Samuel EVANS.

## **5 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at this Audit and Risk Committee Meeting.

## **6 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Nil.

## **7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **7.1 Confirmation of Audit and Risk Committee Previous Minutes**

2026/16 **RESOLVED (Claudia Goldsmith/Councillor Preston Lee)**

**CARRIED**

That the Audit and Risk Committee confirms the minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 18 February 2026, and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of those

meetings, decisions and proceedings.

## **8 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **8.1 Action List**

**2026/17 RESOLVED (Carolyn Eagle/Councillor Preston Lee)**

**CARRIED**

That the Audit and Risk Committee receives and notes the Action List.

## **9 CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil.

## **10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

## **11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

## **12 EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

### **12.1 Audit and Risk Committee Member Attendance Report**

**2026/18 RESOLVED (Claudia Goldsmith/Carolyn Eagle)**

**CARRIED**

That the Audit and Risk Committee receives and notes the Audit and Risk Committee Member Attendance Report.

## **13 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT**

### **13.1 May 2026 Financial Report**

**2026/19 RESOLVED (Claudia Goldsmith/Councillor Preston Lee)**

**CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Council's Financial Report as at 22 May 2026.

## **14 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT**

Nil.

## **15 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT**

Nil.

## **16 GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil.

## **17 CLOSED SESSION**

### **DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

**2026/20 RESOLVED (Councillor Preston Lee/Claudia Goldsmith)**

**CARRIED**

That pursuant to *section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda :-

### **17.1 Confirmation of Previous Minutes Confidential Session**

**Regulation 51(1)(c)(iii)** - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(iii). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.

### **17.2 Action List**

**Regulation 51(1)(c)(iii)** - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(iii). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.

**Regulation 51(1)(d)** - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(d). It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

### **17.3 Financial Consultant Update**

**Regulation 51(1)(c)(iii)** - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(iii). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.

**Regulation 51(1)(e)** - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(e). It contains 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.

### **17.4 Interim Audit Report**

**Regulation 51(1)(c)(iii)** - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(iii). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.

**Regulation 51(1)(e)** - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(e). It contains 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.

### **17.5 Asset and Landfill Valuation**

**Regulation 51(1)(c)(i)** - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(i). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

**Regulation 51(1)(d)** - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(d). It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

### **17.6 Audit Committee Work-Plan**

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### **17.7 Corporate Risk Register**

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### **17.8 Terms of Reference**

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#### **20.1.1 Return to Open Meeting**

2026/29 **RESOLVED (Claudia Goldsmith /Councillor Preston LEE) CARRIED**  
That pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(a) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* the meeting be re-opened to the public.

### **18 CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 12:37 pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 19 August 2026 and will be confirmed at the next meeting.

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Chairperson  
Confirmed on 19 August 2026