



MINUTES

RISK MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY 18TH AUGUST 2025

10:00 AM

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1. NOTICE OF MEETING

I hereby give notice that a Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting was held on:

Date: 18th August 2025
Time: 10:00am
Location: Council Chambers
22 Cameron Road, Batchelor NT 0845

Any member of the Committee who may have a conflict of interest, or perceived conflict of interest regarding any item of business to be discussed at a Risk Management and Audit Committee meeting should declare that conflict of interest to enable Council to manage the conflict and resolve it in accordance with its obligations under the *Local Government Act 2019*.

The Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting was open to the public and adhered to COVID Safety Plan requirements, including optional wearing of a mask, appropriate physical distancing, health and hygiene requirements.

The meeting was recorded for minuting purposes only.

A copy of the agenda can be found on Council's website, alternatively a copy can be obtained from the Council Office.



Chief Executive Officer

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HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BATCHELOR

ON MONDAY 18TH AUGUST AT 10:00AM

The Chairperson, Mr Ian Swan, declared the meeting open at 10:00am and welcomed all in attendance.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land commonly referred to as Coomalie. I pay my respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

3. PERSONS PRESENT

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson	Ian Swan – Electronic means
Independent Member	Maxie Smith
Official Manager	Mark Blackburn

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Sharon Hillen
Executive Services Coordinator	Stacey Shooter

VISITORS

Noel Clifford, NEXIA – Electronic means

4. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Date: 18th August 2025.
Author: Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer.
Attachments: Nil.

PURPOSE

This report is to table for Committee's records, any apologies and requests for leave of absence received from Members of the Risk Management and Audit Committee for the meeting held 18th August 2025.

Nil

5. ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE.

Date: 18th August 2025.
Author: Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer.
Attachments: Nil.

PURPOSE

This report is to table, for the Committee's record, any requests and permissions for Electronic Attendance.

RESOLUTION RMAC2025/08/18/001

That the Risk Management and Audit Committee acknowledges and accepts the Chair, Mr. Ian Swan's attendance to the meeting of 18th August 2025 via electronic means.

Moved: Member Smith
Seconded: Official Manager

Carried

6. DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF.

Date: 18th August 2025.
Author: Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer.
Attachments: Nil.

PURPOSE

Members are required to disclose an interest in a matter under consideration by the Committee at a meeting of a committee by:

- 1) In the case of a matter featured in an officer's report or written agenda item by disclosing the interest to the Council by disclosure as soon as possible after the matter is raised.
- 2) In the case of a matter raised in general debate or by any means other than the printed agenda of the Committee by disclosure as soon as possible after the matter is raised. Under disclosure, the Member must abide by the decision of Committee on whether he/she shall remain in the meeting and/or take part in the vote on the issue. The committee may elect to allow the Member to provide further and better particulars of the interest prior to requesting him/her to leave the Chambers.

RESOLUTION RMAC2025/08/18/002

That the Risk Management and Audit Committee receives the following declarations of interest as listed for the Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting held 18th August 2025.

8.1 – Business from Previous Meeting: The Chair, Ian Swan.

Moved: Official Manager

Seconded: Member Smith

Carried

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

7.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

Date: 18th August 2025
Author: Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Draft Public Minutes of 10th June 2025

PURPOSE

Public Minutes from the meeting held on 10th June 2025 are to be confirmed.

RESOLUTION RMAC2025/08/18/003

That the Public Minutes of the Risk Management and Audit Committee meeting held on the 10th June 2025 be confirmed by the Risk Management and Audit Committee as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Official Manager

Seconded: Member Smith

Carried

Procedural Note:

The Chair, Ian Swan left the meeting room at 10:04am.

8. BUSINESS ARISING

8.1 BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Date:	18 th August 2025
Author:	Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

PURPOSE

To provide the Risk Management and Audit Committee with a summary of the business arising from the previous meeting and actions taken.

RESOLUTION RMAC2025/08/18/004

That the Risk Management and Audit Committee confirm the business arising from the meeting held on 10th June 2025.

Moved: Official Manager

Seconded: Member Smith

Carried

Procedural Note:

The Chair, Ian Swan returned to the meeting room at 10:05am.

9. OFFICER REPORTS

9.1 INCIDENTS AND CLAIMS

Date: 18th August 2025
Author: Luke Auckland, People and Culture Coordinator.
Attachments: Nil

PURPOSE

To provide the Risk Management and Audit Committee with updates on any incidents or claims in the period May 2025 to July 2025.

RESOLUTION RMAC2025/08/18/05

That the Risk Management and Audit Committee receives and notes the report entitled Incidents and Claims.

Moved: Member Smith

Seconded: Official Manager

Carried

* **CEO to take on notice**, incident lifting bin is a new one or the same one as last meeting.

9.2 FINANCIAL REPORT 30 JUNE 2025.

Date: 18th August 2025
Author: Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer.
Shaun Hardy, Corporate Services Manager.
Attachment: Nil

PURPOSE

To provide the Risk Management and Audit Committee with an update on the Council's financial position as of the 30th June 2025.

RESOLUTION RMAC2025/08/18/006

That the Risk Management and Audit Committee receives and notes the report entitled Financial Report 30 June 2025.

Moved: Official Manager

Seconded: Member Smith

Carried

9.3 DRAFT RISK REGISTER.

Date: 18th August 2025

Author: Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: The Risk Register will be tabled at the meeting.

PURPOSE

To provide the Risk Management and Audit Committee with updates on the development of a Risk Register.

RESOLUTION RMAC2025/08/18/007

That the Risk Management and Audit Committee;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled Draft Risk Register; and
- b) request a progress report be presented to the October 2025 RMAC meeting; and
- c) request a draft report for formal consideration by the Committee at the April 2026 meeting.

Moved: Official Manager

Seconded: Member Smith

Carried

9.4 COMMITTEE WORK SCHEDULE AND WORK PROGRAM UPDATE

Date: 18th August 2025

Author: Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: Nil

To refresh the Committee members of the role of the Risk Management and Audit Committee and the 2025 Works Program and proposed meeting dates, as amended.

RESOLUTION RMAC2025/08/18/008

That the Risk Management and Audit Committee receives and notes the report entitled Committee Work Schedule and Work Program Update.

Moved: Member Smith

Seconded: Official Manager

Carried

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

11. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

RESOLUTION RMAC2025/08/18/009

That Council close the meeting to the general public in accordance with Regulation 51 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*;

Moved: Maxie Smith

Seconded: Official Manager

Carried

Procedural Note:

The meeting was closed to the public at 10:38am.

11.1 CONFIRMATION OF CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1)(e) 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.

11.2 COMMITTEE PERFORMANCE AND TERMS OF REFERENCE REVIEW 2025

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1)(c)(iii) prejudice the security of Council, its members or staff

11.3 INTERIM AUDIT REPORT 2024-2025

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1)(c)(iii) prejudice the security of Council, its members or staff

12. DECISIONS ARISING FROM THE CONFIDENTIAL SECTION OF THE COUNCIL

Nil

13. RE-OPENING OF THE MEETING

RESOLUTION CONFRMAC2025/08/18/013

That the Committee re-opens the meeting to the general public in accordance with Regulation 51 of *the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*.

Moved: Official Manager

Seconded: Member Smith

Carried

Procedural Note:

The meeting was reopened to the public at 11:09am.

14. NEXT MEETING

The next Risk Management and Audit Committee meeting will be held at Batchelor on 13th October 2025.

15. MEETING CLOSED

The meeting was closed at 11:17am.