
10.1 Southern Region Waste Resource Authority Audit Committee

This report seeks Council endorsement of members to the Southern Region Waste Resource Authority Audit Committee.

This is information seeking council direction.

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Attachments: 1. Southern Region Waste Resource Authority letter and audit committee terms of reference (6 pages)

1. Executive summary

1.1 Topic

This report seeks Council approval of individuals selected by the Southern Region Waste Resource Authority to be members of their audit committee.

1.2 Context

Schedule 2 section 30(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* requires a regional subsidiary to establish an audit committee unless exempted by its charter. Schedule 2 section 30(3) of the *Local Government Act 1999* requires the audit committee to comprise persons approved by the constituent councils.

Suggested outcome

It is suggested that Council consider this item in Confidence. Section (ii) 90(3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999 is suggested as the most appropriate to use for this purpose.

That Council endorse the membership of the Southern Region Waste Resource Authority Audit Committee.

2. Recommendation(s)

1. That:

- a. **under the provisions of Section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999 an order be made that the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to consider in confidence this item.**
- b. **the Council is satisfied that it is necessary that the public be excluded to enable the Council to consider report at the meeting on the following grounds:**

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- **Section 90 (3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999 the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead);**
- c. **Accordingly, on this basis the principle that meetings of the Council should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information or discussion confidential.**
2. **That Council endorse the membership of the Southern Region Waste Resource Authority Audit Committee.**
3. **That an order be made under the provisions of Section 91(7) and (9) of the Local Government Act 1999 that the abovementioned document (or part of such document) including the minutes and the report of the Council relating to discussion of the subject matter of that document, having been dealt with on a confidential basis under Section 90 of the Act, should be kept confidential on the grounds of information contained in 90(3)(a) until all parties are notified of the outcome of Council deliberations.**

Key Factors

3. Discussion

On 7 September 2009 the Southern Region Waste Resource Authority (SRWRA) Board approved the establishment of an audit committee and set terms of reference for the committee.

Independent members of the three constituent councils' audit committees were approached to determine their interest in becoming independent members on the SRWRA audit committee. Five expressions of interest were considered and a decision made to appoint the following three members:

- Mr Bill Cossey (member of City of Marion audit committee)
- Ms Vicki Brown (member of City of Holdfast Bay's audit committee)
- Mr Allen Bolaffi (member of City of Onkaparinga audit committee).

The SRWRA board member appointed to the audit committee is the chair Mr Mark Booth.

As presented in attachment one, SRWRA has submitted a written request for Council to approve the four individuals mentioned above to be members of the SRWRA audit committee. The committee's terms of reference have also been attached as a matter of courtesy.

