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RISK MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2026

The Committee Meeting of City of Palmerston held in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston, NT 0830.

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Minutes of Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting held in Council Chambers Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston on 29 September 2026 at 5:00pm.

PRESENT

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	Clare Milikins, Independent Member (Chair) Craig Kirby, Independent Member *(Via Audio/ Audiovisual)* Melia Barrie, Independent Member Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell Councillor Sarah Henderson
STAFF	Chief Executive Officer, Nadine Nilon General Manager Finance and Governance, Chris Fearon General Manager Community, Konrad Seidl General Manager People and Place, Emma Blight Executive Manager Organisational Performance, Penny Hart Asset Management Lead, Zesh Ahmer Minute Secretary, Kaitlyn William
GALLERY	Nil members of the public

Initials:

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

City of Palmerston acknowledges the Larrakia people as the Traditional Custodians of the Palmerston region. We pay our respects to the Elders past, present and future leaders and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

2 OPENING OF MEETING

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5:02pm.

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Apologies

Nil

3.2 Leave of absence previously granted

THAT it be noted the following Committee Members have an approved Leave of Absence previously granted for this meeting:

Deputy Mayor Bayliss

4 AUDIO/AUDIOVISUAL CONFERENCING PREVIOUSLY GRANTED

THAT it be noted the following Committee Members have previously been granted attendance via Audio/Audiovisual Conferencing for this meeting:

Craig Kirby

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

5.1 Committee members

Nil

5.2 Staff

Nil

Initials:

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 Confirmation of minutes

Moved: **Mayor Pascoe-Bell**
Seconded: **Councillor Henderson**

THAT the Minutes of the Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting held on 25 August 2026 pages 390 to 396 be confirmed.

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6.2 Business arising from previous meeting

Nil

7 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

8 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

8.1 Moving confidential items into open

Nil

8.2 Moving open items into confidential

Nil

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8.3 Confidential items

Moved: **Mayor Pascoe-Bell**
Seconded: **Melia Barrie**

THAT pursuant to Section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following confidential items:

Item	Confidential Category	Confidential Clause
19.1.1	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.
19.1.2	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.
19.1.3	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

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19.1.4	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.
19.1.5	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(c)(iii) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.
19.1.6	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(c)(i) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.
19.1.7	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

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19.1.8	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.
19.1.9	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.
19.2.1	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.
19.2.2	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(c)(i) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

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9 OFFICER REPORTS

9.1 Action reports

9.1.1 Action Report

Moved: **Craig Kirby**
Seconded: **Melia Barrie**

1. THAT Report entitled Action Report be received and noted.

2. THAT the Risk Management and Audit Committee recommend to Council:
   a. THAT the following actions are marked as complete on the Action Report:
      i. Whistleblower Policy (RMA11/006).
      ii. Policy Review - Risk Management and Audit Committee Terms of Reference (RMA11/060).
   b. THAT Action Report be moved to Confidential from the September 2026 Risk Management and Audit Committee meeting onwards, in accordance with the amended Risk Management and Audit Committee Terms of Reference.

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9.2 Receive and note reports

Nil

10 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 Information

Nil

10.2 Correspondence

Nil

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

Initials:

12 NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Moved: **Councillor Henderson**
Seconded: **Mayor Pascoe-Bell**

THAT the next Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting be held on Thursday, 22 October 2026 at 5:00pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston.

CARRIED (5/0) - RMA11/076 – 29/09/2026

13 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: **Mayor Pascoe-Bell**
Seconded: **Councillor Henderson**

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.

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The open section of the meeting closed at 5:07pm for the discussion of confidential matters.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 6:37pm.

Chair

CLARE MILLIKINS
Print Name

22/10/2026
Date

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