SHIRE OF BRUCE ROCK

AUDIT COMMITTEE AGENDA MEETING 18 MAY 2023

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Audit Committee Meeting held 16 March 2023

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Agenda Reference and Subject:

7.1.1 Financial Management Regulation 17 Audit Report

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Disclosure of Interest

Attachment Item 7.1.1 Attachment A – Regulation 17 Audit Report

Summary

As per the minutes of the May 2020 Audit committee meeting, a Financial Management Regulation 17 audit was undertaken and has been completed within the given timeline. It is to request the council to review and confirm the report as received.

Background

With reference to the agenda item 7.2.1 that was endorsed in the May 2020 Audit committee meeting, a full review of the Shire's internal system and procedures as a part of regulation 17 was required to be completed by 21st May 2023.

Legislative Requirements

- 17. (1) The CEO is to review the appropriateness and effectiveness of a local government's systems and procedures in relation to
 - (a) risk management; and
 - (b) internal control; and
 - (c) legislative compliance.
 - (2) The review may relate to any or all of the matters referred to in sub regulation (1)(a), (b) and (c), but each of those matters is to be the subject of a review not less than once in every 3 financial years.
 - (3) The CEO is to report to the audit committee the results of that Review.

Comment

Our Shire considered the Reg 17 review conducted by Mr Santo Casilli of Australian Audit (Council's new auditors) and management's comments addressing the recommendations.

Consultation

Chief Executive Officer, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Manager of Finance, Manager Governance & Community Services and Council's Auditor, Mr Santos Casilli.

Statutory Implications

Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996 r.16, r17.

Policy Implications

Compliance with the Risk Management Policy

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Shire of Bruce Rock, Strategic Community Plan 2013-23

Civic Leadership 4.1.2 – Manage the organisation in a responsible and accountable manner

4.1.3 – Deliver services that meet the current and future needs and expectations of the community, whilst maintaining statutory compliance

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council receives the Financial Management Regulation 17 Audit Report

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