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## Strategic Risk and Assurance Committee

### *Komiti Whakamauru Tuuraru*

### OPEN MINUTES

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Minutes of a meeting of the Strategic Risk and Assurance Committee held in Council Chamber, Municipal Building, Garden Place, Hamilton on Thursday 28 November 2024 at 8:30 am.

#### PRESENT

**Chairperson** Mr Bruce Robertson  
*Heamana*

**Deputy Chairperson** Ms Carol Bellette  
*Heamana Tuarua*

**Members** Mayor Paula Southgate  
Deputy Mayor Angela O’Leary  
Cr Maxine van Oosten  
Cr Kesh Naidoo-Rauf (via Audio Visual Link)  
Cr Ewan Wilson  
Cr Sarah Thompson (Via Audio Visual Link)

**In Attendance** Cr Tim Macindoe  
Cr Maria Huata  
Cr Louise Hutt

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*At the beginning of the meeting the Unit Director for 3 Waters and the Head of Operations & Process spoke to the recent detection of an increased arsenic level in the water supply. They explained the measures that were taking place to identify the cause, and the co-ordinated communications effort that was taking place to ensure residents are up to date with the latest information and health advisories.*

**1. Apologies – Tono aroha**

**Resolved:** (Mr Robertson/ Cr Wilson)

That the Strategic Risk and Assurance Committee accepts the apologies for absence from Cr Tauariki and Cr Donovan are accepted.

**2. Confirmation of Agenda – Whakatau raarangi take**

**Resolved:** (Mr Robertson/ Cr Wilson)

That the Strategic Risk and Assurance Committee confirms the agenda.

**3. Declarations of Interest – Tauaakii whaipaaanga**

No members of the Council declared a Conflict of Interest.

**4. Public Forum – Aatea koorero**

No members of the public wished to speak.

**5. Final Approval of the 2023/24 Annual Report, 2023/24 Summary Annual Report and Representation Letters (*Recommendation to the Council*)**

The Accounting Manager and Strategic Policy Advisor presented the Annual Report and highlighted minor changes that had occurred since the initial draft was circulated. Members asked questions concerning subsequent events before the balance date.

**Resolved:** (Mr Bruce Robertson/Deputy Mayor Angela O’Leary)

That the Strategic Risk and Assurance Committee:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) recommends that the Council:
  - i. adopts the Annual Report 2023/24 and the Summary Annual Report 2023/24; and
  - ii. approves the letter of representations to Audit New Zealand be signed by the Chief Executive and the Mayor on behalf of Council.

**6. Approval of 'Our Climate Statement 2023/24' - Council's first climate change disclosure report (*Recommendation to the Council*)**

The Climate and Sustainability Manager and Climate Change and Sustainability Advisor presented the Climate Change Disclosure Report. Members asked questions around financial considerations, opportunities for a peer review and the impact of Local Water Done Well on the findings of the report.

**Resolved:** (Cr Ewan Wilson/Mr Bruce Robertson)

That the Strategic Risk and Assurance Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) recommends that the Council approves 'Our Climate Statement 2023/24' – Hamilton City Council’s climate change disclosure report (**Attachment 1**) alongside the 2023/24 Annual Report;
- c) iii. notes that Council’s climate change disclosure report will be completed annually alongside the Annual Report and made publicly available on Council’s website.

**The meeting was declared closed at 9.28am**