

**MINUTES**

**Audit & Risk Committee Meeting**

**Monday, 6 May 2024**

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# Present and Apologies and Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)

**Councillors** Mayor F E M Argyle

Councillor B G Hodsdon Hollywood Ward

Councillor B Brackenridge (attended online) Melvista Ward

Councillor R A Coghlan Melvista Ward

Councillor H Amiry Coastal Ward

Councillor K A Smyth Coastal Ward

Councillor F J O Bennett Dalkeith Ward

Councillor N R Youngman Dalkeith Ward

**Consultant** Craig Ross Independent Consultant

**Staff**

Mr M K MacPherson (Chair) Acting Chief Executive Officer

Ms L Fitzgerald Manager Financial Services

Ms L J Kania Coordinator Governance & Risk

Ms E Bock PA to Director Corporate Services

Mr A Fisher Senior Information Systems Officer

**Public** There were 6 members of the public present and 5 online.

**Press** Nil

**Leave of Absence** Nil.

**(Previously Approved)**

**Apologies** Mr M R Cole Director Corporate Services

Councillor McManus Hollywood Ward

# Declaration of Opening

In Accordance with section 5.12 and schedule 2.3 division 1 of the Local Government Act 1995 the Acting Chief Executive Officer declared the meeting open at 5.47pm and drew attention to the disclaimer on page 2 and advised that the meeting was being livestreamed and recorded.

The meeting was then closed by Mr MacPherson, Acting Chief Executive Officer at 5.49 pm and the meeting was deferred to 20 May 2024. Closure and deferral of the meeting items were to provide opportunity for Council to clarify the membership structure of the committee and ensure additional information and advice is provided in accordance with Section 5.41 (b) of the Local Government Act 1995.

# Appointment of Chair

Deferred to 20th May 2024

# Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting of the Audit & Risk Committee Meeting is to be 20 May 2024.

# Declaration of Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 5:49 pm.

**Mr Craig Ross provided an informal update from the independent consultant.**