**CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS 2003 – JULY 2026**

| # | Date | Item Title | Confidential Order Details | Item being kept confidential - Agenda/ Attachment/ Minutes | Reason regarding retention or recommend-action to release | Resolution Regarding Action | Last Review Date | Next Review Date | Date Released |
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| **308** | 2 March 2026 | AHRWMA – Appointment of Audit and Risk Committee Members | 1. Pursuant to Section 90(3)(a)<br>Pursuant to Section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999 the Council orders that all members of the public except the Acting Chief Executive Officer, General Manager Infrastructure and Environment, General Manager Planning and Community, General Manager Corporate Services, and Minute Secretary be excluded from attendance at the meeting for Agenda Item 18.4 Confidential Item: AHRWMA Appointment of Audit and Risk Committee Members. Council is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90(3)(a) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this report is information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of people who expressed interest in membership of the AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee.<br><br>Council is satisfied that the principle that the report be available in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstance because the disclosure of details relating to personal information of people who expressed an interest in membership of the Committee including the role of Chairperson will be discussed.<br><br>Section 91 (1) Order<br><br>Pursuant to Section 91(7)<br>**5.** That having considered Agenda Item 18.4 Confidential Item: AHRWMA Appointment of Audit and Risk Committee Members in confidence under Sections 90(2) and 90(3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, Council pursuant to Section 91(7) of the Act orders that the report and minutes be retained in confidence until the successful applicants and unsuccessful applicants have been advised of the AHRWMA Constituent Councils' decision. | Report and minutes | Council is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90(3)(a) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this report is information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of people who expressed interest in membership of the AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee.<br><br>Council is satisfied that the principle that the report be available in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstance because the disclosure of details relating to personal information of people who expressed an interest in membership of the Committee including the role of Chairperson will be discussed. | Report and minutes be retained in confidence until the successful applicants and unsuccessful applicants have been advised of the AHRWMA Constituent Councils' decision. | | Within 12 months | *Report and Minutes released on website 6 November 2026* |

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**18.4 REPORT TITLE: CONFIDENTIAL ITEM: ADELAIDE HILLS REGION WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY - APPOINTMENT OF AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**DATE OF MEETING: 2 MARCH 2026**

**FILE NUMBER: DOC/26/21076**

**ATTACHMENTS: 1: DOC/26/21082 CONFIDENTIAL LETTER TO COUNCIL'S CEO FROM AHRWMA CEO 20 JANUARY 2026 (EXCLUDING ATTACHMENTS)**
**2: DOC/26/21107 CONFIDENTIAL ARC INDEPENDENT MEMBER RECOMMENDATION REPORT**

**Key Contact** Sue Miller, Team Leader Risk and Governance

**Manager/Sponsor** Alex Oulianoff, General Manager Corporate

**Community Plan 2020-2035:**
Implementing Partnerships
IP Strategy 3.3 Participate in regional governance planning and service sharing Arrangements

**Annual Business Plan:**
N/A.

**Purpose:**
For Council to approve the two candidates (as recommended by the AHRWMA Board) for appointment to the AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee.

**Summary – Key Issues:**
1. The AHRWMA Board has recommended appointing two additional independent members to the Board's Audit and Risk Committee.

2. Members of the Committee will be determined or approved by the Constituent Councils.

3. Constituent Councils are not obligated to recommend appointing the two nominees for the AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee.

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**Recommendation 1:**

**That Council:**

1. **Pursuant to Section 90(3)(a)**
   **Orders that all members of the public except the Chief Executive Officer; General Manager Strategy, General Manager Infrastructure & Environment, General Manager Planning and Community, General Manager Corporate Services; and Minute Secretary be excluded from attendance at the meeting for Agenda Item 18.4 Confidential Item: AHRWMA Appointment of Audit and Risk Committee Members. Council is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90(3)(a) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this report is information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of people who expressed interest in membership of the AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee.**

   **Council is satisfied that the principle that the report be available in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstance because the disclosure of details relating to personal information of people who expressed an interest in membership of the Committee including the role of Chairperson will be discussed.**

**Recommendation 2:**

**That Council:**

2. **Note the letter to the Council's Chief Executive Officer dated 20 January 2026 (attachment 1) regarding AHRMWA Audit and Risk Committee Independent Member Endorsement and the confidential ARC Independent Member Recommendation Report (attachment 2); and**

3. **Endorse, as per the Adelaide Hills Regional Waste Management Authority (AHRWMA) Board's recommendation to Constituent Councils contained in the confidential letter to the Council's Chief Executive Officer (attachment 1) and the confidential ARC Independent Member Recommendation Report (attachment 2), the appointment of:**

   a. **Ms Marina Wagner to the Audit and Risk Committee for a two-year term, recognising Ms Wagner's commercial and extensive waste sector credentials and the value Ms Wagner will add to the existing skill set of the Audit and Risk Committee; and**

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**b. Mr Greg Pattison to the Audit and Risk Committee for a one-year term, recognising Mr Pattison's commercial and marketing lens as a strong compliment to the existing skill set of the Audit and Risk Committee; and**

**4. Endorse that both recommended applicants be eligible for reappointment by the Board at the conclusion of their respective terms, subject to performance and continued alignment with the strategic direction of the Authority**

**Recommendation 3:**

**Section 91 (1) Order**

**Pursuant to Section 91(7)**

**5. That having considered Agenda Item 18.4 Confidential Item: AHRWMA Appointment of Audit and Risk Committee Members in confidence under Sections 90(2) and 90(3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, Council pursuant to Section 91(7) of the Act orders that the report and minutes be retained in confidence until the successful applicants and unsuccessful applicants have been advised of the AHRWMA Constituent Councils' decision.**

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**Background:**

1. The Adelaide Hills Region Waste Management Authority (AHRWMA) is a regional subsidiary under Section 43 of the *Local Government Act 1999* comprising Rural City of Murray Bridge, Adelaide Hills Council, Alexandrina Council and Mount Barker District Council.

2. The AHRWMA Charter includes a requirement for an Audit and Risk Committee, with the composition to be determined by the Board (charter extract: *The Authority will establish an audit committee as required by Clause 30, Schedule 2 of the Act.*).

3. The AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee currently operates with three members: Ms Elizabeth Williams, Independent Chair, Ms Rebecca Wilson, Independent Member and Mr Alex Oulinoff, Board Representative.

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**Discussion:**

4. The AHRWMA Chief Executive Officer has advised the Council's Chief Executive Officer, Andrew Stuart, in a letter dated 20 January 2026 (attachment 1) that although the AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee is operating effectively, the AHRWMA Board has advised that three members limits the breadth of discussion at times and has made a quorum challenging. The Board acknowledged with the current skill set of the AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee, and the Authority's strategic goals, it appropriate to appoint two independent Members.

5. The AHRWMA Board, following a comprehensive, confidential recruitment process (refer attachment 2), has recommended the appointment of:

    a. Ms Marina Wagner to the Audit and Risk Committee for a two-year term, recognising Ms Wagner's commercial and extensive waste sector credentials and the value Ms Wagner will add to the existing skill set of the Audit and Risk Committee; and

    b. Mr Greg Pattison to the Audit and Risk Committee for a one-year term, recognising Mr Pattison's commercial and marketing lens as a strong compliment to the existing skill set of the Audit and Risk Committee.

6. This report does not intend to replicate the information contained in the attachment to this agenda item.

7. Constituent Councils are not obligated to appoint the recommended candidates for the AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee.

**Community Engagement:**

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| Informing only | On Council's website once released from confidentiality. |

**Policy:**

As required by Clause 30, Schedule 2 of the *The Local Government Act 1999*. This clause aligns with Audit Committee Clauses within other Regional Subsidiary Charters.

**Long Term Financial Plan:**

N/A

**Budget:**

N/A

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**Statutory/Legal:**
The AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee is established pursuant to *Local Government Act 1999* Clause 30 (3), Schedule 2 c.30 (3) Subject to the regulations, an audit committee will comprise persons determined or approved by the constituent councils (and may include persons who are members of a regional audit and risk committee established by any of the constituent councils (with 1 or more other councils, whether constituent councils or otherwise) or a council audit and risk committee established by any of the constituent councils).

**Staff Resource Requirements:**
N/A

**Environmental:**
N/A

**Social:**
N/A

**Risk Assessment:**
N/A

**Asset Management:**
N/A

**Conclusion:**
Council is requested to consider endorsing the appointment of the two candidates recommended by the AHRWMA Board (out of session) for appointment as independent members to the AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee, as per the recommendation of the AHRWMA Board Audit and Risk Committee Selection Panel.

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Previous Decisions By/Information Reports to Council

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| Meeting Date | 6 February 2023 | HPRM Reference | DOC/23/7050 |
| Title | Confidential Report: Appointment of Independent Members to the Adelaide Hills Region Waste Management Authority Audit and Risk Committee | | |
| Purpose | For Council to approve the three candidates (as recommended by the AHRWMA Board) for appointment to the AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee. and authorise the AHRMWA Acting CEO to notify the approved independent members of their appointment | | |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Meeting Date | 3 August 2020 | HPRM Reference | DOC/20/73988 |
| Title | Adelaide Hills Region Waste Management Authority Charter Review | | |
| Purpose | To provide Council with a reviewed Adelaide Hills Region Waste Management Authority (AHRWMA) Charter for consideration and approval. | | |

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| **18.4** | **REPORT TITLE:** | **CONFIDENTIAL ITEM: ADELAIDE HILLS REGION WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY - APPOINTMENT OF AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MEMBERS** |
| | **DATE OF MEETING:** | **2 MARCH 2026** |
| | **FILE NUMBER:** | **DOC/26/21076** |
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Moved Councillor Westwood that Council:

1. Pursuant to Section 90(3)(a)
   Pursuant to Section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999 the Council orders that all members of the public except the Acting Chief Executive Officer, General Manager Infrastructure and Environment, General Manager Planning and Community, General Manager Corporate Services, and Minute Secretary be excluded from attendance at the meeting for Agenda Item 18.4 Confidential Item: AHRWMA Appointment of Audit and Risk Committee Members. Council is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90(3)(a) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this report is information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of people who expressed interest in membership of the AHRWMA Audit and Risk Committee.

Council is satisfied that the principle that the report be available in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstance because the disclosure of details relating to personal information of people who expressed an interest in membership of the Committee including the role of Chairperson will be discussed.

Seconded Councillor Szilassy CARRIED
***OM20260302.24***

Moved Councillor Jones that Council:

2. Note the letter to the Council's Chief Executive Officer dated 20 January 2026 (attachment 1) regarding AHRMWA Audit and Risk Committee Independent Member Endorsement and the confidential ARC Independent Member Recommendation Report (attachment 2); and

3. Endorse, as per the Adelaide Hills Regional Waste Management Authority (AHRWMA) Board's recommendation to Constituent Councils contained in the confidential letter to the Council's Chief Executive Officer (attachment 1) and the confidential ARC Independent Member Recommendation Report (attachment 2), the appointment of:

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    b. Mr Greg Pattison to the Audit and Risk Committee for a one-year term, recognising Mr Pattison's commercial and marketing lens as a strong compliment to the existing skill set of the Audit and Risk Committee; and

4. Endorse that both recommended applicants be eligible for reappointment by the Board at the conclusion of their respective terms, subject to performance and continued alignment with the strategic direction of the Authority

Seconded Councillor Seager CARRIED
***OM20260302.25***

Moved Councillor Westwood that Council:

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Section 91 (1) Order

Pursuant to Section 91(7)

5. That having considered Agenda Item 18.4 Confidential Item: AHRWMA Appointment of Audit and Risk Committee Members in confidence under Sections 90(2) and 90(3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, Council pursuant to Section 91(7) of the Act orders that the report and minutes be retained in confidence until the successful applicants and unsuccessful applicants have been advised of the AHRWMA Constituent Councils' decision.

Seconded Councillor Seager CARRIED

***OM20260302.26***

MEETING DECLARED CLOSED AT 9.36PM

MAYOR

9 April 2026
DATE

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