

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE RISK AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, LEVEL 1, 67 HOROMĀTANGI STREET, TAUPŌ
ON THURSDAY, 5 JUNE 2025 AT 12.30PM**

PRESENT: Mr Bruce Robertson (in the Chair), Cr Danny Loughlin, Mr Anthony Byett, Cr Rachel Shepherd, Cr Kevin Taylor, Mayor David Trewavas

IN ATTENDANCE: Cr Sandra Greenslade

Chief Executive (J Gardyne), General Manager Organisation Performance (S Matthews), General Manager Community Infrastructure and Services (T Hale), Legal and Governance Manager (N McAdie), Finance Manager (J Paenga), Business Excellence Manager (L Chick), People and Culture Manager (L Nienhuser), Environmental Services Manager (J Sparks), Digital Solutions Manager (T May), Property and Development Manager (C Haskell), Project Management Office Manager (P Fletcher), Policy Manager (N Carroll), Senior Policy Advisors (K Goode and P Caruana), Risk Advisor (M Hill), Legal and Governance Coordinator (M Cammell), Governance Quality Manager (S James)

MEDIA AND PUBLIC: Audit New Zealand representative, Mr Leon Pieterse (via MS Teams, for agenda items 1-5.11)

1 KARAKIA

2 WHAKAPĀHA | APOLOGIES

RACC202506/01 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Rachel Shepherd

That the apology received from Cr John Williamson be accepted.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/01 above.

3 NGĀ WHAKAPĀNGA TUKITUKI | CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4 WHAKAMANATANGA O NGĀ MENETI | CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 RISK AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING - 17 MARCH 2025

RACC202506/02 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Mr Anthony Byett

That the minutes of the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting held on Monday 17 March 2025 be approved and adopted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/02 above.

5 NGĀ RIPOATA | REPORTS

5.1 ANNUAL PLAN 2025/26 UPDATE

The Senior Policy Advisor presented the report and advised that if the delegation was approved, the draft Annual Plan 2025/26 document would be circulated to the Committee Chairperson, Mr Bruce Robertson and Independent Member, Mr Anthony Byett on 23 June 2025.

Members agreed to delegate authority as recommended.

RACC202506/03 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin

Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That the Risk and Assurance Committee delegates authority to the Chair and Independent Member to endorse the draft Annual Plan 2025/26 prior to Council adoption at the end of June 2025.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/03 above.

5.2 AUDIT MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR 2023-24

The Finance Manager introduced the item.

In answer to a question, the Audit New Zealand representative, Mr Leon Pieterse advised that there were no management comments causing concern from an Audit New Zealand perspective.

The main focus of discussion was significant improvements to the asset management process. The following points were noted in relation to this:

- Some improvements were simply refinements, for example recognising vested assets in a certain way on the date of approval by the development team.
- A lot of improvements had already been completed.
- The asset capitalisation backlog was taking priority.
- Mr Pieterse confirmed that the issues were not impacting on the physical management of assets, but instead related to financial reporting.
- There was a programme in place to address the issues.

Members noted the measures in place to address high annual leave balances.

The independent Chairperson thanked Mr Pieterse for his report and expressed appreciation for the external view via the audit.

RACC202506/04 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Danny Loughlin

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Audit New Zealand report to Taupō District Council on the audit for the year ended 30 June 2024 (A3752813).

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/04 above.

5.3 ADOPTION DATE FOR 2025 ANNUAL REPORT

The General Manager Organisation Performance and the Finance Manager explained the reasons for the proposed late adoption of the 2025 Annual Report. These included the significant work being undertaken by the finance team as a result of the new rates module implementation and Local Water Done Well; the need to allow enough time for work papers to be checked; and the need to meet compressed audit timings.

Members supported the proposal to delay adoption of the 2025 Annual Report.

The independent Chairperson noted that Audit New Zealand would be required to inform the Auditor-General who would in turn inform Parliament of the statutory breach arising from late adoption. There may be minor or modest consequences as a result. He added that Council should be informed, along with the Secretary for Local Government and the local Member of Parliament.

RACC202506/05 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Danny Loughlin

That the Risk and Assurance Committee:

1. Recommends to Council to delay adoption of the 2024/25 Annual Report to the proposed timelines of mid-December 2025, which allows Council flexibility with timeframes and enables continuity of auditor availability; and
2. Notes that this does not meet the timeframes for reporting deadlines within the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/05 above.

5.4 AUDIT PLAN FOR ANNUAL REPORT 2025

The Finance Manager advised that the timeframe for audit of the Annual Report 2025 was tight, with one week less than usual allocated. However, the auditor was familiar with Taupō District Council.

In answer to questions, the Finance Manager advised that:

- All fair valuations had been completed, with no material change reflected.
- The intention was to have a draft document available by 12 September. This would be provided to the Risk and Assurance Committee to consider at the meeting scheduled to be held on 16 September.

The independent Chairperson noted that it would be important for the Committee to review the draft Annual Report 2025 and standard letter of representation. A letter of confidence could then be provided to the incoming Council following the 11 October local elections.

RACC202506/06 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor David Trewavas

Seconded: Mr Anthony Byett

That the Risk and Assurance Committee approves the Taupō District Council Audit Plan 2025 (A3755874) to enable His Worship the Mayor to sign the Plan.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/06 above.

5.5 AUDIT NZ UPDATE - INTERIM AUDIT

Mr Pieterse confirmed that the interim audit was on track. The independent Chairperson thanked Mr Pieterse and noted that Audit New Zealand had indicated that they expected to issue a qualified opinion on the statement of service performance as a result of the ongoing issue with recording of water and wastewater fault response and resolution times.

RACC202506/07 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Rachel Shepherd

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Taupō District Council – Update to Risk and Assurance Committee June 2025 (A3766496)

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/07 above.

5.6 BUILDING CONSENT AUTHORITY (BCA) INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION NEW ZEALAND (IANZ) AUDIT MARCH 2025

The Environmental Services Manager presented the Building Consent Authority (BCA) Accreditation assessment report and the following points were noted:

- A significant amount of work had been completed by the BCA over the last four years and key team members D Southey, D Thorley and S Massey were acknowledged.
- At the time of the last audit (September 2021), 17 general non-compliances were identified and the BCA was on an annual audit cycle.
- Only five general non-compliances had been raised during the most recent audit, two of which had been resolved completely and the other three were on track to be resolved by 7 July 2025.
- It was expected that the yellow highlighting on the 'risk at the end of the assessment clearance process' would be removed when the report was re-issued.

In answer to a question, the Environmental Services Manager advised that 95% of inspections were undertaken within one to two working days of booking. Any delays would be a result of extenuating circumstances.

Members asked for their thanks to be passed on to the BCA team in light of the positive report.

RACC202506/08 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Shepherd

Seconded: Mayor David Trewavas

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the 2025 IANZ Accreditation report of the Building Consent Authority.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/08 above.

5.7 SIX-MONTHLY PROGRESS UPDATE ON COUNCIL'S DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

The Property and Development Manager presented the report, which detailed progress made on Council's large development projects (the East Urban Lands housing development; 204 Crown Road industrial development; and 30 Mahoe Street industrial development).

The independent Chairperson asked, from a risk perspective, what the objective was for the projects and then, will that objective be achieved? The Property and Development Manager explained that the objective for Crown Road and Mahoe Street was to bring industrial sites to the district. For Crown Road, there had been slight cost overruns, but the return was expected to be greater than anticipated. The objective for the East Urban Lands development was to bring affordable homes to the district and Council was on-track to achieve this.

In response to another question, the Property and Development Manager advised that 'for sale' signs were up for Mahoe Street and Crown Road was set to 'go live' on 1 July 2025 with a six week tender campaign.

RACC202506/09 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin

Seconded: Cr Rachel Shepherd

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the six-monthly update on Council's development projects.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/09 above.

5.8 DIGITAL IMPROVEMENT WORKPLAN

The General Manager Organisation Performance and the Digital Solutions Manager responded to questions and the following points were noted:

- The Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) project team was taking a risk prioritisation approach, for example responding to legislative changes and government reform including Local Water Done Well. At the same time, there was allowance for 'quick win' improvements to be made, for example new software to support Council's grants management process.
- Splitting into separate packages would likely cost more, but it was not sustainable to take a 'big bang' approach. Separate packages would also enable the team to reconsider past decisions if appropriate, for example the approach to content management may need to change in light of Artificial Intelligence (AI) developments. Another benefit of the new approach was that the separate work packages could be aligned to actions in the organisational business plan, which in turn resulted in greater organisational buy-in.
- There had been significant issues with the rating module. It was a very new product with Taupō District Council being only the second council in the country to implement. Work to resolve issues was ongoing.
- Lessons learnt included recognising the importance of understanding what people are doing; changing to a more agile approach; and the need to understand the data involved at an earlier stage in the process.
- The digital governance group was new and considering current risks. The intention was that the group would provide live risk management over the total project and programme of work going forward.

Members asked for more regular reporting in relation to the digital improvement plan and programme, both to the Risk and Assurance Committee (with a focus on the risk environment and risk controls) and full Council.

RACC202506/10 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin

Seconded: Mr Anthony Byett

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the update on the digital improvement workplan, including risk and progress.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/10 above.

5.9 HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELLBEING UPDATE

The Business Excellence Manager summarised the report and answered questions. The following points were noted:

- Despite resourcing challenges, Council was continuing to make progress in implementing improvements to the Health, Safety and Wellbeing system.
- Aggression incidents were mostly general anti-social behaviour, particularly from homeless people. The 11 incidents reported during the period were not all physical in nature.
- Council was taking an organisation-wide approach to supporting staff mental health and wellbeing. This included mental health first aid training and leadership programmes to ensure staff had the tools to identify and work through issues.
- It had not yet been decided whether the wellbeing support platform pilot launched by the people and culture team would be rolled-out to the organisation.
- Council was at the start of the process to implement actions addressing the Zero Harm strategic risk. Expectations needed to be clear, staff supported and managers trained to continue the process of improvement.

A member asked for more systems and processes to be put into place to support committee members and keep them safe in their roles.

RACC202506/11 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Shepherd

Seconded: Mr Anthony Byett

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Health, Safety and Wellbeing update for the period 14 February – 5 May 2025.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/11 above.

5.10 NON-FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE MEASURES REPORTING

The Business Excellence Manager made a correction to the Off-Track Measures Report – Transport, explaining that the actual and forecast results were not expected to be nil as shown on the graph, as Council did intend to complete some resurfacing of the sealed local road network during the period.

In answer to a question, the General Manager Community Infrastructure and Services advised that there was nothing insurmountable in the measures falling within his portfolio.

In answer to another question, the General Manager Community Infrastructure and Services confirmed that some modelling and design work had been included in the draft Annual Plan 2025/26 as a result of the 7 February 2025 flooding event in Taupō. The Chief Executive added that lessons learnt included earlier activation of the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC); changes to how Council works with contractors in

such an event; and internal communications.

The General Manager Community Infrastructure and Services advised that there were 15 water schemes in the Taupō District (some of which were broken into networks); and 11 wastewater schemes.

The General Manager Organisation Performance answered a question about the strategic property measures, explaining that the action relating to healthy and sustainable homes was not off-track, but it was a case of those outcomes not being relevant because central government and other agencies were already providing the support.

RACC202506/12 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin

Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Non-Financial Performance Measures Q3 2024/25 Report.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/12 above.

The meeting adjourned at this point (1.48pm) and reconvened at 2.00pm.

5.11 OUTSTANDING AUDIT AND IMPROVEMENT ITEMS

The Business Excellence Manager introduced the Legal and Governance Coordinator, Molly Cammell, who had been instrumental in preparing the report.

In answer to a question, the Business Excellence Manager explained that there was a small overlap between the open and closed audit items, for example between Annual Report and CouncilMark recommendations, but overall there was not a lot of duplication.

In relation to the wastewater and water median resolution time issue, the General Manager Community Infrastructure and Services advised that the Assetfinda upgrade had been challenging, but progress was expected by the end of July 2025. The issue did not relate to resolution times. It was simply a reporting issue.

The People and Culture Manager provided more explanation of the 'review of payroll masterfile changes' recommendation. She explained that no-one from the finance team could access or see the payroll system currently. Management was considering the risks involved in opening up the system to allow greater access for checking purposes.

The independent Chairperson asked for the next report to include analysis of the risks / effects on controls of delaying / not progressing particular pieces of work.

RACC202506/13 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Mr Anthony Byett

That the Risk and Assurance Committee:

1. Receives the report on the status of the audit and review recommendations; and
2. Acknowledges that conflicting workloads related to Council's Water Service Delivery Plan, digital improvement, and asset capitalisation may delay progressing outstanding audit matters, other than those relating to health and safety and regulatory compliance which will be progressed in line with timeframes agreed with the committee.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/13 above.

5.12 SENSITIVE EXPENDITURE REVIEW - 1 JANUARY 2025 - 31 MARCH 2025

The Legal and Governance Coordinator advised that adherence to policy had largely been confirmed, with a few opportunities for improvement implemented.

The Chairperson noted that some of his approvals during the period could have been more prompt. This could be improved upon if email approvals would suffice in future. He added that he was also starting to provide pre-approval for some expenditure, which was always desirable if possible.

RACC202506/14 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin

Seconded: Mr Anthony Byett

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Sensitive Expenditure Review for the period 1 January 2025 to 31 March 2025.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/14 above.

5.13 RISK MANAGEMENT QUARTERLY UPDATE

The Risk Advisor summarised the risk management quarterly update.

RACC202506/15 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Mayor David Trewavas

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Risk Management Quarterly Update.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/15 above.

5.14 STRATEGIC RISK UPDATE

A risk appetite workshop had been held earlier in the day.

Members discussed the strategic risk update.

The following points were noted:

- The Critical Infrastructure Failure risk analysis would be presented at the next Risk and Assurance Committee meeting.
- The current Zero Harm risk assessment should improve once the new Health and Safety Manager had started. Aggression events were posing risk to staff; and other incidents/accidents did occur from time to time. The aim was to support staff to ensure health and safety philosophies are embedded in day-to-day work. Council workers were exposed to a wide range of different risks, including chemical and tank work gas risks; and different vehicle risks.
- Council had responsibilities under the legislation to take reasonably practicable steps to keep the public safe while using Council buildings.

- Climate change risks were intrinsically linked to the Critical Infrastructure Failure risk. There was still more work to be done on this, with a roadmap developed and actions to be completed prior to preparing the report to the next Committee meeting.
- Financial consequences were currently driving a lot of the high and extreme risk ratings. The financial limit could be increased to be more reflective of what is happening operationally.

In answer to a question, the Chief Executive agreed that more flexibility through the financial strategy would assist with risk appetite assessments. Teams with higher turnover were of concern from an operational perspective, but not simply because of the turnover. Loss of corporate knowledge was at the heart of the 'attracting and retaining a competent workforce risk', but management was aware of that and the drivers behind it, and was taking action to address those issues.

The independent Chairperson asked for risk appetite to be included on the next Committee meeting agenda, for further discussion.

In receiving the Strategic Risk Update, members acknowledged that some of Council's strategic risks were evaluated as being outside of Council's risk appetite. Members were concerned about this and looked forward to progressing the discussion on Council's risk appetite at the next Committee meeting.

RACC202506/16 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Strategic Risk Update.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/16 above.

5.15 INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRAMME 2024-25

The Risk Advisor summarised the report. The General Manager Organisation Performance added that Council had completed a number of internal audits over the last few years, but the aim now was to conduct audits in a planned, structured way going forward.

RACC202506/17 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Danny Loughlin

Seconded: Cr Rachel Shepherd

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the internal audit programme update 2024-25.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/17 above.

5.16 BUSINESS CONTINUITY UPDATE

The Risk Advisor summarised the report and added that after working with the organisation, the number of business continuity plans had been reduced to 11 or 12. The business continuity policy would be presented to the Risk and Assurance Committee to approve in due course; the crisis management plan would be approved by the executive team; and general managers would oversee business continuity plans within their respective areas.

In answer to questions, the Risk Advisor explained that:

- Scenarios considered in relation to payroll were lack of access to the Council building; IT failure; and pandemic affecting critical team members.
- There was a need to understand how business critical functions currently operate during crisis management events.
- Recommended review cycles were as follows:
 - o Business continuity policies – every three years;
 - o crisis management plans - annually (with ongoing lessons learnt and approaches adapted following every event); and
 - o business continuity plans – ongoing review, as staff and systems/processes change.
- Business continuity plans needed to be tested and evaluated annually against different scenarios.

The independent Chairperson suggested that it would be helpful for the Risk and Assurance Committee to see the business continuity plans when considering the business continuity policy.

RACC202506/18 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Danny Loughlin

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the business continuity update.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/18 above.

5.17 INSURANCE UPDATE

The Business Excellence Manager presented the insurance update report, which provided an overview of progress made, and Council's approach to insurance.

RACC202506/19 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Anthony Byett

Seconded: Cr Danny Loughlin

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the insurance update report.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/19 above.

5.18 FINANCIAL STRATEGY UPDATE AND SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS RISK REPORT

The Finance Manager and the Project Management Office Manager presented the report. The following points were noted:

- There had been a general shift downwards in residual risks.
- Relationship management was an important part of project managers' work. Project managers were responsible for completing a full stakeholder analysis at the beginning of each project. The supplier panel approach had enhanced project managers' ability to communicate regularly with contractors.

RACC202506/20 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Rachel Shepherd

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Financial Strategy Update (A3761599) and the Significant Projects Risks Report (A3756221).

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/20 above.

5.19 TREASURY UPDATE MARCH 2025

In answer to a question, the Finance Manager advised that the difference between the external Council drawn debt (\$216m) and funds drawn from Local Government Funding Agency (\$179m) was commercial paper.

In answer to another question, the General Manager Organisation Performance advised that the interest rate risk management figures included swaps and other cover, not just loans maturing. There had been a reduction in the cost of capital seen since Council had moved from microbands to larger bands. Staff were working with Bancorp to ensure Council was holding the appropriate level of cover.

The independent Chairperson noted that all treasury activities were compliant with policy.

RACC202506/21 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Danny Loughlin

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the Taupō District Council Dashboard March 2025 (A3753977), the Taupō District Council – Asset Allocation & Performance Report March 2025 (A3766011) and the ESG Attestation for TDC 31 March 2025 (A3766019).

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/21 above.

5.20 RISK AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE WORKPLAN UPDATE

The Business Excellence Manager summarised the proposed changes to the Committee workplan.

RACC202506/22 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Danny Loughlin

That the Risk and Assurance Committee receives the updated Workplan for 2025.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/22 above.

6 NGĀ KŌRERO TŪMATAITI | CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS**RACC202506/23 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mr Bruce Robertson

Seconded: Cr Danny Loughlin

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

I move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48[1] of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	Plain English reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter
Agenda Item No: 6.1 Confirmation of Confidential Portion of Risk and Assurance Committee Minutes - 17 March 2025	Section 7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege	Section 48(1)(a)(i)- the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7	There is a need to retain this portion of the minutes in confidence to maintain legal professional privilege where members have received advice from Council's Legal and Governance Manager relating to potential legal challenges against Council
Agenda Item No: 6.2 Legal and Litigation Update	Section 7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege	Section 48(1)(a)(i)- the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7	To allow the Council to receive confidential legal updates regarding various legal matters that contain information subject to legal professional privilege.

I also move that Deloitte representatives Ms Shirley Walls and Mr David Seath be permitted to remain at this meeting, after the public has been excluded, because of their knowledge of audits they have undertaken in relation to agenda item 6.3.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution RACC202506/23 above.

The meeting closed at 4.18pm with a karakia recited by all present at the meeting.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Risk and Assurance Committee meeting held on 16 September 2025.

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CHAIRPERSON