



City of Cockburn
Audit Risk and Improvement Committee
Minutes

For Tuesday, 17 February 2026

These Minutes are subject to confirmation

Presiding Member's signature

Date:

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Committee Members

Ms S Zulsdorf, Independent Member (Presiding Member)
Mr L Estrade, Independent Member (Deputy Presiding Member)
Cr K Allen
Deputy Mayor P Corke
Cr C Reeve-Fowkes
Cr H Srhoy
Cr Widenbar (arrive 6.02pm)

Staff

Mr D Simms	Chief Executive Officer
Mr D Arndt	Director Sustainable Development and Safety
Ms C Bywater	Director Corporate and System Services
Ms K Johnson	Director Community and Place
Mr A Lees	Director Infrastructure Assets
Mr J Blanchard	General Counsel
Ms T Hardmeier	Service Lead Governance and Council Support
Mr J Fiori	Risk and Governance Advisor
Ms A Schutz	Assistant Governance Officer
Mr B Thorne	System Support Analyst (IT Support)

1. Declaration of Meeting

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 6.01pm.

Acknowledgement of Country

The City of Cockburn acknowledges the Nyungar people of Beeliar Boodjar. Long ago, now and in the future they care for Country. We acknowledge a continuing connection to Land, Waters and Culture and pay our respects to the Elders, past and present.

The Presiding Member issued a brief statement sharing that her mentor in Audit and Risk and a member of the Cockburn community, Paul Hanson, was to join tonight's ARIC committee meeting as a guest, however he passed away last year. The Presiding Member acknowledged Mr Hanson's partner was present in the Chamber.

2. Appointment of Presiding Member (If required)

N/A



3. Disclaimer

The Presiding Member read the Disclaimer:

Members of the public, who attend Council Meetings, should not act immediately on anything they hear at the Meetings, without first seeking clarification of Council's position.

Persons are advised to wait for written advice from the Council prior to taking action on any matter that they may have before Council.

4. Acknowledgement of Receipt of Written Declarations of Financial Interests and Conflict of Interest (by Presiding Member)

Item	Name	Type/Nature of Interest
Not applicable	Shona Zulsdorf	Discretionary disclosure. I was a chair of a Nominations Committee for a not-for-profit, which has since selected Cr Tom Widenbar to be on the board. There is no ongoing personal or professional arrangement.

5. Apologies & Leave of Absence

Apology

Cr Carol Zhang

Absent

Cr Chontelle Stone

6. Public Question Time

Nil



7. Confirmation of Minutes

7.1 (2026/MINUTE NO 0001) Minutes of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting - 25/11/2025

MOVED Cr P Corke SECONDED Cr K Allen
That Committee confirms the Minutes of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 25 November 2025 as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED 7/0

8. Deputations

Nil

9. Business Left Over from Previous Meeting (if adjourned)

Nil

10. Declaration by Members who have Not Given Due Consideration to Matters Contained in the Business Paper Presented before the Meeting

Nil

11. Reports – CEO (and Delegates)

Nil

12. Motions of Which Previous Notice Has Been Given

Nil

13. Notices Of Motion Given At The Meeting For Consideration At Next Meeting

Nil

14. New Business of an Urgent Nature Introduced by Members or Officers

Nil



15. Matters to be Noted for Investigation Without Debate

Nil

16. Confidential Business

16.1 Risk Workshop

The Presiding Member advised that at the conclusion of this meeting, Committee Members will attend a Risk Workshop.

17. Closure of Meeting

There being no further business, the Presiding Member closed the meeting at 6.07pm.

