

AGENDA

CEO REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

15th December 2021 Commencing at 2:30pm

Council Chambers
28 Yougenup Road, Gnowangerup WA 6335

SHIRE OF GNOWANGERUP

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL

Dear Committee Member

A meeting of the CEO REVIEW COMMITTEE of the Shire of Gnowangerup will be held on Wednesday 15th December 2021, at the Council Chambers 28 Yougenup Road Gnowangerup, commencing at 2:30pm.

Signed:

Bob Jarvis

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



CEO REVIEW COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

Purpose

The CEO Review Committee (Committee) is responsible for making recommendations to Council on Chief Executive Officer (CEO) appointments, contract reviews/renewals, performance and remuneration reviews and assessments.

The Committee is a formally appointed committee of Council and is responsible to that body. The Committee does not have executive powers or authority to implement actions in areas over which the CEO has legislative responsibility and does not have a delegated power from Council. The Committee does not have any management functions and cannot involved itself in management processes or procedures.

The Committee is to report to Council and provide appropriate advice and recommendations on matters relevant to its terms of reference in order to facilitate informed decision making by Council in relation to the legislative functions and duties of the local government that have not been delegated to the CEO.

Objectives

The primary objectives of the Committee are to make recommendations to Council on CEO appointments, contract reviews/renewals, performance and remuneration reviews and assessments.

Reports from the Committee will assist Council in discharging its legislative responsibilities of governing the Shire's affairs.

Duties and Responsibilities

The duties and responsibilities of the Committee members will be to:

- 1. Make recommendations to Council on CEO performance reviews and assessments;
- 2. Review and recommend annual goals and targets for the CEO against key performance indicators to Council for consideration.
- 3. Make recommendations to Council on CEO remuneration reviews and assessments.
- 4. Make recommendations to Council on CEO appointments.
- 5. Make recommendations to Council on CEO contract reviews and/or renewals.

Membership

The Committee will consist of all elected members of Council. All members shall have full voting rights.

The CEO and employees are not members of the committee.

The CEO and senior staff, with the approval of the Presiding Member and CEO, may be called to attend meetings to provide advice and guidance to the Committee.

The Executive Assistant will provide administrative support to the Committee by preparing agendas and minutes, and organising meetings.

The Presiding Member and Deputy Presiding Member must be elected in accordance with section 5.12 and Schedule 2.3 of the Act.

Meetings

The Committee shall have flexibility in relation to when it needs to meet, but as a minimum, will need to meet at least once a year. It is the responsibility of the Presiding Member to call the meetings of the Committee.

Reporting

Reports and recommendations of each Committee meeting shall be presented to the next ordinary meeting of the Council and must be moved by the Presiding Member, or in his/her absence the Deputy Presiding Member, or in both their absences, any other member of the Committee.

ORIGINAL MOTION AMENDMENT Introduce the Item **Amendment** Item # and Title **Mover and Seconder** Seconder for the Amendment Mover to Speak Seconder to Speak Speak to Close Debate Against the Item **Call for Votes For Motion** Call for Votes Against Motion Declare the Result **ORIGINAL (SUBSTANTIVE) MOTION** AMENDED? **Call for Votes For Motion** Call for Votes Against Motion **Declare the Result**

Slight clarification of wording of motion: A minor amendment of the motion can be done at any time through the President with the approval of the Mover and the Seconder. The Minor amendment must be minuted.

Substantive Motion

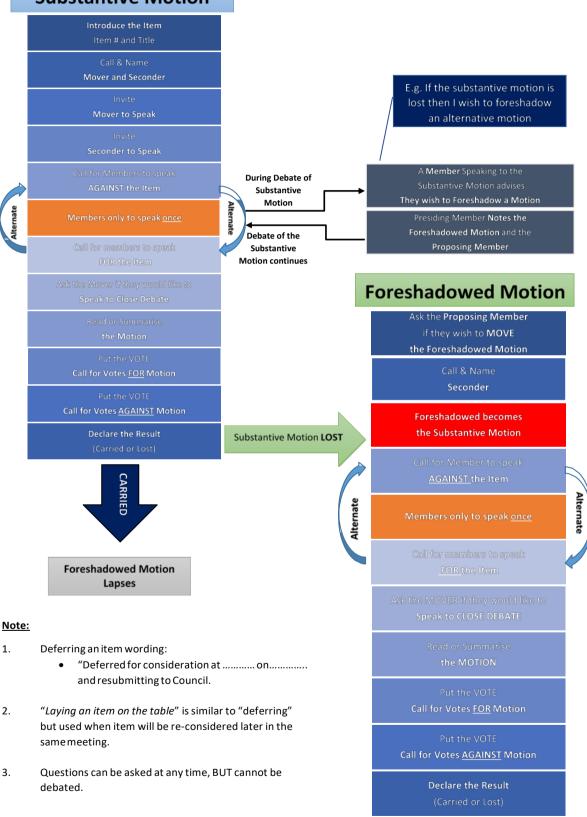


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1. OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

| The Chief Executive | Officer Bo | b Jarvis | welcomes | Committee | members | and | staff a | nd | opens |
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| the meeting at | pm. | | | | | | | | |

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Shire of Gnowangerup would like to acknowledge the Goreng people who are the Traditional Custodians of this land. The Shire of Gnowangerup would also like to pay respect to the Elders both past and present of the Noongar Nation and extend that respect to other Aboriginals present.

3. ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

3.1. ATTENDANCE

Helen Hardcastle will be joining via Zoom.

3.2. APOLOGIES

4. ELECTION OF PRESIDING AND DEPUTY PRESIDING MEMBERS

As this is the first meeting of the CEO Review Committee since the 2021 local government elections, the committee is required to elect a Presiding Member from amongst themselves in accordance with Section 5.12 of the Local Government Act 1995.

ELECTION OF PRESIDING MEMBER (CHAIRPERSON)

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| Cr nomination. | nominated Cr | Cr | accepted/declined the |
| | re no further nominations tl | | Officer closed nominations and on of Presiding Member. |
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| | | cutive Officer tallie | d and distributed ballot papers. d the votes and declared Cr |

ELECTION OF DEPUTY PRESIDING MEMBER (DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON)

| The Presiding Member assumed the chair and called for nominations for the position of Deputy Presiding Member. The following nominations were received: | | | | | | |
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| Cr nomination. | nominated Cr | Cr | accepted/declined t | :he | | |
| As there were no further nominations the Presiding Member closed nominations and declared Cr elected unopposed to the position of Deputy Presiding Member. | | | | | | |
| | | OR | | | | |
| The Presiding Member closed nominations, and prepared and distributed ballot papers. At the close of voting, the Presiding Member tallied the votes and declared Crelected to the position of Deputy Presiding Member. | | | | | | |
| 5. CONFIRM | ATION OF PREVIOUS | MEETING MINUT | EES | | | |
| CEO REVIEW | COMMITTEE MEETING 25 | th November 2020. | | | | |
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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

CRC1221. That the minutes from the CEO Review Committee Meeting held on 25th November 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

CRC1221. That the CEO Review Committee:

Closes the meeting to members of the public and staff in order to discuss the items which are considered confidential pursuant to Section 5.23(a) of the Local Government Act 1995 due to the matter affecting an employee.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 2020-2021 CEO PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Proponent: N/A

Date of Report: 10th December 2021

Business Unit: Corporate and Community Services

Officer: Ian Graham – Deputy CEO

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil (CEO Performance Review Report has been provided separately to Councillors).

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To request that the CEO Performance Review Committee recommend that the Council endorse the CEO Performance Review Report.

BACKGROUND

The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) has published operational Guidelines for Local Government CEO Recruitment and Selection, Performance Review and Termination (the Guidelines).

The Guidelines state that the minimum standard for performance review will be met if:

- **S2.1** Performance criteria is specific, relevant, measurable, achievable and time-based.
- **S2.2** The performance criteria and the performance process are recorded in a written document, negotiated with and agreed upon by the CEO and council.
- **S2.3** The CEO is informed about how their performance will be assessed and managed and the results of their performance assessment.
- **S2.4** The collection of evidence regarding performance outcomes is thorough and comprehensive.
- **S2.5** Assessment is made free from bias and based on the CEO's achievements against documented performance criteria, and decisions and actions are impartial and transparent.
- **S2.6** The council has endorsed the performance review assessment by absolute majority.

COMMENTS

Section 5.38 of the Act provides that, for a CEO who is employed for a term of more than one year, the performance of a CEO is to be reviewed formally at least once in every year of their employment.

In addition to this minimum requirement, it is recommended that the council engages in regular discussions with the CEO regarding their performance against the performance criteria, including progress and ways that the CEO can be supported. Any changes to the CEO's performance agreement such as changes to the performance criteria should also be discussed, and agreed to, between the council and the CEO, as the matter arises.

The Guidelines also state:

"It is recommended that the council delegates the CEO performance review to a panel (e.g. comprising certain council members and an independent observer). The panel has a duty to gather as much evidence as possible upon which to base their assessments. The role of the review panel includes developing the performance agreement in the first instance, conducting the performance review and reporting on the findings and recommendations of the review to council. It is also recommended that council develop a policy to guide the performance review process. A policy might include the composition of the panel, primary functions, the role and appointment of an independent consultant, and the responsibilities of review panel members".

The Shire of Gnowangerup has a CEO Performance Review Committee, comprised of all members of Council.

Further, the Guidelines state:

"If a council lacks the resources and expertise to meet the expected standard of performance review, the council should engage an external facilitator to assist with the process of performance appraisal and the development of the performance agreement. The local government should ensure that the consultant has experience in performance review and, if possible, experience in local government or dealing with the performance review of senior executives. The consultant should not have any interest in, or relationship with, the council or the CEO".

In October 2021, Helen Hardcastle from Learning Horizons was engaged as an independent consultant to facilitate the 2020-2021 annual performance review for the CEO. In November 2021, a final CEO Performance Review Report was presented to all members of the CEO Performance Review Committee.

CONSULTATION

Helen Hardcastle, Learning Horizons.

LEGAL AND STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Local Government Act 1995 s5.38

Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) Guidelines for Local Government CEO Recruitment and Selection, Performance Review and Termination.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Strategic Community Plan 2021-2031

Theme: Our Organisation

Community Priority: Forward planning and implementation of relevant plans to achieve strategic priorities.

ALTERNATE OPTIONS AND THEIR IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

CONCLUSION

The recommendation ensures compliance with legislative requirements and Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries operational guidelines.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Absolute majority.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

CRC1221. That the CEO Review Committee recommends that Council:

- Endorses the CEO Performance Review Report as prepared by Learning Horizons
- Commends the CEO on a highly satisfactory performance result
- Receives and adopts the CEO KPI's for the period 1st January 2022 to 30th
 June 2022 and agrees the annual 2022-2023 KPIs will be finalised in
 alignment with the Corporate Business Plan; and
- In accordance with S2.3 of the CEO Standards, advises the CEO in writing of:
 - The results of the review, and
 - That the review did not identify any issues about the performance of the CEO that would require addressing and management by the Council.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

CRC1221. That the CEO Review Committee:

Reopens the meeting to staff.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

| That the next CEO Review Committee meeting be held on | | |
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| 8. CLOSURE | | |
| There being no further business, the Presiding Member | thanks | Committee |
| members and staff for their time and closed the meeting at | _pm. | |