

Recommendations of the Audit and Risk Committee 14 November 2025

Tuesday, 25 November 2025
Council

Strategic Alignment - Our Corporation

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Audit and Risk Committee's role is to report to Council and provide appropriate advice and recommendations on matters relevant to its Terms of Reference. The Committee acts to facilitate informed decision making in relation to the discharge of Council's legislative responsibilities and duties.

The Audit and Risk Committee is required to report to Council after every meeting.

This report presents the outcomes of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting of 14 November 2025 ([Link 1](#)).

The Audit and Risk Committee resolved to present recommendations and advice on the following matter to Council for Council determination:

RECOMMENDATION

1. **Recommendation 1 – Item 6.1 – Q1 2025/26 BP&B Update**

THAT COUNCIL

1. Receives the City of Adelaide 2025/26 Business Plan and Budget Quarter 1 update as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025.
2. Approves adjustments for the 2025/26 Business Plan and Budget (BP&B) as identified in this report and reflected in Attachment A to Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held 14 November 2025.
3. Notes the year-to-date Operating (Financial Performance) for the quarter ending 30 September 2025, which includes:
 - 3.1. An operating surplus of \$9.678m (\$4.407m higher than the budget of \$5.271m, for the period)
 - 3.2. Total operating revenue of \$64.500m (\$2.554m higher than the budget of \$61.946m, for the period)
 - 3.3. Total operating expenses (including depreciation) of \$54.822m (\$1.853m lower than the budget of \$56.675m, for the period)
 - 3.4. Total Capital Expenditure of \$17.321m (\$7.823m higher than the budget of \$9.498m, for the period)
 - 3.5. Net cash surplus position of \$5.185m.
4. Approves budgeted year end Operating Position, which includes:
 - 4.1. An operating surplus of \$8.541m (consistent with the adopted budget of \$8.541m)
 - 4.2. Total operating revenue of \$251.571m (\$2.602m higher than the adopted budget of \$248.969m)
 - 4.3. Total operating expenses (including depreciation) of \$243.030m (\$2.602m higher than the adopted budget of \$240.428m).

5. Approves total capital expenditure of \$122.293m for 2025/26 year (\$7.995m higher than the adopted budget of \$114.298m).
6. Approves total borrowings of \$51.818m projected to 30 June 2026 (\$1.744m higher than the adopted projected borrowings of \$50.074m to 30 June 2026).
7. Receives the Council Subsidiary Quarter 1 updates as contained as Attachments B, C, D and E to Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025.

DISCUSSION

1. The Audit and Risk Committee met on Friday 14 November 2025 and considered the following items:
 - 1.1. **Item 6.1** - Q1 2025/26 BP&B Update
 - 1.2. **Item 6.2** - Internal Audit Progress Report
 - 1.3. **Item 6.3** - Record Keeping Internal Audit
 - 1.4. **Item 6.4** - Non-Current Asset Accounting - Operating Guideline Review
2. The Agenda with reports for the meeting can be viewed at [Link 1](#).
3. Where the resolution of the Committee differs from the recommendation published in the Committee agenda, the Committee's recommendation to the Council is listed first, with the original recommendation provided in grey and italics.

Resolutions of the Committee

4. Item 6.1 - Q1 2025/26 BP&B Update

THAT THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

THAT COUNCIL

1. Receives the City of Adelaide 2025/26 Business Plan and Budget Quarter 1 update as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025.
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5. Item 6.2 - Internal Audit Progress Report

THAT THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

1. Notes the progress of the Internal Audit Plan as contained in Item 6.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025.

2. Notes the progress of the completion of Internal Audit Actions as contained in Item 6.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025.

6. Item 6.3 – Record Keeping Internal Audit

THAT THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

1. Notes the Record Keeping Internal Audit report as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025.
2. Endorses the responses of the Administration to the Record Keeping Internal Audit report as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025.

7. Item 6.4 - Non-Current Asset Accounting - Operating Guideline Review

THAT THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

1. Notes the updated Non-Current Asset Operating Guideline as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.4 on the Agenda for the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025 and provides the following feedback:
 - 1.1. Recommends Administration review the Asset Capitalisation threshold value of \$5,000
2. Notes the table summarising changes made to the Non-Current Asset Accounting Operating Guideline as contained in Attachment B to Item 6.4 on the Agenda for the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025.
3. Notes the Chief Executive Officer will finalise and approve the updated Non-Current Asset Accounting Operating Guideline as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.4 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025.

Original Recommendation as printed in the Audit and Risk Committee Agenda

THAT THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

1. *Notes the updated Non-Current Asset Operating Guideline as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.4 on the Agenda for the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025 and provides the following feedback:*
 - 1.1. _____
 - 1.2. _____
2. *Notes the table summarising changes made to the Non-Current Asset Accounting Operating Guideline as contained in Attachment B to Item 6.4 on the Agenda for the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025.*
3. *Notes the Chief Executive Officer will finalise and approve the updated Non-Current Asset Accounting Operating Guideline as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.4 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 14 November 2025*

DATA AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Link 1 - [The Public component of Agenda for the Audit and Risk Committee on 14 November 2025](#)

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

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