

Review and Selection Committee - Appointment of Independent Council Assessment Panel (CAP) Members

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Confidential Motion

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Council orders that all persons present with the exception of the following persons, Chief Executive Officer, Manager People and Culture, Manager Corporate Governance, Unit Manager Governance and Council Support, and Governance Officer be excluded from the meeting as the Council receives and considers information relating to the Review and Selection Committee - Appointment of Independent Council Assessment Panel (CAP) Members, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to information concerning personal affairs.

REPORT OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this report is for Council to endorse the preferred candidate for the deputy independent member position of the Council Assessment Panel (CAP) as recommended by the Review and Selection Committee.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the Review and Selection Committee (RSC) meeting held on 1 June 2021, the committee resolved to recommend to Council the appointment of Mr Benjamin Russ as the deputy independent member of the Council Assessment Panel for a term commencing from 1 July 2021 and concluding 30 June 2023.

It was further resolved, in the event Mr Russ was unwilling or unable to accept the position, to appoint [REDACTED] to the role for the same term.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. **Appoint Mr Benjamin Russ as the deputy independent member of the Council assessment Panel from 1 July 2021 and concluding 30 June 2023.**
2. **Appoint [REDACTED] as deputy independent member in the event Mr Russ is unable or unwilling to accept the position.**
3. **Delegate Administration to write to the unsuccessful candidates interviewed by the Review and Selection Committee, thanking them for their interest in serving the role and advising they have been unsuccessful.**
4. **In accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* the Council orders that the report and minutes arising from this report having been considered in**

confidence under Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the Act, except when required to effect or comply with Council's resolution(s) regarding this matter, be kept confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting. This confidentiality order will be reviewed at the General Council Meeting in December 2021.

DISCUSSION

Council Assessment Panels (CAPs) operate as a 'relevant authority' pursuant to the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* (PDI Act).

Role of the Review and Selection Committee

The purpose of the RSC is to source and recommend to Council the appointment of expert members to Committees.

At the RSC meeting held on 4 May, the committee resolved to interview three candidates;

- [REDACTED]
- Mr Benjam Russ
- [REDACTED]

Interviews were held on 28 May 2021.

At the RSC meeting held on 1 June 2021, the committee resolved to recommend to Council the appointment of Mr Benjamin Russ as the deputy independent member for a term commencing 1 July 2021 and concluding 30 June 2023.

It was further resolved to appoint [REDACTED] to the role in the event Mr Russ was unable or unwilling to accept the position.

Current CAP Composition

Presiding Member

Mr Terry Mosel is currently the Presiding Member of the CAP, with the term due to expire on 30 June 2022.

Mr Mosel was a previous Commissioner of the ERD Court, has over 40 years' experience in the planning industry and is the current Presiding Member of the Norwood, Payneham and St Peters and Salisbury CAP.

Independent members of the CAP

- Mr Michael Davis
- Mr Bryn Adam
- Ms Yvonne Svensson

Mr Michael Davis has over 20 years experience in the planning industry, and is the principle planner at a major private planning/engineering consultancy firm. His term is due to expire on 30 June 2022.

Mr Bryn Adam and Ms Yvonne Svensson were recently reappointed to the CAP by Council for 24 months (commencing 1 July 2021).

Both members have experience in the planning, property and architectural fields.

Elected Members

Cr Raelene Telfer is the current Elected Member on CAP, with Cr Matthew Shilling the current deputy Elected Member. The current Elected Member terms expire on 30 June 2021 with Council due to

appoint this position at the 8 June Council meeting.

CONCLUSION

Council Assessment Panels (CAPs) operate as a 'relevant authority' pursuant to the PDI Act.

Expressions of interest were sought over a two week period, with a high calibre of applicants from the planning and development industry submitting applications.

The Review and Selection Committee undertook interviews for the vacant deputy independent member position of the CAP, and following a special meeting held Tuesday 1 June 2021, identified the preferred candidate.

Council may also wish to thank the other professionals who were interviewed, but were not successful in appointment to the CAP.