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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement of an independent member for the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee Panel (ARIC).
- It is recommended that Council approve the appointment of Ms Margot Rushton to the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee.

REPORT

The appointment of external independent members to the ARIC is important in the ongoing culture of policy compliance, business improvement practices and good governance.

Following the recent expression of interest to fill a vacancy, Council endorsed the appointment of Mr Christopher Davies. Mr Davies has declined the offer and we have moved to the next candidate, Ms Margot Rushton.

Ms Rushton's experience includes:

- International Monetary Fund - Short Term Expert - Taxation Compliance.
- Senior Assistant Commissioner, ATO - compliance, interpretative advice on legislation, stakeholder relationships, risk identification and strategy development of customer service.
- Department of Aboriginal Affairs - Internal Auditor.
- ATO - Internal Audit Committee member.
- Assistant Deputy Commissioner, Indirect Tax - administration of the Goods and Services Tax Australia wide - with all State and Territory Governments and agencies.

Ms Rushton will bring her knowledge of Audit, Risk and Compliance practices to support and enhance the functions of the current Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee.

CONSULTATION

Assessment by a panel of Executive and Management.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funding adopted within the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee budget allocation is available.

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ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That Ms Margot Rushton be appointed to the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee for a four (4) year term.