

# Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee

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The responsibilities of the Committee will include, but not be limited to, keeping under review the following aspects of Council's operations:

- compliance
- risk management
- fraud control
- financial management
- governance
- implementation of the strategic plan, delivery program and strategies
- service reviews
- collection of performance measurement data by Council
- internal audit
- any other matters prescribed by the regulations.

## Terms of Reference

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee will operate in accordance with best practice principles and the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Terms of Reference. The Terms of Reference are based on the approved Model Terms of Reference contained in the *Draft Guidelines for Risk Management and Internal Audit Framework for Local Councils in NSW* and reflects the statutory functions of the Committee under section 428A of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

## Enquiries

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