

Finance, Audit and Risk Committee

Six (6) applications received for two (2) positions:

	Reason for being on Committee	Attendance Meetings	Previous Memberships Community, Volunteer or other	Skills or Knowledge	Experience/Relevant Qualification
1	Good understanding of all aspects of local government. Passionate about good governance and ethical decision making in local government. Experience can assist the Committee in providing guidance to Council and making York an open, accountable, effective and efficient local government.	Attend all Committee meetings as required and research and inform myself on any agenda matters to be considered.	7 years – Local Government 5 years Finance Manager for Doctors without Borders	Corporate governance: policies, and procedures, delegations, internal auditing, annual returns, FOI, local laws, compliance etc. Finance: budgets, reserves, audits, acquittals, monthly financial statements etc To a lesser degree – risk. Excellent analytical ability and very good knowledge of the Local Government Act and Regulations as well as all other legislation pertaining to local government. Familiar with the Council and Committee structure of local government.	No formal but confident that experience in local government can compensate for this.
2	Relevant experience to contribute.	3 days per week available for meetings and work.	Volunteer for two organisations. 7 years each. One organisation involved secretary (2) and treasurer (2).	Admin Officer in accounting practices, liaising with Accountants for many years. Three years local government and attended Committee meetings with CEO, researching and preparing agendas, correspondence etc. Twelve years in Tertiary Institution given me expertise in writing reports and submissions to external bodies.	BE con Use of MYOB accounting since GST was introduced for all accounting, payroll and BAS/ATO requirements.
3	Passionate about York and wish to see it become a major tourist attraction in the Avon	Willing to attend meetings	37 years financial controller motor vehicle and property	Raising finance, setting up accounting programmes, doing budgets, credit management, collecting outstanding monies,	BA in Business, Adv Diploma in Accounting, Diploma in Governance, AIM Credit Management, AICM Financial Planning,

	Valley.	fortnightly.	trades.	debtors, creditors and leasing commercial properties.	Commercial Property Management
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4	Possess a deeply held belief that you should contribute to society to the best of your ability. Made contributions to the local community over a long period of living in York and to other places prior to York. Further a strong shire should have a sound financial base and I believe I can contribute to the committee with responsibilities in this area.	Able to meet this requirement.	Since arriving in York various roles in the following areas: Civic, Educational, Sporting, State Level and National	<p>Involved in occupations/positions requiring varying degrees of management/financial skills. While graduating in Agricultural Science in the course of completing a post graduate Honours degree specialised in economics.</p> <p>Led to first appointment of three year contract to the Lakes District Farm Advisory Service where the main job was preparing annual financial and long term development budgets.</p> <p>Seven years in industry controlled by the corporate disciplines necessary to ensure the efficient running of the organisations.</p> <p>Own consultancy services in the field of agriculture. Successful to the point provided financial support for 33 years before it was sold. Responsible for setting up and managing self managed superannuation fund.</p> <p>Developed high degree of skill in the use of spreadsheets. I continue to maintain an interest in this area for a host of purposes including financial assessment and management of investments.</p>	
5	To make a contribution to my community.	Willing and able to attend all meetings.	National Disability Service – 6 mths member finance sub-committee. Australian Bookkeeping Network – member 4 years.	I have held various positions in Finance and administration mostly in the creative industries, software and development and since moving to York the Disability sector.	Qualified bookkeeper Certificate IV in Business

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6	<p>Whilst I am a relative new arrival to York I have a strong belief that in order to be accepted by the community you have to be prepared to give something back to the community. I see the Committee as an opportunity to use the skills and hands on experience I have to assist the Shire in ensuring the audit process is appropriate and that all considerations are taken into account with regard to the Shire's risk management strategies and policies.</p>	<p>Perform any tasks as required.</p>	<p>Assorted Charities – Honorary Auditor, Local Not for Profit Groups and Institute of Public Accountants – 4 years as the WA President. Director of a Company, Accountant/Auditor of local not for profit group.</p>	<p>Whilst I served as the President of my professional body I sat on a consultative committee to the Australian Accounting Standards Board that specifically examined the appropriateness and relevance of Accounting Standard AAS 27 Financial Reporting by Local Governments and AAS 29 Financial Reporting by Government, subsequently these standards were withdrawn in 2008. Committee had to be conversant with the Local Government Act 1995 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996. In addition, I have a good working knowledge of the current Accounting Standards and AASB Interpretations that would be applicable to the Shire's financial reporting requirements.</p> <p>Current accounting work deals regularly with financial stress and risk and other issues associated with business risk management. This work is with a broad cross section of clients and I am very aware of the many issues that face both business and other organisations. Over the past twenty years I have also delivered many seminars, principally to the accounting profession, that may give you some insight to my experience in the areas of the proposed Committee. Some of the seminar topics were (but not restricted you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding and interpretation of the 	<p>B.Bus Accounting. G.Dip Financial Planning</p> <p>Fellow of the Institute of Public Accountants Chartered Taxation Advisor Registered Tax Agent ASIC Accredited Auditor</p>

				<p>financial information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Effective budgeting and forecasting• Approaches to corporate budgeting and finance• Managing both financial and non-financial risk• Financial modelling• Setting effective business benchmarks• Formatting liquidity and working capital requirements• Understanding the concept of sustainable growth	
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