Rules 4.7.3 and 4.10.31

Appendix 4G

Key to Disclosures Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

Name of entity

ADELONG GOLD LIMITED

ABN / ARBN

15 120 973 775

Financial year ended:

30 JUNE 2024

Our corporate governance statement² for the above period above can be found at:³



These pages of our annual report:

This URL on our website: <u>https://adelonggold.com/</u>

The Corporate Governance Statement is accurate and up to date as at 26 September 2024 and has been approved by the board.

The annexure includes a key to where our corporate governance disclosures can be located.

Date: 26 September 2024

Andrew Draffin

¹ Under Listing Rule 4.7.3, an entity must lodge with ASX a completed Appendix 4G at the same time as it lodges its annual report with ASX.

Listing Rule 4.10.3 requires an entity that is included in the official list as an ASX Listing to include in its annual report either a corporate governance statement that meets the requirements of that rule or the URL of the page on its website where such a statement is located. The corporate governance statement must disclose the extent to which the entity has followed the recommendations set by the ASX Corporate Governance Council during the reporting period. If the entity has not followed a recommendation for any part of the reporting period, its corporate governance statement must separately identify that recommendation and the period during which it was not followed and state its reasons for not following the recommendation and what (if any) alternative governance practices it adopted in lieu of the recommendation during that period.

Under Listing Rule 4.7.4, if an entity chooses to include its corporate governance statement on its website rather than in its annual report, it must lodge a copy of the corporate governance statement with ASX at the same time as it lodges its annual report with ASX. The corporate governance statement must be current as at the effective date specified in that statement for the purposes of rule 4.10.3.

² "Corporate governance statement" is defined in Listing Rule 19.12 to mean the statement referred to in Listing Rule 4.10.3 which discloses the extent to which an entity has followed the recommendations set by the ASX Corporate Governance Council during a particular reporting period.

³ Mark whichever option is correct and then complete the page number(s) of the annual report, or the URL of the web page, where the entity's corporate governance statement can be found. You can, if you wish, delete the option which is not applicable.

Throughout this form, where you are given two or more options to select, you can, if you wish, delete any option which is not applicable and just retain the option that is applicable. If you select an option that includes " \underline{OR} " at the end of the selection and you delete the other options, you can also, if you wish, delete the " \underline{OR} " at the end of the selection.

ANNEXURE – KEY TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURES

Corporate Governance Council recommendation		We have followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. We have disclosed	We have NOT followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. We have disclosed \dots^4	
PRINC	IPLE 1 - LAY SOLID FOUNDATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT AND OV	ERSIGHT		
1.1	 A listed entity should disclose: (a) the respective roles and responsibilities of its board and management; and (b) those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management. 	the fact that we follow this recommendation: in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] and information about the respective roles and responsibilities of our board and management (including those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management): at [<i>insert location</i>]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement	
1.2	 A listed entity should: (a) undertake appropriate checks before appointing a person, or putting forward to security holders a candidate for election, as a director; and (b) provide security holders with all material information in its possession relevant to a decision on whether or not to elect or re-elect a director. 	the fact that we follow this recommendation: in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement	
1.3	A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:	 an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable 	
1.4	The company secretary of a listed entity should be accountable directly to the board, through the chair, on all matters to do with the proper functioning of the board.	the fact that we follow this recommendation: in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u>	 an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable 	

⁴ If you have followed all of the Council's recommendations in full for the whole of the period above, you can, if you wish, delete this column from the form and re-format it.

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms

Corpo	rate Governance Council recommendation	We have followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. We have disclosed	We have NOT followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. We have disclosed \dots^4
1.5	 A listed entity should: (a) have a diversity policy which includes requirements for the board or a relevant committee of the board to set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and to assess annually both the objectives and the entity's progress in achieving them; (b) disclose that policy or a summary of it; and (c) disclose as at the end of each reporting period the measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity set by the board or a relevant committee of the board in accordance with the entity's diversity policy and its progress towards achieving them and either: (1) the respective proportions of men and women on the board, in senior executive positions and across the whole organisation (including how the entity has defined "senior executive" for these purposes); or (2) if the entity is a "relevant employer" under the Workplace Gender Equality Act, the entity's most recent "Gender Equality Indicators", as defined in and published under that Act. 	the fact that we have a diversity policy that complies with paragraph (a): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR and a copy of our diversity policy or a summary of it:	 an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
1.6	 A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of the board, its committees and individual directors; and (b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process. 	 the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a): in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] and the information referred to in paragraph (b): in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] 	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
1.7	 A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of its senior executives; and (b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process. 	the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a): in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] and the information referred to in paragraph (b): in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINC	IPLE 2 - STRUCTURE THE BOARD TO ADD VALUE	•			
2.1	 The board of a listed entity should: (a) have a nomination committee which: (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and (2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose: (3) the charter of the committee; (4) the members of the committee; and (5) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have a nomination committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs to address board succession issues and to ensure that the board has the appropriate balance of skills, knowledge, experience, independence and diversity to enable it to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively. 	[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] the fact that we have a nomination committee that complies with paragraphs (1) and (2): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] and a copy of the charter of the committee: at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] the fact that we do not have a nomination committee and the processes we employ to address board succession issues and to ensure that the board has the appropriate balance of skills, knowledge, experience, independence and diversity to enable it to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively: in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement		
2.2	A listed entity should have and disclose a board skills matrix setting out the mix of skills and diversity that the board currently has or is looking to achieve in its membership.	our board skills matrix: in our Corporate Governance Statement	 an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable 		

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2.3	 A listed entity should disclose: (a) the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors; (b) if a director has an interest, position, association or relationship of the type described in Box 2.3 but the board is of the opinion that it does not compromise the independence of the director, the nature of the interest, position, association or relationship in question and an explanation of why the board is of that opinion; and (c) the length of service of each director. 	 the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors: in our Corporate Governance Statement and, where applicable, the information referred to in paragraph (b): in our Annual Report and the length of service of each director: in our Annual Report 	□ an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
2.4	A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.	the fact that we follow this recommendation: in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
2.5	The chair of the board of a listed entity should be an independent director and, in particular, should not be the same person as the CEO of the entity.	the fact that we follow this recommendation: in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
2.6	A listed entity should have a program for inducting new directors and provide appropriate professional development opportunities for directors to develop and maintain the skills and knowledge needed to perform their role as directors effectively.	the fact that we follow this recommendation: in our Corporate Governance Statement	 an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
PRINCIPLE 3 – ACT ETHICALLY AND RESPONSIBLY			
3.1	 A listed entity should: (a) have a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives and employees; and (b) disclose that code or a summary of it. 	our code of conduct or a summary of it: in our Corporate Governance Statement	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCI	PLE 4 – SAFEGUARD INTEGRITY IN CORPORATE REPORTING	•	•
4.1	 The board of a listed entity should: (a) have an audit committee which: (1) has at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whom are independent directors; and (2) is chaired by an independent director, who is not the chair of the board, and disclose: (3) the charter of the committee; (4) the relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and (5) in relation to each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have an audit committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs that independently verify and safeguard the integrity of its corporate reporting, including the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner. 	[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] the fact that we have an audit committee that complies with paragraphs (1) and (2): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] and a copy of the charter of the committee: at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] the fact that we do not have an audit committee and the processes we employ that independently verify and safeguard the integrity of our corporate reporting, including the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner: in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
4.2	The board of a listed entity should, before it approves the entity's financial statements for a financial period, receive from its CEO and CFO a declaration that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained and that the financial statements comply with the appropriate accounting standards and give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the entity and that the opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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4.3	A listed entity that has an AGM should ensure that its external auditor attends its AGM and is available to answer questions from security holders relevant to the audit.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:	 an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity that does not hold an annual general meeting and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
PRINCI	PLE 5 – MAKE TIMELY AND BALANCED DISCLOSURE		
5.1	 A listed entity should: (a) have a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under the Listing Rules; and (b) disclose that policy or a summary of it. 	our continuous disclosure compliance policy or a summary of it:	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
PRINCI	PLE 6 – RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS		
6.1	A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.	information about us and our governance on our website: at https://adelonggold.com/	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.2	A listed entity should design and implement an investor relations program to facilitate effective two-way communication with investors.	the fact that we follow this recommendation: in our Corporate Governance Statement	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.3	A listed entity should disclose the policies and processes it has in place to facilitate and encourage participation at meetings of security holders.	our policies and processes for facilitating and encouraging participation at meetings of security holders:	 an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity that does not hold periodic meetings of security holders and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
6.4	A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically.	the fact that we follow this recommendation: in our Corporate Governance Statement	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCI	PLE 7 – RECOGNISE AND MANAGE RISK			
7.1	 The board of a listed entity should: (a) have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which: (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and (2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose: (3) the charter of the committee; and (5) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have a risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) above, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for overseeing the entity's risk management framework. 	[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] the fact that we have a committee or committees to oversee risk that comply with paragraphs (1) and (2): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] and a copy of the charter of the committee: at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): at [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] the fact that we do not have a risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) and the processes we employ for overseeing our risk management framework: in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] at [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] at the fact that we do not have a risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) and the processes we employ for overseeing our risk management framework: in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement	
7.2	 The board or a committee of the board should: (a) review the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound; and (b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place. 	 the fact that board or a committee of the board reviews the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound: in our Corporate Governance Statement and that such a review has taken place in the reporting period covered by this Appendix 4G: in our Corporate Governance Statement 	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement	

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7.3	 A listed entity should disclose: (a) if it has an internal audit function, how the function is structured and what role it performs; or (b) if it does not have an internal audit function, that fact and the processes it employs for evaluating and continually improving the effectiveness of its risk management and internal control processes. 	 [If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] how our internal audit function is structured and what role it performs: in our Corporate Governance Statement [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] the fact that we do not have an internal audit function and the processes we employ for evaluating and continually improving the effectiveness of our risk management and internal control processes: in our Corporate Governance Statement 	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
7.4	A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks and, if it does, how it manages or intends to manage those risks.	whether we have any material exposure to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks and, if we do, how we manage or intend to manage those risks: in our Corporate Governance Statement	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCIPLE 8 – REMUNERATE FAIRLY AND RESPONSIBLY				
8.1	 The board of a listed entity should: (a) have a remuneration committee which: (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and (2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose: (3) the charter of the committee; (4) the members of the committee; and (5) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have a remuneration committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for setting the level and composition of remuneration for directors and senior executives and ensuring that such remuneration is appropriate and not excessive. 	[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] the fact that we have a remuneration committee that complies with paragraphs (1) and (2): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] and a copy of the charter of the committee: at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] the fact that we do not have a remuneration committee and the processes we employ for setting the level and composition of remuneration for directors and senior executives and ensuring that such remuneration is appropriate and not excessive: in our Corporate Governance Statement OR at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement	
8.2	A listed entity should separately disclose its policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives.	 separately our remuneration policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives: in our Corporate Governance Statement 	 an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable 	
8.3	 A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should: (a) have a policy on whether participants are permitted to enter into transactions (whether through the use of derivatives or otherwise) which limit the economic risk of participating in the scheme; and (b) disclose that policy or a summary of it. 	our policy on this issue or a summary of it:	 an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we do not have an equity-based remuneration scheme and this recommendation is therefore not applicable <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable 	

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ADDITIO	NAL DISCLOSURES APPLICABLE TO EXTERNALLY MANAGED	LISTED ENTITIES	
-	Alternative to Recommendation 1.1 for externally managed listed entities:	N/A	N/A
	The responsible entity of an externally managed listed entity should disclose:		
	 (a) the arrangements between the responsible entity and the listed entity for managing the affairs of the listed entity; 		
	(b) the role and responsibility of the board of the responsible entity for overseeing those arrangements.		
-	Alternative to Recommendations 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3 for externally managed listed entities:	N/A	N/A
	An externally managed listed entity should clearly disclose the terms governing the remuneration of the manager.		



The Board of Directors of Adelong Gold Limited (the Company) is committed to the principle of good practice in corporate governance. The Board believes that a genuine commitment to good corporate governance is essential to the performance and sustainability of the Company's business and as such depends upon the corporate culture, values and behaviors which underlies its day-to-day activities.

The Board continually reviews its corporate governance practices and regularly monitors developments in good corporate governance practices both in Australia and overseas. Where International and Australian guidelines are not consistent, the good practice guidelines of the ASX Corporate Governance Council have been adopted as the minimum base for corporate governance practices.

Board of Directors

The Board has adopted a formal charter which allocates responsibilities between the Board and management of the Company which is available from the corporate governance section of the Company's website at www.adelonggold.com. The charter details the composition, responsibilities and code of conduct under which the Board operates. The Board has resolved unanimously that the Company will at all times aspire to "good practice" in Corporate Governance.

Unless otherwise indicated in this statement, the practices specified in the charter have been followed throughout the reporting period

Role of the Board

The Board acknowledges its accountability to shareholders for creating shareholder value within a framework that protects the rights and interest of shareholders and ensures the Company is properly managed. The Board aims to achieve these objectives through the adoption and monitoring of strategies, plans, policies and performance as follows:

- Providing input info, and approval of, the Group's strategic direction; approval and monitoring of budgets and business plans; and ensuring that appropriate resources are available, including capital management and budgeting for major capital expenditure.
- Approving the Group's system of risk management, monitoring their effectiveness and maintaining a dialogue with the Group's auditors;
- Considering, approving and monitoring internal and external financial and other reporting, including reporting to shareholders, the ASX and other stakeholders;
- Selection and evaluation of Directors, the Managing Director, senior executives and planning for their succession;
- Setting the Managing Director and Director's remuneration within shareholder approved limits and ensuring that the remuneration and conditions of service of senior executives are appropriate;
- Ensuring, and setting standards for ethical behavior and compliance within the Group's own governing documents, including the Group's Code of Conduct and corporate governance standards.

Board Processes

The Board aims to perform its role and objectives through the adoption and monitoring of strategies, plans, policies and performance; the review of the Managing Director and senior management's performance, conduct and reward; monitoring of the major risks of the Company's business; and by ensuring the Company has policies and procedures to satisfy its legal and ethical standards.

The Board determines the strategic direction of the Company and sets policies accordingly. In addition to maintaining oversight of the Company's executive management and operations, the Board monitors substantive issues such as ethical standards and social environmental responsibilities.

Composition of the Board

The names of the current Directors of the Company at the date of this statement are set out in the Directors' Report accompanying this financial report. The composition of the Board is determined using the following principles:

- a maximum of nine Directors and a minimum of three Directors;
- a Non-Executive Director as Chairman;
- a majority of Non-Executive Directors; and
- a balance of independent and non-independent Directors.

The Board is currently comprised of three Directors; two Non-Executive Directors and one Executive Director. The Company's Constitution provides for a maximum of 9 directors. The Board periodically reviews its size as appropriate for the Company's stage of development. The Managing Director, was appointed by the Board and is Director of the Company, he attends all Board meetings where possible.



Directors are considered to be independent if they are not major shareholders, are independent of management, and are free from any business or other relationship that could materially interfere with the exercise of their free and independent judgement. Mr Habib is considered to fall within this category.

Mr Hastings is considered to be a non-independent Director as he is a major shareholder in the Company.

The Board regards the present composition of Directors as a good balance at this stage of the Company's development with the appropriate mix of expertise, experience and ability to represent the interest of all shareholders however it continues to assess other candidates with a aim of further strengthening the Board.

Future Director appointees will receive a formal letter of appointment setting out the responsibilities, rights, terms and conditions of their appointment. Directors participate in a comprehensive induction which covers the operations, financial position, strategic and risk management issues, as well as the operation of the Board and any sub-committees.

Meetings

The Board meets on a regular basis to retain full and effective control and monitor executive management. During the financial year to 30 June 2024, the full Board met 7 times. The Directors' attendance at meetings is detailed in the Directors' Report.

Members of the management team may attend meetings at the invitation of the Board.

Role of Chairman and Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

The Chairman is an independent Director elected by the full Board and he has not previously been an employee of the Company.

The Chairman is responsible for leading the Board, ensuring Directors are properly briefed in all matters relevant to their role and responsibilities, facilitating Board discussions and managing the Board's relationship with the Company's senior executives.

The Managing Director is responsible for implementing the Group's strategies and policies. The Board Charter specifies that these are separate roles to be undertaken by separate people.

Terms of Office

The Board reviews its performance and composition on an annual basis and aims to have members with high levels of intellectual ability, experience, soundness of judgement and integrity to maximise its effectiveness and contribution. Directors serve a maximum three-year term before being required to be re-elected by the Company's members. The Company's constitution provides that at least one third (or the nearest whole number) of directors must retire at each Annual General Meeting but are eligible for re-election at that meeting. There is no compulsory retiring age.

Independent professional advice

In performing their duties, Directors have the right to seek independent, professional advice at the Company's expense, in furtherance of their duties as Directors, with the approval of the Chairman, which approval shall not be unreasonable withheld.

Board committees

The Company currently has no committees, the tasks that would ordinarily be assigned to a committee are undertaken by the full board of the Company.

Code of business conduct

The Board has adopted a Code of Conduct (the Code) and a policy "Behavior Standards - Standards of Business Conduct" setting out parameters for ethical behavior and business practices which applies to all of the Company's Directors, officers and employees. The Code is regularly reviewed and updated as necessary to ensure it reflects the highest standards of behavior and professionalism necessary to maintain confidence in the Group's integrity. In summary, the Code requires that at all times, all group personnel act with the utmost integrity, objectivity and in compliance with both the letter and the spirit of the law and the Company's best interest.

Conflicts of interest

All Directors of the Company must keep the Board advised on an ongoing basis, of any private interest that could potentially conflict with the interests of the Company. Where the Board believes that a significant conflict exists, the Director or Directors concerned do not receive the relevant board papers and is excused at the meeting whilst the item is considered. The Board has developed procedures to assist Directors in disclosing potential conflicts of interest.

All Directors and executive officers of the Company are required to disclose to the Company any material transaction, commercial relationship or corporate opportunity that reasonably could be expected to give rise to such a conflict.

Insider trading

Trading in shares by any Director or senior executive of the Company whether during a blackout period which incorporates the periods between the close of each financial quarter and the release of quarterly, half yearly interim and full year results by the Company and 30 Days prior to the Company's AGM or not requires the express written approval of the Chairman before any trading is conducted or the entry into any share trading agreements in accordance with the Company's share trading policy.



Fair dealing and ethical standards

The Code requires all directors, officers and employees of the Company to behave honestly and ethically at all times with all stakeholders, people and other organisation.

The Directors are satisfied that the Company has complied with its policies on ethical standards, including trading in securities.

Financial Reporting

Reporting Standards

The Company is committed to providing shareholders with clear, transparent, and high-quality financial information in a timely manner. The Company's continuous disclosure policy underpins this approach.

The financial reports of the Company are produced in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Corporations Act. The financial statements and reports are subject to review every half year and the auditor issues an audit opinion accompanying the full year results for each year.

External auditors

The Company policy is to appoint external auditors who clearly demonstrate quality and independence. The performance of the external auditor is reviewed annually, taking into consideration assessment of performance, existing value and tender costs.

An analysis of fees paid to external auditors, including a breakdown of fees for non-audit services, is provided in Note 7 to the financial statements. It is the policy of the external auditors to provide an annual declaration of their independence to the Board.

The external auditor is requested to attend the annual general meeting either in person or via phone linkup and be available to answer shareholder questions about the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the audit report.

Management Certification

The Company requires that the Managing Director and the Company Secretary make the following certifications to the Board:

- 1. that the Company's financial reports are complete and present a true and fair value, in all material respects, of the financial condition and operational results of the Company and Group and are in accordance with relevant accounting standards;
- 2. that the above statement is founded on a sound system of risk management together with internal compliance and control which implements the policies adopted by the board and that the Company's risk management and internal compliance and control is operating efficiently and effectively in all material respects.

Risk assessment

The Board is responsible for ensuring there are adequate policies in relation to risk management, compliance and internal control systems. In summary, the Company's policies are designed to ensure strategic, operational, legal, reputation and financial risks are identified, assessed and efficiently managed and monitored to enable achievement of the Company's business objectives.

Considerable importance is placed on maintaining a strong control environment. There is an organisational structure with clearly drawn lines of accountability and delegation of authority. Adherence to the Code of Conduct is required at all times and the Board actively promotes a culture of quality and integrity.

Detailed control procedures cover management accounting, purchases and payments, financial reporting, capital expenditure requests, project appraisal, environment, health and safety, IT security, compliance, and other risk management issues. There is a systematic review and monitoring of key business operational risks by management which reports on current future risks and mitigation activities to the Board.

The Company recognises the importance of environmental and occupational health and safety (OH&S) issues and is committed to the highest levels of performance with the systematic identification of environmental and OH&S issues to ensure they are managed in a structured manner. This system allows the Company to:

- monitor its compliance with all relevant legislation;
- continually assess and improve the impact of its operations on the environment;
- encourage employees to actively participate in the management of environmental and OH&S issues;
- work with industry peers to raise standards;
- use energy and other resources efficiently; and
- encourage the adoption of similar standards by the entity's principle suppliers and contractors with particular emphasis on exploration contractors.



Continuous disclosure and shareholder communication

The Company is a disclosing entity under the Corporations Act and is subject to the continuous disclosure requirements under ASX Listing Rules. Communications with shareholders and other stakeholders are given a high priority. In addition to statutory disclosure documents such as Annual Reports and Quarterly activity reports, the Board is committed to keeping all stakeholders informed of all material developments that affect the Company in a timely manner.

The Company has a formal policy and comprehensive procedures on continuous disclosure. Once the Board or management becomes aware of information concerning the Company that would be likely to have a material effect on the price or value of the Company's securities (and which does not fall within the exceptions to the disclosure requirements contained in the Listing Rules), that information is released to the ASX.

The Board has appointed the Company Secretary (or in his absence, the Chairman) as the person responsible for communications to ASX. This role includes responsibility or ensuring compliance with the continuous disclosure requires of ASX Listing Rules and overseeing and coordinating information disclosure to the ASX. All Company announcements, presentations or other briefings are posted on the Company's website after release to the ASX.

The Board also endorses full and regular communication with and between Directors, the Managing Director, senior management and the external auditors.

All shareholders have the opportunity to elect to receive a copy of the Company's annual report at the same time they receive by post a copy of the Notice of the Annual General Meeting.

Full use is made of annual general meetings to inform shareholders of current developments through appropriate presentations and to provide opportunities for questions.

Diversity Policy

Diversity includes, but is not limited to, gender, age, ethnicity and cultural background. The company is committed to diversity and recognises the benefits arising from employee and board diversity and the importance of benefitting from all available talents. Accordingly, the company has established a diversity policy.

This diversity policy outlines requirements for the Board to develop measurable objectives for achieving diversity, and annually assess both the objectives and the progress in achieving those objectives. Accordingly, the Board has developed the following objectives regarding gender diversity and aims to achieve these objectives as Director and senior executive positions become vacant and appropriately qualified candidates become available:

- achieve a diverse and skilled workforce, leading to continuous improvement in the achievement of its corporate goals;
- the development of clear criteria on behavioral expectations in relation to promoting diversity;
- create a work environment that values and utilises the contributions of employees with diverse backgrounds, experiences and perspectives;
- ensure that personnel responsible for recruitment take into account diversity issues when considering vacancies; and
- create awareness in all employees of their rights and responsibilities with regards to fairness, equity and respect for all aspects of diversity.

The number of women employed by the Group and their employment classification are as follows:

	2024		2023	
	No.	%	No.	%
Women on the Board	-	-	-	-
Women in senior management roles	1	17%	1	17%
Women employees in the company	2	50%	2	50%

Compliance with ASX Corporate Governance Council Good Practice Recommendations

The table below outlines each of the ASX Best Practice Recommendations and the Company's compliance with those recommendations. Where the Company has met the relevant recommendations during the reporting period, this is indicated by a "Yes" in the relevant column. Where the Company has not met or complied with a recommendation, this is indicated by a "No" and an accompanying note explaining the reasons why the Company has not met the recommendation.



Principles and Recommendations	Complied	Note
Principle 1: Lay solid foundations for management and oversight		
 Recommendation 1.1 A listed entity should have and disclose a board charter setting out: (a) the respective roles and responsibilities of its board and management; and (b) those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management. 	No	1
 Recommendation 1.2 A listed entity should: (a) undertake appropriate checks before appointing a director or senior executive or putting someone forward for election as a director; and (b) provide security holders with all material information in its possession relevant to a decision on 	Yes	
Recommendation 1.3 A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.	Yes	
Recommendation 1.4 The company secretary of a listed entity should be accountable directly to the board, through the chair, on all matters to do with the proper functioning of the board.	Yes	
 Recommendation 1.5 A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a diversity policy; (b) through its board or a committee of the board set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity in the composition of its board, senior executives and workforce generally; and (c) disclose in relation to each reporting period: (1) the measurable objectives set for that period to achieve gender diversity; (2) the entity's progress towards achieving those objectives; and (3) either: (A) the respective proportions of men and women on the board, in senior executive positions and (B) if the entity is a "relevant employer" under the Workplace Gender Equality Act, the entity's most recent "Gender Equality Indicators", as defined in and published under that Act. 	Yes	
 Recommendation 1.6 A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of the board, its committees and individual directors; and (b) disclose for each reporting period whether a performance evaluation has been undertaken in accordance with that process during or in respect of that period. 	No	1
 Recommendation 1.7 A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a process for evaluating the performance of its senior executives at least once every reporting period; and (b) disclose for each reporting period whether a performance evaluation has been undertaken in accordance with that process during or in respect of that period. 	No	1



Principle 2: Structure the Board to be effective and add value		
Recommendation 2.1	No	2
The board of a listed entity should: (a) have a nomination committee which:		
(1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and(2) is chaired by an independent director,		
and disclose:		
 (3) the charter of that committee; (4) the members of the committee; and (5) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or 		
(b) if it does not have a nomination committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs to address board succession issues and to ensure that the board has the appropriate balance of skills, knowledge, experience, independence and diversity to enable it to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively.		
Recommendations 2.2	Yes	
A listed entity should have and disclose a board skills matrix setting out the mix of skills that the board currently has or is looking to achieve in its membership.		
Recommendation 2.3	Yes	
 A listed entity should disclose: (a) the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors; (b) if a director has an interest, position, affiliation or relationship of the type described in Box 2.3 but the board is of the opinion that it does not comprise the independence of the director, the nature of the interest, position or relationship in question and an explanation of why the board is of that opinion; and (c) the length of service of each director. 		
Recommendations 2.4 A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.	No	3
Recommendations 2.5 The chair of the board of a listed entity should be an independent director and, in particular, should not be the same person as the CEO of the entity.	Yes	
Recommendations 2.6 A listed entity should have a program for inducting new directors and for periodically reviewing whether there is a need for existing directors to undertake professional development to maintain the skills and knowledge needed to perform their role as directors effectively.	Yes	



Principle 3 - Instill a culture of acting lawfully, ethically and responsibly		
Recommendation 3.1	Yes	
A listed entity should articulate and disclose its values.		
 Recommendation 3.2 A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives and employees; and (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that code by a director or senior executive; and (c) any other material breaches of that code that call into question the culture of the organisation. 	Yes	
 Recommendation 3.3 A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a whistle-blower policy; and (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material incidents reported under that policy. 	Yes	
Recommendation 3.4	Yes	
 A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose an anti-bribery and corruption policy; and (b) ensure that the board or committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that policy. 		
Principle 4 - Safeguard the integrity of corporate reports	_	_
Recommendation 4.1	No	4
The board of a listed entity should: (a) have an audit committee which:		
 (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of (2) is chaired by an independent director, who is not the chair of the board, and disclose: 		
 (3) the charter of that committee; (4) the relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and (5) in relation to each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or 		
(b) if it does not have an audit committee, disclose that fact and the process it employs that independently verify and safeguard the integrity of its corporate reporting, including the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner.		
Recommendations 4.2	Yes	
The board of a listed entity should, before it approves the entity's financial statements for a financial period, receive from its CEO and CFO a declaration that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained and that the financial statements comply with the appropriate accounting standards and give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the entity and that the opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.		
Recommendations 4.3 A listed entity should disclose its processes to verify the integrity of any periodic corporate report it releases to the market that is not audited or reviewed by an external auditor.	Yes	



Principle 5 - Make timely and balanced disclosure		
Recommendations 5.1 A listed entity should have and disclose a written policy for complying with its continuous disclose obligations under listing rule 3.1	Yes	
Recommendations 5.2 A listed entity should ensure that its board receives copies of all material market announcements promptly after they have been made.	Yes	
Recommendations 5.3 A listed entity that gives a new and substantive investor or analyst presentation should release a copy of the presentation materials on the ASX Market Announcements Platform ahead of the presentation.	Yes	
Principle 6 - Respect the rights of security holders	-	_
Recommendations 6.1 A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.	Yes	
Recommendations 6.2 A listed entity should have an investor relations program that facilitates effective two-way communication with investors.	Yes	
Recommendations 6.3 A listed entity should disclose how it facilitates and encourages participation at meetings of security holders.	Yes	
Recommendations 6.4 A listed entity should ensure that all substantive resolutions at a meeting of security holders are decided by a poll rather than by a show of hands.	Yes	
Recommendations 6.5 A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically.	Yes	
Principle 7 - Recognise and manage risk		
 Recommendation 7.1 The board of a listed entity should: (a) have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which: (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and (2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose: (3) the charter of that committee; (4) the members of the committee; and (5) in relation to each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) If it does not have a risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) above, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for overseeing the entity's risk management framework. 	No	5
Recommendation 7.2	Yes	
 The board or a committee of the board should: (a) review the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound and that the entity is operating with due regard to the risk appetite set by the board; and 		
(b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place.		



Recommendation 7.3	Yes	
 A listed entity should disclose: (a) if it has an internal audit function, how the function is structure and what role it performs; or (b) if it does not have any internal audit function, that fact and the processes it employs for evaluating and continually improving the effectiveness of its governance, risk management and internal control processes. 	Tes	
Recommendations 7.4 A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to environmental or social risks and, if it does, how it manages or intends to manage those risks.	Yes	
Principle 8 -Remunerate fairly and responsibly		
 Recommendation 8.1 The board of a listed entity should: (a) have a remuneration committee which: (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and (2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose: (3) the charter of that committee; (4) the members of the committee; and (5) in relation to each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have a remuneration committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for setting the level and composition of remuneration for directors and senior executives and ensuring that such remuneration is appropriate and not excessive. 	No	6
Recommendations 8.2 A listed entity should separately disclose its policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non- executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives.	Yes	
 Recommendation 8.3 A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should: (a) have a policy on whether participants are permitted to enter into transactions (whether through the use of derivatives or otherwise) which limit the economic risk of participating in the scheme; and (b) disclose that policy or a summary of it. 	Yes	

Note 1

All Executives and Officers of the Company are expected to contribute to the Company's activities and the performance of Senior Executives are reviewed informally by the Chairman and where desirable is discussed with the individual concerned. Due to the small size of the Board and the limited number of Senior Executives, the Company is not proposing a formal review mechanism at this moment.

Note 2

The Company currently has no nomination committee.

The Board considers those matters and issues arising that would usually fall to a nomination committee. The Board considers that no efficiencies or other benefits would be gained by establishing a separate nomination committee.

Note 3

The Board Charter requires that where practical, the majority of the Board will consist of independent Directors. Details of each Director's independence is provided within the Directors Report, noting Mr Habib is the only independent directors. Mr Ian Hastings is not deemed to be independent due to the nature of his shareholding in the Company and therefore, the majority of the Board does not consist of independent directors.

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Note 4

The Company currently has no audit committee.

The Board considers those matters and issues arising that would usually fall to an audit committee. The Board considers that no efficiencies or other benefits would be gained by establishing a separate audit committee.

Note 5

Due to the size and nature of the existing Board and the magnitude of the Company's operations, the Company does not currently have a Risk Management Committee. The full Board carries out the duties that would ordinarily be assigned to the Risk Management Committee and devotes time annually to fulfilling the rules and responsibilities associated with overseeing risk and maintaining the entity's risk management framework and associated internal compliance and control procedures.

Note 6

The Company currently has no remuneration committee.

Due to the small size and structure of the Board and the limited number of employees, a separate remuneration committee is not considered to add any efficiency to the process of determining the levels of remuneration for the directors and key executives. The Board considers that it is more appropriate to set aside time at Board meetings each year to specifically address matters that would ordinarily fall to a remuneration committee.