SCHEDULE OF MATTERS RESERVED FOR THE BOARD

A template checklist to clarify decisions which must be taken at a board level.

STRATEGY AND MANAGEMENT

- Approval of long term objectives and strategy, including the Mission, Vision and Values Statement
- Approval of the organisation's annual operating and capital expenditure budgets and any material changes to them
- Approval of the organisation's five-year strategic plan
- Review of organisational performance
- Extension of the organisation's activities into new business or geographic areas
- Any decision to cease to operate all or any material part of the organisation's business

STRUCTURE AND CAPITAL

- Changes to the organisation's corporate structure
- Changes to the organisation's management and control systems
- Changes to the company's legal status (subject to members' approval)
- Any acquisition or disposal of a controlling interest in any company

FINANCIAL REPORTING, CONTROLS AND RISK

- Review of the monthly reports
- Approval of the annual report and accounts
- Approval of any significant changes in accounting policies or practices
- Approval and monitoring of internal control and risk management processes
- Appointment, reappointment or removal of the external auditor to be put to members for approval
- Avoidance of fraudulent and wrongful trading
- Review of the overall levels of insurance for the organisation including Directors' & Officers' liability insurance and indemnification of directors

CONTRACTS

- Major capital projects
- Setting the limits of authority for the CEO
- Transactions above the CEO's limits of authority for capital expenditure and revenue expenditure and major contracts and transactions
- The giving of security over any of the organisation's assets

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

- Changes to the structure, size and composition of the board
- Succession planning for the board and senior management
- Selection of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the board and the CEO (subject to the Constitution/ Rules)
- Membership and Chairmanship of board committees
- Appointment or removal of the Company Secretary
- Authorisation of potential conflicts of interest of the directors, following recommendations by the Nomination Committee

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

- > The division of responsibilities between the Chairman and the CEO
- > Approval of terms of reference of board committees
- > Receiving reports from board committees on their activities

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

- > Annually undertaking a formal and rigorous review of its own performance, that of its committees and individual directors
- > Considering the balance of interests between members, employees, customers and the community
- > Review of the organisation's overall corporate governance arrangements

POLICIES

- > Approval of policies, including:
 - Code of Conduct
 - Occupational Health and Safety
 - Environmental
 - Other (see 'Policy and Procedure' factsheet)