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2020 Appendix 4G and Corporate Governance Statement

Orion Minerals Limited (**ASX/JSE: ORN**) (**Orion** or the **Company**) advises that in accordance with Listing Rules 4.7.3 and 4.7.4, the Company attaches a copy of its 2020 Appendix 4G and Corporate Governance Statement for release to the market.

For and on behalf of the Board.

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2Rules 4.7.3 and 4.10.31

Appendix 4G

Key to Disclosures Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

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Name of entity

Orion Minerals Limited

ABN / ARBN

76 098 939 274

Financial year ended:

30 June 2020

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>http://www.orionminerals.com.au/corporate-governance</u>

The Corporate Governance Statement is accurate and up to date as at 22 *September 2020* and has been approved by the board.

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

Date:

22 September 2020

Name of Director or Secretary authorising Martin Bouwmeester (Company Secretary) lodgement:

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

Corpo	orate 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	CIPLE 1 - LAY SOLID FOUNDATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT AND OVE	RSIGHT	
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 <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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 <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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: ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ at [<i>insert location</i>] 	 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> □ at [<i>insert location</i>] 	 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 2 November 2015

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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 <u>OR</u> at [insert location] and a copy of our diversity policy or a summary of it: at [insert location] and the measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity set by the board or a relevant committee of the board in accordance with our diversity policy and our progress towards achieving them: in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (c)(1) or (2): in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (c)(1) or (2): in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [insert location]	 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 <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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 <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable

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PRINCI	PLE 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 <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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 <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>]	 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 <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] and, where applicable, the information referred to in paragraph (b): in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] and the length of service of each director: in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at 2020 Directors 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 <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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 <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>]	 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
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 <u>OR</u> □ at [<i>insert location</i>] 	 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
PRINCI	PLE 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 <u>OR</u> x http://www.orionminerals.com.au/corporate-governance 	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: 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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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: in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] 	 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	IPLE 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: □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR ⊠ at http://www.orionminerals.com.au/corporate-governance	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
PRINCI	IPLE 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: Image: the state of the	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 <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] 	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: in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] 	 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 <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] 	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCIP	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; (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 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] [If over 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] in our Corporate Governance Statement OR 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 at [insert location] [in our Corporate Governance Statement OR [in our Corporate Governance Statement OR [insert location] [in our Corporate Governance Statement OR [in o	☑ 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 <u>OR</u> □ at [<i>insert location</i>] and that such a review has taken place in the reporting period covered by this Appendix 4G: ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ at [<i>insert location</i>] and that such a review has taken place in the reporting period covered by this Appendix 4G: ☑ 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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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 OR □ at [insert location] [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 OR □ at [insert location]	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 <u>OR</u> at [insert location] 	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCI	PLE 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 <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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 OR at [insert location]	 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: in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] 	 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: 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. 	 the information referred to in paragraphs (a) and (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
-	Alternative to Recommendations 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3 for externally managed listed entities: An externally managed listed entity should clearly disclose the terms governing the remuneration of the manager.	 the terms governing our remuneration as manager of the entity: in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> at [<i>insert location</i>] 	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement



ABN 76 098 939 274

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

30 JUNE 2020

The Board of Directors of Orion Minerals Ltd (**Orion** or **Company**) is responsible for the corporate governance of the Company. The Company's corporate governance practices for the full year ended 30 June 2020 are set out below. These practices are generally in line with the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Recommendations (3rd edition) (**Recommendations**), with exceptions indicated in the tables in Section 7 and referred to below. Further information is available in the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website, <u>www.orionminerals.com.au</u>.

This Corporate Governance Statement is current as at 22 September 2020 and has been approved by the Board of Directors of Orion.

1. THE BOARD

The Board guides and monitors the business and affairs of the Company on behalf of the shareholders by whom they are elected and to whom they are accountable. The Board Charter is available on the website.

To ensure the Board is well equipped to discharge its responsibilities, it has established guidelines for the nomination and selection of directors and for the operation of the Board.

The composition of the Board is determined in accordance with the following principles and guidelines:

- the Board should comprise at least three directors, a majority of whom should be non-executive directors;
- the Board should comprise directors with an appropriate range of qualifications and expertise; and
- the Board shall meet at regular intervals and follow meeting guidelines set down to ensure all directors have all necessary information to participate in an informed discussion of all agenda items.

The membership of the Board, its activities and composition are subject to periodic review.

The Board considers that the current directors provide the necessary diversity of skills and experience appropriate for the Company's current projects and business. However, a formal Board skills matrix setting out the mix of skills and diversity that the Board currently has or is looking to achieve in its membership has not been established, and therefore the Company does not comply with **Recommendation 2.2**. The Board will periodically give consideration to the establishment of such a matrix.

A majority of the Directors of the Company are independent; Messrs Thomas Borman, Godfrey Gomwe and Alexander Haller, are considered to be independent Directors. Mr Denis Waddell, non-executive Chairman, is not considered to be independent as he provides consulting services to the Company totalling approximately 12 days per month. Mr Mark Palmer, non-executive director, is not considered to be independent as he is associated with Tembo Capital, a substantial shareholder (21.45% shareholding) of the Company. Mr Errol Smart is an executive Director of the Company.

The Company does not comply with **Recommendation 2.5**, as the non-executive Chairman, Mr Waddell, is not independent.

The length of service of each director is disclosed in the 2020 Directors' Report.

The criteria for determining the identification and appointment of a suitable candidate for the Board shall include qualifications, experience and achievement, credibility within the Company's scope of activities, intellectual ability to contribute to the Board's duties and ability to undertake Board duties and responsibilities.

Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Mr Errol Smart is responsible for communication with senior management, the day-to-day administration and management of the Company and for keeping the Board properly informed. The Board reviews and provides feedback on the CEO's performance and is responsible for the appointment and removal of the CEO.

2. BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

The Board is responsible for:

- (a) driving the success of Orion in a way that ensures the interests of shareholders and key stakeholders are properly recognised and protected;
- (b) setting the strategic direction of Orion and monitoring the performance of the Chief Executive Officer/Managing Director (**CEO/MD**) and those senior executives who report to the CEO/MD;
- (c) ensuring there are adequate resources available to meet the Company's business plans and strategic objectives;
- (d) appointing and where appropriate removing the CEO/MD and overseeing succession plans for the senior executives who report to the CEO/MD;
- (e) ratifying the appointment and where appropriate, the removal of the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) or equivalent and the Company Secretary;
- (f) approving conditions of service and performance monitoring procedures to apply to all executive directors and those senior executives who report to the CEO/MD;

- (g) approving policies of a Company-wide nature;
- (h) approving and monitoring Orion's financial reporting, major capital expenditure and capital management;
- (i) approving and monitoring the progress of Orion's business plans and strategic objectives;
- (j) ensuring that adequate audit, risk management and compliance systems and procedures exist, and are being effectively utilised;
- (k) ensuring that Orion has appropriate corporate governance structures in place, including an ethical code of conduct; and
- (I) ensuring that the Board has the appropriate blend of experience, skills and attributes to meet the changing needs of Orion.

The Board has delegated responsibility for the day-to-day operations and administration of Orion to the CEO/MD.

Directors have the right, in connection with their duties and responsibilities as Directors, to seek independent professional advice at the Company's expense. The Company will only meet that expense if they obtain the advice after obtaining the Chairman's prior written approval, which will not be unreasonably withheld.

3. COMMITTEES

An Audit Committee has been established by the Board. Its primary function is to assist the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities by reviewing the:

- quality and integrity of financial reporting;
- systems of internal control that management and the Board have established to safeguard the Company's financial and physical assets and facilitate compliance with relevant statutory and regulatory requirements;
- processes for business risk identification, quantification and mitigation;
- effectiveness and independence of the external audit process; and
- quality and relevance of financial and non-financial information provided to management and the Board on which decisions will be based.

The Audit Committee comprises Mr Gomwe (Chairman), Mr Waddell, Mr Smart and Mr Haller. Each member has the relevant financial and industry experience required to perform Audit Committee functions. Details of their qualifications and experience, and the Audit Committee meeting and attendance details for the reporting period, are set out in the 2020 Directors' Report. The Audit Committee Charter is available on the website.

Although the Audit Committee consists of four members, the Company does not comply with **Recommendation 4.1**, as the majority of the members are not considered to be independent. Mr Waddell is the Chairman of the Board and is not independent; Mr Smart is the Managing Director and CEO and is not independent. Nonexecutive directors Messrs Gomwe (Chairman of the Audit Committee) and Haller are both independent. Nevertheless, the Board considers that the current structure is appropriate given the size of the Company and the necessary skills and experience each member brings to the Audit Committee.

The Company does not comply with **Recommendation 2.1**, as there is no separate nomination committee. The Board considers that the current size and level of activities of the Company are not of a sufficient level to justify having a nomination committee. The whole Board conducts the functions of the nomination committee and is guided by the charter posted on the website.

The Company does not comply with **Recommendation 7.1**, as there is no separate risk committee. However, one of the roles of the Audit Committee is to review the processes for business risk identification, quantification and mitigation. The role of the Technical Committee is to review technical information received by the Board and released to ASX, guided by the charter posted on the website. In addition, the Company has a *Risk Management and Internal Control Policy*, which is available on the Company's website. Management reports regularly to the Board on its management of material business risks.

A formal review of the Company's risk management framework was not conducted during the reporting period, although the Board continues to assess the framework on an informal basis at least twice per annum when lodging its financial reports. The Board receives assurance from the CEO and CFO (or equivalent) that the declaration for the financial report, provided in accordance with section 295A of the Corporations Act, is founded on a sound system of risk management and internal control and that the system is operating effectively.

The Company does not comply with **Recommendation 8.1**, as there is currently no separate remuneration committee. The Board considers that the current size of the Company and its level of activities are not of a sufficient magnitude to justify having a remuneration committee. The whole Board conducts the functions of the remuneration committee and is guided by the charter posted on the website.

4. MONITORING OF PERFORMANCE

The Board will, from time to time, evaluate its performance (including that of individual Board members) and Board committees to determine whether they are functioning effectively by reference to their charters and current best practice. Performance evaluations were conducted during the reporting period as part of the review of director remuneration and engagement terms for the executive directors.

Although the Company has not adopted a formal process for periodically evaluating the performance of its senior executives other than Board members, and therefore does not comply with **Recommendation 1.7**, informal performance evaluations were undertaken during the reporting period. At its present stage of development, the Company has minimal executive personnel.

5. **REMUNERATION**

It is the Company's objective to provide maximum stakeholder benefit from the retention of a high-quality Board and executive team by remunerating directors and key executives fairly and appropriately with reference to relevant employment market conditions. The expected outcomes of the remuneration structure are:

- Retention and motivation of key executives;
- Attraction of quality management to the Company; and
- Performance incentives that allow executives to share the rewards of the success of Orion.

Details of the Company's policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives are disclosed in the 2020 Remuneration Report.

In relation to the payment of bonuses, options and other incentive payments, discretion is exercised by the Board, having regard to the overall performance of Orion and the performance of the individual during the period.

There is no scheme to provide retirement benefits, other than statutory superannuation, where applicable, to directors.

6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- The Company does not comply with **Recommendation 1.5** as it has not established a diversity policy that
 requires the Board to set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity nor disclosed a policy or
 summary of that policy. Neither has the Company disclosed in its annual report the measurable objectives
 for achieving gender diversity. The Board believes that at this time no efficiencies or other benefits would
 be gained by introducing a formal diversity policy. In the future, as the Company grows and increases in
 size and activity, the Board will consider the adoption of a formal diversity policy.
- The Board has adopted a **Code of Conduct** and policies on Community, OH&S, and the Environment. The Code is available on the website.
- The Company has written policies and procedures on information disclosure that focus on continuous disclosure of any information concerning the Company and its controlled entities that a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price of the Company's securities. The Company's Continuous Disclosure Policy is posted on the website. All information disclosed to ASX is immediately posted on the website and emailed to those parties who have supplied their email addresses. Before analysts are briefed on aspects of the Company's operations, the presentation is released to ASX and posted on the website.
- The Company's **Shareholder Communication Policy** is posted on the website. The Company's website provides information on the Company including its background, objectives, projects and contact details. The Corporate Governance page provides access to the Constitution, key policies, procedures and charters of the Company, such as the Board and Committee charters, Securities Trading Policy and the latest Corporate Governance Statement. ASX announcements, Company reports and presentations are uploaded to the website following release to the ASX. The Company has a proactive approach to communicating the Company's business to shareholders and the wider investment community and encourages ongoing Shareholder feedback and participation at general meetings. The Board encourages the attendance of each meeting to facilitate attendance by shareholders.
- The Company does not presently have an internal audit function. However, the Board and management
 continually monitor and endeavour to improve the effectiveness of the Company's risk management and
 internal control procedures. The Audit Committee and its interaction with the Company's external auditor
 also provide additional oversight of this important area.
- The Board does not consider the Company has any material exposure to economic, environmental or social sustainability risks at the present time.
- The Company has an equity-based remuneration scheme for executives (the Orion Minerals Option and Performance Rights Plan). In accordance with the provisions of the Plan, executives may be granted

options or performance rights to purchase ordinary shares. The Plan's rules provide the Board with discretion as to any restrictions that may apply. The Board has a policy that does not permit Plan participants to enter into transactions which limit the economic risk of participating in the Plan.

7. ASX CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COUNCIL'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Corp	orate Governance Recommendation	Adoption and comment
Princ	iple 1: Lay solid foundations for management and oversight	
1.1	 A listed entity should disclose: (a) the respective roles and responsibilities of its board and management; and 	Adopted
	(b) those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management.	
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 	Adopted
	(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.	
1.3	A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.	Adopted
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.	Adopted
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; 	Not adopted – see comments in Section a above
	 (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. 	
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. 	Adopted
1.7	accordance with that process. A listed entity should:	Not adopted – see
	 (a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of its senior executives; and 	comments in Section 4 above
	(b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process.	

Corporate Governance Recommendation		Adoption and comments
Princ	iple 2: Structure the Board to add value	
2.1	The board of a listed entity should:	Not adopted – see
	(a) have a nomination committee which:	comments in Section 3
	 has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and 	above
	(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.	
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.	Not adopted – see comments in Section 1 above
2.3	A listed entity should disclose:	Adopted
	 (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.	
2.4	A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.	Adopted
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.	Not adopted – see comments in Section 1 above
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.	Adopted
Princ	iple 3: Act ethically and responsibly	
3.1	A listed entity should:	Adopted
	(a) have a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives and	
	employees; and	
	(b) disclose that code or a summary of it.	
	iple 4: Safeguard integrity in corporate reporting	
4.1	The board of a listed entity should:	Partly adopted – see comments in Section 3
	(a) have an audit committee which:	above
	 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;	

Corp	orate Governance Recommendation	Adoption and comments
	 (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.	
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.	Adopted
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.	Adopted
Princ	iple 5: Make timely and balanced disclosure	
5.1	A listed entity should:	Adopted
	 (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.	
Princ	iple 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.	Adopted
6.2	A listed entity should design and implement an investor relations program to facilitate effective two-way communication with investors.	Adopted
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.	Adopted
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.	Adopted
Princ	iple 7: Recognise and manage risk	
7.1	The board of a listed entity should:	Not adopted – see
	(a) have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which:	comments in Section 3
	 has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and 	above
	(2) is chaired by an independent director,	
	and disclose:	
	(2) the charter of the committee:	
	(3) the charter of the committee;	
	(4) the members of the committee; and	
	 (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 	
	(4) the members of the committee; and(5) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times	

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	 (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.	
7.3	A listed entity should disclose:	Adopted
	(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.	
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.	Adopted
Princ	iple 8: Remunerate fairly and responsibly	
8.1	The board of a listed entity should:	Not adopted – see
	(a) have a remuneration committee which:	comments in Section 3
	 has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and 	above
	(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.	
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.	Adopted
8.3	A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should:	Adopted
	 (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.	