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# Field Solutions Holdings Limited – 2020 Corporate Governance Statement

This statement reports on the main corporate governance practices of Field Solutions Holdings Limited (Field Solutions, Company, Group) as at 30 June 2020 and it has been approved by the Company's Board of Directors.

It is the responsibility of the Board of Directors to monitor the business affairs of the Company and to protect the rights and interests of the shareholders. The Board believes that high standards of corporate governance are an essential prerequisite for creating sustainable value for shareholders.

This statement sets out the Company's main corporate governance policies and practices. All these practices, unless otherwise stated, were in place for the entire year ending 30 June 2020. The policies and practices are reported against Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition (ASX Corporate Governance Council, 2014). Where the Company's compliance with the Principles and Recommendations is reflected in separate documents and or policies, with direct reference location of said documents and policies are included in this statement.

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References in this statement to reporting period are to the financial year ended 30 June 2020 and references to the Company's website:

http://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/

# Principle 1 – Lay solid foundations management and oversight

## RECOMMENDATION 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.

## **RECOMMENDATION 1.1 FOLLOWED**

The Company's Board Charter sets out (amongst other things):

- a) the roles and responsibilities of the Board and of management;
- b) the matters expressly reserved to the Board; and
- c) the matters delegated to management.

The Board Charter can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-groupc.com/orporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-groupc.com/orporate-governance/</a>



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#### **RECOMMENDATION 1.2**

## A listed entity should:

- a) undertake appropriate checks before appointing an individual, 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 to elect or re-elect a director.

## **RECOMMENDATION 1.2 FOLLOWED**

Prior to the appointment of an individual, or putting forward to security holders a candidate for election, as a director, the Company undertakes checks which it believes are appropriate to verify a director's character, experience, education, criminal record and bankruptcy history, including, for new directors, but not limited to the following:

- a) background and reference checking; and
- b) requesting information in relation to the person's current and previous positions, directorships, bankruptcy history and any potential conflicts of interest.

The Company ensures that all material information in its possession relevant to a shareholder's decision whether to elect or re-elect a director, including the information referred to in Recommendation 1.2, is provided to shareholders in the Company's Notice of Annual General Meeting.

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#### **RECOMMENDATION 1.3**

A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.

## **RECOMMENDATION 1.3 FOLLOWED**

Each director and senior executive of the Company has an agreement in writing with the Company which sets out the key terms and conditions of their appointment including their duties, rights and responsibilities and (to the extent applicable) the matters referred to in the commentary to Recommendation 1.3.

## **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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 1.4 FOLLOWED**

The Company Secretary has a direct line of reporting to the Chairman and is responsible for:

- a) advising and supporting the Chairman and the Board and its committees to manage the day to day governance framework of the Company;
- b) assisting with Board effectiveness by monitoring whether applicable Board and committee policies, procedures and charters are followed and coordinating timely completion and dispatch of Board agendas and papers; and



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 assisting with all matters to do with the proper functioning of the Board including advising on governance matters and assisting with induction and professional development of directors.

The responsibilities of the Company Secretary are set out in the Board Charter referenced in this statement.

## **RECOMMENDATION 1.5**

# A listed entity should:

- 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:
  - i) 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
  - ii) 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.

## **RECOMMENDATION 1.5 FOLLOWED**

The Company seeks to treat everyone with fairness and respect, which includes valuing diversity and difference and acting without prejudice. The Company believes that decision-making is enhanced through diversity and supports and encourages diversity at all levels of the organisation in accordance with the Company's Diversity Policy. A copy of the Diversity Policy is located at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>

The Board assesses any measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and annually reviews any such objectives and the Company's progress towards achieving them. The Board reviews at least annually the relative proportion of women and men appointed or employed within the Company group and reports this in the Company's Corporate Governance Statement and as appropriate in its Financial Report, each year.

The Company has less than 250 employees and is not a "relevant employer" under the Workplace Gender Equality Act. Given the size of the Company and status of the Company's operations, the directors believe that it is not appropriate at this stage to set measurable objectives in relation to diversity beyond those included in the Diversity Policy.



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Notwithstanding this, the Company strives to provide the best possible opportunities for current and prospective employees of all backgrounds in such a manner that best adds to overall shareholders value and which reflects the values, principles and spirit of the Diversity Policy. The directors also believe that diversity is a relevant consideration for constitution of an effective Board, as discussed at Recommendation 2.2.

	No. of Women	Proportion of Women
Whole Organisation	7	21%
Management Positions	1	33%
Board members	1	20%

#### **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, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process.

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## **RECOMMENDATION 1.6 FOLLOWED**

The Board Charter details the company's commitment, responsibility and process to annually evaluate the performance of the Board, individual directors, the chairman and as appropriate Committees of the Board. The Board Charter can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>

Consistent with this commitment, the Company also has a document that details its procedure in respect of performance evaluation of the Board, individual directors and key executives. This document is located at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>

The board itself is responsible for the evaluation of its performance and the performance of individual directors. This evaluation is currently conducted via self-assessment annually, and is managed by the Company Secretary at the direction of the Chairman. From time to time and as deemed necessary, the Company, at the direction of the Chairman, may undertake to have its performance evaluation process facilitated externally by an appropriately qualified service provider.

The performance evaluation shall be conducted in such manner as the Board deems appropriate. The review of the Board's performance also addresses the ability for directors to access continuing education to update and enhance their skills and knowledge as they relate to the Company's strategy and objectives.



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During the reporting period, a performance evaluation of the Board, individual directors, the chairman or committees of the Board did not occur, it is planned that a performance evaluation will occur in the FY2020 reporting period.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 1.7 FOLLOWED**

The Board (excluding the CEO) review the performance of the CEO annually. The CEO's performance is assessed against key performance indicators (KPIs) as agreed by the Board, and criteria such as the achievement and performance towards the Company's objectives and (where appropriate) performance benchmarks and the achievement of individual performance objectives.

The CEO reviews the performance of the senior executives annually, against agreed KPIs, achievement and performance towards the Company's objectives and achievement of individual performance objectives. The Board also recognises the need for flexibility in defining performance objectives which must reflect current status of the company and the respective stages of its projects.

Informally, the performance of the CEO and that of key executives is assessed at each board meeting with respect of their performance toward meeting current KPIs and overall progress toward meeting the Boards strategic direction for the Company.

The Company's procedure in respect of performance evaluation of the Board, individual directors and key executives, can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>

During the reporting period, a performance evaluation of the CEO did not occur, it is planned that a performance evaluation will occur in the FY2020 reporting period.

# Principle 2 – Structure the Board to add value

## **RECOMMENDATION 2.1**

The board of a listed entity should: have a nomination committee which:



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- (i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors;
- (ii) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose;
- (iii) the charter of the committee;
- (iv) the members of the committee; and
- (v) 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

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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 2.1 FOLLOWED**

The Board has combined the functions and responsibilities of a formal nomination committee with the remuneration committee. All three independent directors sit on this committee. Acting in its ordinary capacity from time to time as required, the remuneration and nomination committee carries out the process of determining the need for, screening and appointing new Directors. To assist the Board with the selection and appointment of new Directors the Company has a Policy and procedure for selection and appointment of new directors which can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>

Directors are selected by reference to their knowledge, skills and experience relevant to the business needs of the Company. New directors are invited to join the Board by the chairperson, who makes the invitation based on recommendations made by the Board and approved by the Board.

The Company aims to nominate and appoint individuals with diverse skills, values, backgrounds and experiences. The Company values this diversity and recognises the strengths and opportunities it may bring to the Board. In order to attract and retain a diverse Board composition, the Company is committed to providing a working environment in which all directors, employees and consultants are treated fairly and respectfully, and have equal access to opportunities available within the Company for personal and professional development.

Field Solutions is aware of the benefits of gender diversity and is committed to ensuring female participation is reflected at all levels of the organisation including among senior management and directors of the Board. In view of the size and resources available to the Company, it is not considered that a separate nomination committee would add any further substance to this process.



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#### **RECOMMENDATION 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.

## **RECOMMENDATION 2.2 FOLLOWED**

Although there is currently no formal skills matrix, the Board regularly evaluates the mix of skills, experience and diversity at the Board level. The Board believes that a highly credentialed Board, with a diversity of background, skills and perspectives, will be effective in supporting and enabling delivery of good governance for the Company and value for the Company's shareholders.

At 30 June 2020, the Board comprised five Directors from diverse backgrounds with a range of business experience, skills and attributes. The following list demonstrates the skills and experience of the Directors across several dimensions that are relevant to Field Solutions. Biographical information on each director is contained in the Financial Report and at the company's website.

## Composition of skills and experience of the Board:

Industry experience

- (i) management and or board representation in other entities (past and present)
- (ii) transactions within the information technology and telecommunications sectors

Membership of industry related organisation/s

- (i) computer Science qualification or experience
- (ii) management of information technology services, etc.

Executive leadership/management

- (i) outside directorships (past or present)
- (ii) senior management positions (past or present)

Financial acumen

- (i) financial Literacy
- (ii) accounting, finance or business qualification

Governance & regulation

- (i) experience in the governance of listed organisations
- (ii) membership of governance industry bodies or organisations

Strategy

 experience to analyse information, think strategically and review and challenge management so to make informed decisions and assess performance against strategy

Risk

(i) experience in risk management and oversight



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The Board aspires to have a Board comprised of individuals diverse experience and expertise and will be mindful of this when making appointments which will also be based on merit.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 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 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.

## RECOMMENDATION 2.3 FOLLOWED

In the opinion of the board, to qualify as being independent, a director must be independent of management and free of any business or other relationship which could materially interfere or could reasonably be perceived to interfere materially with the Directors independent exercise of their judgement.

The Board considers the independent directors of the board to be;

- Mr Ken Carr (Appointed to the board on 2 May 2014)
- Mr Matt Ranawake (Appointed to the board on 30 November 2011)
- Mr Phillip Carter (Appointed to the board on 21 February 2020)

#### **RECOMMENDATION 2.4**

A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.

# **RECOMMENDATION 2.4 FOLLOWED**

The Company currently follows the recommendation of Principle 2.4 as the Board has a majority of independent directors (at present 3 out of the 5 directors are independent, as outline at recommendation 2.30 above).

In accordance with the ASX Recommendations, the independence of a director is assessed by determining whether the director is independent of management and free of any business or other relationship that could materially interfere with, or could reasonably be perceived to materially interfere with, the exercise of their unfettered and independent judgment. While one of the directors – Mr Phillip Carter – is technically a substantial holder, with the organisation he represents holding 11.8% of the ordinary shares, the existence of a principal shareholder with 40% means that, in the board's view, Mr Carter acts as an independent director in all practical terms.



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The test of whether a relationship or business is material is based on the nature of the relationship or business and on the circumstances and activities of the director. Materiality thresholds are considered by the Board from time to time.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 2.5 FOLLOWED**

The Chairman of the Board is an independent director as described in Recommendation 2.3. The Chairman is not the current or previous CEO or Managing Director of the Company.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 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.

## RECOMMENDATION 2.6 FOLLOWED

All new directors are provided with an induction including comprehensive meetings with the Managing Director/CEO and senior executives/management as appropriate and provision of information on the Company including Company and Board policies, charters and other material documents.

All directors are expected to maintain the skills required to effectively discharge their obligations to the Company. Directors are encouraged to undertake continuing professional education and, if this involves industry seminars and approved education courses, where appropriate, this is paid for by the Company. Furthermore, Directors skills, knowledge and opportunities for continuing education and development are considered annually as part of the performance evaluation of the Board, individual directors and Chairman.

The Company's Director Induction Program can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>

The Company procedure in respect of performance evaluation of the Board, individual directors and key executives, can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>

Principle 3 – A listed entity should act ethically and responsibly **RECOMMENDATION 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.



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#### **RECOMMENDATION 3.1 FOLLOWED**

The Company has a Code of Conduct that sets out the standards of behaviour expected of all its employees, directors, officers, contractors and consultants. The Code of Conduct can be viewed at https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/

# Principle 4 – Safeguard integrity in corporate reporting

#### **RECOMMENDATION 4.1**

The board of a listed entity should:

- a) have an audit committee which:
  - (i) has at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whom are independent directors; and
  - (ii) is chaired by an independent director, who is not the chair of the board, and disclose
  - (iii) the charter of the committee;
  - (iv) the relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and
  - (v) 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.

## **RECOMMENDATION 4.1 FOLLOWED**

The Company has established an Audit & Risk Committee. The Audit & Risk Committee has three members, a majority of whom are independent but not all are non-executive directors. The Company does have processes in place 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. These processes are detailed in the Audit & Risk Committee Charter which can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-groupc.com/orporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-groupc.com/orporate-governance/</a>

The Company also has a specific procedure that provides the process for Selection, appointment and rotation of the external auditor, which can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-groupc.com/orporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-groupc.com/orporate-governance/</a>

The Committee's members and their relevant qualifications and experience, the number of times the Committee met throughout the reporting period and the attendance of the Committee's members at those meetings are set out in the 2020 Financial Report. As the



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business develops, changes to and/or further appointments to the Board may be warranted and the Board will consider the need to appoint independent directors.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 4.2 FOLLOWED**

The Board has received a declaration in the form set out in Recommendation 4.2 from its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer in relation to each financial period.

## **RECOMMENDATION 4.3**

A listed entity that has an Annual General Meeting (AGM) should ensure that its external auditor attends its AGM and is available to answer questions from security holders relevant to the audit.

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## **RECOMMENDATION 4.3 FOLLOWED**

The Company's external auditor attends each AGM of the Company and is always available to answer questions from security holders relevant to the audit.

# Principle 5 – Make timely and balanced disclosure

#### **RECOMMENDATION 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.

## RECOMMENDATION 5.1 FOLLOWED

The Company has a Continuous Disclosure & Communications Policy that outlines the processes followed by the Company to ensure compliance with its continuous disclosure obligations and the corporate governance standards applied by the Company in its communications to the market. The Continuous Disclosure & Communications Policy can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>



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# Principle 6 – Respect the rights of security holders

#### **RECOMMENDATION 6.1**

A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 6.1 FOLLOWED**

Information about the Company and its operations and its Corporate Governance is located on the company's website.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 6.2**

A listed entity should design and implement an investor relations program to facilitate effective two-way communication with investors.

## **RECOMMENDATION 6.2 FOLLOWED**

The Company has a Continuous Disclosure & Communications Policy that outlines the processes followed by the Company to ensure communication with shareholders and the investment community is effective, consistent and adheres to the principles of continuous disclosure. The Continuous Disclosure & Communications Policy can be viewed at https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/

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## **RECOMMENDATION 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.

## **RECOMMENDATION 6.3 FOLLOWED**

The Continuous Disclosure & Communications Policy sets out the policies and processes the Company has in place to facilitate and encourage participation at meetings of security holders. The Company permits shareholders to cast their proxies prior to a General Meeting if they are unable to attend the meeting.

## **RECOMMENDATION 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.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS 6.4 FOLLOWED**

The Company gives security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the Company and its security registry electronically, as provided for in the Company's Continuous Disclosure & Communications Policy.



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# 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:
  - (i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors: and
  - (ii) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose
  - (iii) the charter of the committee;
  - (iv) the members of the committee; and
  - (v) 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 risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) above, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for overseeing the entity's risk management framework.

## RECOMMENDATION 7.1 FOLLOWED

The Company has established an Audit & Risk Committee to oversee risk whether financial, operational or otherwise.

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The Audit & Risk Committee is comprised of three members, a majority of whom are independent and is chaired by an independent director. The Committee, in accordance with its charter has a process it employs for overseeing the entities risk management framework. The Company also has a Risk Management Policy that provides further guidance in the management of risk within the Company. Aspects of risk management were addressed in most Board meeting agendas during the year.

The Committee's members and their relevant qualifications and experience, the number of times the Committee met throughout the reporting period and the attendance of the Committee's members at those meetings is set out in the 2020 Financial Report.

The Company's Audit Committee Charter and Risk Management Policy can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>

## **RECOMMENDATION 7.2**

The board or a committee of the board should:

review the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound; and

disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place.



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#### **RECOMMENDATION 7.2 FOLLOWED**

The Company's Risk Management Policy sets the framework for risk management and review of the risk management framework.

The Company's Risk Management Policy requires the Board to, at least annually, assisted by the Audit & Risk Committee, undertake a structured consideration and review of the risk management framework and the material risks faced by the Company. The Risk Management Policy can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>

In respect of the current reporting period, the Board, assisted by the Audit & Risk Committee has undertaken assessments and reviews of the Company's risk management framework. This work by its nature is considered ongoing rather than completed. This review involved taking account of any material changes in the risks associated with the company's activities and updating the framework accordingly

## **RECOMMENDATION 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.

# **RECOMMENDATION 7.3 FOLLOWED**

Field Solutions is committed to understanding and managing risk and to establishing an organisational culture that ensures risk management is included in all activities, decision making and business processes. The Company does not have a formal internal audit function due to its size.

The Audit & Risk Committee meets to receive and consider reports on, and monitor and discuss, known and emerging risk and compliance issues, including non-financial operational and other business risks.

The ongoing mitigation and management of key business risks is a standing agenda item and is addressed by the Board at each Board meeting through discussion and it is an item of business on the agenda of the Audit & Risk Committee. As a part of the standard reporting day-to-day management of the Company's affairs, the Key Executives are tasked with managing the operational, financial, legal, compliance, strategic and reputation risks, which risks are promoted to the Board under certain criteria (such as being high status) by the CEO and the Chief Financial Officer.



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Where appropriate, these risks are managed with the support of relevant external professional advisers.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 7.4 FOLLOWED**

The Company undertakes information technology and telecommunication activities and, as such, faces risks inherent to its business, including economic, environmental and social sustainability risks, which may materially impact the Company's ability to create or preserve value for security holders over the short, medium or long term.

Core values and business drivers include agility, innovation, employee wellbeing and respect for the environment and community. The Company views sustainable and responsible business practices as an important long-term driver of performance and shareholder value and is committed to transparency, fair dealing, responsible treatment of employees and partners and positive interaction with the community.

The company is committed to continual review of its status with respect of the materiality of its economic, environmental and social sustainability risks, and takes appropriate action to address as circumstances require.

# Principle 8 – Remunerate fairly and responsibly

## **RECOMMENDATION 8.1**

The board of a listed entity should:

have a remuneration committee which:

- (i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and
- (ii) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose
- (iii) the charter of the committee;
- (iv) the members of the committee; and
- (v) 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

if it does not have 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 remuneration is appropriate and not excessive.



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#### **RECOMMENDATION 8.1 FOLLOWED**

The Company has a separate remuneration committee comprised of three independent directors. The committee has responsibility for the function of remuneration, including the performance evaluation and remuneration of the CEO.

The primary function is to consider and recommend compensation arrangements for the CEO and senior executives, remuneration policies and practices, retirement termination policies and practices, company share schemes and other incentive schemes, company superannuation arrangements and remuneration arrangements for members of the Board. The Board recognises that the attraction and retention of high calibre executives is critical to generating shareholder value.

Fees and payments to non-executive Directors reflect the demands that are made on, and the risks and responsibilities, of the Directors. The committee reviews non-executive Directors fees and payments periodically, and any increase recommended in the overall amount allocated to Directors fees is subject to shareholder approval.

Each member of the executive team has signed a formal contract at the time of their appointment covering a range of matters including their duties, rights, responsibilities and any entitlements on termination. The standard contract sets out a specific formal job description.

The Company's Remuneration Policy can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>

The primary functions of the Committee in relation to the Remuneration policy is to:

- a) make specific decisions for remuneration of directors and senior officers;
- b) resolve the terms and conditions of employment for the CEO;
- undertake a review of the CEO's performance, at least annually, including setting
  with the CEO goals for the coming year and reviewing progress in achieving those
  goals;
- d) report on the decisions for the CEO and senior employees on the remuneration to the CEO; and
- e) develop and facilitate a process for board and director evaluation.

In fulfilling its role as the remuneration committee, the committee may seek to retain professional services as it requires, at reasonable market rates, and seek external advice and market comparisons where necessary.



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#### **RECOMMENDATION 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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 8.2 FOLLOWED**

The Company's policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives is set out in the Remuneration Report contained in the 2020 Financial Report. A copy of the 2020 Financial Report will be located at the company's website.

## **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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 8.3 FOLLOWED**

The Company has an equity-based remuneration scheme. The Company's Share Trading Policy provides that participants in the scheme must not enter into any transaction which would have the effect of hedging or otherwise transferring to any other person the risk of any fluctuation in the value of any un-vested equity interest.

The Share Trading Policy can be viewed at <a href="https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/">https://www.fieldsolutions-group.com/corporate-governance/</a>