Appendix 4G

Key to Disclosures Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

Name of entity					
carsales.com Limited					
ABN/AF	ABN/ARBN Financial year ended:				
91 074 444 018		30 June 2022			
Our cor	rporate governance statem	ent ¹ for the period above can be fo	ound at: ²		
☐ These pages of our annual report:					
\boxtimes	This URL on our website: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/				

The Corporate Governance Statement is accurate and up to date as at 14 August 2022 and has been approved by the board.

The annexure includes a key to where our corporate governance disclosures can be located.3

Date: 14 August 2022

Name of authorised officer authorising

lodgement: Nicole Birman

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 Listing Rule 4.10.3.

Under Listing Rule 4.7.3, an entity must also lodge with ASX a completed Appendix 4G at the same time as it lodges its annual report with ASX. The Appendix 4G serves a dual purpose. It acts as a key designed to assist readers to locate the governance disclosures made by a listed entity under Listing Rule 4.10.3 and under the ASX Corporate Governance Council's recommendations. It also acts as a verification tool for listed entities to confirm that they have met the disclosure requirements of Listing Rule 4.10.3

The Appendix 4G is not a substitute for, and is not to be confused with, the entity's corporate governance statement. They serve different purposes and an entity must produce each of them separately.

See notes 4 and 5 below for further instructions on how to complete this form.

¹ "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.

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.

² Tick whichever option is correct and then complete the page number(s) of the annual report, or the URL of the web page, where your corporate governance statement can be found. You can, if you wish, delete the option which is not applicable.

³ 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 "OR" at the end of the selection and you delete the other options, you can also, if you wish, delete the "OR" at the end of the selection.

ANNEXURE - KEY TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURES

Corporate Governance Council recommendation		Where a box below is ticked, ⁴ we have followed the recommendation in <u>full</u> for the <u>whole</u> of the period above. We have disclosed this in our Corporate Governance Statement:	Where a box below is ticked, we have NOT followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. Our reasons for not doing so are: ⁵
PRINC	CIPLE 1 – LAY SOLID FOUNDATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT AND O	/ERSIGHT	
1.1	A listed entity should have and disclose a board charter setting out: (a) the respective roles and responsibilities of its board and management; and (b) those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management.	and we have disclosed a copy of our board charter at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ 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 director or senior executive or putting someone forward for election as a director; and (b) provide security holders with all material information in its possession relevant to a decision on whether or not to elect or re-elect a director.		□ set out 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.		□ set out 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.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable

⁴ Tick the box in this column only if you have followed the relevant recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. Where the recommendation has a disclosure obligation attached, you must insert the location where that disclosure has been made, where indicated by the line with "insert location" underneath. If the disclosure in question has been made in your corporate governance statement, you need only insert "our corporate governance statement". If the disclosure has been made in your annual report, you should insert the page number(s) of your annual report (eg "pages 10-12 of our annual report"). If the disclosure has been made on your website, you should insert the URL of the web page where the disclosure has been made or can be accessed (eg "www.entityname.com.au/corporate governance/charters/").

⁵ 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.

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1.5	A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a diversity policy; (b) through its board or a committee of the board set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity in the composition of its board, senior executives and workforce generally; and (c) disclose in relation to each reporting period: (1) the measurable objectives set for that period to achieve gender diversity; (2) the entity's progress towards achieving those objectives; and (3) either: (A) the respective proportions of men and women on the board, in senior executive positions and across the whole workforce (including how the entity has defined "senior executive" for these purposes); or (B) if the entity is a "relevant employer" under the Workplace Gender Equality Act, the entity's most recent "Gender Equality Indicators", as defined in and published under that Act. If the entity was in the S&P / ASX 300 Index at the commencement of the reporting period, the measurable objective for achieving gender diversity in the composition of its board should be to have not less than 30% of its directors of each gender within a specified period.	and we have disclosed a copy of our diversity policy at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/ and we have disclosed the information referred to in paragraph (c) at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/ and if we were included in the S&P / ASX 300 Index at the commencement of the reporting period our measurable objective for achieving gender diversity in the composition of its board of not less than 30% of its directors of each gender within a specified period.	set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR 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 for each reporting period whether a performance evaluation has been undertaken in accordance with that process during or in respect of that period.	and we have disclosed the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a) at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/ and whether a performance evaluation was undertaken for the reporting period in accordance with that process at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/	 □ set out 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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1.7	A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a process for evaluating the performance of its senior executives at least once every reporting period; and (b) disclose for each reporting period whether a performance evaluation has been undertaken in accordance with that process during or in respect of that period.	and we have disclosed the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a) at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/ and whether a performance evaluation was undertaken for the reporting period in accordance with that process at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/	 □ set out 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 BE EFFECTIVE AND 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):] and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/ and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/ [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] and we have disclosed 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 at: [insert location]	set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR 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 that the board currently has or is looking to achieve in its membership.	and we have disclosed our board skills matrix at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/	 □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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, affiliation 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 or relationship in question and an explanation of why the board is of that opinion; and (c) the length of service of each director.	and we have disclosed the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/ and, where applicable, the information referred to in paragraph (b) at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/ and the length of service of each director at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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2.4	A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.		□ set out 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.		□ set out 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 for periodically reviewing whether there is a need for existing directors to undertake professional development to maintain the skills and knowledge needed to perform their role as directors effectively.		 □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
PRINCI	PLE 3 – INSTIL A CULTURE OF ACTING LAWFULLY, ETHICALLY	AND RESPONSIBLY	
3.1	A listed entity should articulate and disclose its values.	and we have disclosed our values at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
3.2	A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives and employees; and (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that code.	and we have disclosed our code of conduct at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
3.3	A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a whistleblower policy; and (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material incidents reported under that policy.	and we have disclosed our whistleblower policy at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
3.4	A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose an anti-bribery and corruption policy; and (b) ensure that the board or committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that policy.	and we have disclosed our anti-bribery and corruption policy at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCI	PLE 4 – SAFEGUARD THE INTEGRITY OF CORPORATE REPOR	TS	
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):] and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/ and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/ [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] and we have disclosed 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 at: [insert location]	set out 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.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
4.3	A listed entity should disclose its process to verify the integrity of any periodic corporate report it releases to the market that is not audited or reviewed by an external auditor.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCI	PLE 5 – MAKE TIMELY AND BALANCED DISCLOSURE		
5.1	A listed entity should have and disclose a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under listing rule 3.1.	and we have disclosed our continuous disclosure compliance policy at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
5.2	A listed entity should ensure that its board receives copies of all material market announcements promptly after they have been made.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
5.3	A listed entity that gives a new and substantive investor or analyst presentation should release a copy of the presentation materials on the ASX Market Announcements Platform ahead of the presentation.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
PRINCI	PLE 6 – RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS		
6.1	A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.	and we have disclosed information about us and our governance on our website at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.2	A listed entity should have an investor relations program that facilitates effective two-way communication with investors.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.3	A listed entity should disclose how it facilitates and encourages participation at meetings of security holders.	and we have disclosed how we facilitate and encourage participation at meetings of security holders at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.4	A listed entity should ensure that all substantive resolutions at a meeting of security holders are decided by a poll rather than by a show of hands.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.5	A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCIP	LE 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):] and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/ and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/ [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] and we have disclosed 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 at: [insert location]	set out 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 that the entity is operating with due regard to the risk appetite set by the board; and (b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place.	and we have disclosed whether a review of the entity's risk management framework was undertaken during the reporting period at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/	□ set out 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 governance, risk management and internal control processes.	[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] and we have disclosed how our internal audit function is structured and what role it performs at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/ [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] and we have disclosed 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 at: [insert location]	set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
7.4	A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to environmental or social risks and, if it does, how it manages or intends to manage those risks.	and we have disclosed whether we have any material exposure to environmental and social risks at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/ and, if we do, how we manage or intend to manage those risks at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCIP	LE 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):] and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/ and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/ [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] and we have disclosed 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: [insert location]	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ 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.	and we have disclosed separately our remuneration policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/financial/accounts-and-reports/	 □ set out 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.	and we have disclosed our policy on this issue or a summary of it at: https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/	 □ set out 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 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT APPLY ONLY IN CERTAIN CA	SES	
9.1	A listed entity with a director who does not speak the language in which board or security holder meetings are held or key corporate documents are written should disclose the processes it has in place to ensure the director understands and can contribute to the discussions at those meetings and understands and can discharge their obligations in relation to those documents.	and we have disclosed information about the processes in place at: [insert location]	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we do not have a director in this position and this recommendation is therefore not applicable <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
9.2	A listed entity established outside Australia should ensure that meetings of security holders are held at a reasonable place and time.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are established in Australia and this recommendation is therefore not applicable <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
9.3	A listed entity established outside Australia, and an externally managed 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.		 □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are established in Australia and not an externally managed listed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable □ we are an externally managed entity that does not hold an AGM and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
ADDITIO	NAL DISCLOSURES APPLICABLE TO EXTERNALLY MANAGEI	D 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; and (b) the role and responsibility of the board of the responsible entity for overseeing those arrangements.	and we have disclosed the information referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b) at:	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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-	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.	and we have disclosed the terms governing our remuneration as manager of the entity at:	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
		[insert location]	



Corporate Governance Statement 2022



Introduction

The Board of carsales.com Ltd (the **Company**) is responsible for the governance of the Company and its controlled entities (the **Group**).

The Board is committed to achieving and demonstrating the highest standards of corporate governance and transparency, and ensuring that good corporate governance is a fundamental part of the culture and business practice of the Group.

The Board also continually reviews the governance framework and practices of the Company to ensure that they meet the interests of all stakeholders.

A description of the Group's main corporate governance practices are set out in this report.

All of these practices, unless otherwise stated, were in place for the entire year and comply with the ASX *Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations (Fourth Edition)*.

Principle 1 – Lay solid foundations for management and oversight

Recommendation 1.1

Board charter and responsibilities

The Board adopted a formal charter in July 2012 (updated in July 2022) which details its functions and responsibilities.

A copy of the Board Charter is available in the Investor Centre of the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/.

The Board's responsibilities, as detailed in the Board Charter include:

- protecting and enhancing the value of the assets of the Company (which incorporate the assets of the Group);
- setting the strategic direction of the Company and monitoring and reviewing strategic objectives:
- reviewing and ratifying internal controls, codes of conduct and legal compliance;
- reviewing the Company's accounts:
- reviewing and approving the operating budget and strategic plan for the Company;
- evaluating performance and determining the remuneration of the Managing Director;
- ensuring the significant risks facing the Company have been identified and adequate control monitoring and reporting mechanisms are in place;
- approval of transactions relating to acquisitions, divestments and capital expenditure above delegated authority limits;
- approval of financial and dividend policy; and
- · appointment of the Managing Director.

Matters specifically reserved for the Board

The Board has reserved for itself the following matters, which are in addition to any matters expressly required by law or other regulation to be approved by the directors:

- setting the corporate objective of the Company and approving business strategies and plans of the Company designed to meet that objective;
- reviewing the composition of the Board and Board Committees, the independence of directors, the Board's performance and carrying out succession planning for the Chair and other non-executive directors;
- reviewing the performance of management and the Company, including in relation to corporate
 governance, risk management, internal controls and compliance frameworks, systems, policies
 and processes adopted by the Company including in relation to the safety, health and wellbeing of
 all employees;
- appointing and removing the Managing Director and carrying out succession planning for the Managing Director as applicable;
- reviewing the performance of the Managing Director, his/her remuneration and contractual arrangements;
- appointing and removing Senior Executives on the recommendation of the Managing Director;
- reviewing the remuneration of Senior Executives on the review and recommendation of the Managing Director;
- appointing and removing the Company Secretary;
- dealing with any matters in excess of any specific delegations that the Board may from time to time delegate to the Managing Director and Senior Executives; and
- approving the communication to shareholders and to the public of the half-year and full-year results and generally any public statements which reflect issues of the Company's policy or strategy that the Board deems material.

Relationship between directors and management

Subject to the Company's constitution and matters specifically reserved for the directors, the directors delegate responsibility for day-to-day management of the Company to the Managing Director. The non-executive directors do not participate in the day-to-day affairs or management of the Company.

Role of the Chair

The role of the Chair is set out in the Board Charter and includes being responsible for managing the Board effectively, providing leadership to the Board and being the interface with the Managing Director.

The Chair has the authority to act and speak for the Board and liaise with the Company's stakeholders between meetings, subject to any agreed consultation processes.

The performance of the Chair is assessed by the Board annually.

Role of the Managing Director

The Managing Director has responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Company, providing leadership and managing and overseeing the interfaces between the Company and the public and acts as the principal representative for the Company.

Recommendation 1.2

Appointment & re-election of Board members

The Company has developed a 'Procedure for the selection and appointment of directors' which is made publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/.

In addition to the specific skills, knowledge and experience deemed necessary for a suitable candidate, consideration is given to:

- the extent to which the candidate is likely to contribute to the overall effectiveness of the Board and work constructively with the existing directors;
- the integrity of the candidate;
- whether the candidate would be prepared to question, challenge and offer critiques;
- whether the candidate has a proven track record of creating value for shareholders;
- a commitment by the candidate to the highest standards of governance;
- the nature of existing positions held by the candidate including directorships or other relationships and the impact that each may have on the candidate's ability to exercise independent judgment;
- whether the candidate will bring an independent point of view to the Board's decision-making process.

The People and Culture Committee ensures that appropriate checks are undertaken prior to appointing a director. These checks may include references and police checks.

Fulsome details of each director put forward by the Company to shareholders for election or reelection are contained in the relevant Notice of Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.

Recommendation 1.3

Terms of appointment

The appointment of any new director is made by, and in accordance with, a formal letter of appointment which details the key terms and conditions relative to that appointment, including:

- term of appointment, and the requirement to stand for election at the next Annual General Meeting following appointment, and at least every three years thereafter;
- · time commitment expected;
- duties and responsibilities;
- remuneration;
- disclosure obligations; and
- confidentiality.

On appointment, all Senior Executives of the Company sign formal employment contracts setting out the terms of their employment and notice period. A summary of the terms of employment for Senior Executives who are key management personnel of the Company is included in the Remuneration Report in the 2022 Annual Report available in the Investor Centre of the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/financial/accounts-and-reports/.

Management of conflicts and declaration of interests

The Company has and follows strict procedures for the management of any real or potential conflicts of interests involving directors. These procedures comply with Corporations Act requirements and are designed to ensure that conflicted directors do not take part in the discussion or decision-making process on potential conflict-causing issues. On this basis, it is believed that a director who may be conflicted on a particular matter is able to maintain his or her independence on all other issues.

Directors are required to take all reasonable steps to avoid actual, potential or perceived conflicts of interests. The Corporations Act and the Company's constitution require directors to disclose any conflicts of interest and, in certain circumstances, to abstain from participating in any discussion or voting on matters in which they have a material personal interest.

It is expected that directors will be sensitive to actual and perceived conflicts of interest that may arise and it is something to which they are expected to give ongoing consideration in view of the dynamic and rapidly changing nature of the Company's business.

The Board has developed procedures which must be followed:

- by a director who believes he or she may have a conflict of interest or material personal interest;
- for the holding of or the continuation of a meeting where it is proposed that a meeting will discuss
 any matter which gives rise or may give rise to a conflict or a real sensible possibility of a conflict
 of interest: and
- for the monitoring and reporting of a director's interest to ensure that the company complies with the obligations pursuant to the Corporations Act and the ASX Listing Rules.

The Company maintains a register of director's interests that all directors are required to keep up to date with any related parties to themselves and other interests that may be relevant to the Company.

Entities connected with the directors that had material business dealings with the Group during the year are described in the 2022 Annual Report which is available in the Investor Centre of the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/financial/accounts-and-reports/. In accordance with the Board Charter, the directors concerned declared their interests in those dealings to the Company and took no part in decisions relating to them or the preceding discussions. In addition, those directors did not receive any papers from the Company pertaining to those dealings.

Access to independent professional advice

The Board and each Board committee has authority to retain, at the Company's expense, such legal, accounting or other advisers, consultants or experts as it considers necessary from time to time in the performance of its duties.

An individual director may engage separate independent counsel or advisors at the expense of the Company in appropriate circumstances, in consultation with the Chair or by resolution of the Board.

Recommendation 1.4

Company Secretary accountability

The Company Secretary, Ms Nicole Birman, is directly accountable to the Board and reports to the Chair in respect of all matters of Board operation. All directors are able to communicate directly with the Company Secretary and vice versa.

The role of the Company Secretary includes:

- monitoring that Board policy and procedures are being followed;
- coordination of Board business, including agendas, papers and accurately capturing the business of the Board and committees in minutes;
- · facilitating the induction of new directors; and
- attending to governance and regulatory matters.

Recommendation 1.5

Diversity policy and progress

carsales is committed to fostering a work environment where diversity, equity and inclusion is celebrated and our people feel valued, respected and a sense of belonging. The diverse characteristics of our team not only give us a wide range of perspectives and innovative ideas, but they more accurately represent our diverse customer base, which helps to drive our business success. carsales is proud to have scored a 95% favourable response to the diversity statements posed in our March 2022 Employee Opinion Survey, and the Company's commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion is outlined in detail in our FY22 Annual Report and Sustainability Report which are publicly available in the Investor Centre on the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/.

carsales continues to drive its diversity and inclusion agenda with the support of our diversity strategy. Our strategy places a particular focus on gender equality, given that the industries in which we operate are traditionally male dominated.

The Company is proud to have been awarded the Workplace Gender Equality Agency (WGEA) Employer of Choice citation every year since 2015, in recognition of our systematic and strategic approach to achieving a gender diverse workplace. carsales continues to strive to exceed the expectations of WGEA year on year.

On 7 June 2022, in accordance with the *Workplace Gender Equality Act 2012*, carsales submitted its annual report to WGEA. This report provides information on carsales' policies and gender diversity numbers across the business. This report is available in the Investor Centre on the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/.

Also available in the Investor Centre on the Company website is the Company's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Policy. This policy includes requirements for the Board to establish measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and to assess both the objectives and the progress in achieving the objectives annually.

The objectives set by the Board, the initiatives implemented and progress towards achieving them are outlined below:

Objectives	Initiatives	Outcomes
Continue to grow the number of women in senior roles and professions where women are traditionally underrepresented.	 Reviewing all job advertisements to ensure gender neutral wording. Ensuring female representation in all interview panels. Ensuring that there is gender diversity in all succession planning reviews. 	 36% of new hires in FY22 were female (+1% YoY). 41% of all managerial appointments in FY22 were female (+6% YoY). Global Executive Leadership Team is comprised of 33% females (+3% YoY). 180 team members completed Unconscious Bias training.
Continue to implement career development programs to prepare women within the business to take on more senior roles.	 Training and development programs that cover topics such as communication, presentation, management and influence skills training. Continued development of our graduate program. carsales mentoring program which runs twice per year. 	 Maintained a 50/50 gender split in our 2022 and 2023 cohorts of graduates. Recognised as a Top Graduate Employer for the third time by the Australian Association of Graduate Employers in 2022. 50% of FY22 promotions and internal role transfers went to female team members (+20% YoY). 44% female participation in the mentor program for FY22 (+2% YoY).

and environment in which opportunities such as Women In fourth year – the event was attended women network and mentor Tech (WIT). by 800 young women around Australia each other to progress their and carsales facilitated two workshops. Support of STEM related initiatives careers within carsales. Sponsored a second female student to and speaking on panel events relating to diversity and inclusion. undertake a degree in Computer Celebration of International Science and Information Technology at Swinburne University through our Women's Day and International carsales Foundation Women in IT Day Against Homophobia, scholarship. Biphobia, Interphobia and Transphobia. Continued to build on our Women In Tech program and launched Women on the Move – the goal of this program is to provide practical skills development workshops covering personal brand, career goal setting, optimising strengths, communicating with assertiveness, generating influence, and building networks and visibility. Partnered with CS in Schools for a third year to develop a pipeline of students with coding skills. Continue to enhance flexible 18 weeks paid primary caregivers The introduction of Autonomy to workplace arrangements for leave (plus five additional days of Choose has allowed our Australian and both women and men. paid leave during the first months New Zealand team members to choose Enabling our people to after returning to work to assist with the working location that best suits their manage work/life the transition). personal circumstances - Office, commitments and Four weeks paid leave for Hybrid or Anywhere. preferences. secondary caregivers. 93% of team members responded favourably to the statement "We are Six weeks paid Gender Transition genuinely supported if we choose to Leave - available to anyone who is affirming, has affirmed or seeking to make use of flexible working affirm their gender. arrangements" in our March 2022 Public holiday swaps - allowing Employee Opinion Survey (+13% employees to swap a gazetted YoY). carsales became one of the first 70 public holiday for a day that has organisations in Australia to be certified more cultural or religious as a Family Inclusive Workplace™ - a significance to them based on their partnership between Parents At Work personal beliefs. and UNICEF Australia to improve work Paid study leave and unpaid career life wellbeing, inclusion and equity outcomes for families. Early access to long service leave In FY22, 24 female and 2 male after seven years of continuous employees took primary caregivers service (usually 10 years depending leave, and 35 male employees took on state legislation). secondary caregivers leave. Access to sick/carer's leave to take 91% return to work rate following up to two 'Refuel Days' per annum parental leave in FY22. which can be used to do something such as take a day off to move house, celebrate a birthday or simply take a mental health break. Opportunity to purchase up to two weeks of additional annual leave per year. Diversify our candidate Partnership with the Victorian 13 interns joined carsales through sourcing pathways to ensure Government's Digital Jobs program these three programs in FY22. a sustainable talent of - which aims to build the state's 46% of interns in FY22 were female. pipeline into the business digital workforce by training and Of the interns who have completed from diverse backgrounds. upskilling mid-career Victorians so their internships to-date, 100% have

Support of internal networking

Sponsored Go Girl, Go For IT for a

Foster an inclusive culture

they can transition	into	digital
careers		

- Partnership with CareerSeekers a non-profit organisation supporting refugees and asylum seekers, who are either mid-career or university students, to transition into professional careers in Australia.
- Partnership with the Monash
 University Industry Based Learning
 (IBL) program providing
 undergraduate IT students with
 work opportunities in a corporate
 setting, allowing them to develop
 sought-after employability skills.
- resulted in permanent employment opportunities within carsales.
- Named on the 2022 Australian Association of Graduates Employers Top Intern Programs list, placing in the top five employers across Australia.

Recommendation 1.6

Board performance evaluation

The Company has developed a process for evaluation of performance of the Board, Board committees, individual directors and Senior Executives. This process is documented and made publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website.

The composition of the Board is reviewed annually by the Board and the Chair to assess the Board's effectiveness.

The process for Board performance assessment involves an annual review of various aspects of the performance of the Board including the efficacy of meetings, quality of Board papers and reports, and performance of the Chair and the Board committees.

In relation to the performance of individual directors, regular dialogue and feedback takes place during the year between the Chair and directors.

An assessment of Board performance has been conducted during the year.

Recommendation 1.7

Senior executive performance evaluation

The performance of the Managing Director and his direct reports are evaluated annually in accordance with the published process for evaluation of performance.

All direct reports of the Managing Director are evaluated by the Managing Director and the performance evaluation of the Managing Director is facilitated by the Chair, with ultimate oversight by the Board.

The evaluation of the Managing Director involves an assessment of a range of factors including the overall performance of the Company and the achievement of specific pre-determined goals.

During the reporting period, a performance evaluation for Senior Executives (including the Managing Director) has taken place in accordance with this process.

Principle 2 – Structure the Board to be effective and add value

The Board has established four permanent committees to assist it in the administration of its responsibilities.

These are an Audit Committee chaired by Mr David Wiadrowski, a People and Culture Committee (formerly the Remuneration and Nomination Committee) chaired by Ms Kim Anderson, a Risk Management Committee chaired by Ms Edwina Gilbert, and a Sustainability Committee chaired by Mr Kee Wong. Each Board committee operates under a formal charter that is made publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/.

Further details of the committees, their composition and responsibilities are set out in the relevant sections of this report.

From time to time the Board may delegate its authority to a sub-committee of directors to provide timely approvals where the content of the matter has previously been considered by the Board. Such one-off meetings of sub-committees of directors took place three times over the course of the financial year, and were attended by each member of the sub-committee appointed (two such committees were comprised of Mr O'Sullivan and Mr McIntyre and one sub-committee was comprised of Mr O'Sullivan, Mr McIntyre, Mr Wiadrowski and Mr Wong).

Recommendation 2.1

Board nomination committee

The Board has established a People and Culture Committee (previously referred to as the Remuneration and Nomination Committee) which consists of the following four directors, three of which are independent:

- Ms Kim Anderson Committee Chair
- Ms Edwina Gilbert
- Mr Kee Wong
- Mr Wal Pisciotta

Ms Anderson holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Sydney and a Post Graduate Diploma in Library and Information Science (GDipLIS) from the University of Technology Sydney. Ms Anderson and has over 25 years' experience in marketing, media and entertainment, having held executive positions with companies such as Southern Star Entertainment, the Nine Network, PBL and Ninemsn.

Ms Gilbert holds a Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Arts from the University of Sydney. Ms Gilbert practiced commercial law before entering the automotive industry in 2003. She has extensive experience in the industry, including as Director of two successful automotive dealerships at which she is responsible for setting the strategic direction of the business.

Mr Wong is an entrepreneur with a Bachelor of Engineering (Hons.), a Graduate Diploma in Computing and an MBA. He was awarded a Fellow of Monash University in 2010 and Distinguished Alumni in 2014. Mr Wong was previously a senior executive at IBM and operates his own IT and management consulting firm with operations in Australia, Malaysia and Singapore.

Mr Pisciotta holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Alabama (United States). He has more than 35 years' experience in supplying computer services to the automotive industry and was recognised with the Medal of the Order of Australia for his services to the Australian Automotive Industry in the 2016 Queen's Birthday Honours.

When a new director is to be appointed, the People and Culture Committee reviews the range of skills, experience and expertise on the Board, identifies its needs and prepares a short-list of candidates with appropriate skills and experience. Where necessary, advice is sought from independent search consultants.

The Board then appoints the most suitable candidate who must stand for election at the next Annual General Meeting of the Company.

The responsibilities the committee may undertake in its nomination function include:

- considering the appropriate size and composition of the Board;
- establishing plans for identifying, assessing and enhancing director competencies;
- establishing processes for evaluation of the performance of the Board, its committees and directors;
- reviewing the skills, experience and expertise represented on the Board and determining whether those skills meet the required skills identified;
- recommending changes to the membership of the Board;
- making recommendations to the Board on candidates it considers appropriate for appointment;
- reviewing a retiring non-executive director's performance and making recommendations to the Board as to whether the Board should support the nomination of a retiring non-executive director; and
- reviewing the Company's succession planning to maintain an appropriate balance of skills, experience and expertise on the Board.

A copy of the People and Culture Committee Charter is made publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/.

During the course of FY22 there were 3 meetings of the People and Culture Committee. Details of attendance of those meetings are:

Director name	Number of People and Culture Committee meetings during tenure	Number of People and Culture Committee meetings attended 3 3 3 1	
Kim Anderson (Chair)	3	3	
Edwina Gilbert	3	3	
Kee Wong	3	3	
Wal Pisciotta	3	1	

Recommendation 2.2

Board skills matrix

Each year, the Board assesses the skills and experience present on the Board and considers this alongside the skills and experience that are desirable to be represented on the Board.

The Board conducted its annual review of its skills and experience for FY21 and the results are set out below:

Skill / Experience	No of directors / 7
Executive management, leadership & strategy Experience at an executive level; able to properly evaluate the performance of the CEO and Senior Executives and oversee strategic organisational and human resources initiatives.	7
Governance / risk management Ability to identify, assess and monitor key risks in the Company in a wide range of areas.	7
ASX experience Experience on the Board or as a Senior Executive for an ASX listed company, providing a familiarity with ASX rules including the requirement for continuous disclosure.	6
Finance / Accounting	5

Qualification or extensive experience in accounting and / or finance and the ability to analyse and critically assess financial statements, viability and performance; contribute to strategic financial planning; and oversee budgets and funding arrangements.	
Legal Qualification or extensive experience in the law, with the ability to contribute to the assessment of the legal risk profile of the Company.	3
Digital marketing Knowledge and experience in the strategic use of digital marketing and its inter-relationship with sales and product.	5
People & culture Experience in managing people, including the ability to evaluate workplace culture and contribute to the promotion of diversity and inclusion.	7
IT / Product / Data Knowledge and experience in the strategic use of technology, data and data insights in relation to the design of product in online businesses.	6
Business development / M&A Knowledge and experience in identifying and assessing business development opportunities, in particular experience in negotiating, assessing commercial terms and completing mergers and acquisitions.	6
Industry knowledge – automotive and other verticals Knowledge, experience and networks in the industries in which the Company operates, either through direct involvement or through the provision of services to the industry.	4
Industry knowledge – online marketplaces Knowledge, experience and networks in online classifieds / marketplaces, with a keen understanding of current trends and the ability to think forward to upcoming developments.	6
International experience Knowledge and experience in markets outside of Australia, with a preference for experience in the geographical areas in which the Company has interests, including Asia, Latin America and the US.	6

Relevant information relating to each Board member is set out in the Company's Annual Report to shareholders. In addition, information about directors up for election or re-election is contained in the notice of meeting for the relevant Annual General Meeting sent to shareholders. This provides shareholders with sufficient information to form a view on each director's role and their suitability for election or re-election.

The Board considers that all necessary skills and experience are adequately represented on the

Recommendation 2.3 - 2.5

Director independence

The Company's constitution includes provisions for the number of directors, casual vacancies and additional directors, appointment and removal of directors by General Meeting and retirement of directors. The Company's constitution specifically provides that the Company is to have not less than three, nor more than twelve directors.

At the date of this Corporate Governance Statement, the Board consists of the following directors:

Name	Role	Classification	Date appointed	Length of service
Cameron McIntyre	Managing Director and CEO	Non-independent	17 March 2021	5 years
Pat O'Sullivan	Chairperson	Independent	29 June 2007, appointed to	15 Years

			Chair 4 January 2019	
Wal Pisciotta OAM	Non-Executive Director	Non-independent	25 June 1996	26 years
Kim Anderson	Non-Executive Director	Independent	16 June 2010	12 years
Edwina Gilbert	Non-Executive Director	Independent	27 April 2016	6 years
Kee Wong	Non-Executive Director	Independent	9 July 2018	4 years
David Wiadrowski	Non-Executive Director	Independent	23 May 2019	3 years

Board biographies are available online at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/board/ and in the 2022 Annual Report and which is available from https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/financial/accounts-and-reports/.

The Board has one alternate director, Mr Steven Kloss, who was appointed on 28 October 2005 by Mr Pisciotta. The role of the alternate director is to attend Board meetings and act as a voting alternate for the appointing full director if he is unable to attend a Board meeting. Mr Kloss is invited to all Board meetings to remain abreast of the matters affecting the Company which enables him to act effectively in the Alternate Director role, but does not vote in respect of Board decisions unless Mr Pisciotta is absent.

As can be seen from the above table, a majority of the Company's directors are independent, and the Chair of the Board is independent.

All directors, whether independent or not, are required to act in the best interests of the Company and to exercise unfettered and independent judgment.

The independence of each of the non-executive directors is reviewed by the Board, at least annually. In assessing the independence of directors, the Board has regard to the provisions of the ASX Corporate Governance Council, 'Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations' (Fourth edition).

The Company defines an independent director as a non-executive director (i.e. not a member of management) who is free of any business or other relationship that could materially interfere with or could reasonably be perceived to materially interfere with the exercise of his or her unfettered and independent judgment and ability to act in the best interests of the Company.

When assessing the independent status of a director, the Board will consider whether the director:

- is a substantial shareholder of the Company or an officer of, or otherwise associated directly with, a substantial shareholder of the Company;
- is employed, or has previously been employed in an executive capacity by the Company or another Group member, and there has not been a period of at least three years between ceasing such employment and serving on the Board;
- has within the last three years been a principal of a material professional adviser or a
 material consultant to the Company or another Group member, or an employee materially
 associated with the service provided;
- is a material supplier or customer of the Company or other Group member, or an officer of or otherwise associated directly or indirectly with a material supplier or customer;
- has a material contractual relationship with the Company or another Group member other than as a director;
- has close family ties with any person who falls within any of the categories described above; and
- has been a director of the entity for such a period that his or her independence may have been compromised.

In assessing each director's independence the Board will consider the effect of a director's business and other relationships and interests from the perspective of both the Company and the director. The Board may determine that a director is independent notwithstanding the existence of a relationship of the kind referred to above.

It is considered that all non-executive directors are independent except Mr Wal Pisciotta due to his shareholding and previous role as Chair of Pentana Solutions Pty Ltd, which has historically had a material contractual relationship with the Company.

Ms Edwina Gilbert is involved in automotive dealerships which use the Company's services. All dealings with the relevant dealerships are on arm's length terms, identical to those of other dealerships using the Company's services. The Board recognises the value of having its most significant customer base represented on the Board and does not consider the existence of standard contractual arrangements between the Company and entities associated with Ms Gilbert to impact her independence.

Mr David Wiadrowski is a former partner of the Company's auditor PwC and is entitled to receive payments from PwC as part of a retirement plan. However, he did not have any dealings with the Company in his role at PwC, and his ongoing payments from the firm are based on a set formula relating to his partnership and tenure. The amount of these payments is fixed and is not dependent on the revenues, profits or earnings of PwC. The Board carefully considered these factors prior to appointing Mr Wiadrowski to the Board and has determined that they do not preclude him from acting as an independent non-executive director of the Company.

Finally, the Company notes that its Chair Mr Pat O'Sullivan, has served on the Board for 15 years. The Board believes that Mr O'Sullivan continues to act as an effective independent director. He demonstrates unwavering willingness to question, challenge and provide independent counsel to the Board and Senior Executives based on his extensive skills and experience and has not formed associations with management of the Company that are considered to impact his ability to exercise independent judgement.

The Board greatly values the corporate history provided by its longer serving members, Mr Pisciotta, Mr O'Sullivan and Ms Anderson. The tenure of these directors is well-balanced against the directors appointed in recent years as part of the Company's Board renewal program which is ongoing.

Recommendation 2.6

Director induction and development

All new directors appointed undertake an induction program, coordinated by the Company Secretary, to assist them in fulfilling their duties and responsibilities and to gain an in depth understanding of the Group. The induction program includes one on one meetings with the Managing Director, Chair and each other director as well as each Senior Executive of the Company and gaining an understanding of the various codes of conduct and charters of the Board and Company.

The induction program ensures that new directors are appropriately introduced to the Company, its operations and personnel and is acquainted with the industries within which the Company operates.

The Company and Board are cognisant that each director should be educated on relevant matters before making decisions associated with those matters. Accordingly, the Company employs a range of methods for the continuous training of its directors.

Board meetings include updates from Company executives to ensure that all directors remain up to date in their knowledge of relevant industries and the Company's operations. To assist directors to better understand the Company's international operations, Board members have visited various overseas investments of the Company. More recently as travel has not been possible, international managers attend (via Zoom) Board meetings more regularly to keep directors abreast of local matters.

The Company Secretary keeps the Board informed of updates to relevant regulations or requirements, such as continuous disclosure obligations and other governance responsibilities as they arise.

The Company brings in external experts where appropriate to address the Board on specialist matters, such as takeover defence and conducting a capital raise, prior to undertaking specific actions to ensure that directors are as informed as possible.

In addition, the Board periodically considers whether there is a need for directors to undertake professional development to maintain the skills and knowledge needed to perform their roles effectively.

Principle 3 – Instill a culture of acting lawfully, ethically and responsibly

Recommendation 3.1

carsales' values

The carsales culture is underpinned by its core values of enjoyment, respect, integrity, communication and honesty (known within the Company as EnRICH). These values are enhanced by the five carsales behaviours: We change the game, We step in, We own it, We are curious, and We don't take ourselves too seriously.

Our values and behaviours have been endorsed by the Board, reinforced by our Executive Leadership Team, and are truly reflective of what makes the carsales culture so unique and special. They drive us to deliver on our purpose of making buying and selling a great experience for our customers.

Recommendation 3.2

Code of conduct

The Company, including its directors and Senior Executives, is committed to maintaining the highest standards of integrity and seeks to ensure all its activities are undertaken with efficiency, honesty and fairness.

The Company has developed a 'Global Code of Conduct' (**Code**) which has been fully endorsed by the Board and applies to all directors and employees. The Code is designed to ensure that it reflects the highest standards of behaviour and professionalism, incorporates the practices necessary to maintain confidence in the Group's integrity, and takes into account legal obligations and the reasonable expectations of the Company's stakeholders.

In summary, the Code requires that all Company personnel act with the utmost integrity, objectivity and in compliance with the letter and the spirit of the law and Company policies at all times. Within the Code, the Company expresses its zero-tolerance stance on bribery and corruption which is contrary to its core values, and its approach to the giving and acceptance of gifts.

The Risk Management Committee has a standing agenda item for any material breaches of the Code, including in respect of matters relating to bribery or corruption.

A copy of the Company's 'Code of Conduct' is made publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/.

The Company maintains a high level of transparency regarding its actions consistent with the need to maintain the confidentiality of commercial-in-confidence material and, where appropriate, to protect shareholders' interests.

Recommendation 3.3

Whistleblower policy

The Company has rolled out a global whistleblowing policy, a copy of which is made publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company Website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/charters/.

The policy applies to all Group employees, contractors and eligible whistleblowers and uses an independent whistleblower service known as the whistleblower hotline @carsales supported by Deloitte to maintain the highest levels of confidentiality and protection of whistleblowers.

The Risk Management Committee has a standing agenda item which informs the Committee of use made of the whistleblowing policy as well as a report of any investigation that results from a disclosure. The identity of Whistleblowers or information which would lead to identification will not be

disclosed without express permission. carsales is committed to protecting the anonymity of any Whistleblower and providing the protection prescribed under law.

Recommendation 3.4

Anti-bribery and corruption

The Company's Ethics Policy expressly requires that all Company personnel act in accordance with the highest ethical standards and conduct business in a way that is compliant with anti-bribery and anti-corruption laws. The Company has a zero-tolerance stance on bribery and corruption.

Principle 4 – Safeguard the integrity of corporate reports

Recommendation 4.1

Audit committee

The Board has established an Audit Committee which consists of the following non-executive directors, all of whom are independent:

- Mr David Wiadrowski Chair
- Ms Kim Anderson
- Ms Edwina Gilbert

The Audit Committee operates in accordance with its charter which is publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website.

Mr Wiadrowski holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of NSW, is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD) and has over 25 years' experience with PwC, including 5 years as the Chief Operating Officer of the PwC Australian Assurance practice and over 8 years as the leader of the firm's National industry practice for Technology, Infocoms, Communications, Entertainment and Media.

Ms Anderson holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Sydney and a Post Graduate Diploma in Library and Information Science (GDipLIS) from the University of Technology Sydney. Ms Anderson and has over 25 years' experience in marketing, media and entertainment, having held executive positions with companies such as Southern Star Entertainment, the Nine Network, PBL and Ninemsn.

Ms Gilbert holds a Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Arts from the University of Sydney. Ms Gilbert practiced commercial law before entering the automotive industry in 2003. She has extensive experience in the industry, including as Director of two successful automotive dealerships at which she is responsible for setting the strategic direction of the business.

Further details of the experience of each of the members of the committees is included in the Company's 2022 Annual Report, also available in the Investor Centre of the Company website.

The responsibilities of the Audit Committee includes oversight and monitoring of external reporting and external and internal audit.

In fulfilling its responsibilities, the Audit Committee:

- receives regular reports from management and the Company's external and internal auditors;
- reviews the processes that the Managing Director and Chief Financial Officer have in place to support their certifications to the Board;
- reviews any significant disagreements between the external auditors and management, irrespective of whether they have been resolved;
- meet separately with the external auditors as required throughout the year without the presence of management; and
- provide external and internal auditors with a clear line of direct communication at any time to the Chair of the Audit Committee, Chair of the Risk Management Committee or the Chair of the Board.

The Audit Committee has authority, within the scope of its responsibilities, to seek any information it requires from any employee or external party.

During the course of FY22 there were 3 meetings of the Audit Committee.

Details of attendance of those meetings are:

Director name	Number of Audit Committee meetings during tenure	Number of Audit Committee meetings attended
David Wiadrowski (Chair)	3	3
Kim Anderson	3	3
Edwina Gilbert	3	3

The Company appoints external auditors who clearly demonstrate quality and independence.

The Company has a process to ensure the independence and competence of the Company's external auditor including the Audit Committee reviewing any non-audit work to ensure that it does not conflict with audit independence.

Information on procedures for the selection and appointment of the external auditor and for the rotation of external audit engagement partners are detailed in the committee's charter referred to above. The performance of the external auditor is reviewed as required, taking into consideration assessment of performance, existing value and tender costs.

As PwC has been the company's external auditors for many years, consistent with best corporate governance practices, the Board undertook a tender for the Company's external audit provider during FY22.

The Board established a selection committee consisting of two independent Non-Executive Directors and three members of the Company's management team. Four firms were invited to participate in the tender, and three firms submitted responses. Responding firms provided a written proposal and participated in an oral presentation with the selection committee. At the conclusion of the process, the selection committee unanimously recommended the re-appointment of PwC. This recommendation was accepted by the Board and PwC has been re-appointed as the Company's external auditor.

An analysis of fees paid to the external auditors, including a break-down of fees for non-audit services, is disclosed in the 2022 Annual Report which is available in the Investor Centre of the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/financial/accounts-and-reports/. It is the policy of the external auditors to provide an annual declaration of their independence to the Audit Committee.

Recommendation 4.2

CEO and CFO declarations

Before approving financial statements for any financial period, the Board first receives from the Managing Director and the Chief Financial Officer written affirmations concerning the Company's financial statements.

The affirmations from the Managing Director and the Chief Financial Officer include that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, 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.

Management has reported to the Board as to the effectiveness of the Company's management of its material business risks and the necessary written affirmations were received by the Board prior to the approval of the release of the 2022 Annual Report.

Recommendation 4.3

Integrity of reports

Before periodic corporate reports which are not reviewed by an external auditor are provided to the Board for approval, they are first carefully reviewed by a range of internal executives for accuracy and an assessment of whether they are appropriate to release to the market. These executives include

the Managing Director, the CFO, the General Counsel and Company Secretary and the Chief People Officer.

The Company's external auditor attends each Annual General Meeting where it is available to answer questions from shareholders relevant to the audit.

Principle 5 - Make timely and balanced disclosure

Recommendations 5.1 - 5.3

Continuous disclosure and market announcements

As an ASX listed entity, the Company has an obligation under the ASX Listing Rules to maintain an informed market in its securities. The Company has a 'Continuous Disclosure Policy', available in the Investor Centre of its Company website.

This policy sets out the key obligations of directors and employees of the Company to ensure compliance with its ASX Listing Rule and Corporations Act continuous disclosure obligations, and places accountability for such compliance on directors, executive officers and employees. The Company takes all reasonable steps to ensure that the market is advised of all information required to be disclosed under the ASX Listing Rules and Corporations Act which the Company believes would or may have a material effect on the price or value of the Company's securities.

The Board is actively involved in reviewing proposed market announcements drafted by the Company and pursuant to the Continuous Disclosure Policy, the Company Secretary sends a copy of all material market announcements to Directors promptly after they have been made to the market.

Any substantive investor or analyst presentation, such as that accompanying half year or full year results, or the Company's Annual General Meeting is released to the ASX through the ASX Market Announcements Platform prior to the commencement of any presentation meeting.

Principle 6 - Respect the rights of security holders

Recommendation 6.1

Investor information

The Company has a dedicated website designed to provide investors with relevant information on the Company's governance, located at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/. The website includes for the benefit of investors:

- market announcements and related information, posted immediately after release to the ASX;
- news releases and financial presentations;
- share price history, and historical financial reports;
- calendar of upcoming carsales events and announcements;
- details relating to the Company's directors and Senior Executives;
- Board and Board committee charters and other corporate governance documents; and
- other services for investors, such as access to share registry information.

The website also contains the Company's 'Shareholder Communication Policy'.

Recommendation 6.2

Investor relations

The Company is committed to ensuring that shareholders, regulators and the wider investment community are informed of all major developments affecting the Company in a timely and effective manner.

Information is communicated with investors in a number of ways including:

- annual and half-yearly reports;
- market disclosures in accordance with the continuous disclosure policy;
- updates on operations and developments;
- periodic investor days;
- announcements on the Company's website;
- annual Sustainability report;
- market briefings, including roadshows in Australia and overseas; and
- presentations at annual general meetings.

Additionally, the Company makes Senior Executives available to provide briefings to investors throughout the year.

While the majority of the Company's investor relations involves engagements with institutional investors, the Company also makes efforts to understand the views and interests of retail investors. One way it goes about this is by meeting with representatives of the Australian Shareholder Association.

Recommendations 6.3 - 6.4

Shareholder meetings and voting

At the Annual General Meeting, shareholders elect the directors and have the opportunity to express their views, ask questions about Company business and vote on items of business for resolution by shareholders. Shareholders also receive an update from the Managing Director and have the opportunity to ask questions of the Board and the Company's external auditor.

All substantive resolutions at the Annual General Meeting are decided by poll where each of the Company's securities is given the weight of one vote.

The full text of notices and accompanying materials are included on the Investor Centre of the Company's website and released to the ASX.

Shareholders who cannot attend the meeting are able to submit voting instructions and questions to the Board ahead of the meeting to be answered at the Annual General Meeting and may review the presentation as it is published on the ASX prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Prior to COVID-19, the Company hosted in-person Annual General Meetings to which shareholders were encouraged to physically attend and participate. The meetings were held in a central location with easy access by public transport. Following the Annual General Meeting the Directors and Company Secretary were available to speak with and hear additional feedback from shareholders.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Company was forced to host its 2020 and 2021 Annual General Meetings virtually. The Company wished to replicate as closely as possible the experience of shareholders attending the meeting in person, so the meeting followed the exact same format as previous physical meetings, but was accessible only via a webcast. Shareholders were able to submit questions or comments to the Company prior to the meeting and there was a live question facility and a call in option for shareholders to submit questions or comments during the course of the meeting. All questions and comments were read to the meeting by the Company Secretary and attributed to the submitting shareholder.

The Company was very pleased with the participation of shareholders at its virtual AGMs, and found a larger number of shareholders submitted questions or comments than at a typical physical AGM.

The Company plans to conduct a hybrid Annual General Meeting in 2022, with a physical meeting which is also available via webcast through which questions may be submitted by shareholders.

Recommendation 6.5

Electronic communication

Shareholders may send and receive communications to and from the Company electronically via the Investor Centre on the Company website at http://shareholder.carsales.com.au/Investor-Centre.

Investors can also elect to receive security information (including the Half-Year and Annual Report) electronically or in print by contacting the Company's share registry, Computershare, by e-mail at web.queries@computershare.com.au (further contact details are available in the Investor Centre).

Principle 7 – Recognise and manage risk

Recommendation 7.1

Risk management committee

The Board has established a Risk Management Committee which consists of the following non-executive directors, all of whom are independent:

- Ms Edwina Gilbert Chair
- Mr David Wiadrowski
- Mr Kee Wong

The Risk Management Committee operates in accordance with its charter which is publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website.

Ms Gilbert holds a Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Arts from the University of Sydney. Ms Gilbert practiced commercial law before entering the automotive industry in 2003. She has extensive experience in the industry, including as Director of two successful automotive dealerships at which she is responsible for setting the strategic direction of the business.

Mr Wiadrowski holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of NSW, is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD) and has over 25 years' experience with PwC, including 5 years as the Chief Operating Officer of the PwC Australian Assurance practice and over 8 years as the leader of the firm's National industry practice for Technology, Infocoms, Communications, Entertainment and Media.

Mr Wong is an entrepreneur with a Bachelor of Engineering (Hons.), a Graduate Diploma in Computing and an MBA. He was awarded a Fellow of Monash University in 2010 and Distinguished Alumni in 2014. Mr Wong was previously a senior executive at IBM and operates his own IT and management consulting firm with operations in Australia, Malaysia and Singapore.

Further details of the experience of each of the members of the committees is included in the Company's 2022 Annual Report, also available in the Investor Centre of the Company website.

The responsibilities of the Risk Management Committee includes oversight and monitoring of internal control and risk management and related party transactions.

In fulfilling its responsibilities, the Risk Management Committee:

- receives regular reports from management and the internal auditor;
- provides external and internal auditors with a clear line of direct communication at any time to either the Chair of the Audit Committee, Chair of the Risk Management Committee or the Chair of the Board.

The Risk Management Committee has authority, within the scope of its responsibilities, to seek any information it requires from any employee or external party.

During the course of FY22 there were 3 meetings of the Risk Management Committee. Details of attendance of those meetings are:

Director name	Number of Risk Management Committee meetings during tenure	Number of Risk Management Committee meetings attended
Edwina Gilbert	3	3
(Chair)		
David Wiadrowski	3	3
Kee Wong	3	3

Recommendation 7.2

Risk framework review

The Company's Board charter provides that it is the responsibility of the Board to 'ensure that the significant risks facing the Company have been identified and that adequate control monitoring and reporting mechanisms are in place'.

The Company's Risk Management Charter also provides that the role of the Committee is to assist the Board in carrying out its risk management responsibilities.

The Company has developed a risk management policy which is publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website.

The Company seeks to take and manage risk in ways that will generate and protect shareholder value and recognises that the management of risk is a continual process and an integral part of the management and corporate governance of the business.

The Company acknowledges that its reputation is of great importance and that the efficient and effective management of risk is critical to the Company meeting its obligation to all stakeholders, including shareholders, customers, employees, contractors and the wider community, and to achieving its strategic objectives.

The Company maintains a formal risk register which is at a minimum reviewed twice annually by Senior Executives and annually by the Board Risk Management Committee. The Risk Management Committee completed an annual review of the risk management framework and is satisfied that given the size and complexity of the Company it continues to be sound.

The Audit and Risk Management Committees have primary responsibility for evaluating the effectiveness of risk management and control processes in the Company. Day to day responsibility for managing risk and implementing internal control lies with the Global Executive Leadership Team, which is comprised of the Managing Director and 11 other Senior Executives, including the Chief Financial Officer and the General Counsel and Company Secretary. Details of the roles and experience of the Executive Leadership Team are set out on the Management section of the Investor Centre of the company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/management/.

The Company's Executive Leadership Team meets at least 3 times each month and as part of its responsibility assesses and manages risk facing the business.

Recommendation 7.3

Internal audit

During FY22, the Company established an in-house internal audit function that reports functionally for operations to the Audit Committee through the Chair, and administratively to the Chief Financial Officer. All internal audit work is undertaken under the authority of both the Audit and Risk Management Committees. The function is internally led by the Head of Internal Audit and is supported by specialist third party professional services resources where needed. The Head of Internal Audit has full access to the Audit and Risk Management Committees and attends all meetings of both committees.

The internal audit function develops an annual risk-based plan that considers carsales' risks and issues, including those identified by management, and submits the plan to the Audit Committee for review and approval. The Head of Internal Audit periodically reports to the Audit Committee on internal audit work completed and progress implementing the plan. Written internal audit reports including prioritised recommended improvement actions, management action plans, responsible person(s) and timetable for completion, are provided to management of the area audited, the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Audit and Risk Management Committees. Progress to

implement management action plans is monitored and reported to the Audit Committee every 6 months.

The work of the internal audit function is supplemented by independent work carried out by the Company's auditor PwC and other professional service providers on a targeted basis where risks are identified or additional assurance over the operation of controls is desirable.

Further review of risk management activities and internal control processes is carried out by group finance, headed by the Chief Financial Officer. Group finance performs limited work throughout the year around financial and legal compliance controls, as well as risk assessment activities at the Company's domestic and international investments.

Recommendation 7.4

Environmental and social risks

Environmental and social risks form part of the Company's general risk framework. However, to provide this important area with the focus it deserves, the Board established a Sustainability Committee during FY22 which consists of the following non-executive directors, all of whom are independent:

- Mr Kee Wong Chair
- Ms Kim Anderson
- Mr David Wiadrowski

The Sustainability Committee operates in accordance with its charter which is publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website. The Sustainability Committee's responsibilities include:

- overseeing the development of the Company's overall sustainability strategy and monitoring the Company's progress towards executing on that strategy; and
- monitoring environmental, social and governance trends to ensure that the Company addresses important issues as part of its sustainability strategy.

While this committee's formal meetings did not commence until July 2023, the members have been actively involved, getting better acquainted with the Company's past approach to sustainability and meeting with management and other stakeholders on the future direction of sustainability at carsales.

The Company publishes a Sustainability Report (previously referred to as its Environmental, Social and Governance Report) which goes into detail about its risk identification and management practices and how it is managing its major risks and is available in the Investor Centre of the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/governance/.

The key economic risks that the Company faces are set out in the Director's Report of the 2022 Annual Report, publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/financial/accounts-and-reports/.

Principle 8 – Remunerate fairly and responsibly

Recommendation 8.1

Remuneration committee

The People and Culture Committee reviews and makes recommendations to the Board on remuneration, recruitment, retention and termination policies and procedures applicable to Senior Executives and directors.

The People and Culture Committee's purpose, duties, membership and structure are documented in the 'People and Culture Charter' which is publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website.

The responsibilities the committee may undertake in its remuneration function include:

- reviewing Senior Executives' and directors' remuneration and incentives, including the link between Company and individual performance;
- reviewing current industry best practice;
- considering different methods for remunerating Senior Executives and directors;
- reviewing existing or proposed share option schemes or other incentive schemes;
- considering superannuation arrangements;
- recommending retirement, termination benefits and payments for Senior Executives; and
- considering professional indemnity and liability insurance policies.

For details on the Committee's membership and meetings please refer to the information contained in relation to recommendation 2.1

Recommendation 8.2

Remuneration policies

The Company has a 'Remuneration Policy' which details how the Company remunerates its non-executive directors and Senior Executives. This policy is also publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website.

The remuneration policy for the Board, the remuneration of each director and the performance evaluation and structure of remuneration for the Company's key management personnel are set out in the Remuneration Report which forms part of the Directors' Report of the 2022 Annual Report and is available from the Investor Centre of the Company website at https://shareholder.carsales.com.au/financial/accounts-and-reports/.

Recommendation 8.3

Securities trading policy

The Company has a 'Securities Trading Policy' relating to trading in the Company's securities by directors, officers and other employees of the Group. This policy is documented and made publicly available in the Investor Centre of the Company website. The Company's remuneration policy prohibits participants in the Employee Share Option plan from entering into transactions or arrangements which limit the economic risk of participating in the plan.

Appendix 1: Attendance at Board Meetings

The numbers of meetings of the Company's Board of directors held during the year ended 30 June 2022 and the numbers of meetings attended by each director is set out below. The meetings are split in the table below between those that are formally scheduled by the Company Secretary according to the annual Board meeting timetable, those that are short teleconferences where only a quorum of Board members are required and those ad hoc meetings called at shorter notice to address specific matters that arise from time to time:

	Full scheduled meetings of directors		Short teleconference meetings of directors		Ad hoc meetings of directors	
	Α	В	Α	В	Α	В
Pat O'Sullivan	11	11	1	1	5	5
Cameron McIntyre	11	11	1	1	5	5
Wal Pisciotta	11	10	1	0	5	3
Kim Anderson	11	11	1	1	5	5
Edwina Gilbert	11	11	1	1	5	5
Kee Wong	11	11	1	1	5	5
David Wiadrowski	11	11	1	1	5	4
Steve Kloss (alternate director)	11	11	1	0	5	2

A = Number of meetings held during the time the director held office during the year

B = Number of meetings attended