

## **RECOMMENDATION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

It is recommended that the public be excluded from the following parts of the meeting:

The general subject of each matter to be considered whilst the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

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| General subject to be considered.  | Reason for passing this resolution.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Grounds under Section 7 for the passing of this resolution. |
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| Item 9: Legal Update, October 2026 | <p>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of information is necessary:</p> <p><i>Section and Grounds</i><br/>7(2)(g) to maintain legal professional privilege</p> <p><i>Public Interest Consideration</i><br/>Legal privilege protects communications between a lawyer and a client which have been made for the purposes of giving and receiving legal advice. The contents of this report are covered by legal privilege as the items in this report are matters that Council is seeking legal advice on that relate to legal proceedings (or threatened legal proceedings).</p> <p>Withholding the contents of this report from the public enables Council to obtain confidential legal advice about its position on legal issues without the risk of that advice being disclosed to another party (including the claimant) and disadvantaging the Council's position.</p> | Section 7(2)(g)                                             |

**This recommendation is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as shown above with respect to each item.**