

CIT Board Communique – Meeting 05/2020 – 16 December 2020

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Opening / Administration

The Chair provided an acknowledgement of country and welcomed members to this meeting.

Strategic Compass

The Board considered a final draft of the next Strategic Compass document, considered implementation considerations, and were presented a draft digital concept design for the next Strategic Compass.

Members were pleased with progress made from the October 2020 meeting, including engagement with the Minister for Skills, and provided specific feedback to finalise the Strategic Compass for the Government's consideration in the New Year.

Campus Renewal

The Chair and CEO provided updates to the Board on the work of the CIT Woden Project Board and the Executive Director, Industry Engagement and Strategic Relation provided an update on Major Projects Canberra's (MPC) progress on the new Woden Campus including the design reference work. Members were advised that the work continues to be on time and on budget with the next significant outcome being an approach to market in mid-2021 for a contractor for the Design and Construct of the new Campus.

Higher Education Self-Accreditation

The Director, Education Services, provided an update to the Board on the changing higher education landscape in 2020. Board members discussed the changes, including the impact of COVID-19 on higher education. The Board agreed to CIT continuing to explore potential opportunities for CIT in higher education and that a further paper be brought back to the Board for consideration.

CEO Re-engagement

The CEO, elected staff representative, and Secretariat left the room for this item. The Senior Director, Workforce Governance, Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate joined the meeting for this item and provided advice and guidance to the Board.

The Chair led a discussion with Board members on the processes undertaken around the consideration of the CEO's re-engagement. Following discussion, the Board determined that the CEO be reappointed for a further five years.

Finance and Budget matters

The Executive Director, Industry Engagement and Strategic Relations (in the absence of the Senior Director, Finance) updated Members on finance and budget matters, including the estimated end of year outcome and the development of the 2021 Budget.

The Board agreed to a Budget outcome for 2021 and discussed the ongoing budget challenges for CIT, including from the impact of COVID -19.

CIT Solutions Board Update

The Board was updated on CIT Solutions work including the impact of COVID-19.

CIT Audit Committee Report

The Board was updated on the Audit Committee's work and following a formal assessment in line with the *ACT Internal Audit Committee and Function Framework* (released in February 2020) agreed to reappoint Dr Margo Wade for three years to the Audit Committee, and Mr Peter McGrath as the CIT Board Member and Deputy Chair for three years pending his tenure on the CIT Board.

CIT Work Health and Safety Report

The Board noted the Report.