Western Yilgarn NL ACN 112 914 459

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

This Corporate Governance Statement is current as at 15 August 2023 and has been approved by the Board of the Company on that date.

This Corporate Governance Statement discloses the extent to which the Company has followed the recommendations set by the ASX Corporate Governance Council in its publication Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations – 4th Edition (**Recommendations**). Due to the current size of the Company and the scale of its operations, it is not practical or economical for the Company to adopt all Recommendations. The Recommendations are not mandatory, however the Recommendations that have not been followed for any part of the reporting period have been identified and reasons provided for not following them along with what (if any) alternative governance practices were adopted in lieu of the Recommendation during that period. The Company has also set out a mandate for future compliance when the size of the Company and the scale of its operations warrants the introduction of those Recommendations.

The Company has adopted Corporate Governance Policies which provide written terms of reference for the Company's corporate governance practices.

The Company's Corporate Governance Policies are available on the Company's website at www.westernyilgarn.com.au.

RECOMMENDATIONS (4 th EDITION)	COMPLY	EXPLANATION
Principle 1: Lay solid foundations for management and ov	ersight	
Recommendation 1.1 A listed entity should have and disclose a board charter which sets out the respective roles and responsibilities of the Board, its Chair and management and includes a description of those matters expressly reserved to the Board and those delegated to management.	Yes	The Company's Corporate Governance Policies set out the specific responsibilities of the Board, requirements as to the Board's composition, the roles and responsibilities of the Chairman and Company Secretary, the establishment, operation and management of Board Committees, Directors' access to Company records and information, details of the Board's relationship with management, details of the Board's performance review and details of the Board's disclosure policy. A copy of the Company's Corporate Governance Policies are available on the Company's website.
Recommendation 1.2 A listed entity should: (a) undertake appropriate checks before appointing a Director or senior executive, or putting someone forward as a Director; and	Yes	(a) The Company has guidelines for the appointment and selection of the Board in its Corporate Governance Policies. The Company's Corporate Governance Policies require that prior to appointing a Director or recommending a new candidate for election as a Director that appropriate checks are undertaken as to the person's character, experience, education, criminal record and bankruptcy history. The Company will continue to undertake these checks in the future prior to appointing a Director or recommending a new candidate for election as a Director.

(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.		(b) Under the Company's Corporate Governance Policies, all material information relevant to a decision on whether or not to elect or re-elect a Director must be provided to security holders in the Notice of Meeting containing the resolution to elect or re-elect a Director. The Board will ensure this material information is included in the related Notice of Meeting of the Company for such an appointment.
Recommendation 1.3 A listed entity should have a written agreement with each Director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.	Yes	The Company's Corporate Governance Policies require the Company to ensure to ensure that each Director and senior executive is a party to a written agreement with the Company that sets out the terms of that Director or senior executive's appointment. The Company has in place written agreements with each Director and senior executive, which sets out the terms and conditions of their appointment.
Recommendation 1.4 The Company Secretary of a listed entity should be accountable directly to the Board, through the Chair, on all matters to do with the proper functioning of the Board.	Yes	The Company's Corporate Governance Policies outline the roles, responsibility and accountability of the Company Secretary. In accordance with this, the Company Secretary is accountable directly to the Board, through the Chair, on all matters to do with the proper functioning of the Board.
Recommendation 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: (i) the measurable objectives set for that period to achieve gender diversity; (ii) the entity's progress towards achieving those objectives; and (iii) either: A. the respective proportions of men and women on the Board, in senior executive positions and across the whole workforce	Partially	 (a) The Company has adopted a Diversity Policy which provides a framework for the Company to establish and achieve measurable diversity objectives, including in respect of gender diversity. The Diversity Policy is available on the Company's website. (b) The Diversity Policy allows the Board to set measurable gender diversity objectives, if considered appropriate, and to continually monitor both the objectives if any have been set and the Company's progress in achieving them. (c) The Board has not yet set measurable gender diversity objectives because: (i) it is the Board's view that the existing Directors and senior executives have sufficient skill and experience to carry out the Company's plans; and (ii) if it became necessary to appoint any new Directors or senior executives, the Board considered the application of the measurable diversity objectives and determined that, given the small size of the Company and the Board, requiring specific objectives to be met, unduly limit the Company from applying the Diversity Policy as a whole and the Company's policy of appointing the best person for the job.

(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 the Workplace Gender Equality Act.		(d) The Company will seek to develop a reporting framework to report the Company's progress against the objectives and strategies for achieving a diverse workplace as it continues to grow and which can be used as a guide to identify new Directors, senior executives and employees.
Recommendation 1.6 A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of the Board, its committees and individual Directors; and (b) disclose for each reporting period whether a performance evaluation has been undertaken in accordance with that process during or in respect of that period.	Yes	 (a) The Company's Remuneration and Nomination Committee (or, in its absence, the Board) is responsible for evaluating the performance of the Board, its committees and individual Directors on an annual basis. The process for this is set out in the Company's Corporate Governance Policies, which are available on the Company's website. (b) The Company's Corporate Governance Policies require the Company to disclose whether or not performance evaluations were conducted during the relevant reporting period. The Board is expected to undertake a performance evaluation before the Company's next annual general meeting of shareholders.
Recommendation 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.	Yes	 (a) The Company's Remuneration and Nomination Committee (or, in its absence, the Board) is responsible for evaluating the remuneration of the Company's senior executives on an annual basis. A senior executive, for these purposes, means key management personnel (as defined in the Corporations Act) other than a Non-Executive Director. The process for this is set out in the Company's Corporate Governance Policies, which are available on the Company's website. (b) The Company does not currently have any key management personnel (as defined in the Corporations Act) outside of the Directors of the Company given the nature and scale of the Company's operations.
Principle 2: Structure the Board to be effective and add va	lue	
Recommendation 2.1 The Board of a listed entity should: (a) have a nomination committee which: (i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent Directors; and	Partially	(a) The Company's Corporate Governance Policies provide for the creation of a Remuneration and Nomination Committee (if it is considered it will benefit the Company), with at least three members, a majority of whom are independent Directors, and which must be chaired by an independent Director. The Company's Corporate Governance Policies are available on the Company's website.

(ii) is chaired by an independent Director:	_	(h) The Company has not constituted a Pomunoration and Nomination Committee
 (ii) is chaired by an independent Director; and disclose: (iii) the charter of the committee; (iv) the members of the committee; and (v) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have 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. 		 (b) The Company has not constituted a Remuneration and Nomination Committee given the size of the Board and the nature and scale of the Company's operations. The full Board carries out the role of a Remuneration and Nomination Committee, including the following processes to address succession issues and to ensure the Board has the appropriate balance of skills, experience, independence and knowledge of the entity to enable it to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively: (i) devoting time as required to discuss Board succession issues and updating the Company's Board skills matrix; and (ii) all Board members being involved in the Company's nomination process, to the maximum extent permitted under the Corporations Act and ASX Listing Rules. Peter Lewis, Peter Michael and John Traicos are considered to be independent.
Recommendation 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.	No	The Company does not have a skills or diversity matrix in relation to the Board members. The Board considers that such a matrix is not necessary given the current size and scope of the Company's operations. The Board may adopt such a matrix as the Company's operations grow and evolve.
Recommendation 2.3 A listed entity should disclose: (a) the names of the Directors considered by the Board to be independent Directors; (b) if a Director has an interest, position, association or relationship of the type described in Box 2.3 of the ASX Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations (4 th Edition) 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.	Yes	The Company's Corporate Governance Policies require the disclosure of the names of Directors considered by the Board to be independent. Currently the Board is structured as follows: Peter Lewis (Non-Executive Chairman), John Traicos (Non-Executive Director) and Peter Michael (Non-Executive Director). The Board currently considers John Traicos, Peter Michael and Peter Lewis to be independent. The Company's Directors were appointed on the following dates: Peter Lewis (30 November 2018), John Traicos (6 September 2021) and Peter Michael (6 September 2021).

Recommendation 2.4 A majority of the Board of a listed entity should be independent Directors.	No	The Board is comprised of a majority of independent Directors. The current Board comprises two independent Directors and one independent Non-executive Chairman as outlined in Recommendation 2.3 above. The Board considers that its current composition is appropriate given the current size and stage of development of the Company and allows for the best utilisation of the experience and expertise of its members. Directors having a conflict of interest in relation to a particular item of business must absent themselves from the Board meeting before commencement of discussion on the topic.
Recommendation 2.5 The Chair of the Board of a listed entity should be an independent Director and, in particular, should not be the same person as the CEO of the entity.	Yes	The Chairman of the Board, Peter Lewis, is an independent Director.
Recommendation 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.	Yes	In accordance with the Company's Corporate Governance Policies, the Remuneration and Nomination Committee (or, in its absence, the Board) is responsible for reviewing and implementing an induction program for new Directors. The Company Secretary assists in the facilitation of inductions and professional development and regularly provides information to the Directors which may assist in their professional development.
Principle 3: Instil a culture of acting lawfully, ethically and	l responsibly	
Recommendation 3.1 A listed entity should articulate and disclose its values.	Yes	The Company is committed to conducting all of its business activities fairly, honestly with a high level of integrity, and in compliance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations. The Board, management and employees are dedicated to high ethical standards and recognise and support the Company's commitment to compliance with these standards.
Recommendation 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 .	Yes	The Company's Code of Conduct applies to the Company's Directors, senior executives and employees (as applicable). The Company's Code of Conduct is available on the Company's website. Any material breaches of the Code of Conduct are reported to the Board.

Recommendation 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	Yes	The Company's Whistleblower Protection Policy is available on the Company's website. Any material breaches of the Whistleblower Protection Policy are to be reported to the Board.
reported under that policy. Recommendation 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.	Yes	The Company's Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy is available on the Company's website. Any material breaches of the Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy are to be reported to the Board.
Principle 4: Safeguard the integrity of corporate reports		
Recommendation 4.1 The Board of a listed entity should: (a) have an audit committee which: (i) has at least three members, all of whom are non-executive Directors and a majority of whom are independent Directors; and (ii) is chaired by an independent Director, who is not the Chair of the Board, (iii) and disclose: (iv) the charter of the committee;	Partially	 (a) The Company's Corporate Governance Policies provide, where practical, for the creation of an Audit and Risk Committee with at least three members, all of whom must be non-executive Directors, and majority of the Committee must be independent Directors. The Committee must be chaired by an independent Director who is not the Chair. (b) The Company has not constituted an Audit and Risk Committee given the size of the Board and the nature and scale of the Company's operations. The full Board carries out the duties that would ordinarily be carried out by the Audit and Risk Committee including the following processes to independently verify the integrity of the Company's periodic reports which are not audited or reviewed by an external auditor, as well as the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner: (i) the Board devotes time at annual Board meetings to fulfilling the roles
 (v) the relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and (vi) in relation to each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual 		and responsibilities associated with maintaining the Company's internal audit function and arrangements with external auditors; and (ii) all members of the Board are involved in the Company's audit function to ensure the proper maintenance of the entity and the integrity of all financial reporting.

attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have an audit committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs that independently verify and safeguard the integrity of its corporate reporting, including the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner.		
Recommendation 4.2 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 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.	Yes	The Chairman and Company Secretary (assuming the role of CFO) will provide a declaration to the Board in accordance with section 295A of the Corporations Act for each financial report and assure the Board that such declaration is founded on a sound system of risk management and internal control and that the system is operating effectively in all material respects in relation to financial reporting risks.
Recommendation 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.	Yes	The Company has a process where the reports are prepared by the Company's CFO, reviewed by the Managing Director (or in the absence of a Managing Director, by the Chairman) and approved by the Board before release to ASX.
Principle 5: Make timely and balanced disclosure Recommendation 5.1	Yes	The Company's Corporate Governance Policies contain its written policy for complying
A listed entity should have and disclose a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under listing rule 3.1.		with its continuous disclosure obligations under ASX Listing Rule 3.1. The Continuous Disclosure Policy sets out policies and procedures for the Company's compliance with its continuous disclosure obligations and addresses financial markets communication, media contact and continuous disclosure issues. It forms part of the Company's corporate policies and procedures and is available to all staff. The Continuous Disclosure Policy is available on the Company website.

Recommendation 5.2 A listed entity should ensure that its board receives copies of all material market announcements promptly after they have been made.	Yes	Any announcement proposed to be released on ASX by the Company is reviewed and approved by the Board before release to ASX. All members of the Board will receive material market announcements promptly after they have been made.
Recommendation 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.	Yes	All substantive investor or analyst presentations will be released to the ASX ahead of such presentations.
Principle 6: Respect the rights of security holders		
Recommendation 6.1 A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.	Yes	The Company's website forms a key part of its communications platform to security holders and the broader investment community and contains information about the Company's, Directors and management and corporate governance practices, policies and charters. Current and past ASX announcements, presentations and reports are available for review on the Company's website. These announcements, presentations and reports will be posted on the Company's website shortly after they have been released to the market.
Recommendation 6.2 A listed entity should have an investor relations program that facilitates effective two-way communication with investors.	Yes	The Company's Corporate Governance Policies recognise the value of providing current and relevant information to its shareholders and aims to promote and facilitate effective two-way communication with investors. The Company's Corporate Governance Policies outline various ways in which information is communicated to shareholders, and are available on the Company's website.
Recommendation 6.3 A listed entity should disclose how it facilitates and encourages participation at meetings of security holders.	Yes	The Company's Corporate Governance Policies aim to encourage shareholder attendance and participation at general meetings, including by encouraging shareholders to use their attendance at meetings to ask questions and participate in voting by proxy if they are unable to attend.
Recommendation 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.	Yes	All substantive resolutions at securityholder meetings will be decided by a poll rather than a show of hands.
Recommendation 6.5	Yes	Shareholders will be given the option to receive communications from, and send communication to, the Company and its share registry electronically. To ensure that

A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically.		Shareholders can obtain all relevant information to assist them in exercising their rights as shareholders, the Company has made available a telephone number and relevant contact details (via the website) for Shareholders to make their enquiries with the Company or its share registry.
Principle 7: Recognise and manage risk		
Recommendation 7.1 The Board of a listed entity should: (a) have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which: (i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent Directors; and (ii) is chaired by an independent Director. and disclose: (iii) the charter of the committee; (iv) the members of the committee; and (v) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have a risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) above, disclose that fact and the process it employs for overseeing the entity's risk management framework.	Partially	 (a) The Company's Corporate Governance Policies provide, where practical, for the creation of an Audit and Risk Committee with at least three members, the majority of whom are independent Directors and chaired by an independent Director. The Company has not constituted an Audit and Risk Committee given the size of the Board and the nature and scale of the Company's operations. Accordingly, the Board performs the role of the Audit and Risk Committee. (b) The Board deals with any conflicts of interest that may occur when convening in the capacity of the Audit and Risk Committee by ensuring that the Director with conflicting interests is not party to the relevant discussions. Risk identification and risk management discussions occurred during the year. Responsibility and control of risk management is delegated to the appropriate level of management within the Company with the Managing Director (or in the absence of the Managing Director, the Chairman) having ultimate responsibility to the Board for the risk management and control framework. A risk management model is to be developed and will provide a framework for systematically understanding and identifying the types of business risks threatening the Company as a whole, or specific business activities within the Company.
Recommendation 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	Yes	The Company's Corporate Governance Policies require that the Audit and Risk Committee (or, in its absence, the Board) should, at least annually, satisfy itself that the Company's risk management framework continues to be sound. The Company's Board regularly incorporates risk into its discussions at Board meetings. The Company's Risk Management and Internal Compliance Control Policy and composition of the Audit and Risk Committee is also reviewed as required.

(b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place.		
Recommendation 7.3 The 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.	Yes	The Company does not current have an internal audit function. The Board will monitor the need for an internal audit function as the size and/or complexity of the Company's operations grow. The Board works collectively to identify and manage operational, financial and compliance risks which could prevent the Company from achieving its objectives. The Board performs this role in accordance with its Corporate Governance Policies, including the Company's Risk Management and Internal Compliance Control Policy which is reviewed annually.
Recommendation 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.	Yes	The Company's Corporate Governance Policies require the Audit and Risk Committee (or, in its absence, the Board) to assist management to determine whether the Company has any potential or apparent exposure to environmental or social risks and, if it does, put in place management systems, practices and procedures to manage those risks. The Company will disclose this information in its Annual Report and on its ASX website as part of its continuous disclosure obligations.
Principle 8: Remunerate fairly and responsibly		
Recommendation 8.1 The Board of a listed entity should: (a) have a remuneration committee which: (i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent Directors; and (ii) is chaired by an independent Director. and disclose: (iii) the charter of the committee; (iv) the members of the committee; and (v) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or	Partially	 (a) The Company's Corporate Governance Policies provide, where practical, for the creation of a Remuneration and Nomination Committee with at least three members, the majority of whom are independent Directors and chaired by an independent Director. The Company has not constituted a Remuneration and Nomination Committee given the size of the Board and the nature and scale of the Company's operations. Accordingly, the Board performs the role Remuneration and Nomination Committee. (b) The Board undertakes the role of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee with the assistance of any external advice which may be required from time to time. The Board aims to ensure remuneration levels are competitively set to suitably experienced and qualified Directors and senior executives, having regard to the Company's status and performance.

(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.		
Recommendation 8.2 A listed entity should separately disclose its policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive Directors and the remuneration of executive Directors and other senior executives.	Yes	The Company's Corporate Governance Policies discloses its policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive Directors and the remuneration of executive Directors and other senior executives. The Company's Corporate Governance Policies are available on its website.
Recommendation 8.3 (a) A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should 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.	Yes	The Company's Employee Securities Incentive Plan does not allow participants to enter into transactions (whether through the use of derivatives or otherwise) which limit the economic risk of participating in the plan.
Additional recommendations that apply only in certain cas	es	
Recommendation 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.	N/A	
Recommendation 9.2 A listed entity established outside Australia should ensure that meetings of security holders are held at a reasonable place and time.	N/A	

Recommendation 9.3	N/A
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.	