

30 September 2020

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

This Corporate Governance Statement sets out the current position of Golden Mile Resources Limited (**Company**) with regards to the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, 2014) (**Principles and Recommendations**).

While the Principles and Recommendations are not mandatory, the Company is required to disclose the extent to which it complies with the Principles and Recommendations.

This Corporate Governance Statement was approved by the Board on 30 September 2020.

## ASX BEST PRACTICE RECOMMENDATIONS

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<b>Principle 1: Lay a solid foundation for management and oversight</b>			
1.1	<p>A listed entity should disclose:</p> <p>(a) the respective roles and responsibilities of its board and management; and</p> <p>(b) those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management.</p>	<p>The Company's Board Charter sets out the roles and responsibilities of the Board and Management. It is available for review on the Company's website.</p> <p><b>The Role of the Board</b> The Board is responsible for, and has the authority to determine, all matters relating to strategic direction, policies, practices, management goals and the operations of the Company.</p> <p><b>The Role of Management</b> It is the role of senior management to manage the Company in accordance with the direction and delegations of the Board and the responsibility of the Board to oversee the activities of management in carrying out these delegated duties.</p>	Yes
1.2	<p>A listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) undertake appropriate checks before appointing a person, or putting forward to security holders a candidate for election, as a director; and</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p>The Company undertakes checks on any person who is being considered as a director. These checks may include character, experience, education and financial history and background.</p> <p>All security holder releases will contain material information following the guidance contained in the ASX Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition) about any candidate to enable security holders to make informed decisions regarding the candidate's election or re-election.</p>	Yes
1.3	<p>A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their</p>	<p>The Company requires that a detailed letter of appointment or employment contract is agreed with each director and employee.</p> <p>The Company's officers and management have all</p>	Yes

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	appointment.	entered into service contracts which outline the responsibilities of each of the company's officers and of management personnel when performing their roles for the Company.	
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.	<p>The Company's Board Charter sets out the roles and responsibilities of the Company Secretary. It is available for review on the Company's website.</p> <p>The Company Secretary has a direct reporting line to the Board, through the Chair.</p>	Yes
1.5	<p>A listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) Have a diversity policy which includes requirements for the board or a relevant committee of the board to set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and to assess annually both the objectives and the entity's progress in achieving them;</p> <p>(b) Disclose that policy or a summary of it; and</p> <p>(c) Disclose as at the end of each reporting period the measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity set by the board or a relevant committee of the board in accordance with the entity's diversity policy and its progress towards achieving them, and either:</p> <p>(1) The respective proportions of men and women on the board, in senior executive positions and across the whole organisation (including how the entity has defined "senior executive" for these purposes); or</p> <p>(2) if the entity is a "relevant employer" under the Workplace Gender</p>	<p>The Board values diversity and recognises the benefits it can bring to the organisation's ability to achieve its goals.</p> <p>The Board has established a Diversity Policy and will endeavour, where appropriate and practicable, to comply with this policy.</p> <p>The Company intends to set meaningful gender and diversity objectives commensurate with the Company's size and operations.</p> <p>The Company has no employees and generally utilises the services of external consultants. The Company did not employ any women in the period and there are no women on the Board of Directors.</p>	No

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	Equality Act, the entity's most recent "Gender Equality Indicators", as defined in and published under that Act.		
1.6	<p>A listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of the board, its committees and individual directors; and</p> <p>(b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process.</p>	<p>Due to the current size of the Board and the Company, a Remuneration and Nomination Committee has not been established and the Board is currently responsible for evaluating its performance, its committees and individual directors.</p> <p>The review will take the form of an informal meeting based on review goals for the Board and individual Directors. The goals are based on corporate requirements and any areas for improvement identified. The Chair will provide each Director with confidential feedback on their performance.</p> <p>A review was conducted in the period.</p>	Yes
1.7	<p>A listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of its senior executives; and</p> <p>(b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process.</p>	<p>The Board is responsible for evaluating the performance of the senior executives. The evaluation procedure for senior executives includes a review and assessment of performance against key performance indicators.</p> <p>No formal review was conducted in the period due to the resignation of the Managing Director during the period.</p>	Yes
<b>Principle 2: Structure the board to add value</b>			
2.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have a nomination committee which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director,</p>	<p>The Company is not of a relevant size to consider formation of a nomination committee to deal with the selection and appointment of new Directors and as such a nomination committee has not been formed.</p> <p>The full Board fulfils the duties of the nomination committee and abides by the adopted Nomination and Remuneration Policy.</p> <p>The Composition of the Board, its performance and the appointment of new Directors will be reviewed periodically by the Board taking advice from external advisors where considered appropriate.</p>	Yes

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	<p>and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(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.</p>		
2.2	<p>A listed entity should have and disclose a board skills matrix setting out the mix of skills and diversity that the board currently has or is looking to achieve in its membership.</p>	<p>The mix of skills and diversity of the Board was reviewed during the financial year. The Board is considered to be of an appropriate size and structure, and to possess appropriate skills and knowledge for the current stage in the Company's development.</p> <p>The Board will consider developing a Board skills matrix, to simplify the process for identifying any 'gaps' in the Board's skills, expertise and experience. As part of the review of the skills matrix the Board will monitor the skills, expertise and experience that are relevant to the Company and assess those requirements against the collective attributes of the Directors.</p> <p>The skill and diversity of the Board will be reviewed by the Directors on an annual basis.</p> <p>Details of the Directors' skills, experience and meeting attendance will be set out in the Directors' report in each year's Annual Report.</p>	No
2.3	<p>A listed entity should disclose:</p>	<p>For the majority of the period the Board consisted of four Directors, Messrs Rhoderick Grivas, Phillip Grundy, Lachlan Reynolds and Caedmon Marriott. Dr</p>	Yes

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	<p>(a) The names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors;</p> <p>(b) If a director has an interest, position, association or relationship of the type described in Box 2.3 but the board is of the opinion that it does not compromise the independence of the director, the nature of the interest, position, association or relationship in question and an explanation of why the board is of that opinion; and</p> <p>(c) The length of service of each director.</p>	<p>Caedmon Marriott was appointed as a Non-Executive Director on 7 January 2020. Mr Lachlan Reynolds resigned as a director of the Company on 20 March 2020.</p> <p>The Company considers Mr Rhoderick Grivas and Dr Caedmon Marriott to be independent.</p> <p>Details of the length of service of each director will be set out in the Directors' report in each year's Annual Report.</p>	
2.4	A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors	<p>Of the four directors during the reporting period two directors were considered to be independent. The Board currently consists of 3 directors, 2 of whom are considered independent.</p> <p>The Board considered that having two independent directors, with one being the chairman of the Company, to be appropriate for the current stage in the Company's development. At the date of this statement the Board is composed of three directors, of whom two directors are considered independent.</p> <p>The Board intends to review its composition as the Company's operations evolve and may in the future appoint additional independent Directors as it deems appropriate.</p>	Yes
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.	The Chair of the Board is Mr Rhoderick Grivas, an independent Director. The role of CEO and Chairman are not exercised by the same person.	Yes
2.6	A listed entity should have a program for inducting new directors and provide appropriate professional development opportunities for directors to develop and maintain the skills and knowledge needed to perform their role as	The Board shall induct new directors in accordance with the process set out in the Company's Board Charter.	Yes

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	directors effectively.		
<b>Principle 3: Act ethically and responsibly</b>			
3.1	<p>A listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives and employees; and</p> <p>(b) disclose that code or a summary of it.</p>	<p>The Board has established a Code of Conduct, to provide guidelines aimed at maintaining high ethical standards, corporate behaviour and accountability within the Company.</p> <p>A summary of the Code of Conduct is available on the Company's website:  <a href="https://www.goldenmileresources.com.au/corporate-governance">https://www.goldenmileresources.com.au/corporate-governance</a></p>	Yes
<b>Principle 4: Safeguard integrity in corporate reporting</b>			
4.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have an audit committee which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director, who is not the chair of the board,</p> <p>and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(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,</p>	<p>During the period the Board fulfilled the responsibilities of the Audit Committee. The Board does not consider that a separate Committee structure is required given the current size and scale of the Company's operations. The Board as a whole fulfils the responsibilities of the Audit and Risk Committee as set out in the Audit and Risk Committee Charter.</p> <p>The Company has adopted a Charter for the Audit and Risk Committee which sets out the committee's (or Board's) responsibilities, procedures, guidelines and composition. A summary of the Charter is available on the Company's website:  <a href="https://www.goldenmileresources.com.au/corporate-governance">https://www.goldenmileresources.com.au/corporate-governance</a></p> <p>The relevant qualifications and experience of the Board members are set out in the Company's annual report.</p>	Partial

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	including the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner.		
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.	The Board receives a written assurance from the CEO and CFO (or equivalent) for each annual financial reporting period that their opinion 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.	Yes
4.3	A 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.	The Company's auditor is required to attend the Company's AGM and is available to answer questions relevant to the audit.	Yes
<b>Principle 5: Make timely and balanced disclosure</b>			
5.1	A listed entity should:  (a) have a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under the Listing Rules; and  (b) disclose that policy or a summary of it.	The Company has adopted a Continuous Disclosure Policy which requires executive management to determine when a market release is required to comply with the ASX Listing Rules continuous disclosure requirements.  The Continuous Disclosure Policy will be reviewed by Directors on an annual basis.  A summary of the Continuous Disclosure Policy is available on the Company's website: <a href="https://www.goldenmileresources.com.au/corporate-governance">https://www.goldenmileresources.com.au/corporate-governance</a>	Yes
<b>Principle 6: Respect the rights of security holders</b>			
6.1	A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.	Information about the Company and its governance is available to shareholders via the Company's website.	Yes

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6.2	A listed entity should design and implement an investor relations program to facilitate effective two-way communication with investors.	<p>The Company has developed a Communications and Disclosure Policy to ensure all relevant information is identified and reported accordingly.</p> <p>The Company encourages shareholders to attend and participate in general meetings and will make itself available to meet shareholders and respond to shareholder enquiries.</p>	Yes
6.3	A listed entity should disclose the policies and processes it has in place to facilitate and encourage participation at meetings of security holders	The Company encourages all shareholders to attend General Meetings of the Company via its notices of meeting, and in the event they cannot attend, to participate by recording their votes.	Yes
6.4	A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically.	The Company and its share registry actively encourage electronic communication. All new shareholders will be issued with a letter encouraging the registration of electronic contact methods.	Yes
<b>Principle 7: Recognise and manage risk</b>			
7.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director,</p> <p>and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(b) if it does not have a risk</p>	The Board is responsible for monitoring, identifying and managing risks, and ensuring that these risk identification and management procedures are implemented and followed. Details are set out under Principle 4, in the Audit and Risk Committee Charter and the Risk Management Policy.	Partial

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	committee or committees that satisfy (a) above, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for overseeing the entity's risk management framework.		
7.2	<p>The board or a committee of the board should:</p> <p>(a) review the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound; and</p> <p>(b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place.</p>	<p>The Company has adopted a Risk Management Policy designed to ensure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• all major sources of potential opportunity for harm to the Company (both existing and potential) are identified, analysed and treated appropriately;</li> <li>• business decisions throughout the Company appropriately balance the risk and reward trade off;</li> <li>• regulatory compliance and integrity in reporting is achieved; and</li> <li>• the Company's good standing with its stakeholders continues.</li> </ul> <p>The Board reviews its risk management strategy annually.</p>	Yes
7.3	<p>A listed entity should disclose:</p> <p>(a) if it has an internal audit function, how the function is structured and what role it performs; or</p> <p>(b) if it does not have an internal audit function, that fact and the processes it employs for evaluating and continually improving the effectiveness of its risk management and internal control processes.</p>	<p>The Company is not of the size or scale to warrant the cost of an internal audit function. This function is undertaken by the Board as a whole via the review of risk management and internal control processes on a regular basis.</p>	Yes
7.4	<p>A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks and, if it does, how it manages or intends to manage those risks.</p>	<p>As a mining exploration company, the Company may be materially exposed to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks. The Company has adopted a Risk Management Policy to assist with management of these risks, which is available on the website.</p>	Yes
<b>Principle 8: Remunerate fairly and responsibly</b>			
8.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p>	<p>The Board is responsible for the Company's remuneration policy and has adopted a Nomination and Remuneration Policy which outlines the</p>	Yes

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	<p>(a) have a remuneration committee which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director,</p> <p>and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p>processes by which the Board shall review officer and management remuneration. The Company has provided disclosure of a summary of its remuneration policies for the Company's officers in its Prospectus and Annual Report.</p> <p>The Company is committed to remunerating its officers and executives fairly and to a level which is commensurate with their skills and experience and which is reflective of their performance. Further disclosure of officer and executive remuneration will be made in accordance with the Listing Rules and the Corporations Act.</p> <p>The Board may obtain external advice from independent consultants in determining the Company's remuneration practices, including remuneration levels, where considered appropriate.</p> <p>The Board considers that the Company is not currently of a size, nor are its affairs of such complexity to justify having a separate remuneration committee.</p>	
8.2	<p>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.</p>	<p>The Company discloses all Director and executive remuneration and policies on remuneration in its annual report.</p> <p>The remuneration of any Executive Director will be decided by the Board, without the affected Executive Director participating in that decision-making process.</p> <p>In addition, subject to any necessary Shareholder approval, a Director may be paid fees or other amounts as the Directors determine where a Director performs special duties or otherwise performs services outside the scope of the ordinary duties of a Director (e.g. non-cash performance incentives such</p>	Yes

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		<p>as Options).</p> <p>Directors are also entitled to be paid reasonable travel and other expenses incurred by them in the course of the performance of their duties as Directors.</p> <p>The Board reviews and approves the Company's nomination and remuneration policy in order to ensure that the Company is able to attract and retain executives and Directors who will create value for Shareholders, having regard to the amount considered to be commensurate for an entity of the Company's size and level of activity as well as the relevant Directors' time, commitment and responsibility.</p>	
8.3	<p>A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should:</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(b) disclose that policy or a summary of it.</p>	<p>An Employee Share Option Plan was approved by shareholders at the Company's 13 August 2020 Extraordinary General Meeting.</p> <p>The Board is responsible for reviewing any employee incentive and equity-based plans including the appropriateness of performance hurdles and total payments proposed.</p> <p>The Company recognises that Director, executives and employees may hold securities in the Company and that most investors are encouraged by these holdings. The Company's Securities Trading Policy (available on the Company's website) explains and reinforces the Corporations Act 2001 requirements relating to insider trading. The Policy applies to all Directors, executives, employees and consultants and their associates and closely related parties.</p>	N/A

For further information about the Company's corporate governance policies, and to obtain copies of these policies, please refer to the Company's website.