

Corporate Governance Statement

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Please find attached the Corporate Governance Statement of Mandrake Resources Limited adopted by the board of directors.

The release of the statement is authorized by the board of directors.

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About Mandrake Resources

Mandrake is a junior exploration company established with the purpose of exploring and developing gold, nickel, copper and PGE opportunities. The Company controls 100% of a 140km2 exploration licence prospective for PGE-Ni-Cu in the exciting Jimperding Metamorphic Belt, 70km NE of Perth.

Mandrake also owns a mineral exploration project located in the prolific Pine Creek Orogen of the Northern Territory prospective for gold, silver and base metals.

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	Principle 1: Lay solid foundations for management and oversight			
-	Recommendation 1.1 A listed entity should have and disclose a board charter setting out:	Yes	The Board has adopted a Board Charter which discloses the roles and responsibilities of the Board and senior management.	
	 the respective roles and responsibilities of its board and management; and 		Under the Board Charter, the Board is responsible for the overall operation and stewardship of Mandrake and, in particular, for the long-term growth and profitability of	
	 those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management. 	erved N gated fi n	Mandrake, the strategies, policies and financial objectives of Mandrake and for monitoring the implementation of those policies, strategies and financial objectives.	
			A copy of Mandrake's Board Charter is available on the Company's website: www.mandrakeresources.com.au.	
	Recommendation 1.2		Mandrake will conduct specific checks of candidates prior to their appointment or	
	A listed entity should:		nomination for election by Shareholders.	
	 undertake appropriate checks before appointing a director or senior executive or putting someone forward for election as a director; and 		This includes good fame and character requirements for Directors, the Managing Director (chief executive officer) (CEO) and the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) in accordance with Listing Rule 1.1 condition 20.	
	 provide security holders with all material information in its possession relevant to a decision on whether or not to elect or re- 		Mandrake will include in its notices of meeting a brief biography of each Director who stands for election or re-election.	
	elect a director.		The biography will set out the relevant qualifications and professional experience of the nominated Director for consideration by Shareholders. This information will also be included in the Annual Report and on Mandrake's website: www.mandrakeresources.com.au.	
	Recommendation 1.3		Mandrake engages or employs its Directors	
	A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.		and other senior executives under written agreements setting out key terms and otherwise governing their engagement or employment by Mandrake.	
			The Managing Director is employed pursuant to a written employment agreement with Mandrake and each Non-Executive Director is engaged under a letter of appointment.	

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The co entity s to the l matters	amendation 1.4 company secretary of a listed should be accountable directly board, through the chair, on all s to do with the proper ning of the board.		The Company Secretary reports directly and is accountable to the Board in relation to a governance matters. Currently the Company Secretary is a member of the Board. The Company Secretary advises and supports the Board members on general governance matters, implements adopted governance procedures and coordinates circulation of meeting agendas and papers.
Recom	mendation 1.5	Yes	The Board has adopted a Diversity Policy
A listed	l entity should:		which is designed to further Mandrake' commitment to supporting and furthe
pol	ve and disclose a diversity icy; ough its board or a committee		developing its diversity through attracting recruiting, engaging and retaining divers talent and aligning Mandrake's culture an management systems with this commitment
of	the board set measurable		Mandrake sets measurable objectives for
div boa	ectives for achieving gender ersity in the composition of its ard, senior executives and rkforce generally; and		achieving gender diversity. The Diversit Policy is available on the Company' website: www.mandrakeresources.com.au.
	close in relation to each		
rep ○	orting period: the measurable objectives set for that period to achieve gender diversity;		Currently there are no employees. The board of three has no women members. The Board continuously reviews the existin skills base and where a need arises,
0	the entity's progress towards achieving those objectives; and		placement will be undertaken on merit.
0	either:		
	i. 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		
	ii. 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.		
Recom	mendation 1.6	Yes	The performance of the Board is evaluated
A listed	I entity should:		on an ongoing basis to ensure alignmer with Mandrake's corporate objectives.
	ve and disclose a process for riodically evaluating the		In particular, the evaluation of the Board i overseen by the Chairman on an information

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	performance of the board, its committees and individual directors; and		but periodic basis. The rev committees is undertaken feedback from the Board.	
	• disclose for each reporting period whether a performance evaluation has been undertaken in accordance with that process during or in respect of that period.			
	Recommendation 1.7	Yes	The performance of senic evaluated on an ongoing alignment with Mandra objectives. Currently there Executives.	
	A listed entity should:			
(D)	 have and disclose a process for evaluating the performance of its 			
$\overline{\mathbb{C}}$	senior executives at least once every reporting period; and		In particular, the evalua executives is conducted	
	 disclose for each reporting period whether a performance evaluation has been undertaken in accordance with that process during or in respect of that period. 		agreed key performance i are agreed at the start of formally reviewed at the end year.	
	Principle 2: Structure	e the board to be effective and add value		
60	Recommendation 2.1	No	The full Board of Mand	
	The board of a listed entity should		Nomination Committee which for assisting the Board in e	
\bigcirc	 have a nomination committee which: 		Board and its committee individuals who are best al	
	 has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and 		and the highest standard of g	
	 is chaired by an independent director, 		The Nomination Committee been approved by the Board	
	and disclose:		on the Company www.mandrakeresources.co	
\bigcirc	• the charter of the committee;			
	 the members of the committee; and 			
	 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; 			
	 which: has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and is chaired by an independent director, 		Board and its of individuals who are their responsibilities and the highest star The Nomination (been approved by t on the (

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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

The full Board of Mandrake forms the Nomination Committee which is responsible for assisting the Board in ensuring that the Board and its committee comprise of individuals who are best able to discharge their responsibilities, with regard to the law and the highest standard of governance.

but periodic basis. The review process for committees is undertaken by way of

The performance of senior executives is evaluated on an ongoing basis to ensure Mandrake's

In particular, the evaluation of senior

executives is conducted by reference to agreed key performance indicators which

are agreed at the start of each year and

formally reviewed at the end of the relevant

Currently there are no Senior

corporate

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The Nomination Committee Charter has been approved by the Board and is available the Company's website: on www.mandrakeresources.com.au.

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enable it to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively.	;	
Recommendation 2.2 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.	l t	Mandrake does not have a Board Skills Matrix. Relevant skills, qualifications and experience are detailed in the Annual Report.
 Recommendation 2.3 A listed entity should disclose: the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors; 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 ar explanation of why the board is of that opinion; and the length of service of each director. 	- - - - - - -	 Disclosure of the names of Directors considered by the Board to be independent will be provided in the annual report. The current independent Director is: Patrick Burke, Non-Executive Chairman. Details of the Directors' interests, positions, associations and relationships are disclosed in the Company's Annual Report.
Recommendation 2.4 A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.		The Board is not comprised of a majority of independent Directors. The number of independent directors is adequate for size and stage of life of the Company.
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.	-)	The Chairman, Patrick Burke is considered to be independent. Patrick Burke is not the CEO.
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.	; ; ;	Mandrake has a process to induct and educate new Directors about the nature of Mandrake's business, current issues, the corporate strategy and the expectations of the Company concerning the performance of Directors. Directors may visit all operations and meet with management to gain a better understanding of the business. Directors are given access to continuing education opportunities to update and enhance their skills and knowledge.

	Principle 3: Instil a culture of acting lawfully, ethically and responsibly			
	Recommendation 3.1 A listed entity should articulate and disclose its values.	Yes	Mandrake is committed to instilling and continually reinforcing a culture across the organisation of acting lawfully, ethically and responsibly. This is encapsulated in Mandrake's "Values and Code of Conduct", which applies to Directors and the employees of Mandrake and where relevant and to the extent possible, consultants, secondees and contractors of Mandrake. The Company's "Values and Code of Conduct" are available on its website: <i>www.mandrakeresources.com.au</i> .	
	 Recommendation 3.2 A listed entity should: have and disclose a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives and employees; and ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that code. 	Yes	Mandrake has established a Code of Conduct which sets out the standards with which the Directors and employees of Mandrake and where relevant and to the extent possible, consultants, secondees and contractors of Mandrake, are expected to comply in relation to the affairs of Mandrake's business. In accordance with Mandrake's Board Charter, any and all material or suspected breaches of the Code of Conduct Policy will be reported to the Board or a relevant committee of the Board upon identification.	
	 Recommendation 3.3 A listed entity should: have and disclose a whistleblower policy; and ensure that the board or committee of the board is informed of any material incidents reported under that policy. 	Yes	Mandrake has a Whistleblower Policy. The Whistleblower Policy is available on its website: <i>www.mandrakeresources.com.au</i> . In accordance with Mandrake's Board Charter, any and all material or suspected breaches of the Whistleblower Policy will be reported to the Board or a relevant committee of the Board upon identification.	
	 Recommendation 3.4 A listed entity should: have and disclose an anti-bribery and corruption policy; and ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that policy. 	Yes	Mandrake has an Anti-bribery and Corruption Policy. The Anti-bribery and Corruption Policy is available on its website: <i>www.mandrakeresources.com.au</i> . In accordance with Mandrake's Board Charter, any and all material or suspected breaches of the Anti-bribery and Corruption Policy will be reported to the Board or a relevant committee of the Board upon identification.	

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Principle 4: Safeguard the integrity of corporate reports

No

Recommendation 4.1

The board of a listed entity should:

- have an audit committee which:
 - has at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whom are independent directors; and
 - is chaired by an independent director, who is not the chair of the board,
- and disclose:
 - the charter of the committee;
 - the relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and
 - 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
- 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, 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.

The full Board of Mandrake forms the joint Audit and Risk Management Committee which is responsible for overseeing the integrity of the Company's statutory financial reporting, reviewing the independence and performance of the external auditor, approving external audit fees and responsible for Risk and Compliance review activities.

Patrick Burke is considered to be independent for the purposes of the ASX Recommendations.

The Audit and Risk Management Committee's Terms of Reference have been approved by the Board and is available on the Company's website: www.mandrakeresources.com.au_

The Company will report periodically on the number of times the Audit and Risk Management Committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings.

Yes

Mandrake will obtain declarations from its CEO and CFO before its financial statements are approved substantially in the form referred to in Recommendation 4.2.

The Company Secretary of Mandrake is acting as CFO.

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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.		Mandrake will disclose the process used to verify the integrity of any periodic corporate report it releases to the market that is not audited or reviewed by an external auditor on its website: www.mandrakeresources.com.au.
Principle 5: Ma	ake timely and	I balanced disclosure
Recommendation 5.1	Yes	The Board has adopted a Continuous Disclosure Policy.
A listed entity should have and disclose a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under the listing rule 3.1.		Mandrake is subject to the continuous disclosure requirements of Chapter 3 of the Listing Rules and section 674 of the Corporations Act.
		Mandrake is committed to observing its disclosure obligations under the Corporations Act and its obligations under the Listing Rules. All announcements provided to ASX will comply with Chapter 5 of the Listing Rules and will be posted on Mandrake's website: www.mandrakeresources.com.au.
Recommendation 5.2	Yes	Mandrake will ensure that its Board shall
A listed entity should ensure that its board receives copies of all material market announcements promptly after they have been made.		receive copies of all material market announcements promptly after they have been made.
Recommendation 5.3	Yes	Mandrake will release a copy of presentation
A listed entity that gives a new and substantive investor or analyst presentation should release a copy of presentation material on the ASX Market Announcements Platform ahead of the presentation.		materials on the ASX Market Announcements Platform prior to any presentations made. All presentation materials provided to the ASX will be posted on Mandrake website: www.mandrakeresources.com.au.
Principle 6: Re	spect the righ	ts of security holders
Recommendation 6.1	Yes	Information about Mandrake, including its
A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.		corporate governance and copies of its various corporate governance policies and charters, is available on Mandrake's website: <i>www.mandrakeresources.com.au</i> .
Recommendation 6.2	Yes	The Board has adopted a Communications
A listed entity should have an investor relations program that facilitates effective two-way communication with investors.		 Policy, the purpose of which is to ensure Mandrake: provides timely and accurate information equally to all Shareholders and market participants regarding the Company including its financial situation, performance, ownership, strategies,

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		activities and governance; and
		 adopts channels for disseminating information that are fair, timely and cost efficient.
		Mandrake will communicate with its Shareholders:
		 through releases to the market via the ASX;
		 through Mandrake's website;
		through information provided directly to Shareholders; and
		• via general meetings.
Recommendation 6.3 A listed entity should disclose how it facilitates and encourages participation at meetings of security holders.	Yes	Mandrake supports Shareholder participation in general meetings and will seek to provide appropriate mechanisms for such participation, including by ensuring that meetings are held at convenient times and places to encourage Shareholder participation. In preparing for general meetings of Mandrake, Mandrake will draft the notice of meeting and related explanatory information so that they provide all of the information that is relevant to Shareholders in making decisions on matters to be voted on by them at the meeting. This information will be presented clearly and concisely so that it is easy to understand and not ambiguous. Mandrake will use general meetings as a tool to effectively communicate with Shareholders and allow Shareholders a reasonable opportunity to ask questions and to otherwise participate in the meeting.
		Mechanisms for encouraging and facilitating Shareholder participation will be reviewed regularly to encourage a high level of Shareholder participation.

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	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.				
05	Recommendation 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.				
	Principle 7				
GO .	Recommendation 7.1				
	The board of a listed entity should:				
	 have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which: 				
	 has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and 				
	 is chaired by an independent director, 				
	and disclose:				
\bigcirc	• the charter of the committee;				
	 the members of the committee; and 				
	 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 				
	• if it does not have a Risk				

it it does not have a Risk Management Committee or committees that satisfy (a) above, and disclose that fact the processes it employs for the overseeing entity's risk management framework.

The full Board forms Mandrake's Audit and Risk Management Committee which is responsible for overseeing risk management of the Company.

The Chairman will call for a poll on all

substantive resolutions at a meeting rather

The Company's practice at general meetings

is to read out and/or display the proxy votes received for each resolution, at the time of voting. This ensures that Shareholders present at the meeting are kept informed as to the level of support for each resolution. Mandrake's Constitution provides a right for Shareholders to call for a poll on a resolution

Mandrake considers that communicating

with Shareholders by electronic means is an

efficient way to distribute information in a

Shareholders have the option to receive

electronically and Mandrake encourages

from

Mandrake

than voting by a show of hands.

at a general meeting.

communications

them to do so.

timely and convenient manner.

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Yes

Yes

Principle 7: Recognise and manage risk

No

Refer to Principle 4 above for details on the composition of the committee and disclosures the Company will make.

Patrick Burke is deemed to be independent.

The Audit and Risk Management Committee will be guided by the Risk Management Policy for Mandrake. The purpose of the Policy is to:

- appropriate systems are in place to identify to the extent reasonably practicable all material risks that may impact on Mandrake's business;
- the financial impact of identified risks is . understood and appropriate internal control systems are in place to limit Mandrake's exposure to such risks;
- appropriate responsibilities are delegated to control the identified risks effectively; and
- any material changes to Mandrake's risk profile are disclosed in accordance with Mandrake's Continuous Disclosure Policy.

Further, the Audit and Risk Management

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		Committee (as delegated by the Board) i also responsible under the Ris Management Policy for the managemen and internal control of the processes b which risk is considered for both ongoing operations and prospective actions.
 Recommendation 7.2 The board or a committee of the board should: 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 disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place. 	Yes	The Board is responsible for risk oversigh and the management and internal control of the processes by which risk is considered for both ongoing operations and prospectiv actions. The Board will review Mandrake' risk management framework on an annua basis to ensure Mandrake's ris management framework continues to b effective. Disclosure of the outcome of the annual ris management review will be included in the annual report.
 Recommendation 7.3 A listed entity should disclose: if it has an internal audit function, how the function is structured and what role it performs; or 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	Mandrake does not have an internal aud function at this stage. The Board consider that, given the current size and scope of Mandrake's operations, an internal aud function is not necessary. The Board as a whole oversees th effectiveness of risk management an internal control processes. Further detail of the processes the Compan employs for evaluating and continual improving the effectiveness of its ris management and internal control processes are set out in Mandrake's Risk Management Policy, which is available on Mandrake' website: <i>www.mandrakeresources.com.au</i> . The Board intends to reconsider th requirement for and benefits of, an interna audit function as Mandrake's operation grow and evolve.
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	Mandrake's primary activity is minera exploration in Australia. These activitie expose Mandrake to operational, economic environmental and social sustainability risk similar to those faced by all othe participants in the mining and exploration industries in Australia.

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of remuneration for directors and senior executives and ensuring

appropriate and not excessive.

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Principle 8: Remunerate fairly and responsibly				
commendation 8.1 No		The full Board forms Mandrake's Remuneration Committee which is		
e board of a listed entity should:		responsible for approving Mandrake's		
have a remuneration committee which:		remuneration policies and framework from time to time (currently the Remuneration		
 has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and 		Policy) and determining whether the remuneration and conditions of service of senior executives are appropriate and consistent with the approved remuneration		
 is chaired by an independent 		policies and framework.		
director,		Patrick Burke, the Non-Executive Chairman		
and disclose:		is considered independent.		
• the charter of the committee;		The Remuneration and Nomination Committee Charter has been approved by		
 the members of the committee; and 		the Board and is available on the Mandrake website: www.mandrakeresources.com.au.		
 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 if it does not have a remuneration committee, disclose that fact and 		Mandrake's Remuneration Policy sets out the current processes the Committee employs for setting the level and composition of remuneration for directors and senior executives and ensuring that such remuneration is appropriate and not excessive. The Policy is available on the Mandrake's website: www.mandrakeresources.com.au.		
the processes it employs for		Mandrake will set out the remuneration paid		

Mandrake will set out the remuneration paid or provided to Directors and senior executives annually in the remuneration report contained within Mandrake's annual report to Shareholders.

Yes Mandrake's policies and practices regarding the remuneration of Non-Executive Directors and senior executives are set out in Mandrake's Remuneration Policy. This Policy is available on the Mandrake's website: www.mandrakeresources.com.au.

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 Recommendation 8.3 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 disclose that policy or a summary of it. 	Yes	Mandrake's Remuneration Policy provides that no Director or member of senior management (including any employee who is a restricted employee under the Mandrake's Securities Trading Policy) who participates in an equity-based remuneration scheme established by Mandrake may enter into any transaction designed to limit the economic risk of participating in the equity- based remuneration scheme. There is currently no equity based remuneration scheme in place. Mandrake's Remuneration Policy is available in Mandrake's Remuneration in the Annual Report.