

## Mission

East Arnhem Regional Council is dedicated to promoting the power of people, protection of community and respect for cultural diversity in the East Arnhem Regional Council. It does this by forming partnerships, building community capacity, advocating for regional and local issues, maximising service effectiveness and linking people with information.

## **Core Values**

Human Rights
Equality
Independence
Community
Work Confidence
Equity
Respect

# AGENDA FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

20 January 2021

**EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL** 

Notice is hereby given that an Finance Committee Meeting of the East Arnhem Regional Council will be held at the Nhulunbuy Office and Video using 03-9260-6146 on Wednesday, 20 January 2021 at 10:00am.

Dale Keehne
Chief Executive Officer

FINANCE COMMITTEE 20 JANUARY 2021

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#### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 5.1

TITLE Finance Report

REFERENCE 1406049

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#### SUMMARY:

This report is tabled to the Finance Committee to provide the Finance Report for the period ended the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 for its approval.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In accordance with part 8, section 18(1) of the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations, the CEO must submit a finance report each month before a meeting of the Council. Council has established a Finance Committee to consider this report in the months Council does not meet.

#### **GENERAL**

The finance report for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 is attached to the report for the Committee's consideration and the following points are highlighted in the report:

- Statement of Financial Performance
- Statement of Financial Position
- Cash Status Statement
- Investments
- Trade debtors / money owed to Council

#### **COMMENTARY**

This month reports the half way point through the financial year 20/21.

On money available to be spent, Council has received 120% of the expected YTD budget income.

The Carry Forward figure shown as actual is much less than the original budget figure as Council reclassified the Aged & Disability amount into a Reserve rather than carry forward income. This adjustment will be reflected in the revised budget.

	Actual	FY Budget	YTD Budget	% of YTD Budget
Income	24,386,668	40,513,893	20,256,946	120%
Plus Carried Forward	5,671,591	13,296,287	6,648,144	85%
Funds Available	30,058,259	53,810,180	26,905,090	112%

The following table shows the Money available from above, less money actually spent on expenses, or currently on order from a supplier or contractor, compared to the full year budget and the budget year to date.

The data shows that Income is slightly above, which is expected as rates and grants are received in the first part of the year. Operational expenditure is close to budget. Capital



purchases are behind budget as the first half of the year is the planning and procurement time, and the second half of the year the delivery time. The transfers from Reserves is also behind budget as the transfer occurs when the funds are required for the capital expenditure.

	Actual	On Order	Actual and On Order	YE Budget	YTD Budget	% of YTD Budget
Funds Available	30,058,259	0	30,058,259	53,810,180	26,905,090	112%
Less Expenses	-20,836,381	-8,871,515	-29,707,896	-57,330,134	-28,665,067	104%
Less Capital	-573,186	-73,863	-647,049	-4,443,184	-2,221,592	29%
Plus Reserves	2,319,359	0	2,319,359	8,011,404	4,005,702	58%
Equals Funds Left	10,968,051	-8,945,378	2,022,673	48,266	24,133	

This table shows that across the Service Areas of Council, 98% of the expected YTD budget has been spent or is on order.

Local Authority spending is behind budget as the projects have been in the consultation, design and approval phase.

Fleet and Workshop is impacted by the completion of major asset purchases in the first half of the year plus the payment of annual insurance at the start of the year.

Lighting Public Safety is impacted by the new Regulatory requirements for contractors working on lights and adjustment within annual budget funds will be adjusted in the Budget Revision.

Community Media is impacted by a difficulty in recruiting employees into that service.

Post Office Agency is impacted by attendance and retention of staff involved with the service.

Aged Care & Disability Services is impacted by staff attendance, and client access to services. Client access to service is quite complex, it is a mixture of clients either not engaging in services or required services not being locally available. The introduction of a new role of EARC Occupational Therapist will increase service availability in all EARC communities.

Youth Sport & Recreation Services is impacted by indigenous staff attendance.

Community Events has been impacted by COVID-19, resulting in less community events being held. Revised budget required responsible officer to submit plans to expend civic events funds on events infrastructure in preparation for community events returning.

The comparisons are against the original budget prepared back in April-June of 2020. A budget revision is well underway and will be presented to the Council February meeting process for consideration.

Service Code Description	Actual	On Oder	Actual and On Order	YE Budget	YTD Budget	% of YTD Budgets
Description			On Order	Buuget	Buugei	Duugeis
Local Authorities	438,866	235,106	673,972	3,899,526	1,949,763	35%
Local Laws &	0	0	0	33,488	16,744	0%
Administration of Local Laws						
Community	1,332,022	38,626	1,370,648	2,995,902	1,497,951	92%
Development						
Veterinary and Animal	311,387	10,203	321,590	813,941	406,971	79%
Control Services						
Fleet and Workshop	871,418	127,058	998,476	1,079,761	539,881	185%
Services						
Information	392,850	29,725	422,575	790,970	395,485	107%
Communication and Technology Services						
Library Services	278,122	897	279,019	658,030	329,015	85%
Lighting for Public	121,746	47,804	169,550	180,245	90,123	188%
Safety	121,740	47,004	100,000	100,240	30,120	10070
Local Road	609,313	386,557	995,870	1,717,379	858,690	116%
Maintenance & Traffic Management				.,,	555,555	
Local Road Upgrade	1,776,986	3,066,180	4,843,167	7,631,771	3,815,885	127%
and Construction						
Building and	3,523,487	2,708,534	6,232,021	9,547,863	4,773,932	131%
Infrastructure Services						
Waste and	847,214	1,579,044	2,426,258	4,314,350	2,157,175	112%
Environmental Services						
Fleet and Workshop	486,503	81,506	568,010	875,691	437,846	130%
Services						
Post Office Agency	62,090	329	62,419	181,743	90,872	69%
Council	121,992	1,106	123,098	288,425	144,213	85%
Housing/Tenancy Services	121,002	1,100	123,000	200,720	,2 10	3070
Visitor Accommodation	127,872	935	128,807	255,137	127,568	101%
Aged Care and	3,421,261	159,527	3,580,789	10,146,043	5,073,022	71%
Disability Services		•	•	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	-	
Children and Family	684,944	3,095	688,039	1,313,738	656,869	105%
Services				<u> </u>		

	21,409,567	8,945,378	30,354,945	61,773,317	30,886,659	98%
Municipal Services	1,539,080	83,181	1,622,261	4,174,716	2,087,358	78%
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Governance and CEO	792,650	69,654	862,304	1,643,138	821,569	105%
Corporate Services	1,139,586	76,769	1,216,355	2,773,411	1,386,705	88%
Opportunities						
Local Commercial	10,986	0	10,986	5,000	2,500	439%
Community Events	49,751	2,659	52,410	198,091	99,046	53%
Youth, Sport and Recreation Services	1,212,848	45,991	1,258,839	3,917,440	1,958,720	64%
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SUS Services	1,237,433	190,092	1,420,340	2,237,301	1,110,701	12070
Community Patrol and	1,237,453	190,892	1,428,346	2,237,561	1,118,781	128%
Community Media	19,137	0	19,137	99,955	49,978	38%

#### **Employment Costs**

Employment costs are a major percentage (nearly 50%) of Council expenditure and would be expected to be paid on an even month per month basis.

The table below shows employment costs per service.

The Corporate Services numbers are a significant variance as the transfer of Latitude12 employees were not included in employment expenses but were included as contractor expenses in the original budget. These will be reclassified in the budget revision.

Community Night Patrol has received additional funding for additional positions and these will be adjusted in the revised budget.

Service Code Description	Actuals	Budget	Variance	
		YTD		
Community Development	985,751	1,106,476	-120,725	
Veterinary and Animal Control Services	203,397	236,742	-33,345	
Fleet and Workshop Services	110,762	95,302	15,460	
Information Communication and Technology	71,719	63,020	8,698	
Services				
Library Services	222,281	270,593	-48,312	
Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management	64,689	106,399	-41,709	
Building and Infrastructure Services	502,452	507,785	-5,333	
Waste and Environmental Services	250,105	206,553	43,552	

Fleet and Workshop Services	83,057	137,908	-54,851
Post Office Agency	52,206	82,665	-30,459
Council Housing/Tenancy Services	97,875	122,243	-24,368
Visitor Accommodation	82,214	74,837	7,377
Aged Care and Disability Services	1,756,593	1,901,229	-144,636
Children and Family Services	507,813	542,394	-34,581
Community Media	14,274	41,983	-27,709
Community Patrol and SUS Services	1,112,236	897,012	215,224
Youth, Sport and Recreation Services	826,581	996,502	-169,921
Corporate Services	909,970	117,156	792,813
Governance and CEO	276,821	262,578	14,243
Municipal Services	1,019,005	1,354,636	-335,631
	9,149,802	9,124,013	25,790

#### Other Expenses

Non employment costs represent \$38m of the \$61m budget.

This table shows the percentage of the year budget that is already spent or on order and committed. Overall, 40% of the annual budget has been actioned to date.

These expenses are not even in nature across the year, so variances can vary from month to month.

Natural Account Description	Actuals	Actual and On	Full Year Budget	% of Year
		Order		
Contract Labour General	2,540,888	3,156,599	13,666,840	23%
Contract Labour Roads Upgrade	720,808	3,446,545	5,997,516	57%
Materials General	453,618	480,946	3,900,083	12%
Grants Repayment	175,022	175,022	1,437,777	12%
Contract Labour Roads Maintenance	934,951	1,248,721	1,401,700	89%
Operating Lease Expense Property	700,645	771,934	1,334,517	58%
Airfare Expense	422,375	433,465	742,295	58%
Insurance Premium Expense Industrial	670,890	670,890	646,399	104%
Special Risk				
Client Related Expense	189,794	198,941	612,753	32%
Food purchases	263,897	268,728	569,430	47%
Contract Materials General	61,892	63,112	547,591	12%
Insurance Premium Expense Workers	398,702	398,702	519,924	77%
Compensation				
Waste/Garbage Collection Expense	202,031	215,800	470,621	46%

Natural Account Description	Actuals	Actual and On Order	Full Year Budget	% of Year
Internet Service Provider Expense	236,318	236,318	461,373	51%
Courier & Freight Expense	327,025	345,576	436,896	79%
Councillor Sitting Fees	153,131	153,131	362,244	42%
Electricity Charge Expense	179,172	180,763	361,635	50%
Contract Labour Carpenter	35,772	36,597	330,787	11%
Accommodation Expense	100,588	102,779	300,721	34%
Fuel and Oil Expense Motor Vehicles	142,595	145,587	249,857	58%
Contract Labour Electrician	77,850	125,711	229,234	55%
Consulting Fee Expense	92,808	194,538	224,000	87%
Operating Lease Expense Computing Infrastructure	32,403	32,403	202,729	16%
Bulk Diesel Fuel Expense	133,664	134,573	200,000	67%
Software License Maintenance Fee Expense	129,385	151,052	159,358	95%
Staff Recruitment/Relocation Expense	53,038	54,843	156,171	35%
Vehicle & Plant Maintenance Expense	62,876	64,158	156,070	41%
Insurance Premium Expense Plant and Vehicles	117,618	117,618	151,633	78%
Vehicle & Plant Repair Expense	321,353	397,537	145,494	273%
Training Course/Seminar Expenses	39,956	42,916	122,056	35%
Bulk Opal Fuel Expense	94,057	95,875	120,000	80%
Water Charge Expense	82,887	83,012	117,107	71%
Travel Allowance Expenses	45,477	45,549	109,858	41%
Vehicle Registration Expense	525	525	109,800	0%
Tyres Expense	14,902	14,902	103,534	14%
Contract Labour Plumber	41,524	54,946	102,111	54%
Contract Labour Structural	0	0	100,000	0%
Mobile Telephone Expense	34,821	35,146	99,070	35%
Chairman Mayoral Sitting Fees	47,439	47,439	94,888	50%
Professional Development Expense	11,695	11,695	88,900	13%
Membership or Subscription Expense	81,505	81,505	85,579	95%
Scheduled Air Conditioning Servicing	56,050	56,050	83,904	67%
Scheduled Fire Protection Servicing	26,926	26,926	81,938	33%
Insurance Premium Expense General	62,585	62,585	81,460	77%
Contract Labour Refrigeration	37,973	37,973	80,166	47%
Mechanical Workshop Parts	14,041	20,846	75,000	28%
Pest Control Expense	31,182	31,182	73,241	43%
Local Authority Sitting Fees	11,625	11,625	71,788	16%
Accounting/Audit Fee Expense	68,490	68,490	70,000	98%
Sewerage Charge Expense	43,668	43,668	64,870	67%
Insurance Premium Expense Public Liability	55,197	55,197	61,580	90%
Council Uniforms	8,983	44,594	59,802	75%
Vandalism Repair Expense	16,484	16,484	55,155	30%
Travel for Course/Seminar	6,182	6,182	51,200	12%
Meeting Catering Expense	25,045	26,184	50,502	52%
Contract Materials Electrician	9,406	9,406	49,982	19%

Natural Account Description	Actuals	Actual and On	Full Year Budget	% of Year
Natural Account Description	Actuals	Order	ruii reai buuget	70 OI TEAT
Legal Fee Expense	36,857	36,857	43,600	85%
Interest Expense Loan Borrowings	14,137	14,137	43,000	33%
Contract Materials Carpenter	7,053	7,053	42,631	17%
Contract Materials Refrigeration	16,572	16,572	42,241	39%
Workplace Health and Safety	6,984	7,110	36,102	20%
Equipment				
Advertising Expense	31,664	42,227	35,350	119%
Hire/Rental Vehicles Expense	13,024	14,383	33,335	43%
Office Supplies Printing and Stationery	39,652	41,339	33,327	124%
Expense				
Arborist Services	10,655	10,655	30,000	36%
Bank Fees and Charges	13,755	13,755	27,336	50%
Contract Materials Plumber	8,924	8,924	26,440	34%
Accommodation for Course/Seminar	11,354	16,373	25,200	65%
Contribution or Donation Expense	3,646	4,148	21,709	19%
Operating Lease Expense Office Equipment	11,550	12,832	17,731	72%
Criminal History Check Expense	10,833	10,833	17,705	61%
Hire/Rental Plant and Equipment	7,718	7,718	17,000	45%
Expense				
Insurance Excess Expense	909	909	14,500	6%
Rates and Taxes Expense	0	0	13,797	0%
Office Telephone Fax Expense	38,840	38,840	11,688	332%
Election Expenses	0	0	10,000	0%
Councillor Travel Allowance	2,940	2,940	9,000	33%
Gas Expense	3,142	3,404	8,430	40%
Travel Allowance for Course/Seminar	0	0	7,600	0%
Taxi Expense	1,497	1,497	5,506	27%
Commission Fees	6,500	6,500	5,000	130%
Contract Labour Mechanical	22,694	23,149	4,762	486%
Ground Maintenance	1,208	1,208	4,601	26%
Mechanical Workshop Consumables	3,335	4,788	4,000	120%
Domestic Consumables	8,273	8,500	3,800	224%
Postage Expense	3,503	3,913	3,400	115%
Travel Expenses	-145	290	3,150	9%
Building Maintenance Expense	0	0	3,000	0%
License Fee and Birth Certificate	717	717	2,095	34%
Expenses			,	
Tertiary Course Expense	0	0	1,500	0%
Venue Hire Expense	2,673	2,673	1,500	178%
Contractor Superannuation	0	0	1,450	0%
Taxi/Parking/Hire Car for	1,135	1,135	1,400	81%
Course/Seminar		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Computer Consumables Expense	27	27	1,300	2%
Citizenship Ceremonies	93	93	1,000	9%
Centrepay Handling Fee	345	345	948	36%
Property Valuer Expense	0	0	129	0%

Natural Account Description	Actuals	Actual and On	Full Year Budget	% of Year
		Order		
Parking Expense	45	45	100	45%
Work, Health and Safety	5,438	6,551	0	N/A
Bad Debt Provision Expense	-461,887	-461,887	0	N/A
Bad Debt Write-Off Expense	321,619	321,619	0	N/A
Cash for Containers Deposit Scheme	57,915	57,915	0	N/A
CCTV Software Expense	-120	0	0	N/A
Consultant Management Expense	18,862	92,094	0	N/A
Contract Retention Expense	18	18	0	N/A
FBT Expense	-8,817	-8,817	0	N/A
Levies Paid to Government	6,819	6,819	0	N/A
Small Balances Write-Off (rounding)	4	4	0	N/A
Software Purchase Expenses	6,162	6,162	0	N/A
Staff Amenities	3,013	3,096	0	N/A
Staff Medical Expense	51	51	0	N/A
Vehicle Satellite Tracking Expenses	0	17,760	0	N/A
Grand Total	11,190,923	15,440,766	38,855,502	40%

#### **Council Reserves**

The movement to and from the Councils created reserves are shown.

The increase is reflective of the decisions to create a Public Area Instrastructure and Aged & Disability Reserves to better classify funds previously in general equity surplus.

Natural Account	1/7/20	From Reserve	To Reserve	31/12/20
5501 - Fleet - Replacement/Development Reserve	(3,511,826.59)	-	-	(3,511,826.59)
5502 - Waste management - Replacement/Development Reserve	(1,954,769.98)	-	-	(1,954,769.98)
5503 - Roads - Replacement/Development Reserve	(4,030,322.46)	-	-	(4,030,322.46)
5504 - Cemeteries - Replacement/Development Reserve	(591,827.47)	-	-	(591,827.47)
5505 - Building - Replacement/Development Reserve	(4,486,184.75)		-	(4,486,184.75)
Building Reserve - Lot 120 Duplex Gunyangara		585,909.10	-	585,909.10
Aged Care unexpended funds - Lot 120 Duplex Gunyangara		500,000.00	(500,000.00)	-
Lot 128 this will be covered by the insurance reserve	•	1,014,353.00	-	1,014,353.00
Lot 128 from building reserve		126,835.64	-	126,835.64
Night Patrol and Reception Area Renovation		103,426.56	-	103,426.56
5505 - Building - Replacement/Development Reserve	(4,486,184.75)	2,330,524.30	(500,000.00)	(2,655,660.45)
5506 - Public Area Infrastructure - Replacement/Development Rese	rve		(3,000,000.00)	(3,000,000.00)
5601 - Election - Other Reserves	(150,000.00)	-	-	(150,000.00)
5602 - Disaster Contingency - Other Reserves	(500,000.00)	-	-	(500,000.00)
5603 - Community Benefit Reserve Fund	(1,722,602.93)	-	(1,326,240.54)	(3,048,843.47)
5604 - Aged & Disability Reserves	-	-	(4,171,284.49)	(4,171,284.49)
5605 - Lot 128 Galiwinku Insurance Reserves	-	-	-	-
	(16,947,534.18)	2,330,524.30	(8,997,525.03)	(23,614,534.91)

#### Certification of Rates Concessions from COVID

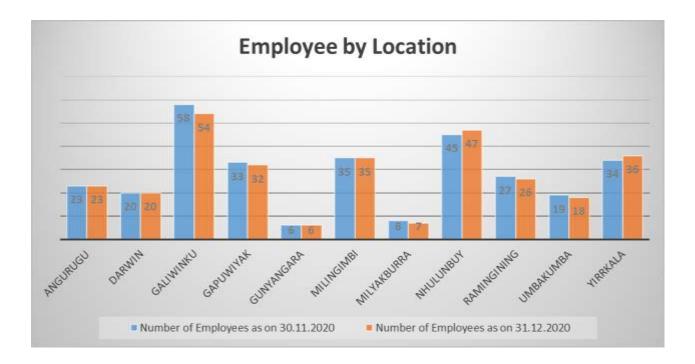
As part of the process for the Northern Territory Government providing support to commercial ratepayers impacted by COVID, Council has provided a concession to two businesses. The certification report is required to be tabled at Council, and is attached along with the background letter.

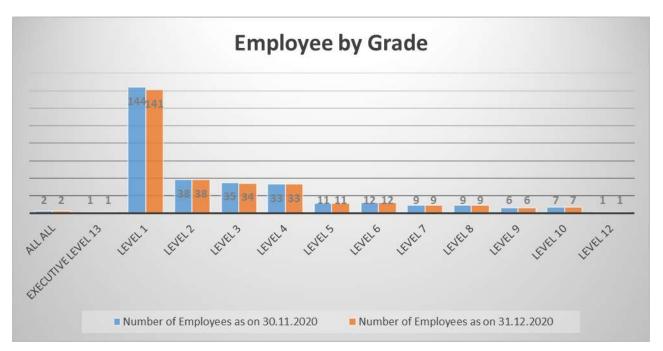
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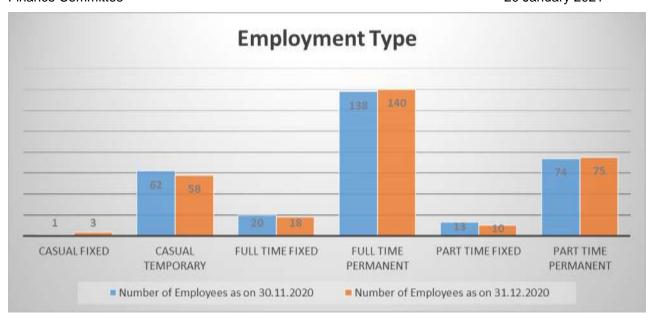
The Finance Manager for EARC resigned in December 2020, and a recruitment process has been conducted to have a replacement commencing in mid February.

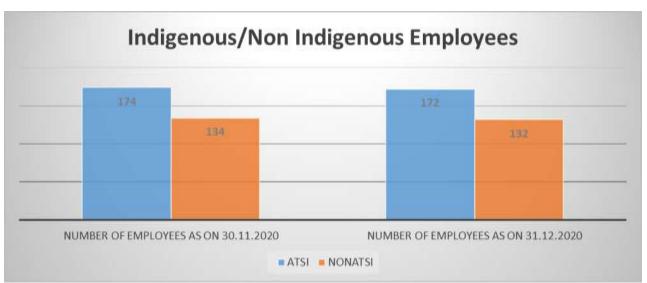
#### **Employment Statistics**

Council had 304 employees at 31st December 2020.









VACANCY REPORT AS OF 31.12.2020	
Position Recruitment Request	Location
Aged Care & Disability Services Officer	Angurugi
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Angurugu
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Angurugu
Community Library Officer	Angurugı
Municipal Services Officer	Angurugı
Project Officer - Family Support Worker	Angurugu
Finance Manager	Darwin

Human Resources Manager	Darwin
Aged Care & Disability Services Operations Coordinator	Galiwinku
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Galiwinku
Child Care Worker (2)	Galiwinku
Customer Services Officer	Galiwinku
Safety Engagement Officer	Galiwinku
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Gapuwiyak
Trades Assistant (1 of 2)	Gapuwiyak
Trades Assistant (2 of 2)	Gapuwiyak
Youth Sport and Recreation Worker	Gapuwiyak
Community Development / Municipal Services Coord.	Gunyangara
Community Patrol Officer	Gunyangara
Community Patrol Officer - Expansion Service	Gunyangara
Municipal Services Officer	Gunyangara
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Milingimbi
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Milingimbi
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Milingimbi
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Milingimbi
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Milingimbi
Apprentice Mechanic	Milingimbi
Apprentice Mechanic	Milingimbi
Community Housing Officer	Milingimbi
Environment and Recycling Officer	Milingimbi
Municipal Services Supervisor	Milingimbi
Senior Cleaner	Milingimbi
Youth Sport and Recreation Worker	Milyakburra
Community Patrol Officer - Expansion Service	Nhulunbuy

Community Patrol Officer - Expansion Service	Nhulunbuy
Project Officer - Community Housing	Nhulunbuy
Sobering Up Shelter Care Worker - Male	Nhulunbuy
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Ramingining
Aged Care and Disability Services Care Coordinator	Ramingining
Community Housing Officer	Ramingining
Municipal Services Supervisor	Ramingining
Senior Administration Officer	Ramingining
Aged Care & Disability Services Officer	Umbakumba
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Umbakumba
Child Care Worker	Umbakumba
Community Liaison Officer	Umbakumba
Child Care Worker	Yirrkala
Child Care Worker - Qualified	Yirrkala

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- a) That the Finance Committee approves the Finance Report for the period ended the 31st December 2020.
- b) That the Finance Committee note the Concessional Rates Certification Report

## **ATTACHMENTS**:

- 1 06 Dec EARC Statement of Financial Performance
- 2 06 Dec EARC Statement of Financial Position
- 3 06 Dec EARC Cash and Equity Analysis
- 4 06 Dec EARC Investment Report
- 5 Letter To East Arnhem Regional Council Commercial Rates Replenishment Program 2020-21 Open
- 6 Concessional Rates Certification report EARC PE 31.12.2020



## Statement of Financial Performance 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

	Full Year Budget	YTD Dec 2020	Percentage
	S	\$	%
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	13,296,287	5,671,591	42.66%
Grants	23,443,835	12,203,991	52.06%
User Charges and Fees	8,354,867	3,473,493	41.57%
Rates and Annual Charges	6,897,864	6,941,523	100.63%
Other Operating Revenues	1,255,471	1,524,530	121.43%
Interest	460,856	92,137	19.99%
Proceeds from Sale of Assets	101,000	150,994	149.50%
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	53,810,180	30,058,259	55 86%
Operating Expenses			
Employee Costs	18,248,025	9,140,986	50.09%
Materials and Contracts	27,964,949	5,740,971	20.53%
General Expenses	7,906,942	4,090,217	51.73%
Finance Expenses	2,983,609	1,368,551	45.87%
Depreciation Expense	3,611,963	1,836,974	50.86%
Asset Expenses	226,607	495,656	218.73%
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	60:942:096	22,673,355	37.20%
NET SURPLUS/(DEF/CIT)	(7,131,917)	7,384,904	-103.55%
Capital Expenditure	4,443,184	573,186	12.90%
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) AFTER CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	(11,575,101)	6,811,718	-58.85%
Transfer from Reserves	8,011,404	2,330,524	29.09%
Transfer to Reserves	S	(11,165)	0.00%
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) AFTER CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND RESERVES	(3,563,696)	9,131,077	-256,22%
Add back: Depreciation Expense	3,611,963	1,836,974	50.86%
NET SURPLUS BEFORE DEPRECIATION	48,266	10,968,051	22723,95%

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## Statement of Financial Position

31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

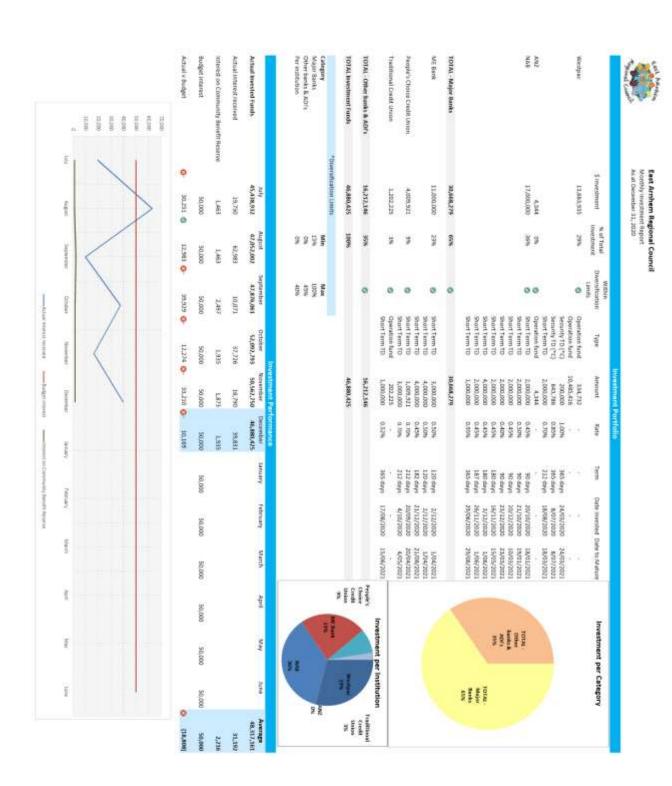
	Full Year Budget	As at Dec 2020	Percentage
	3	\$	%
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	17,900,770	46,037,139	257.189
Trade and Other Receivables	1,328,239	668,698	50.34%
Other Current Assets	700,735	51,383	7.33%
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	19.929.743	48,757,220	234 81%
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Investments in Subsidiary	741,689	741,689	100.00%
Property, Plant and Equipment	62,587,731	59,434,751	94.96%
Right-of-Use Assets		12,232,241	0.00%
Work In Progress - Building		950,694	0.00%
Other Non-Current Assets	844,986	856,720	101.39%
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	64,174,406	74,216,095	118.65%
TOTAL ASSETS	84,104;149	120,973,315	143,645
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and Other Payables	1,117,377	1,023,162	91.57%
Other Current Liabilities	504,414	388,537	77,039
Lease		1,122,239	0.009
Borrowings	116,000	58,000	50.009
Provisions	2,181,396	2,496,957	114,479
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	3,919,187	5,088,995	129.855
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Lease		11,256,064	0.009
Borrowings	1,069,000	1,185,000	110.85%
Provisions	648,784	169,575	26.149
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	1,717,784	12,610,839	734 125
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,636,971	17,609,534	313.99%
NET ASSETS	78,467,178	103,273,781	131.619
Unexpended Grants Reserve	2,500,000	12,460,362	498.419
Replacement and Contingency Reserve	9,320,635	23,614,535	253.369
Asset Revaluation Reserve	39,150,727	39,150,727	100.009
Accumulated Surplus	27,495,817	28,048,157	102.019
TOTAL EQUITY	78,467,178	103,273,781	131.619

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	31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2020	30 <sup>th</sup> Jun 2020
Cash	46,037,139	41,753,842
Less:		
Unexpended Grants Reserve	(12,460,362)	(10,271,054)
Specific Reserves	(23,614,535)	(16,947,534)
Income Received in Advance	A 10 A 2	(2,433,636)
Other carried forward revenue	(170,288)	(1,186,020)
Cash Available before Liabilities	9,791,953	10,915,598
Other Current Assets & Liabilities		
Trade Receivable & Other Current Assets	720,080	1,272,554
Less:		
Payables & other Liabilities	(1,411,699)	(2,193,099)
Bank Loan/Borrowing	(1,243,000)	(1,301,000)
Employee Provisions Current	(2,496,957)	(2,182,827)
Employee Provisions NonCurrent	(169,575)	(177,802)
Net Other Current Assets & Liabilities	(4,601,150)	(4,582,175)
Net Cash Available	5,190,804	6,333,424
	75727627	
Noncurrent Assets		
Noncurrent Assets - excluding Right of Use Assets	61,983,853	62,939,586
Less Revaluation Reserves	(39,150,727)	(39,150,727)
Noncurrent Assets Actual Carrying Value	22,833,126	23,788,860
Leases		
Right of Use Assets	12,232,241	12,391,636
Less Lease Liability	(12,378,303)	(12,391,636)
Net impact on Equity	(146,062)	350
Equity		
Total Equity	103,273,781	97,677,618
Less:	2500 0000000000000000000000000000000000	
Revaluation Reserve	(39,150,727)	(39,150,727)
Unexpended Grants Reserve	(12,460,362)	(10,271,053)
Specific Reserves	(23,614,535)	(16,947,534)
Other carried forward revenue	(170,288)	(1,186,020)
Net Equity	27,877,867	30,122,284
Net Equity is made up of		
Net Assets Carried	22,833,126	23,788,860
Net Impact of Leases	(146,062)	150
Net Cash Carried Forward	5,190,804	6,333,424
Net Equity	27,877,867	30,122,284

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13 January 2021

Mr Dale Keehne Chief Executive Officer East Arnhem Regional Council PO BOX 1060 NHULUNBUY NT 0881

Dear Mr. Keehne

#### RE: Commercial Rates Replenishment program 2020-21 - Open

The Minister for Local Government, Hon Chansey Paech MLA, has approved the 2020-21 Commercial Rates Replenishment (CRR) program to support local government councils with a targeted COVID-19 relief measure for 2020-21.

Funding under the CRR program is available where a one-off rate concession has been granted by your Council for a rateable commercial property to those ratepayers who met the hardship eligibility criteria under the "COVID-19 Economic Relief Measure: Rate concessions for commercial rate payers" common policy, where the ratepayer had a rate liability on an allotment for 2019-20 and/or 2020-21, and is:

- (a) an eligible business that has business premises on the allotment; or
- (b) a landlord that has provided appropriate rent relief to a tenant that is an eligible business that has business premises on the allotment.

The CRR aims to replenish the rate revenue foregone from the concession granted by your council. The amount of grant payable to your council will be assessed by the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet (Department) based on: the level of concession granted to eligible commercial rate payers; number of concessions granted; and an assessment by the Department on the council's financial ability to absorb all or part of the concessions granted.

To commence the assessment process, your council is requested to submit its certification report and supporting documentation by 31 January 2021 detailing the rates concession provided to eligible commercial rate payers in 2020-21. As outlined in the CRR program guidelines, the data required in the certification report includes:

- Total value of commercial rates levied for 2020-21.
- Total number of commercial lots rated for 2020-21.
- · Total value of rates levied and number of lots that are eligible for a concession.
- Difference in amount of rates levied in 2020-21 on concessional lots compared to those lots levied in 2019-20.
- Certification that waivers were provided for a three month period.
- Certification that the waivers were based on the annual rate declared for respective allotments in 2019-20.

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- Confirmation the certification was laid before a council meeting with a copy of the minutes attached.
- Confirmation that evidence pertaining to council's approval of rate concession is available for inspection if requested.

Your council is requested to submit the above information for rates concessions granted under Public benefit concession policy for commercial ratepayers up to and including 31 December 2020. The completed certification report should be emailed to <a href="mailto:lg.grants@nt.gov.au">lg.grants@nt.gov.au</a>.

Once the Department receives and reviews the certification reports and completes its internal assessment the grant will then be paid retrospectively.

The CRR program guidelines and certification report template are available on the Department of The Chief Minister and Cabinet webpage at: <a href="mailto:cmc.nt.gov.au/supporting-government/local-government/local-government-funding/commercial-rate-replenishment-fund-2020-21">cmc.nt.gov.au/supporting-government/local-government/local-government-funding/commercial-rate-replenishment-fund-2020-21</a>

If your council has used funding provided under the 2019-20 Special Community Assistance and Local Employment Program to replenish the rate concession provided, then your council is ineligible to participate in the CRR funding program.

If you have any queries regarding the CRR program, please contact Ms Donna Hadfield, Manager Grants Program, Local Government Grants Unit on 8999 8820 or email <a href="mailto:lg.grants@nt.gov.au">lg.grants@nt.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely

MAREE DE LACEY Executive Director

Local Government and Community Development

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## Certification of rates concession provided to eligible commercial rate payers 2020-21

COUNCIL NAME: East Arnhem Regional Council

CONCESSIONAL RATES CERTIFICATION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD END	DING 31 DECEMBER 2020	
Eligible Approved Annual commercial rates levied in 2020-21 (based on 2019-20 rates)	\$6,711.80 (A)	
Total Annual Actual Concession Given	\$1,677.96	
Minimum Council contribution (i.e. minimum 25%)	\$25%	
Council Level Statistics		
Total 2020-21 Annual Commercial Rates levied	\$257,598,96	
Total number of commercial lots levied	76	
Eligible annual commercial rates levied based on 2020-21 declaration	\$6,778.92 (B)	
Difference in 2020-21 rates levied compared to 2019-20 rates levied for eligible lots (i.e. A-B	\$67.12	
Total number of eligible commercial properties: 2		
We certify that the East Arnhem Regional Council	5-01-0-1-0-1-0-1-0-1-0-1-0-1-0-1-0-1-0-1	
<ul> <li>provided the eligible commercial rate payers with a three month waiver in 2020-21</li> </ul>	Yes ☑ No □	
<ul> <li>the waiver was based on the annual rate declared for respective allotments in 2019-20</li> </ul>	Yes 🗹 No 🗆	
<ul> <li>evidence pertaining to council's approval of rate concession is available for inspection if re</li> </ul>	equired Yes 🗹 No 🗆	
Certification report prepared byMichael Freeman	/01/2021	
Laid before the Council (Finance Committee) at a meeting (held on)20/01/2021	Copy of minutes attached (Yes/TBA)	
CEO or CFO	20/2021	
DEPARTMENTAL USE ONLY		
Concessions conforms to purpose	Yes □ No □	
Amount of eligible rate concession to be reimbursed to council	\$	
CERTIFICATION ACCEPTED	Yes □ No □	
Omor Sharif – Grants and Rates Officer	/2021	
RECOMMENDED Donna Hadfield – Manager Grants Program	/2021	
REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT APPROVED - Meeta Ramkumar - Senior Director Sustainability a	and Compliance / /200	

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