



Agenda

Umbakumba

LOCAL AUTHORITY ORDINARY MEETING

On

Wednesday, 3 February 2021

EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that a Local Authority Ordinary Meeting of the East Arnhem Regional Council will be held at the Umbakumba Council Office on Wednesday, 3 February 2021 at 10.00am.

Dale Keehne
Chief Executive Officer

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APOLOGIES



ITEM NUMBER	3.1
TITLE	Apologies and Absent Without Notice
REFERENCE	1405807
AUTHOR	Karen Hocking, Governance, Local Authority and Communications Manager

SUMMARY:

This report is to table, for the Local Authority's record, any apologies and requests for leave of absence received from Authority Members for the Umbakumba Local Authority Meeting.

BACKGROUND

Local Authority members who are unable to attend a meeting must register an apology.

This report is to table apologies received from members.

GENERAL

Apologies have been received from the following members:

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RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the absence of < >.
- b) Notes the apology received from < >.
- c) Notes < > are absent with permission for the Local Authority Meeting.
- d) Notes < > absent without permission for the Local Authority Meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

CONFLICT OF INTEREST



ITEM NUMBER	4.1
TITLE	Conflict of Interest
REFERENCE	1405808
AUTHOR	Karen Hocking, Governance, Local Authority and Communications Manager

SUMMARY:

This report is tabled for members to declare any conflicts they have within the agenda.

BACKGROUND

The Local Government Act details that “A member has a conflict of interest in a question arising for decision by the council, local board or council local authority, committee if the member or an associate of the member has a personal or financial interest in how the question is decided”. Chapter 7, Part 7.2 – Conflict of Interest

GENERAL

A conflict of interest is a situation that has the potential to undermine a person’s ability to be impartial because of the possibility of a clash between the person’s self-interest and professional interest or public interest.

When this occurs we should declare the interest and remove ourselves from the decision making process.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes no conflicts of interest declared at today’s meeting.**
- b) Notes any conflicts of interest declared at today’s meeting.**

ATTACHMENTS:

PREVIOUS MINUTES



ITEM NUMBER	5.1
TITLE	Previous Minutes for Ratification
REFERENCE	1405809
AUTHOR	Karen Hocking, Governance, Local Authority and Communication Manager

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority is asked to confirm the unconfirmed minutes from the previous meeting.

BACKGROUND

As per the Northern Territory *Local Government Act 2008*, "The council, local authority, local board or council committee must, at its next meeting, or next ordinary meeting, confirm the minutes (with or without amendment) as a correct record of the meeting". (*Part 6.3 Section 67.3*)

GENERAL

Local Authority members need to read the unconfirmed minutes carefully before they endorse them as a true record of the previous meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the provisional meeting of 25 November 2020 to be a true record of the meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

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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

Respect
Professionalism
Human Dignity
Organisational Growth
Equity
Community

MINUTES FOR THE UMBAKUMBA LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISIONAL ORDINARY MEETING

25 November 2020

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISIONAL ORDINARY MEETING
HELD IN THE UMBAKUMBA COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 25
NOVEMBER 2020 AT 10:00AM

ATTENDANCE

In the Chair, Judy Hunter, and members Kaye Thurlow, Phillip Mamarika and Rita Bara.

East Arnhem Regional Council:

Dale Keehne – CEO; Shane Marshall – Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services; Scott Page – Community Development Coordinator; Minute Taker – Karen Hocking, Governance, Local Authorities & Communications Manager

OBSERVERS

Nil

MEETING OPENING

Chair opened the meeting at 10:31am and welcomed all members and guests.

PRAYER

The prayer was led by Rita Bara.

APOLOGIES**4.1 APOLOGIES AND ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE****SUMMARY:**

This report is to table, for the Local Authority's record, any apologies and requests for leave of absence received from Authority Members for the Umbakumba Local Authority Meeting.

114/2020 **RESOLVED** (Rita Bara/Phillip Mamarika)

That the Local Authority:

- a) **Receives and accepts member's apologies from Sarah Mamarika, Sue Bara and Jennifer Yantarrnga.**
- b) **Notes and accepts Amethea Mamarika absent with permission for the Local Authority Meeting.**
- c) **Notes Elliot Bara and Gordon Walsh absent without permission for the Local Authority Meeting.**
- d) **Notes that the Chairman expresses a special thank you to Rita Bara and Phillip Mamarika for their effort to attend today's meeting.**

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow

Against: Nil

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST

3.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

SUMMARY:

This report is tabled for members to declare any conflicts they have within the agenda.

115/2020 **RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Rita Bara)

That the Local Authority notes no conflicts of interest declared at today's meeting.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

5.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING UPDATES

SUMMARY:

This report is to update the Local Authority on the status of Local Authority Project Funding in the community.

116/2020 **RESOLVED** (Rita Bara/Kaye Thurlow)

That the Local Authority notes the Local Authority Project Funding available for allocation to community projects.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

5.2 LAPF GRANT ACQUITTAL REPORT

SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is for the Local Authority to consider and note grant acquittal reports for submission to the Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development.

117/2020 **RESOLVED** (Phillip Mamarika/Rita Bara)

That the Local Authority notes the acquittal reports for the following grant funded projects:

- Local Authority Project Funding 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

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5.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority is asked to review the range of actions and progress to complete them.

118/2020 RESOLVED (Phillip Mamarika/Kaye Thurlow)

That the Local Authority note the progress of actions from the previous meetings and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 CEO REPORT

This is an update from the CEO on key issues and developments across the Council.

119/2020 RESOLVED (Rita Bara/Kaye Thurlow)

That Council notes the CEO Report.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

7.3 TECHNICAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE UMBAKUMBA UPDATE REPORT

SUMMARY:

This report is tabled for the Local Authority to provide a range of program and project updates relevant to the community of Umbakumba as part of the 2020-21 financial year.

120/2020 RESOLVED (Phillip Mamarika/Rita Bara)

That the Local Authority:

- (a) Support the staged pedestrian path areas, with stage one to be undertaken as the 20-21 LAPF project.**
- (b) Notes the report.**

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

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7.4 EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL SUPPORT OFFICE - NHULUNBUY, SERIES OF MURALS

SUMMARY:

This report is tabled for the Local Authority about the design of a series of murals on the outside of the new East Arnhem Regional Council Support Office in Nhulunbuy.

121/2020 RESOLVED (Phillip Mamarika/Rita Bara)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.
- b) Requests a joint Anindilyakwa Ward Local Authority meeting and end of year event to be held in Nhulunbuy and a biannual meeting for the Anindilyakwa Local Authorities.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

7.5 UMBAKUMBA LOCAL AUTHORITY ORDINARY MEETING DATES 2021

SUMMARY:

This report is for the Local Authority to review and endorse the proposed Ordinary Meeting dates for 2021.

122/2020 RESOLVED (Rita Bara/Phillip Mamarika)

That the Local Authority endorses the recommended Umbakumba Ordinary Local Authority dates for 2021.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

7.6 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY:

This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 31 October 2020 within the Local Authority area.

123/2020 RESOLVED (Rita Bara/Kaye Thurlow)

That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 31 October 2020.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

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7.7 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT

SUMMARY:

This report is provided by the Community development Coordinator at every local Authority meeting to provide information and or updates to members.

124/2020 **RESOLVED** (Judy Hunter/Rita Bara)

That the Local Authority notes the Community Development Report.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

8.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority is asked to confirm the unconfirmed minutes from the previous meeting.

125/2020 **RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Rita Bara)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the meeting of 7 August 2020 to be a true record of the meeting.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

The Chair declared a break for lunch at 12:58PM.

The Chair called for resumption of the meeting at 1:28PM

MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION AT 1:30PM

126/2020 **RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Judy Hunter)

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

7.2 Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Agreement - Update

The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2), Regulation 8 (c)(iv) of the Local Government Act and Local Government (Administration) Regulations. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person.

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MOVE TO OPEN SESSION AT 2:20PM

127/2020 **RESOLVED** (Rita Bara/Kaye Thurlow)

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

Rita Bara left the meeting, the time being 02:45 PM
Rita Bara returned to the meeting, the time being 02:48 PM

7.8 COMMUNITY PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE PRIORITIES

SUMMARY:

This report is tabled for the Local Authority to consider future Public Infrastructure priorities for the 2021-2022 financial capital projects program for Council consideration.

BACKGROUND

In recent years funding has been made available for additional community usage by way of two separate funding streams, Latitude 12 dividend and closure funds, and of recent times, the establishment of the East Arnhem Regional Council Public Infrastructure fund.

128/2020 **RESOLVED** (Phillip Mamarika/Kaye Thurlow)

- (a) That Local Authority recommend the below projects for the direction of priority for the Community Public Infrastructure focus for Umbakumba

Medium to Large Scale Priorities

- 1) New Sport and Recreation Hall
- 2) Footpaths
- 3) Oval Improvements
- 4) Firefighting unit
- 5) Floating pontoon/jetty

Smaller Scale Priorities

- 1) Solar lighting - foreshore
- 2) Equipment for new recreation hall (up to \$30,000)
- 3) Lockable trailer for music equipment
- 4) Bollards

- (b) That the Local Authority recommend the preferred options of one and four, distribution by a combination of baseline need (option 1) and equal distribution (option 4) of the Public Infrastructure reserve for Council to consider.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

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QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

11.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

129/2020 RESOLVED (Judy Hunter/Kaye Thurlow)

That the Local Authority notes there are no questions from members.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC

12.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority will now take questions from members the public.

130/2020 RESOLVED (Judy Hunter/Kaye Thurlow)

That the Local Authority notes there are no questions from the public.

For: R Bara, J Hunter, PM Mamarika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, 3 February 2021.

MEETING CLOSE

The meeting terminated at 3:51pm.

This page and the preceding 7 pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 25 November 2020.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

ITEM NUMBER 7.1
TITLE Local Authority Projects Update
REFERENCE 1411241
AUTHOR Shane Marshall, Director Technical & Infrastructure Services

SUMMARY:

This report is to update the Local Authority on the status of Local Authority projects within the community.

BACKGROUND**Funding Summary**

- a) Local Authority Project Funding: allocated from the Northern Territory Government for community initiative based projects or programs. The current 2020-2021 allocation for Umbakumba has been confirmed as \$110,500.00 exclusive of GST.
- b) Community Benefit Fund: following the closure and wind up of Latitude 12, a total pool of \$3.0 million was available for community use, with each community to receive an equal proportionate share of \$333,333.33 exclusive of GST.

Council will be provided clear advice on the project priorities from each Local Authority, and an assessment of their viability, costs and opportunities for matched funding from other sources, for consideration and endorsement by Council, this is to occur in the February Ordinary Council Meeting.

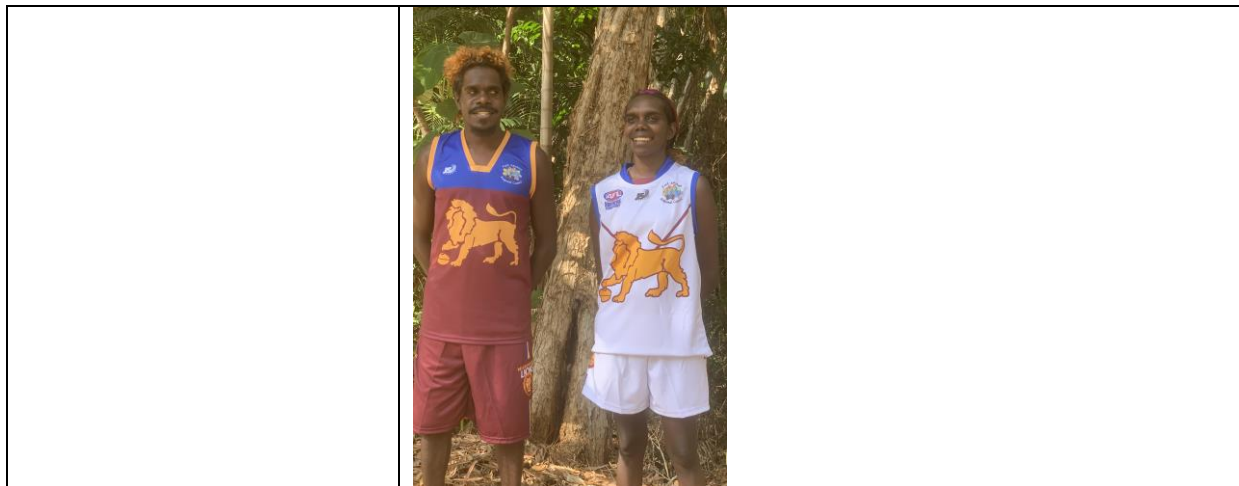
- c) Essential Infrastructure Reserve Fund: At the ordinary Council meeting held on 26 August 2020, Council considered and supported the allocation of \$3.0 million dollars to fund public infrastructure amenities.

Within current allocations of funding – Umbakumba has \$725,165.33 exclusive of GST. This doesn't include a share of the Public Infrastructure reserve at this point, and the allocation from this reserve will be determined by Council.

GENERAL**Completion of Projects**

BBQ Trailer, with Generator & Esky	LAPF Funding - Completed
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Inflatable Waterslide	LAPF Funding - Completed 
Playground Equipment – by Sport & Recreation Hall	LAPF Funding - Progressing.
Uniforms for Sports Teams: Football & Basketball	LAPF Funding



Umbakumba Public Infrastructure Projects (as proposed by the Local Authority at its meeting of 25 November 2020)	
Medium to Large Scale Priorities	Smaller Scale Priorities
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) New Sport and Recreation Hall 2) Footpaths 3) Oval Improvements 4) Firefighting unit 5) Floating pontoon/jetty 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Solar lighting - foreshore 2) Equipment for new recreation hall (up to \$30,000) 3) Lockable trailer for music equipment 4) Bollards

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the current status of community projects and process surrounding the priority projects.

ATTACHMENTS:

LOCAL AUTHORITIES



ITEM NUMBER	7.2
TITLE	Local Authority Action Register
REFERENCE	1405811
AUTHOR	Karen Hocking, Governance, Local Authority and Communication Manager

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority is asked to review the range of actions and progress to complete them.

BACKGROUND

The current Local Authority Action Items List, and updates on progress to complete them, is attached.

GENERAL

The attached report gives the Local Authority an opportunity to check that actions from previous meetings are being implemented.

If an action is completed the Local Authority need to request for the item to be removed from the Action Register, for the Council to endorse.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority note the progress of actions from the previous meetings and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 [↓](#) Umbakumba Actions - 29.01.2021.docx

UMBAKUMBA ACTIONS

LOCAL AUTHORITY	ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS
Actions from Resolutions Meeting – 25 November 2020	001/2020 RESOLVED Umbakumba Future Pedestrian/Footpath Plan	The Local Authority members reviewed the maps supplied and prioritised the first stage locations for the LAPF approved footpath construction within Umbakumba. That the Local Authority: (a) Support the staged pedestrian path areas, with stage one to be undertaken as the 20-21 LAPF project. (b) Notes the report.
	002/2020 RESOLVED	That the Local Authority: a) Consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals. b) Requests a joint Anindilyakwa Ward Local Authority meeting and end of year event to be held in Nhulunbuy and a biannual meeting for the Anindilyakwa Local Authorities.
	003/2020 RESOLVED	(a) That Local Authority recommend the below projects for the direction of priority for the Community Public Infrastructure focus for Umbakumba Medium to Large Scale Priorities 1) New Sport and Recreation Hall 2) Footpaths 3) Oval Improvements 4) Firefighting unit 5) Floating pontoon/jetty Smaller Scale Priorities 1) Solar lighting - foreshore 2) Equipment for new recreation hall (up to \$30,000) 3) Lockable trailer for music equipment 4) Bollards (b) That the Local Authority recommend the preferred options of one and four, distribution by a combination of baseline need (option 1) and equal distribution (option 4) of the Public Infrastructure reserve for Council to consider.
Umbakumba Actions	Umbakumba Creche - Direction Report	07.08.2020 - That the Local Authority: a) Provide direction to EARC that there is a need for Child Care Subsidy (CCS) approved child care service in Umbakumba. b) Recommend EARC submit a plan to the Department to: o Clearly define the child care service as a separate entity to Families as First Teachers (FaFT) and/or preschool so that families understand when they are attending the child care service and staff are aware when they are employed by the child care service.

UMBAKUMBA ACTIONS

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Demonstrate agreement with other programs that share the same facility to allocate costs, staff and clients to each program. o Demonstrate the regular marketing of the child care service in community. o Increase confirmed Complying Written Arrangements and Relevant Arrangements o Regularly submit Child Care Subsidy (CCS) session reports. <p>25.11.2020 – Director Community Development to provide an update.</p> <p>(c) Requests the Director Community Development and Regional Manager - Children & Library Services to look into the use of the traditional name of 'Akwalinumanja' for the Council delivered Child Care Service.</p> <p>25.11.2020 – The Director Community Development to provide an update regarding the request for use of traditional name – response from Department?</p>
	144/2020 Community Development Coordinator Report	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Notes the Community Development Report. (b) Requests that a local services coordinator and a senior Aboriginal staff member from a service area present at each Local Authority meeting.
	146/2020 Questions from Members	<p>That the Local Authority notes the members' questions about the use of the Aged Care Services in Umbakumba and asks the Director Community Development and the Regional Manager – Aged & Disability Services to provide an update to the Local Authority.</p> <p>25.11.2020 – The Aged Care Regional Manager and local Coordinator to be asked to present at next Local Authority meeting to provide an update.</p>
	147/2020 Questions from Members	<p>That the Local Authority raises serious concerns with the collection and disposal of other recyclable* materials and its negative impact on the environment, and requests the Regional Manager – Environmental and Waste to investigate the options for the collection of household recyclable materials, particularly plastics, to then be sent off island, and options to fund this including from the Local Authority.</p> <p>(*Materials that do not attract a refund but are still potentially recyclable).</p> <p>16/11/2020 This process is already happening – and suggest removal as an action as this is an ongoing implementation supported by Council</p> <p>18/01/2021 – The Director Technical & Infrastructure Services to provide a presentation to the Local Authority about microplastics signage. – example will be presented on the day</p>
	LAPF Projects	<p>18/01/2021 BBQ Trailer, with generator & esky</p> <p>Completed – Remove from Actions</p>

UMBAKUMBA ACTIONS

	Community Entrance Signage Project – Umbakumba	That Local Authority members review the tabled Community Entry signs and provide feedback on the structure of the information and design of the sign specific for the Umbakumba community entrance following this meeting. 18/01/2021 – Drone photos taken of Umbakumba for the signage – Local Authority members to choose picture and advise Community Development Coordinator.
	Crèche Upgrade	27.05.2020 – The Local Authority will wait to see if the new shade and cubby house for the crèche can be progressed with the new Principal.

UMBAKUMBA	ACTION ITEM	FUTURE ACTIONS
Future Actions/ On Hold	Australia Post Services (Meeting - 7 August 2020)	That the Local Authority provide direction to the Director Community Development to consult with the community and GEBIE, the current provider in Umbakumba for the Australia Post Services, to assess community interest in the Council providing Australia Post services at Umbakumba. 16.10.2020 – Director Community Development to raise an expression of interest with Australia Post for EARC -Umbakumba to become the Australia Post Agent when the contract is next available. Australia Post has confirmed that it is satisfied with the current provider.
	Widen Cemetery Road	27.05.2020 – The Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services to update when progress occurs out of consultations by the NT Government, LGANT and ALC regarding cemeteries are still to occur and be finalised – to enable action on widening the cemetery road. 18/01/2021 Further consultation to be held in relation to the licencing arrangements between NTG and the ALC as part of the sector wide cemetery arrangements has not happened to date
	Oval Upgrade	18/01/2021 – Forms part of the Public area priorities being tabled at the February Ordinary meeting for Council consideration

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	9.1
TITLE	CEO Report
REFERENCE	1410621
AUTHOR	Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer

**SUMMARY:**

This is an update from the CEO on key issues and developments across the Council.

GENERAL

I hope everyone has had happy and peaceful time with family over the Christmas and New Year period.

We look forward with excitement at the coming year as your Local Authority continues to guide and direct the role of Council in delivering services, partnering with other Aboriginal organisations in your community and the region, and advocate for important issues.

Yolngu Region – Local Decision Making Partnership Agreement

We look forward to engaging positively with the Yolngu Region – Local Decision Making Partnership Agreement, to further build our engagement and partnership with community leaders and members, other Aboriginal organisations, the Northern Territory and Australian Governments.

This will include working together to ensure genuine and meaningful engagement on where and how the legal sale of kava should happen across the 6 Yolngu communities and many homelands.

Groote Eylandt – Local Decision Making Agreement

We will continue our work with the NT Government, our Australian Government funding partners, and the Anindilyakwa Land Council to assess if the creation of a new separate Local Government Council for the Groote Archipelago is practical, and other options to support a stronger voice and outcomes for the Archipelago.

Local Essential Infrastructure Projects

Council officers are working very hard to provide detailed advice to Council on 32 small and 31 medium to large priority projects identified by each of the Local Authorities for your community. These are to be funded from an equal share of the \$3,000,000 Community Benefit Fund, part of the \$3,000,000 Essential Infrastructure Fund, the respective allocation of the \$1,242,200 Local Authority Project funding, \$250,000 for Galiwinku \$250,000 for Yirrkala of NTG election commitments, and \$55,624.70 donated unspent funds from MEP for Yirrkala, Gapuwiyak and Gunyangara.

We look forward to coming back to your Local Authority on what projects will be actioned first, and the many and varied benefits they will have to community members. These priority projects represent a significant improvement and advancement for all communities of the region, made possible from sustainable service delivery and financial management over the last ten plus years of Council.

We also look forward to developing further partnerships and alliances with other Aboriginal organisations and government, to join forces to achieve as many of the priority projects as possible.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

ATTACHMENTS:

GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	9.2
TITLE	Nominations for Local Authority Membership
REFERENCE	1410262
AUTHOR	Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority is asked to consider adding other members to the Local Authority.

BACKGROUND

Local Authorities:

- Involve local communities in local government;
- Advocate and provide a voice for their community;
- Provide input into Council policies, plans and budgets; and
- Make recommendations on community issues and needs.

A Local Authority should:

- Include members who are committed to attending and participating in meetings; and
- Be representative of key groups within the area.

In order to encourage all community members wishing to be involved, the number of members on each Local Authority can change. There must be a minimum of six Appointed Members and a maximum of 14 Members, which includes Elected Members for the relevant ward.

In accordance with the legislation, Councillors are automatically considered members of all Local Authorities within their ward. The Council President is a Member of all Local Authority in his/her ward and is an ex-officio member of all other Local Authorities.

The involvement of young people, older than 18 years of age is encouraged.

Employees of EARC are permitted to be members; however, must declare a conflict of interest.

Nominations

Nominations can be received for a Local Authority at any time.

When membership drops, or is likely to drop, below the minimum number of Appointed Members, or where nominations are received above the maximum level, Council will call for additional nominations and will allow 21 days for nominations to be received.

The appointment of nominees is subject to the approval of Council.

Term

The term of a Local Authority member is ongoing unless membership is revoked.

Membership is revoked when a member:

- Resigns in writing; or
- Passes away.

Council may revoke an Appointed Member if the member:

- Breaches the Code of Conduct;
- Is convicted of an offence; and/or
- Misses 3 of the scheduled meetings in a year without an apology.

GENERAL

The Local Authority is asked to consider adding other members to the Local Authority.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority consider adding other members to the Local Authority.

ATTACHMENTS:

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	9.3
TITLE	East Arnhem Regional Council Support Office - Nhulunbuy, Series of Murals
REFERENCE	1411237
AUTHOR	Shane Marshall, Director Technical & Infrastructure Services

**SUMMARY:**

This report is tabled for the Local Authority about the design of a series of murals on the outside of the new East Arnhem Regional Council Support Office in Nhulunbuy.

BACKGROUND

In 2008 / 2009 the East Arnhem Regional Council (then Shire) established its main administration office in Nhulunbuy. The building is a leased property and although it suited the purpose, an opportunity presented itself, two years ago to purchase a building for the location of the Nhulunbuy office.

Works are currently underway on the renovation of the office to have it ready to move into prior to or shortly after the Christmas closure, where will move from the leased building into the new office.

Current Leased Office

New Council Office**GENERAL**

With ownership of the new office we have some freedoms in relation to what can be done with the building. Council discussed and considered at its last meeting on 26 August 2020, the creation of a series of murals and it resolved enthusiastically:

That Council Endorses:

- a) The creation of a series of murals of significant people for each community, for the new Nhulunbuy Regional Support Office.*
- b) The formation of a Nhulunbuy Regional Support Office Murals Working Group, and in consultation with the Local Authority of each community, to advise what significant people to include in the series of mural.*
- c) Councillors nominate President Kaye Thurlow, Deputy President Djuwalpi Marika, CEO Dale Keehne and Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services Shane Marshall.*
- d) That the President and CEO write to the Nhulunbuy Corporation Limited (NCL) to advise them of Council's resolution to create a series of murals of significant people for each community for the new Nhulunbuy Regional Support Office, and for the CEO and Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to liaise with NCL on the process to ensure this occurs.*

The Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services has advised the Nhulunbuy Corporation of Council's resolution and commenced liaison with them about the creation of the series of murals.

Given the new office is in the central shopping and business area of Nhulunbuy, this offers high pedestrian and visitor exposure, to the range of people of significance as nominated by each Local Authority for each of the communities of the region.

There are four major panels on the wall facing the town swimming pool, and a range of other available wall areas along the building that face onto the open town square, to use for portraits of significant people of each of the nine communities of East Arnhem.

Examples of mural portraits are included below, of young people, as painted at the Nhulunbuy Boarding School.



RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.

ATTACHMENTS:

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER 9.4
TITLE Corporate Services Report
REFERENCE 1405454
AUTHOR Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager

SUMMARY:

This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 31 December 2020 within the Local Authority area.

BACKGROUND

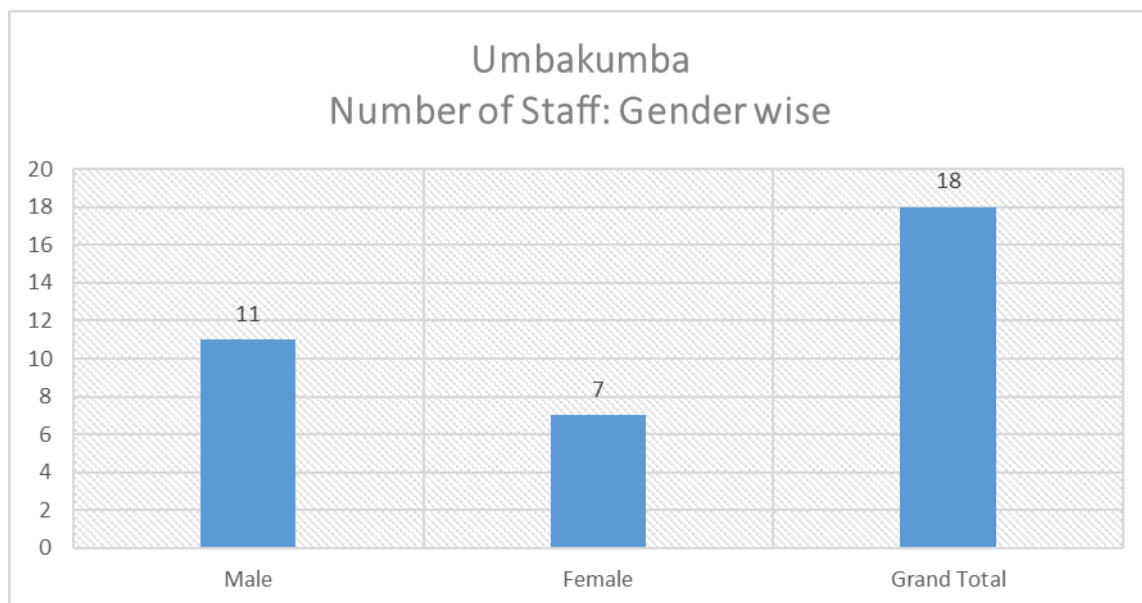
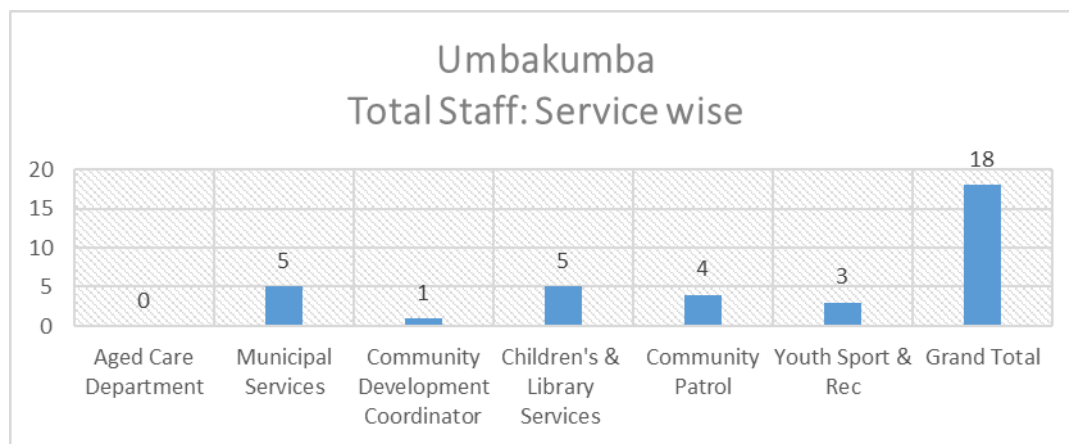
Local Authorities need to consider the Finance Report carefully as it details the current actual figures against the budget for the Local Authority area. Also the report details the number of staff against the different service areas.

GENERAL

This table shows year to date employment costs against budget. Services that are under budget are the result of poor attendance at work and vacancies due to staff turnover.

Service Codes	Service Code Description	Actuals	Budget YTD	Variance
107	Community Development	66,228	84,420	-18,192
115	Library Services	4,047	21,149	-17,102
129	Waste and Environmental Services	7,596	4,979	2,617
141	Aged Care and Disability Services	83,400	91,358	-7,958
145	Children and Family Services	133,748	117,840	15,908
147	Community Patrol and SUS Services	53,987	72,066	-18,079
152	Youth, Sport and Recreation Services	33,055	76,034	-42,979
169	Municipal Services	133,858	151,568	-17,710
Grand Total		515,919	619,415	-103,496

Employee Statistics:



Vacancies as of 31 December 2020:

Position Recruitment Request	Classification
Community Liaison Officer	L1 S1
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	L1 S1
Child Care Worker	L1 S1
Aged Care & Disability Services Officer	L3 S1

RECOMMENDATION

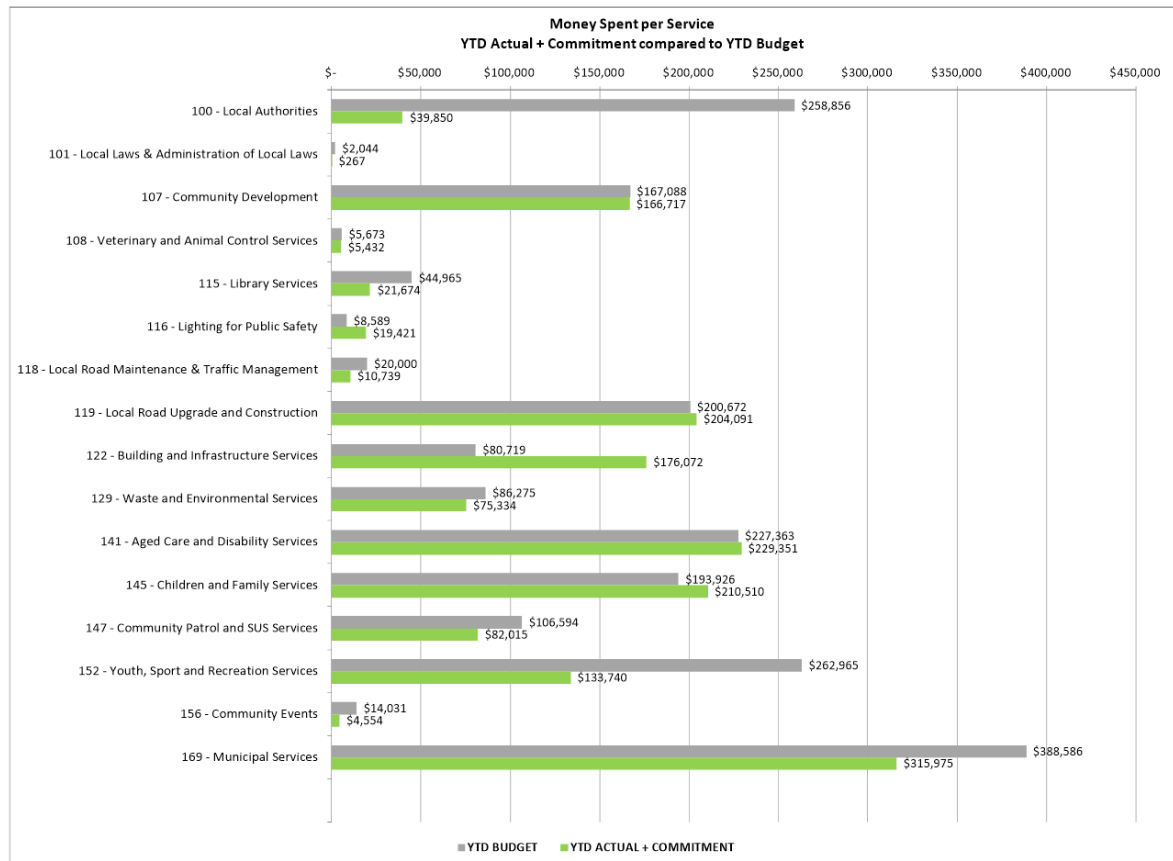
That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 31 December 2020.

ATTACHMENTS:

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East Arnhem Regional Council
Money Spent - Umbakumba
 Year to Date (YTD) 31st December 2020



Please note the budget amount in the figure are year to date

Under Budget
Over Budget

SERVICES	YEAR TO DATE AS OF 31ST DECEMBER 2020				YTD VARIANCE ACTUAL vs BUDGET	
	ACTUAL	COMMITMENT	ACTUAL + COMMITMENT	BUDGET	AMOUNT	%
100 - Local Authorities						
Salary Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
General Expenses	\$ 38,683	\$ 455	\$ 39,138	\$ 258,143	\$ 219,460	85%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 713	\$ -	\$ 713	\$ 713	\$ -	0%
100 - Local Authorities						
TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 39,396	\$ 455	\$ 39,850	\$ 258,856	\$ 219,460	85%
101 - Local Laws & Administration of Local Laws						
Salary Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
General Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,777	\$ 1,777	100%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 267	\$ -	\$ 267	\$ 267	\$ -	0%
101 - Local Laws & Administration of Local Laws						
TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 267	\$ -	\$ 267	\$ 2,044	\$ 1,777	87%
107 - Community Development						
Salary Expenses	\$ 66,228	\$ -	\$ 66,228	\$ 84,420	\$ 18,192	22%
General Expenses	\$ 39,362	\$ 1,453	\$ 40,815	\$ 29,824	\$ 9,538	-32%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ 50,477	\$ -	\$ 50,477	\$ 43,646	\$ 6,830	-16%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 9,197	\$ -	\$ 9,197	\$ 9,197	\$ -	0%
107 - Community Development						
TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 165,265	\$ 1,453	\$ 166,717	\$ 167,088	\$ 1,823	1%
108 - Veterinary and Animal Control Services						
Salary Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
General Expenses	\$ 2,107	\$ -	\$ 2,107	\$ 2,349	\$ 241	10%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ 3,002	\$ -	\$ 3,002	\$ 3,002	\$ -	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 323	\$ -	\$ 323	\$ 323	\$ -	0%
108 - Veterinary and Animal Control Services						
TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 5,432	\$ -	\$ 5,432	\$ 5,673	\$ 241	4%
115 - Library Services						
Salary Expenses	\$ 4,047	\$ -	\$ 4,047	\$ 21,149	\$ 17,102	81%
General Expenses	\$ 3,209	\$ -	\$ 3,209	\$ 9,398	\$ 6,189	66%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ 7,447	\$ -	\$ 7,447	\$ 7,447	\$ -	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 6,971	\$ -	\$ 6,971	\$ 6,971	\$ -	0%
115 - Library Services						
TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 21,674	\$ -	\$ 21,674	\$ 44,965	\$ 23,291	52%
116 - Lighting for Public Safety						
Salary Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
General Expenses	\$ 18,521	\$ 172	\$ 18,692	\$ 7,860	\$ 10,661	-136%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 729	\$ -	\$ 729	\$ 729	\$ -	0%
116 - Lighting for Public Safety						
TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 19,250	\$ 172	\$ 19,421	\$ 8,589	\$ 10,661	-124%
118 - Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management						
Salary Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
General Expenses	\$ 5,139	\$ 5,600	\$ 10,739	\$ 20,000	\$ 14,861	74%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
118 - Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management						
TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 5,139	\$ 5,600	\$ 10,739	\$ 20,000	\$ 14,861	74%
119 - Local Road Upgrade and Construction						
Salary Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
General Expenses	\$ -	\$ 204,091	\$ 204,091	\$ 200,672	\$ 200,672	100%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
119 - Local Road Upgrade and Construction						
TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ -	\$ 204,091	\$ 204,091	\$ 200,672	\$ 200,672	100%
122 - Building and Infrastructure Services						
Salary Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
General Expenses	\$ 5,560	\$ 169,855	\$ 175,414	\$ 80,061	\$ 74,502	93%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 658	\$ -	\$ 658	\$ 658	\$ -	0%
122 - Building and Infrastructure Services						
TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 6,217	\$ 169,855	\$ 176,072	\$ 80,719	\$ 74,502	92%
129 - Waste and Environmental Services						
Salary Expenses	\$ 7,596	\$ -	\$ 7,596	\$ 4,979	\$ 2,617	-53%
General Expenses	\$ 55,010	\$ 3,467	\$ 58,477	\$ 72,035	\$ 17,024	24%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 9,261	\$ -	\$ 9,261	\$ 9,261	\$ -	0%
129 - Waste and Environmental Services						
TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 71,868	\$ 3,467	\$ 75,334	\$ 86,275	\$ 14,407	17%

 Under Budget
 Over Budget

SERVICES	YEAR TO DATE AS OF 31ST DECEMBER 2020				YTD VARIANCE ACTUAL vs BUDGET	
	ACTUAL	COMMITMENT	ACTUAL + COMMITMENT	BUDGET	AMOUNT	%
141 - Aged Care and Disability Services						
Salary Expenses	\$ 83,400	\$ -	\$ 83,400	\$ 91,358	\$ 7,958	9%
General Expenses	\$ 74,716	\$ 2,269	\$ 76,985	\$ 68,196	\$ 6,520	-10%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ 44,771	\$ -	\$ 44,771	\$ 44,769	\$ 1	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 24,194	\$ -	\$ 24,194	\$ 23,039	\$ 1,155	-5%
141 - Aged Care and Disability Services TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 227,081	\$ 2,269	\$ 229,351	\$ 227,363	\$ 281	0%
145 - Children and Family Services						
Salary Expenses	\$ 133,748	\$ -	\$ 133,748	\$ 117,840	\$ 15,908	-13%
General Expenses	\$ 21,868	\$ 420	\$ 22,288	\$ 21,611	\$ 257	-1%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ 15,272	\$ -	\$ 15,272	\$ 15,272	\$ -	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 39,202	\$ -	\$ 39,202	\$ 39,202	\$ -	0%
145 - Children and Family Services TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 210,091	\$ 420	\$ 210,510	\$ 193,926	\$ 16,165	-8%
147 - Community Patrol and SUS Services						
Salary Expenses	\$ 53,987	\$ -	\$ 53,987	\$ 72,066	\$ 18,079	25%
General Expenses	\$ 3,822	\$ 295	\$ 4,117	\$ 10,659	\$ 6,838	64%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ 7,922	\$ -	\$ 7,922	\$ 7,880	\$ 43	-1%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 15,989	\$ -	\$ 15,989	\$ 15,989	\$ -	0%
147 - Community Patrol and SUS Services TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 81,720	\$ 295	\$ 82,015	\$ 106,594	\$ 24,874	23%
152 - Youth, Sport and Recreation Services						
Salary Expenses	\$ 33,055	\$ -	\$ 33,055	\$ 76,034	\$ 42,979	57%
General Expenses	\$ 25,508	\$ 4,674	\$ 30,182	\$ 117,079	\$ 91,571	78%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ 35,009	\$ -	\$ 35,009	\$ 34,798	\$ 211	-1%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 35,493	\$ -	\$ 35,493	\$ 35,065	\$ 439	-1%
152 - Youth, Sport and Recreation Services TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 129,066	\$ 4,674	\$ 133,740	\$ 262,965	\$ 133,900	51%
156 - Community Events						
Salary Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
General Expenses	\$ 2,288	\$ 436	\$ 2,724	\$ 12,201	\$ 9,913	81%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 1,830	\$ -	\$ 1,830	\$ 1,830	\$ -	0%
156 - Community Events TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 4,118	\$ 436	\$ 4,554	\$ 14,031	\$ 9,913	71%
169 - Municipal Services						
Salary Expenses	\$ 133,858	\$ -	\$ 133,858	\$ 151,568	\$ 17,710	12%
General Expenses	\$ 34,183	\$ 7,731	\$ 41,914	\$ 97,164	\$ 62,981	65%
Building and Fleet Charges	\$ 108,537	\$ -	\$ 108,537	\$ 108,188	\$ 350	0%
Overhead & Other Internal Allocations	\$ 31,666	\$ -	\$ 31,666	\$ 31,666	\$ -	0%
169 - Municipal Services TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 308,244	\$ 7,731	\$ 315,975	\$ 388,586	\$ 80,342	21%
TOTAL MONEY SPENT	\$ 1,294,827	\$ 400,917	\$ 1,695,743	\$ 2,068,346	\$ 773,519	37%

Money Spent per Service

YTD Actual + Commitment compared to YTD Budget

SERVICES	YTD ACTUAL	COMMITMENT	YTD ACTUAL + COMMITMENT	YTD BUDGET
100 - Local Authorities	39,396	455	39,850	258,856
101 - Local Laws & Administration of Local Laws	267	-	267	2,044
107 - Community Development	165,265	1,453	166,717	167,088
108 - Veterinary and Animal Control Services	5,432	-	5,432	5,673
115 - Library Services	21,674	-	21,674	44,965
116 - Lighting for Public Safety	19,250	172	19,421	8,589
118 - Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management	5,139	5,600	10,739	20,000
119 - Local Road Upgrade and Construction	-	204,091	204,091	200,672
122 - Building and Infrastructure Services	6,217	169,855	176,072	80,719
129 - Waste and Environmental Services	71,868	3,467	75,334	86,275
141 - Aged Care and Disability Services	227,081	2,269	229,351	227,363
145 - Children and Family Services	210,091	420	210,510	193,926
147 - Community Patrol and SUS Services	81,720	295	82,015	106,594
152 - Youth, Sport and Recreation Services	129,066	4,674	133,740	262,965
156 - Community Events	4,118	436	4,554	14,031
169 - Municipal Services	308,244	7,731	315,975	388,586
	\$ 1,294,827	\$ 400,917	\$ 1,695,743	\$ 2,068,346

COMMUNITY REPORTS



ITEM NUMBER	10.1
TITLE	Community Development Coordinator Report
REFERENCE	1409282
AUTHOR	Scott Page, Community Development Coordinator/Municipal Service Supervisor

SUMMARY:

This report is provided by the Community development Coordinator at every local Authority meeting to provide information and or updates to members.

BACKGROUND

As per Guideline 8 Regional Councils and Local Authorities, it is a requirement for the Community Development Coordinator to provide a report.

GENERAL

A Community event was held at the school for their end of year presentations and Christmas party, with EARC staff cooking a BBQ for Umbakumba residents. Staff also the blow up waterslide, which proved to be a great hit with the children. Thank you to Ben from the Youth, Sport & Recreation team for assisting with this.

The new BBQ trailer has arrived in Community and will be put to use in the very near future. Pre-cyclone season Community cleanup has commenced. Over the coming weeks, Kirsten and the Municipal Services crew will be working around the town collecting all hard waste for removal to the waste facility.

Work on upgrading the new Council office space is due to commence around 18 January 2021. Community members are asked to be aware that this is a construction site, which will have a security fence erected for safety reasons. Please ask children to not climb on the security fencing.

Phone lines and internet service was affected for three days during December, with no coverage to the whole of Groote Eylandt.

The Community Development Coordinator met with NT Police during the first week of December to raise the issue of speeding motor vehicles, motor vehicles doing wheelies in the streets and in front of peoples' houses, and children riding motor bikes around the streets of Umbakumba. This is a real safety concern for residents as the chances of an accident happening are very high.

Several Local Authority members travelled to Gove to attend a joint Local Authority member session in early December. Speaking with the members on their return, they all found this trip very informative, as they were able to meet with Local Authority members from other EARC Communities, and also were given a tour of the new EARC head office.

Most staff members are turning up for work on a daily basis, which is great and makes work a lot easier for fellow workmates.

There is currently a position vacant for a Community Liaison Officer / Customer Service Officer. There have been no staff resignations or abandonments.

All the Municipal Services staff are currently on annual leave over the Christmas period, and due to return to work around the end of January.

Community Night Patrol (CNP) staff have regularly not been turning up for work, and this is currently being addressed by the CNP Coordinator.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the Community Development Coordinator Report.

ATTACHMENTS:

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS



ITEM NUMBER	11.1
TITLE	Questions from Members
REFERENCE	1405812
AUTHOR	Karen Hocking, Governance, Local Authority and Communication Manager

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

BACKGROUND

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

Questions and discussions from members must be directed through the Chair.

GENERAL

The Local Authority will open the meeting for questions from members.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the questions from members and follow up on those questions that cannot be answered at today's meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC



ITEM NUMBER	12.1
TITLE	Questions from the Public
REFERENCE	1405813
AUTHOR	Karen Hocking, Governance, Local Authority and Communication Manager

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority will now take questions from members the public.

BACKGROUND

The Local Authority will now take questions from the public.

Questions and discussions from the public must be directed through the Chair.

GENERAL

The Local Authority will open the meeting for questions from the public.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the questions from the public and follow up on those questions that cannot be answered at today's meeting.

ATTACHMENTS: