

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISIONAL MEETING HELD IN THE
RAMINGINING COUNCIL OFFICE ON MONDAY, 25 JANUARY 2021 AT 10.00AM

ATTENDANCE

In the Chair, Jason Mirritjawuy, and members Judith Dhuru, John Djoma, Kaye Thurlow, Glibert Walkuli.

East Arnhem Regional Council: Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer; Shane Marshall – Director Technical & Infrastructure Services; Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development; Allan Hawke – Relief Community Development Coordinator; Minute Taker – Karen Hocking – Governance, Local Authorities & Communications Manager

MEETING OPENING

The Chair opened the meeting at 10:17am and welcomed all members and guests.

PRAYER

The prayer was led by Jason Mirritjawuy.

APOLOGIES

3.1 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 Ramingining Local Authority Meeting.

170/2021 RESOLVED (John Djoma/Gilbert Walkuli)

That the Local Authority receives and accepts Member's apologies from Daphne Malibarr, Dorothy Wiliyayuy, Lloyd Garrawurra and Lizzy Mindhili.

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

SUMMARY:

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

171/2021 RESOLVED (John Djoma/Judith Dhuru)

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

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

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PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION

SUMMARY:

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

172/2021 RESOLVED (Judith Dhuru/Gilbert Walkuli)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the provisional meeting of 16 November 2020 to be a true record of the meeting.

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

MOVE INTO CONFIDENTIAL AT 10:24AM

173/2021 RESOLVED (Jason Mirritjawuy/John Djoma)

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

5.1 PREVIOUS CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION

SUMMARY:

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

174/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Jason Mirritjawuy)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the provisional confidential meeting of 16 November 2020 to be a true record of the meeting.

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 10:36AM

175/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Judith Dhuru)

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

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LOCAL AUTHORITIES

7.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

SUMMARY:

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

176/2021 RESOLVED (Judith Dhuru/John Djoma)

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

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

7.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

SUMMARY:

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

177/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Gilbert Walkuli)

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: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

Gilbert Walkuli left the meeting, the time being 10:47 AM

Gilbert Walkuli returned to the meeting, the time being 10:51 AM

VISITORS – RELATIONSHIPS AUSTRALIA

Maddy Schipper – Case Manager
Lauchlan Manski – Aboriginal & Islander Culture Advisor

Maddy and Lauchlan provided an explanation of the National Redress Scheme, which is to support people who experienced child sexual abuse. People can apply for redress if they were sexually abused when they were a child (under 18), the sexual abuse happened before 2018, and an institution is how the person met their abuser. Redress Support Service workers can give free support if people want to talk about their options.

Local Authority members suggested that Relationships Australia visits community to share information about the National Redress Scheme.

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Judith Dhuru left the meeting, the time being 10:57 AM

Judith Dhuru returned to the meeting, the time being 11:03 AM

GENERAL BUSINESS

John Djoma left the meeting, the time being 11:15 AM

9.1 CEO REPORT

SUMMARY:

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

178/2021 RESOLVED (Gilbert Walkuli/Judith Dhuru)

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

For: JD Dhuru, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

John Djoma returned to the meeting, the time being 11:51 AM

9.2 VACANCY ON COUNCIL

SUMMARY:

This report is to make a decision on the vacancy in the Birr Rawarrang ward.

179/2021 RESOLVED (Jason Mirritjawuy/Judith Dhuru)

That the Local Authority recommends to not fill the vacancy in the Birr Rawarrang Ward.

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

9.3 NOMINATIONS FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

SUMMARY:

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

180/2021 RESOLVED (Gilbert Walkuli/John Djoma)

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

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

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**9.4 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.

181/2021 RESOLVED (John Djoma/Jason Mirritjawuy)

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

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

9.5 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY:

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

182/2021 RESOLVED (Judith Dhuru/John Djoma)

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

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

COMMUNITY REPORTS

10.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT

SUMMARY:

This report is provided by the Community Development Coordinator at every Local Authority Meeting to provide information to Local Authority members.

183/2021 RESOLVED (John Djoma/Jason Mirritjawuy)

That the Local Authority note the Relief Community Development Coordinator's Report.

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

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QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

11.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

184/2021 **RESOLVED** (John Djoma/Gilbert Walkuli)

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

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC

12.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

SUMMARY:

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

185/2021 **RESOLVED** (Judith Dhuru/Jason Mirritjawuy)

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

For: JD Dhuru, J Djoma, J Mirritjawuy, K Thurlow and GW Walkuli
Against: Nil

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday, 15 March 2021

MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 11:59AM.

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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 YIRRKALA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

Wednesday, 10 February 2021

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE YIRRKALA
COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 10.00AM

ATTENDANCE

In the Chair, Mungurrapin (Graham) Maymuru, and members Djuwalpi Marika, Kaye Thurlow, Timmy Burrawanga, Dhanagtji Mununggurr, Mayila Maymuru, Daymambi Mununggurr (arrived at 10:29am); Yirmal Marika (arrived at 10:54am).

East Arnhem Regional Council:

Dale Keehne – CEO; Shane Marshall – Director Technical & Infrastructure Services; Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development; Geoff Mayer – Community Development Coordinator; Minute Taker – Karen Hocking, Governance, Local Authorities & Communications Manager

MEETING OPENING

Chair opened the meeting at 10:18am and welcomed all members and guests.

PRAYER

The prayer was led by Djuwalpi Marika.

APOLOGIES

3.1 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 Yirrkala Local Authority Meeting.

160/2021 RESOLVED (Mayila Maymurru/Dhanagtji Mununggurr)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the absence of Lirrpiya Mununggurr, Djapirri Mununggirritj, Kira Gawiya Mununggurr, Grant Maymaru, Dipilinga Marika, Yananymul Mununggurr and Yirmal Marika.
- b) Notes the apologies received from Lirrpiya Mununggurr, Djapirri Mununggirritj, Dipilinga Marika and Yananymul Mununggurr.
- c) Notes Lirrpiya Mununggurr, Djapirri Mununggirritj, Dipilinga Marika and Yananymul Mununggurr are absent with permission for the Local Authority Meeting.
- d) Notes Kira Gawiya Mununggurr and Grant Maymaru are absent without permission for the Local Authority Meeting.

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, M Maymurru, MG Maymuru, Daymambi
Mununggurr, Dhanagtji Mununggurr and K Thurlow

Against: Nil

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COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 10.00AM

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

5.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

SUMMARY:

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

161/2021 RESOLVED (Djuwalpi Marika/Mayila Maymurru)

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

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, M Maymurru, MG Maymuru, Dhanagtji Mununggurr
and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

Daymambi Mununggurr joined the meeting at 10:29 AM

Kaye Thurlow left the meeting, the time being 10:48 AM

Kaye Thurlow returned to the meeting, the time being 10:55 AM

PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION

SUMMARY:

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

162/2021 RESOLVED (Timmy Burrawanga/Dhanagtji Mununggurr)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the meeting of 3 December 2020 to be a true record of the meeting.

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, M Maymurru, MG Maymuru, Daymambi
Mununggurr and Dhanagtji Mununggurr
Against: Nil

Yirmal Marika joined the meeting at 10:54 AM

VISITOR – MARY WELLINGTON, RELATIONSHIPS AUSTRALIA 11:10 AM

Mary Wellington, from Relationships Australia, provided an explanation of the National Redress Scheme, which is to support people who experienced child sexual abuse. People can apply for redress if they were sexually abused when they were a child (under 18), the sexual abuse happened before 2018, and an institution is how the person met their abuser. Redress Support Service workers can give free support if people want to talk about their options.

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The Chair called for a break at 11:30AM

The Chair called for resumption of the meeting at 11:45 AM

VISITOR – SHANTAL BRAMLEY, POWER AND WATER CORPORATION

Shantal Bramley from Power and Water provided information about the proposed upgrade to the sewage system for Yirrkalā, needed to increase the capacity for the new subdivision and growth of the community over the next 30 years. The contractors for this project are expected to come in late March/early April, after the wet season. The contractors have an obligation to employ a minimum of thirty percent Aboriginal staff; staff will need a white card.

Shantal also discussed the project to minimise water loss. Yirrkalā has a lot of ground water, but there is currently a high level of water loss in the pipes between the bores and houses. A separate project is to repair these pipes. Stage one is to fix the pumping station, stage two is to identify where the leaks are, and stage three will be to repair the leaks.

9.3 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY:

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

163/2021 RESOLVED (Dhanagtji Mununggurr/Daymambi Mununggurr)

That the Local Authority:

- a) **Receives the Financial and Employment information to 31 December 2020.**
- b) **Supports the current business case proposal to the NIAA to change the Night Patrol vehicle, for rebranding, and the inclusion of a speaker on the vehicle to make announcements, to support the community safety partnership.**
- c) **Supports the strengthening of Night Patrol through their support of the community safety partnership plan with Rirratjingu Aboriginal Corporation, other community stakeholders, and government agencies.**
- d) **Requests the Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to have discussions with Rirratjingu on options to improve the public announcement system coverage in Yirrkalā.**

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, M Maymurru, MG Maymuru, Daymambi
Mununggurr, K Thurlow, Dhanagtji Mununggurr and Y Marika
Against: Nil

The Chair called for a break for lunch at 1:07PM

The Chair called for resumption of the meeting at 1:29PM

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MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL AT 1:54PM

164/2021 RESOLVED (Dhanagtji Mununggurr/Mayila Maymurru)

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, M Maymurru, MG Maymuru, Daymambi
Mununggurr, K Thurlow, Dhanagtji Mununggurr and Y Marika
Against: Nil

6.1 PREVIOUS CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION

SUMMARY:

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

165/2021 RESOLVED (Mayila Maymurru/Daymambi Mununggurr)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the confidential meeting of 3 December 2020 to be true record of the meeting.

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, M Maymurru, MG Maymuru, Daymambi
Mununggurr, K Thurlow, Dhanagtji Mununggurr and Y Marika
Against: Nil

RESUME OPEN SESSION AT 1:58PM

166/2021 RESOLVED (Mayila Maymurru/Daymambi Mununggurr)

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, M Maymurru, MG Maymuru, Daymambi
Mununggurr, K Thurlow, Dhanagtji Mununggurr and Y Marika
Against: Nil

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

7.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

SUMMARY:

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

167/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Dhanagtji Mununggurr)

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

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, M Maymurru, MG Maymuru, Daymambi
Mununggurr, Dhanagtji Mununggurr, Y Marika and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

Yirmal Marika left the meeting, the time being 02:35 PM

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Yirmal Marika returned to the meeting, the time being 02:40 PM

7.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

SUMMARY:

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

168/2021 RESOLVED (Daymambi Mununggurr/Mayila Maymurru)

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: T Burrawanga, D Marika, Y Marika, M Maymurru, MG Maymuru, Daymambi
Mununggurr, Dhanagti Mununggurr and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS

Kaye Thurlow left the meeting, the time being 03:04 PM

Kaye Thurlow returned to the meeting, the time being 03:07 PM

Timmy Burrawanga left the meeting, the time being 03:09 PM

Timmy Burrawanga returned to the meeting, the time being 03:11 PM

9.1 CEO REPORT

SUMMARY:

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

169/2021 RESOLVED (Timmy Burrawanga/Djuwalpi Marika)

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, Y Marika, M Maymurru, MG Maymuru, Daymambi
Mununggurr, Dhanagti Mununggurr and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

9.2 EAST ARNHAM 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.

170/2021 RESOLVED (Mayila Maymurru/Djuwalpi Marika)

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

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, Y Marika, M Maymurru, MG Maymuru, Daymambi Mununggurr, Dhanagtji Mununggurr and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

COMMUNITY REPORTS

Yirmal Marika left the meeting, the time being 03:30PM

Yirmal Marika returned to the meeting, the time being 03:35 PM

Mayila Maymurru left the meeting, the time being 03:43 PM

10.1 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.

171/2021 RESOLVED (Dhanagtji Mununggurr/Daymambi Mununggurr)

That the Local Authority notes the Community Development Coordinator Report.

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, Y Marika, MG Maymuru, Daymambi Mununggurr, Dhanagtji Mununggurr and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

11.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

172/2021 RESOLVED (Djuwalpi Marika/Daymambi Mununggurr)

That the Local Authority supports the joint community consultation, as Special Local Authority / Community meetings, about the proposed Anindilyakawa Regional Local Government to occur in April rather than impacting upon the Local Authority meetings in March.

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, Y Marika, MG Maymuru, Daymambi Mununggurr, Dhanagtji Mununggurr and K Thurlow
Against: Nil

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QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC

12.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

SUMMARY:

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

173/2021 RESOLVED (Djuwalpi Marika/Daymambi Mununggurr)

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

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, Y Marika, MG Maymuru, Daymambi Mununggurr,
Dhanagtji Mununggurr and K Thurlow

Against: Nil

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 25 March 2021

MEETING CLOSE

The meeting ended at 3:59pm.

This page and the preceding 7 pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Meeting held on Wednesday, 10 February 2021.

CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER	18.1
TITLE	Correspondence Register
REFERENCE	1410525
AUTHOR	Candice O'Halloran, Governance, Local Authority and Communication Officer

DOCUMENT DETAILS REPORT**Incoming Correspondence**

Document Type	Date	Document Name
Letter	09.12.2020	Thank You Letter - Governor-General of the Commonwealth Australia - 09.12.2020.pdf
Letter	16.12.2020	Letter - Minister for Indigenous Australians Hon Ken Wyatt - Safe House - Gapuwiyak - 16.12.2020.pdf
Letter	16.12.2020	Letter - Deputy Prime Minister - Building Better Region Fund - 16.12.2020.msg
Letter	23.12.2020	Mobile Black Spot Program - Round 5A extension of application period -.msg
Letter	22.12.2020	Unsuccessful Proposals under the Bridges Renewal Program and Heavy Vehicle Safety.msg
Letter	04.01.2021	Letter - Department of The Chief Minister and Cabinet - Application for LG Priority Infrastructure Funding Open - 22.12.2020.pdf
Letter	04.01.2021	Letter - Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet - Extension of Time for SCALE Funding - 22.12.2020.pdf
Letter	04.01.2021	Letter - Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet - Provision of Funding for LG Councils Eligible under DRFA - _575ABE03.pdf
Letter	04.01.2021	Update to Lyrics of Australia National Anthem – 04.01.2021.pdf
Letter	13.01.2021	Department of The Chief Minister and Cabinet - Closure of 2018 Compliance Review - 13.01.2021.pdf
Letter	27.01.2021	Department of The Chief Minister and Cabinet - Commercial Rates Replenishment program 2020-21- Open - 13.01.2021.pdf
Letter	09.02.2021	Letter - Brisbane City Council - 2021 APCS Special Edition Invitation - 02.02.2021.pdf
Letter	17.02.2021	Call for Nominations to the Local Government Training & Learning Strategy Committee
Letter	18.02.2021	Call for Nominations – Place Names

Outgoing Correspondence

Document Type	Date	Document Name
Letter	18.12.2020	EARC Letter to Electoral Commission Clr Roy 18.12.2020.pdf
Letter	15.02.2021	Letter to Electoral Commissioner - Council Vacancies - 15 February 2021.pdf
Letter	15.02.2021	Letter to Maree De Lacey - Council Vacancies - 15 Feb 2021.pdf
Letter	15.02.2021	Letter to Minister Paech - Council Vacancies - 15 February 2021.pdf

RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes the correspondence ingoing and outgoing.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1** Thank You Letter - Governor-General of the Commonwealth Australia - 09.12.2020.pdf
- 2** Minister for Indigenous Australians Hon Ken Wyatt - Safe House - Gapuwiyak - 16.12.2020.pdf
- 3** Letter - Deputy Prime Minister - Building Better Region Fund - 16.12.2020.msg
- 4** Unsuccessful Proposals under the Bridges Renewal Program and Heavy Vehicle Safety.msg
- 5** Department of The Chief Minister and Cabinet - Application for LG Priority

- Infrastructure Funding Open - 22.12.2020.pdf
- 6** Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet - Extension of Time for SCALE Funding.pdf
- 7** Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet - Provision of Funding for LG Councils Eligible under DRFA - _575ABE03.pdf
- 8** Update to Lyrics of Australia National Anthem – 04.01.2021.pdf
- 9** Department of The Chief Minister and Cabinet - Closure of 2018 Complicance Review - 13.01.2021.pdf
- 10** Department of The Chief Minister and Cabinet - Commercial Rates Replenishment program 2020-21- Open - 13.01.2021.pdf
- 11** Brisbane City Council - 2021 APCS Special Edition Invitation - 02.02.2021.pdf
- 12** Call for Nominations to the Local Government Training and Learning Strategy Committee.pdf
- 13** Call for Nominations – Place Names.pdf
- 14** Letter to Electoral Commissioner - Council Vacancies - 15 February 2021.pdf
- 15** Letter to Maree De Lacey - Council Vacancies - 15 Feb 2021.pdf
- 16** EARC Letter to Electoral Commission Clr Roy 18.12.2020.pdf
- 17** Letter to Minister Paech - Council Vacancies - 15 February 2021.pdf



His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AG DSC (Retd)
Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia

9 December 2020

Cr Kaye Thurlow
President
East Arnhem Regional Council
PO Box 1060
Nhulunbuy NT 0881

Dear Ms Thurlow

I am writing to pass on my thanks to you and your East Arnhem Regional Council colleagues for hosting Linda and me during our visit to Galiwinku last month.

We especially enjoyed the opportunity to meet with residents of Galiwinku, and gain an understanding of the unique opportunities and challenges they face. Witnessing the community coming together to celebrate the Investiture of Ms Ruth Dhurrkey was an exceptional experience.

Linda and I thank you for your important contribution to the East Arnhem community, and send our best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Yours sincerely

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BY:



The Hon Ken Wyatt AM MP
Minister for Indigenous Australians
Member for Hasluck

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BY:

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

Dale
Dear Mr Keehne

Thank you for your correspondence of 27 August 2020 regarding funding to establish a safe house for women and children in Gapuwiyak. I apologise for the delay in responding, but I have been waiting for the outcomes of the October consultations in the community.

Reducing violence against women and their children, especially Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and children, is a national priority for all Australian governments.

The recently enacted National Agreement on Closing the Gap requires all parties to work in partnership with Indigenous Australians in all aspects of policy development, as well as program and service delivery. All governments are expected to consider the views and expertise of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, including Elders, Traditional Owners and Native Title holders, leaders and their communities and organisations in implementing these commitments.

I understand that in February 2020, officers from the National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) were part of a co-design scoping exercise for the Army Aboriginal Community Assistance Programme (AACAP) along with Gapuwiyak community members and stakeholders. The AACAP Project commenced approximately 18 months prior to the delivery of works, scheduled in 2022, to allow community engagement throughout all scoping and design stages. During the February meeting the preference for a women's safe house or shelter was explored and voted on by Gapuwiyak Yolngu leaders. I understand that other proposals were supported in favour of a safe house.

Following the February visit, in October 2020 the NIAA and Army returned to Gapuwiyak to meet with the community, Traditional Owners and stakeholders, including the Northern Territory Government (NTG), East Arnhem Regional Council (EARC), and the Northern Land Council (NLC) to finalise the scope of works.

Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

I have been advised by the NIAA that the outcomes of these consultations have addressed some of the concerns raised in your letter, namely, that potential facilities will now provide dedicated spaces for families to access culturally appropriate support for family violence related issues from a range of community organisations and programs.

I encourage you to continue engaging closely with the Army, the NIAA and NTG in the design process of the proposed Youth Facility to ensure it aligns with community needs. I have copied the Chief Minister, the Hon Michael Gunner into this letter so is he aware of the community's preferences and discussions to date.

If you wish to discuss this matter further please contact the NIAA Arnhem Land and Groote Eylandt Regional Manager, Mr Benjamin Mudaliar. Mr Mudaliar can be contacted on phone: 08 8968 8403 or at benjamin.mudaliar@official.niaa.gov.au.

Thank you for raising these matters.

Yours sincerely



The Hon KEN WYATT AM MP
Minister for Indigenous Australians

16 / 12 / 2020

cc: the Hon Michael Gunner

**THE HON MARK COULTON MP**

Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government
Federal Member for Parkes

President Kate Thurlow
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Dear Mayor

Mobile Black Spot Program – Extension of Round 5A application period

As Minister for Regional Communications, I wrote earlier this month to inform you that the Government had opened the competitive assessment process for Round 5A and was calling for applications from Mobile Network Operators (MNOs) and Mobile Network Infrastructure Providers (MNIPs). Applications were set to be due by 10 February 2021.

Following feedback from registered applicants and other stakeholders, the Government has decided to extend the Round 5A application period to 5 March 2021. This will give applicants and stakeholders additional time to work together to identify areas in need of coverage improvements and develop effective proposed solutions.

Further information about Round 5A, including links to the Grant Opportunity Guidelines, is available on the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications' website at communications.gov.au/mbsp or by contacting MBSPRound5@communications.gov.au.

I look forward to your support for this important Program, which is delivering improved mobile coverage to regional and remote Australia.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Coulton', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mark Coulton

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Reference: BR5/HV7 Unsc - proponent

President Kaye Thurlow
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Dear President Thurlow

**BRIDGES RENEWAL PROGRAM (BRP) ROUND FIVE AND HEAVY VEHICLE
SAFETY AND PRODUCTIVITY PROGRAM (HVSPP) ROUND SEVEN**

Thank you for your proposal for funding under either or both Rounds Five and Seven, of the BRP and HVSPP respectively. Your continued support of these programs, which provide funding to improve community access and increase heavy vehicle safety and productivity, is valued.

I regret to advise you that the proposal listed below was deemed as ineligible for Australian Government funding under the current funding round:

- Angurugu Road 2 Existing culvert Upgrade

The attached factsheet, which outlines common reasons why projects were unsuccessful/ineligible in these rounds may be of some assistance.

If you wish to seek specific feedback in relation to the above listed proposal, please contact the Department by email on BridgesRenewal@infrastructure.gov.au or HVSPP@infrastructure.gov.au.

I encourage you to monitor the Department's website or social media for the announcement of future funding rounds under the BRP and HVSPP and I encourage you to reapply for future funding opportunities.

Once again, thank you for submitting a proposal for funding under BRP5/HVSPP7.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robyn Legg'.

Robyn Legg
Assistant Secretary
NSW, ACT and Targeted Roads

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Ineligible and unsuccessful proponents – BRP5/HVSPP7

The following FAQs outline the common reasons proposals were ineligible or unsuccessful in the Bridges Renewal Program (BRP) Round Five/Heavy Vehicle Productivity and Safety Program (HVSPP) Round Seven.

Proponents who were not successful under either Program are encouraged to review this document thoroughly.

Why was my proposal ineligible?

Ineligible proposals did not meet one or more of the mandatory rules within the guidelines for the program. The most common parts of the guidelines that were not met included:

- **Incomplete proposals:** Proposals that did not provide the mandatory documentation for the Round, such as a proposal form or an engineer's report of not less than three year's old (which was mandatory for the first time in a BRP or HVSPP round), were ineligible.
- **HVSPP proposals where bridges account for more than 40% of the cost:** Under the HVSPP guidelines, bridges can account for no more than 40% of the cost of an HVSPP project. Proposals for projects with a higher bridge component were ineligible for HVSPP.
- **The same proposal for both HVSPP and BRP funding:** The same proposal is not eligible for both the BRP and HVSPP funding. Proponents who applied for the HVSPP and BRP for the same proposal were ineligible in one.
- **Construction commencing too late:** The BRP and HVSPP are designed for "shovel-ready" projects. Construction must commence within 12 months, and be complete within 24 months. Proposals with construction commencement outside of this time frame were ineligible.
- **An excess of five proposals:** Proponents were limited to five proposals across both programs and proposals in excess were not eligible for funding. This cap was put in place due to the high volume of requests for funding received under earlier rounds of the Programs and to ensure a more even distribution of funds across all jurisdictions.

Why was my proposal unsuccessful?

In undertaking an assessment of the proposals submitted under BRP and HVSP, the Department can only recommend the Minister's approval of projects that represent value for money as it is defined in the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013*.

All eligible proposals submitted under Round Five of the BRP and Round Seven of the HVSP were assessed on their merits against four criteria. Each was scored out of five:

- 1. Criterion 1: Structural Improvements Contributing to Productivity and Safety**
The degree to which the bridge/road will be physically improved, including improved safety and productivity outcomes.
- 2. Criterion 2: Quantified Benefits.**
The economic and social benefits to the community of the project including evidence to support these claims.
- 3. Criterion 3: Construction Readiness and Risk.**
The ability of the proponents and partners to undertake the project and potential risks preventing the project from proceeding.
- 4. Criterion 4: State Ranking of council projects (not applicable to state projects).**
State governments to prioritise and rank all eligible council projects within their jurisdictions.

The scores against individual criteria were totalled to get an overall score. This overall score determined which proposals were recommended.

The best performing proposals provided strong justification (including supporting evidence) demonstrating how the proposal met the program objectives and presented value for money which are, respectively:

- **BRP:** funds the upgrade and replacement of bridges to enhance access for local communities and facilitate higher productivity vehicle access; and
- **HVSP:** funds infrastructure projects that improve the productivity and safety outcomes of heavy vehicle operations across Australia.

Can I find out the reason that my proposal was unsuccessful?

You can seek individual feedback by contacting us via the email addresses below. As noted above, individual feedback may be not available to unsuccessful proponents depending on the volume of requests.

Further information

Please note, no date has been set for the opening of future rounds of BRP or HVSP.

Eligible entities interested in submitting a proposal under future rounds should monitor the Department's website, which can be found via the following link:

<https://investment.infrastructure.gov.au/> or by sending a request to either: bridgesrenewal@infrastructure.gov.au or HVSP@infrastructure.gov.au.



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RY:

Dear Mr ~~Keehne~~ Dale

Re: \$4 million Local Government Priority Infrastructure Funding Round - Open

The Minister for Local Government, Hon Chansey Paech MLA, has recently approved the new Local Government Priority Infrastructure Fund (PIF). The PIF program is an application based grant program which enables councils to apply for funding for a range of local government infrastructure projects with an intended completion date of 31 October 2021.

Under the 2020-21 PIF program, \$4 million is available. There is only one funding round and applications should be for projects that are designed to boost amenity and community development, and which are consistent with council's annual/business plan. Your council can submit up to two applications. Please prioritise the bids. The value of the grant being sought should be made in the context of the \$4 million funding pool and exclude administrative or management costs.

The grant assessment process will look favourably upon those submissions where a co-contribution is offered and on proposals which involve a component of shared services. Joint applications with other councils are encouraged.

The final selection of successful applications will be made by the Minister for Local Government. All approved projects are required to be procured in accordance with the Northern Territory Government "Buy Local" policy.

There is an expectation that councils will be in a position to commence delivery of projects as soon as funding has been approved. If there are other factors such as Section 19 leases that are required before a project can commence, then this needs to be clearly noted in the funding application. The purpose for which funds are approved by the Minister for Local Government cannot be changed.

The PIF funding guidelines and FAQ Sheet are available on the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet's webpage at:

<https://cmc.nt.gov.au/supporting-government/local-government/local-government-funding>.

All applications are to be submitted online via GrantsNT. Your council's registered contact officer will receive an invitation to apply through GrantsNT. Should you experience any technical issues with GrantsNT, please email lg.grants@nt.gov.au or call 8999 8576 for assistance.

The closing date for PIF submissions is close of business 12 February 2021.

If you have any queries regarding the PIF guideline requirements please contact Ms Donna Hadfield, Manager Grants Program, Local Government Grants Unit on 8999 8820 or email lg.grants@nt.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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Dear Mr *Dale* Keehne

BY:

RE: Extension of time to expend to the 2019-20 Special Community Assistance and Local Employment funding

I write in response to the project status update on the Special Community Assistance and Local Employment (SCALE) funding and note an extension will be required.

After due consideration I am pleased to advise that I have approved a further extension for council to fully expend the SCALE funding by 31 March 2021 or sooner.

In line with the original funding conditions, the "SCALE Certification Report" is due to the department on or before 15 April 2021.

Please note no further extension will be provided. Any unspent funds that remain after 31 March 2021 will need to be repaid. All unspent funds are to be remitted to the following bank details and a copy of the receipt should be emailed to lg.grants@nt.gov.au.

Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet - (Bank Name:- NAB Govt Business)
BSB: 085 461
Account Number: 111 610 001
Remittance Reference: EARC - Repay SCALE

Please do not hesitate to contact the local government grants unit by email at lg.grants@nt.gov.au if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Mr ~~Keehne~~ *Dale*

BY:

RE: Standardised approach for the provision of funding to local government councils for eligible expenditure on disaster related events

I am writing to advise of the establishment of a formal policy position recently approved by the Northern Territory Government and now effective, that requires councils to make a financial contribution towards the costs associated with local government activities that are eligible under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).

As part of the shared responsibility principles under the DRFA, a co-contribution component has been established which requires councils to make a contribution of 25 per cent towards their eligible DRFA expenditure.

Council's co-contributions are capped up to a cumulative value in any financial year of:

- \$25 000 for shire councils;
- \$100 000 for regional councils; and
- \$400 000 for municipal councils.

Where a council can demonstrate severe financial hardship which may limit its ability to make the co-contribution up to the approved amount, officers from the Local Government and Community Development Division of the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet will work with the council to negotiate an adjusted level of co-contribution. The final decision on what level of funding will be offered by the NT Government will then be at the discretion of the Treasurer.

The "Disaster recovery funding - Guidelines" and associated templates are available on the Department's website at: <https://cmc.nt.gov.au/supporting-government/local-government/local-government-funding/disaster-recovery-funding-arrangement>.

Please note your council will need to follow these guidelines and complete the required templates when preparing or submitting claims under the DRFA.

Please do not hesitate to contact the local government grants units by email at lg.grants@nt.gov.au if you have any queries or concerns regarding the DRFA.

I wish you and your council all the best for the holiday season and New Year.

Yours sincerely



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Candice O'Halloran

From: Nato Ceremonies <Natoцерemonies@homeaffairs.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 4 January 2021 12:41 PM
Subject: Update to Lyrics of Australia's national anthem [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Attachments: The National Anthem Lyrics - Advance Australia Fair.pdf

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Good Afternoon,

As you may be aware the Prime Minister of Australia, the Honourable Scott Morrison MP announced an update to the lyrics of Australia's national anthem – Advance Australia Fair. This change is to the second line of the anthem from "For we are young and free" to "For we are one and free." The change became effective from January 1, 2021.

The Australian national anthem is an important national symbol of Australia. The Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code (The Code) states that the "national anthem (Advance Australia Fair) should be played at an Australian citizenship ceremony. This may be played as a live performance or a recording, and it is at the discretion of organisers whether only the first verse or both verses are played though verse two is appropriate to new citizens. All attendees at the ceremony should be invited to join in singing the Australian national anthem. The words of the Australian national anthem should be provided to all attendees."

A copy of the updated lyrics has been attached to this email, please ensure that you include the updated lyrics when playing the anthem at Australian citizenship ceremonies.

Kind Regards

Citizenship Ceremonies Section
Citizenship Policy Branch | Citizenship Division
Social Cohesion & Citizenship Group
Department of Home Affairs

The Department of Home Affairs and the Australian Border Force acknowledges the Traditional Custodians throughout Australia and their continuing connection to land, sea and community. We pay respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, their cultures and to their elders past and present.



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Dear Ms Thurlow

Re: Closure of 2018 Compliance Review – East Arnhem Regional Council

In March 2018, local government inspectors conducted a compliance review on East Arnhem Regional Council's (Council) operations under the *Local Government Act 2008*. Upon completion of the review, a compliance review report was provided to the Council detailing 18 areas where action was required.

Local government inspectors continually monitored your Council to ensure it was actively addressing the issues identified in the compliance review report, with a final follow-up review conducted on 24 and 25 November 2020.

During this review inspectors identified the Council's current Recruitment and Selection Policy was inconsistent with the legislative requirement of both the *Local Government Act 2008* and the new *Local Government Act 2019*. Of particular concern was clause 7 of this Policy, at dot point 4, which states *employees that have excelled or showed potential in positions that they are acting or training on may be recommended to the Chief Executive Officer for promotion as long as the principle of merit based selection and other prescribed obligations are not violated*. Inspectors would like to highlight that direct permanent appointments are not supported by the local government legislation as the legislation makes clear the recruitment and promotion process must be fair and equitable.

Further, clause 7 dot point 6 of the Council's Recruitment and Selection Policy states *all recruitment details are strictly confidential and must be securely stored by concerned staff*. HR recruitment records are sensitive records and are required to be stored appropriately. Inspectors are not confident the ambiguous statement *stored by concerned staff* is sufficient to satisfy the recordkeeping and storage requirements expected of Council.

I understand Council is in the process of rewriting the Recruitment and Selection Policy. Council is therefore requested to address the above concerns in its revised policy, and provide a copy of the finalised updated policy to the inspectors via email to lg.compliance@nt.gov.au.

Subject to the Recruitment and Selection Policy being updated and provided to the inspectors, I am pleased to advise that local government inspectors are satisfied Council has addressed all remaining issues in the compliance review report, and the review is now closed.

Please ensure a copy of this letter is tabled at your next council meeting.

I take this opportunity to thank your Council and staff for their cooperation and commitment in ensuring the Council is meeting the requirements of the Local Government legislation.

If you require any further information in relation to this matter, please contact Ms Pauline Williams, Senior Compliance Officer on 8999 8473 or email lg.compliance@nt.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Meeta Ramkumar
Senior Director Sustainability and Compliance

Cc: Mr Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Office, East Arnhem Regional Council



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RY:

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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.

- 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 lg.grants@nt.gov.au.

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: cmc.nt.gov.au/supporting-government/local-government/local-government-funding/commercial-rate-replenishment-fund-2020-21

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 lg.grants@nt.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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BY:

Dear Mr Keehne

**2021 Asia Pacific Cities Summit & Mayors' Forum Special Edition
(2021APCS Special Edition)
'Redefining Cities through Opportunities and Challenges'
Wednesday 8 September – Sunday 12 September 2021**

It is with great pleasure I invite you, on behalf of the Lord Mayor of Brisbane, to participate in the 2021 Asia Pacific Cities Summit & Mayors' Forum (2021APCS Special Edition) and City Leaders' Forum.

COVID-19 has presented local government leaders, such as yourself, with a number of significant challenges. These challenges have allowed us to demonstrate our organisation's unwavering commitment to its community. We must lead the recovery in our jurisdictions and play a role in supporting our community, while adapting our services and continuing to work more efficiently.

The 2021APCS will be held in Brisbane from **8 - 12 September 2021** and, as the first Special Edition of the Summit, will address the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on local government, society and lifestyle. It will also be one of the first opportunities for city leaders to connect since the crisis and discuss how the city landscape has been redefined.

The APCS has a strong history of providing tangible business outcomes and will allow your city and its businesses access to markets, which would otherwise be impossible to secure at one time, in the one place.

Since its establishment in 1996 by Brisbane City Council, the APCS has become a leading platform for cities and industry to identify common challenges, exchange knowledge and drive commercial outcomes. Additionally, the 2019APCS was recently **awarded the 'Best Congress or Conference'** at the 2020 Australian Event Awards. Building on this history, proven track record and recent prestigious accolade, Brisbane is delighted to host the Special Edition of the Summit in 2021, home of the APCS.

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The overarching theme of the 2021APCS Special Edition is 'Redefining Cities through Opportunities and Challenges', with sub-themes consisting of:

- **Healthy Cities** - strengthening agility, wellbeing and sustainability
- **Vibrant Cities** - celebrating and enhancing creativity, diversity and tourism
- **Connected Cities** - redefining connections and movement
- **Intelligent Cities** - harnessing and supporting talent, innovation and business.

The inaugural City Leaders' Forum will be an opportunity for city leaders and senior government executives, including Departmental Managers, Economic Development Managers and Smart City Leaders, to re-emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic, network with their peers, share the experiences and activities of their cities, and learn from one another. Given the shared challenges that we have experienced in recent times, the City Leaders' Forum promises to be an exciting opportunity for collaboration.

The 2021APCS Special Edition will also feature a number of site visits throughout Brisbane, each aligning sub-themes of the Summit. These visits will provide an opportunity to learn about Brisbane's strategic projects, share best practice and learn from industry leaders as well as view some of the projects which are underpinning Brisbane's economic recovery strategy. There may also be opportunities to identify new business opportunities for your region. The Summit will take place from 8 – 10 September, with opportunities to explore tourism sites in the region from 11 – 12 September.

Given the increased demands within your own region, I am keen to ensure that you have the 2021APCS Special Edition dates committed to your calendar and consider the significant benefits and opportunities the Summit will present to you and your city. Should you not be able to join us at the Summit personally, I would encourage you to nominate a senior representative to ensure that your city is represented and maximise the opportunity.

To discuss the opportunities available at the Summit for you and your delegation, please contact Ms Megan Tolhurst in Brisbane's International Relations and Multicultural Affairs Unit, which is also the APCS Secretariat, by phone directly on 07 3178 0313 or by email at Megan.Tolhurst@brisbane.qld.gov.au. Alternatively, you may wish to visit the official APCS website at www.apcsummit.org.

I sincerely wish you and your city the very best for its ongoing recovery during this challenging time. I look forward to welcoming you to this event and your contribution to the inaugural City Leaders' Forum at the 2021APCS Special Edition.

Yours sincerely



Colin Jensen
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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Dale Keehne

From: Elaine McLeod <Elaine.McLeod@lgant.asn.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 17 February 2021 15:10
To: **Mayors and Presidents; **Council CEOs
Cc: **Mayors and Presidents EAs; **Council CEO EAs
Subject: Call for nominations to the Local Government Training & Learning Strategy Committee
Attachments: Template nomination form.docx

Good afternoon

This is a call for nominations for a local government Training and Learning Strategy Committee (TALSC) which is being organised by the Division of Local Government, Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet.

Please find attached a nomination form. Nominations can be signed off by the CEO and do not need to go to a council meeting.

It would be very much appreciated if you could have nominations in no later than by **Thursday 4 March 2021**. It is anticipated that the Committee could commence meeting during March and that there would be approximately 4 meetings over 6-8 weeks.

The role of the Committee will be to advise on/develop the Training and Learning Strategy which will govern the Department's development of learning resources (including resources for mandatory training) into the future.

Membership of the Committee is intended to be:

Training and Learning Strategy Committee		
Executive Director Local Government and Community Development (The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet)	1 Chair	Nominated by CM&C
Legislation representative (The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet)	1 Member	Nominated by CM&C
Senior Capability Development Officer (The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet)	1 Member	Nominated by CM&C
LGANT Representative	1 Member	Nominated by LGANT
4 Representatives Regional and Shire Councils	4 Members	Nominated by LGANT
2 representatives Municipal Councils	2 Members	Nominated by LGANT
Representative Industry Skills Advisory Council NT	1 member	Nominated by ISAC NT
ICAC	1 member	Nominated by ICAC
Total members	11	

A Terms of Reference document will be sent to all committee members for discussion at the first meeting.

Kind regards



Elaine McLeod | Executive Assistant to the CEO

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NOMINATION FORM

TRAINING AND LEARNING STRATEGY COMMITTEE



COUNCIL NAME:

1. Agreement to be nominated

I, _____ agree to be nominated as a
(name in full)
member of the *Training and Learning Strategy Committee*.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

2. CEO Confirmation of Nomination

I, _____ the Chief Executive Officer
hereby approve _____
to be nominated as a member of the *Training and Learning Strategy Committee*.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

3. Nominee's Contact Details

Email address: _____

Phone No: _____

Candice O'Halloran

From: Elaine McLeod <Elaine.McLeod@lgant.asn.au>
Sent: Thursday, 18 February 2021 2:04 PM
To: **Mayors and Presidents; **Council CEOs
Cc: **Mayors and Presidents EAs; **Council CEO EAs
Subject: Call for Nominations - Place Names Committee
Attachments: Template nomination form.docx; Procedures for LGANT Representatives on Committees.pdf

Good morning

This is a call for nominations to represent LGANT on the Place Names Committee. This position is by Ministerial appointment and is open to elected members.

For information on the Place Names Committee please visit:

<https://placenames.nt.gov.au/>

Attached are the nomination form and procedures for LGANT representatives on committees.

Could you please forward nominations to me **by Monday, 7 March 2021** so they can be included in the Executive agenda. Due to the short timeframe, we will accept nominations up until 15 March 2021 which will be tabled at the meeting.

A nomination will be endorsed at the Executive meeting on 16 March 2021.

Kind regards



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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY



PROCEDURES FOR LGANT REPRESENTATIVES ON COMMITTEES

LGANT representatives on committees are required to provide the Association with regular reports and an annual report for its Annual General Meeting in November of each year.

The Association also requires the minutes of each meeting attended to be emailed to the CEO's Personal Assistant, elaine.mcleod@lgant.asn.au.

Representatives are required to supply the Association with contact details such as mobile phone number, email address, postal address and the council they are a member of.

The Association will supply information to nominees of committees, including their Terms of Reference.

If a LGANT representative resigns from a committee, he/she is requested to inform the Association in writing, by letter or email, so that an alternative representative can be nominated to the committee.

The Association may remove its endorsement of a representative on a committee if that representative fails to deliver regular reports or misses meetings without just cause. It would then be up to the committee to decide whether or not the representative remains on that committee if the representative is without LGANT endorsement.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTHERN
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NOMINATION FORM

PLACE NAMES COMMITTEE



COUNCIL NAME:

1. Agreement to be nominated

I, _____ agree to be nominated as a
(name in full)
member of the **PLACE NAMES COMMITTEE**.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

2. Council Confirmation of Nomination

I, _____ the Chief Executive Officer

hereby confirm that _____

was approved by resolution of Council to be nominated as a member of the
PLACE NAMES COMMITTEE at a meeting held on / /2021

Signature: _____ Date: _____

3. Nominee's Contact Details

Email address: _____

Phone No: _____



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15 February 2021

Iain Loganathan
 Electoral Commissioner
 GPO Box 2419, Darwin,
 Northern Territory 0801

Dear Iain,

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Mr Dhamarrandji will attend his first Council meeting on Thursday, 25 February 2021.

Kind Regards,

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Maree De Lacey
 Director
 Local Government and Community Development
 Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet
Maree.delacey@nt.gov.au

Dear Maree,

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18 December 2020

Iain Loganathan
 Electoral Commissioner
 GPO Box 2419, Darwin,
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Dear Iain,

I am writing to inform of a casual vacancy in East Arnhem Regional Council's Gumurr Gattjirk Ward. Councillor Lily Roy has been absent without the permission of the Council from the ordinary meeting of 28th October 2020, and again at the next ordinary meeting of 9th December 2020.

As per the Local Government Act 2008, Section 39, subsection (4)(c), I, as Chief Executive Officer, am notifying yourself that the member ceases to hold office under subsection (1)(d).

I include below the extract from both meeting minutes. I can also advise that Councillor Roy was written to between the two meetings to explain the consequences of missing the second meeting.

Council Resolutions as per minutes:

28th October 2020 112/2020 RESOLVED (Elliot Bara/Jason Mirritjawuy)

That Council:

- a. Notes the apologies from Councillors Yananymul Mununggurr, Evelynna Dhamarrandji, Barry Malibirr
- b. Notes that Councillors Yananymul Mununggurr, Evelynna Dhamarrandji, Barry Malibirr are absent with permission.
- c. Councillor Lily Roy is absent without permission.

9th December 2020 123/2020 RESOLVED (Djuwalpi Marika/Joe Djakala)

That Council:

- a. Notes the apologies from Councillor Yananymul Mununggurr and Bobby Wunungmurra and the absence of Lily Roy and Yirmal Marika.
- b. Notes that Councillor Yananymul Mununggurr and Bobby Wunungmurra are absent with permission.
- c. Notes that Councillors Lily Roy and Yirmal Marika are absent without permission.
- d. Notes that this is the second consecutive absence from an Ordinary Council Meeting of Lily Roy without permission, therefore it is councils understanding that Lily Roy's council position will be vacant by the end of the meeting and the CEO will write to notify the Electoral Commissioner.

- e. The President writes to absent councillors to advise them of their need to attend council, whether they have been given permission or not, and the consequences.*

I can further advise that Council considered the matter relating to the vacancy in the Birr Rawarrang Ward that I notified you of earlier this month. Council decided the following, which will also apply to this new vacancy.

130/2020 RESOLVED (Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra/Joe Djakala)

That Council will approach the relevant Local Authorities to ask whether they wish to nominate a person to fill the vacancy until the next election, for any Councillor vacancy from now until the next election in August 2021.

Yours sincerely,



Dale Keehne
Chief Executive Officer
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Hon Chansey Paech MLA
 Minister for Local Government
 Northern Territory Government
Minister.Paech@nt.gov.au

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