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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 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING**

**22 March 2021**

## **ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston, Eric Wurrarama, Lucille Wurrarama, Vail Wurrarama.

## **OBSERVERS**

East Arnhem Regional Council

Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer; Shane Marshall – Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services; Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development; Peter Dunkley – Regional Manager, Youth Sport and Recreation Services; Ulaiasi (Gus) Nawaqa – Community Development Coordinator/ Municipal Service Supervisor.

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

## **MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 11:10 am and welcomed all members and guests.

## **Apologies**

### **2.1 APOLOGIES AND ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE**

#### **SUMMARY:**

This report is to table, for the Local Authority's record, any absences and apologies and requests for leave of absence received from Local Authority Members and what absences that Local Authority gives permission for.

**154/2021 RESOLVED (Lucille Wurrarama/Eric Wurrarama)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) Notes the absence of Councillor Gordon Walsh and Members Elvis Bara, Steven Lalara, Priscilla Bara, Kieranson Wurrarama, Lawrence Yantarrnga, Lance Lalara and Kathy Anne Wurrarama.**
- b) Notes Councillor Gordon Walsh and Members Elvis Bara, Steven Lalara, Priscilla Bara, Kieranson Wurrarama, , Lawrence Yantarrnga, Lance Lalara and Kathy Anne Wurrarama are absent with permission of the Local Authority.**

For

Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston, Eric Wurrarama, Lucille Wurrarama, Vail Wurrarama.

Against  
Nil

**Conflict of Interest**

**3.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**155/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Vail Wurraramara)**

**The Local Authority notes that no conflicts of interest were declared at today's meeting.**

For  
Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston,  
Eric Wurraramara, Lucille Wurraramara, Vail Wurraramara.

Against  
Nil

**Previous Minutes**

**4.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**156/2021 RESOLVED (Violet Huddleston/Vail Wurraramara)**

**That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the meeting of 01 February 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.**

For  
Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston,  
Eric Wurraramara, Lucille Wurraramara, Vail Wurraramara.

Against  
Nil

**MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

**157/2021 RESOLVED (Violet Huddleston/Lucille Wurraramara)**

For  
Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston,  
Eric Wurraramara, Lucille Wurraramara, Vail Wurraramara.

Against

Nil

#### **4.1 PREVIOUS CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

##### **SUMMARY:**

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

**158/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Eric Wurrarama)**

**That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the confidential meeting of 01 February 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.**

#### **MOVE TO OPEN SESSION**

**RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Eric Wurrarama)**

For

Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston, Eric Wurrarama, Lucille Wurrarama, Vail Wurrarama.

Against

Nil

#### **Local Authorities**

#### **5.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIGNATIONS, REVOCATIONS AND NOMINATIONS**

##### **SUMMARY:**

This report is to notify Local Authorities regarding the Resignations, Revocations and Nominations in all nine Local Authorities.

**159/2021 RESOLVED (Eric Wurrarama/Elliot Bara)**

**That the Local Authority notes the Resignations and Approved appointments of the above Local Authority changes.**

For

Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston, Eric Wurrarama, Lucille Wurrarama, Vail Wurrarama.

Against

Nil

## 5.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

### SUMMARY:

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

#### 160/2021 RESOLVED (Elliot Bara/Lucille Wurramara)

- a) That the Local Authority notes the progress of actions from the previous meetings and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.
- b) Street lights - Instead of completed the status of the project to say that the Community Development Coordinator is to do an audit of street lights that need repair and the areas that require more lighting and talk to the Director Technical & Infrastructure Services.
- c) Setting up Centrelink Agency - Director Technical and Infrastructure Services still seeking reasonable price quote to renovate Milyakburra office through Centrelink Agency and Director Community Development working with Centrelink on the provision of trainers and the installation of necessary equipment.
- d) Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government Project status to be updated as pending.

For  
Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston,  
Eric Wurramara, Lucille Wurramara, Vail Wurramara.

Against  
Nil

Break for lunch at 11:59 pm

Resume after lunch at 12:50 pm

## 5.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

### SUMMARY:

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

#### 161/2021 RESOLVED (Lucille Wurramara/Violet Huddleston)

**That the Local Authority notes the current status of community projects and the approved priority projects for the 2021/2022 financial period in addition to the funding distribution and allocated total funding pool for Milyakburra .**

For  
Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston,  
Eric Wurramara, Lucille Wurramara, Vail Wurramara.

Against  
Nil

### **General Business**

#### **7.1 YOUTH SPORT AND RECREATION PLANNING 2021**

##### **SUMMARY:**

This report is to discuss the overall goals and objectives of the Youth, Sport and Recreation program for the 2021/22 financial year. Our aim is to gather feedback and input from Local Authority members to ensure the Youth, Sport and Recreation program is co-designed, culturally appropriate and addresses the needs of each community.

**162/2021 RESOLVED (Violet Huddleston/Vail Wurrarama)**

**That the Local Authority**

- a) Notes this report.**
- b) Recommends that the following be included in Youth, Sport and Recreation programming:**
  - 1) Remote Sports Program - Local Authority members would like to see visiting sporting bodies and other providers spend the night in Milyakburra to ensure the community and youth are getting value from the program.**
  - 2) Regional Manager, Youth Sport and Recreation Services and Community Development Coordinator to communicate with AFL NT about Milyakburra youth participating in the boys under 15 AFL competition in Yirrkala on the 10th of April 2021.**
  - 3) Milyakburra Local Authority members would like to see their youth involved in more community sporting competitions in Angurugu, Umbakumba and on the mainland.**
  - 4) Local Authority members would like Milyakburra Youth Sport and Recreation to source access to a vehicle to use for bush trips with community youth.**
  - 5) Community Development Coordinator will meet with Milyakburra school to discuss potential for school vehicle use by Youth Sport and Recreation Services.**
  - 6) Local Authority members would like Angurugu and/or Umbakumba Youth Sport and Recreation Coordinator to visit Milyakburra and facilitate activity with the Milyakburra Youth Sport and Recreation worker on an alternative day to Bush Fit Mob.**

For  
Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston,  
Eric Wurrarama, Lucille Wurrarama, Vail Wurrarama.

Against  
Nil

## 7.2 CEO REPORT

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

**163/2021 RESOLVED (Elliot Bara/Lucille Wurramara)**

**That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.**

For  
Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston,  
Eric Wurramara, Lucille Wurramara, Vail Wurramara.

Against  
Nil

## COMMUNITY REPORTS

### 8.1 MILYAKBURRA BUDGET REVISION 2020-2021

#### **SUMMARY:**

The East Arnhem Regional Council Budget Revision was approved in the Council Meeting on 25 February 2021. This report details the revised budget for Milyakburra.

**164/2021 RESOLVED (Lucille Wurramara/Violet Huddleston)**

**That the Local Authority receives the report on Milyakburra Revised Budget 2020-2021.**

For  
Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston,  
Eric Wurramara, Lucille Wurramara, Vail Wurramara.

Against  
Nil

### 8.2 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

#### **SUMMARY:**

This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 28 February 2021 within the Local Authority area.

**165/2021 RESOLVED (Elliot Bara/Lucille Wurramara)**

**That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 28 February 2021.**

For  
Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston,  
Eric Wurramara, Lucille Wurramara, Vail Wurramara.

Against

Nil

### **8.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT**

#### **SUMMARY:**

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

**166/2021 RESOLVED (Lucille Wurraramara/Violet Huddleston)**

**That the Local Authority notes the Community Development Coordinator Report.**

For

Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston, Eric Wurraramara, Lucille Wurraramara, Vail Wurraramara.

Against

Nil

### **Questions From Members**

#### **9.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

##### **SUMMARY:**

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

**167/2021 RESOLVED (Lucille Wurraramara/Vail Wurraramara)**

- a) That the Local Authority notes the questions from members and follow up on those questions that cannot be answered at today's meeting.**
- b) Members request CEO to raise their shared concern regarding the health clinic services and seek action from the NT Government Health. The health clinic only has a doctor who visits once a month for five to six hours and the nurses visit only once a week while the clinic, house and ambulance provided to them remain unused. Concern were also raised that there are no indigenous aboriginal nurses, therefore, language barrier becomes an issue at times.**

For

Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston, Eric Wurraramara, Lucille Wurraramara, Vail Wurraramara.

Against

Nil



**Questions From Public**

**10.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**168/2021 RESOLVED (Violet Huddleston/Lucille Wurraramara)**

**That the Local Authority notes that there are no questions from the public**

For

Councillor Elliot Bara, President Kaye Thurlow, Members, Lucinda Bara, Violet Huddleston, Eric Wurraramara, Lucille Wurraramara, Vail Wurraramara.

Against

Nil

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

24 May 2021

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 2:40 pm.

This page and the preceding 8 pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Meeting held on 22 March 2021.