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Community  
Work Confidence  
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Respect

# **AGENDA FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING**

**12 May 2021**

**EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Notice is hereby given that an Special Meeting Of Council of the East Arnhem Regional Council will be held at the Nhulunbuy Office on Wednesday, 12 May 2021 at 09:00am.

Dale Keehne  
**Chief Executive Officer**

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11.3 T20-203416.3

Gapuwiyak Access Road Upgrades

*The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2), Regulation 8 (c)(I) of the Local Government Act and Local Government (Administration) Regulations. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person.*

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*The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2), Regulation 8 (c)(I) of the Local Government Act and Local Government (Administration) Regulations. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person.*

11.5 Confidential Correspondence Register

*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.*

## 12 MEETING CLOSURE

**CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MINUTES**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 4.1  
**TITLE** Unconfirmed Minutes of the Council Meeting held 30 April 2021  
**REFERENCE** 1476045  
**AUTHOR** Candice O'Halloran, Governance, Local Authority and Communication Officer

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the minutes be taken as read and accepted as a true record of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 30 April 2021.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 Ordinary Council 2021-04-30 [1596] Minutes.DOCX



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## **MINUTES FOR THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**30 April 2021**

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE NHULUNBUY OFFICE ON  
FRIDAY, 30 APRIL 2021 AT 09:00AM

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**MEETING OPENING – 10:14**

**ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

**In Attendance:**

The President, Kaye Thurlow in the Chair and Councillors Yananymul Mununggurr, Gordon Walsh, Wesley B Wunungmurra, Bobby M Wunungmurra, David Djalangi, Jason Mirritjawuy, Joe Djakala, Djuwalpi Marika, Lapulung Dhamarrandji

East Arnhem Regional Council Representative  
Dale Keehne – CEO, Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services,  
Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development and Michael Freeman – Corporate Services Manager

Minute Taker – Candice O'Halloran – Acting Governance, Local Authorities and Communication Manager

**ACCEPTANCE OF ATTENDANCES AND APOLOGISES**

**016/2021 RESOLVED (Yananymul Mununggurr/Djuwalpi Marika)**

That Council notes:

- a) Cr Yirmal Marika, Elliot Bara, Evelynna Dhamarrandji and David Djalangi are absent from Council.
- b) Cr Yirmal Marika has provided an verbal apology.
- c) Cr Yirmal Marika, David Djalangi, Elliot Bara and Evelynna Dhamarrandji is absent from Council with permission.

**For:**

**President Kaye Thurlow and Councillors Yananymul Mununggurr, Gordon Walsh, Wesley B Wunungmurra, Bobby M Wunungmurra, Jason Mirritjawuy, Joe Djakala, Djuwalpi Marika, Lapulung Dhamarrandji**

**Against:**

Nil

**Elected Members Attendance**

**3.1 ELECTED MEMBERS ATTENDANCE**

**SUMMARY:**

The role of Elected Members of Council is to:

- Represent the interests of all residents and ratepayers of the Council area.
- Provide leadership and guidance.
- Facilitate communication between the members of the council's constituency and the Council.
- To participate in the deliberations of the Council and its community activities.
- To ensure, as far as practicable, that the Council acts honestly, efficiently and appropriately in carrying out its statutory responsibilities.

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There are 6 ordinary Council meetings each year and Councillors are required to attend as many as they can. If a Councillor is absent without permission from Council for 2 consecutive ordinary meetings of the Council then they cease to be a Councillor.

**GENERAL**

Sections 73 and 74 (Elected Members) *Local Government Act 2008*.

**REGISTER:**

2020/2021 Attendance and Apologies Register for Meetings Ordinary Council Meeting							
Key	✓	Attendance	X	Absent	∞	Apology	Not Required
Councillor	26.02.2020	29.04.2020	24.06.2020	26.08.2020	28.10.2020	09.12.2020	25.02.2021
	Nhulunbuy	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Nhulunbuy	Nhulunbuy	Nhulunbuy	Nhulunbuy	Nhulunbuy
Kaye Thurlow	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
David Djalangi	✓	✓	✓	∞	✓	✓	✓
Evelyna Dhamarrandji	✓	✓	∞	✓	∞	✓	✓
Elliot Bara	∞	✓	∞	✓	✓	✓	X
Gordon Walsh	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Joe Djakala	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
Lapulung Dhamarrandji	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	✓
Jason Mirritjawuy	∞	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bobby Wunungmurra	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
Yananymul Mununggurr	✓	∞	✓	✓	∞	∞	✓
Djuwalpi Marika	∞	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Yirmal Marika	X	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓

2020/2021 Attendance and Apologies Register for Meetings Special Council Meeting					
Key	∞	Apology	∞	Not Required	
Councillor	08.05.2020	04.06.2020	30.07.2020	16.11.2020	15.02.2021
	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference
Kaye Thurlow	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
David Djalangi	✓	✓	✓	✓	∞
Evelyna Dhamarrandji	✓	X	X	X	∞
Elliot Bara	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Gordon Walsh	✓	✓	✓	✓	∞
Joe Djakala	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lapulung Dhamarrandji					
Jason Mirritjawuy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wesley Bandi	✓	X	✓	✓	✓



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Wunungmurra						
Bobby Wunungmurra	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
Yananymul Mununggurr	□	✓	✓	□	□	□
Djuwalpi Marika	✓	□	✓	✓	✓	✓
Yirmal Marika	✓	□	X	X	✓	✓

2020/2021 Attendance and Apologies Register for Meetings  
Finance Committee Meeting

					□
Key	✓	Attendance	X	Absent	∞
Councillor	30.09.2020	25.11.2020	20.01.2021	31.03.2021	
	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	
Kaye Thurlow	✓	Unable to hold due to members availability	✓	∞	
David Djalangi	✓		✓	∞	
Evelyna Dhamarrandji	∞		∞	∞	
Elliot Bara	X		✓	∞	
Gordon Walsh	✓		✓	✓	
Joe Djakala	✓		✓	✓	
Lapulung Dhamarrandji					
Jason Mirritjawuy	✓		✓	✓	
Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra	✓		∞	✓	
Bobby Wunungmurra	∞		✓	∞	
Yananymul Mununggurr	X		∞	∞	
Djuwalpi Marika	∞		✓	✓	
Yirmal Marika	∞		∞	∞	

2020/2021 Attendance and Apologies Register for Meetings  
Audit Committee Meeting

					□	Apology
Key	✓	Attendance	X	Absent	∞	Not Required
Councillor	03.03.2020	07.07.2020	23.09.2020	03.11.2020	02.03.2021	
	Darwin	Darwin	Darwin (Special)	Darwin	Darwin	
Kaye Thurlow	Unable to hold due to member availability	✓	✓	✓	✓	
David Djalangi		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Evelyna Dhamarrandji		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Elliot Bara		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Gordon Walsh		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Lily Roy		∞	∞	∞	∞	

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Joe Djakala		oo	oo	oo	oo	
Barry Malibirr		oo	oo	oo	oo	
Jason Mirritjawuy		oo	oo	oo	oo	
Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Bobby Wunungmurra		oo	oo	oo	oo	
Yananyumul Mununggurr		oo	oo	oo	oo	
Djuwalpi Marika		oo	oo	oo	oo	
Yirrmal Marika		oo	oo	oo	oo	

**017/2021 RESOLVED (Djuwalpi Marika/Yananyumul Mununggurr)**

That Council notes the running attendance register for Elected Members 2020-2021.

For:

President Kaye Thurlow and Councillors Yananyumul Mununggurr, Gordon Walsh, Wesley B Wunungmurra , Bobby M Wunungmurra, Jason Mirritjawuy, Joe Djakala, Djuwalpi Marika, Lapulung Dhamarrandji

Against:

Nil

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil.

**Previous Council Minutes**

**6.2 UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 25 FEBRUARY 2021**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the minutes be taken as read and accepted as a true record of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 25 February 2021.

**018/2021 RESOLVED (Gordon Walsh/Yananyumul Mununggurr)**

That the minutes be taken as read and accepted as a true record of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 25 February 2021.

For:

President Kaye Thurlow and Councillors Yananyumul Mununggurr, Gordon Walsh, Wesley B Wunungmurra , Bobby M Wunungmurra, Jason Mirritjawuy, Joe Djakala, Djuwalpi Marika, Lapulung Dhamarrandji

Against:

Nil

**MOVE IN TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

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019/2021 RESOLVED (Jason Mirritjawuy/Gordon Walsh)

**For:**

President Kaye Thurlow and Councillors Yananymul Mununggurr, Gordon Walsh, Wesley B Wunungmurra , Bobby M Wunungmurra, Jason Mirritjawuy, Joe Djakala, Djuwalpi Marika, Lapulung Dhamarrandji

**Against:**

Nil

**MOVE BACK TO OPEN SESSION**

020/2021 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Yananymul Mununggurr)

**For:**

President Kaye Thurlow and Councillors Yananymul Mununggurr, Gordon Walsh, Wesley B Wunungmurra , Bobby M Wunungmurra, Jason Mirritjawuy, Joe Djakala, Djuwalpi Marika, Lapulung Dhamarrandji

**Against:**

Nil

**PRESIDENT AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

Deferred to next meeting

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**

**8.1 COUNCIL MEMBERS EXTRAMEETING ALLOWANCE 2020-2021**

**SUMMARY:**

The EARC Extra Meeting Allowance Policy (19/08/2020 CO) states that the Council may resolve that an extra meeting allowance will be payable where an Elected Member is to represent Council in external meetings as an official representative. This report is for Council to determine which other meetings are approved for representation by Councillors.

021/2021 RESOLVED (Yananymul Mununggurr/Keith Lapulung Dhamarrandji)

**That Council notes the Extra Meeting Allowance report.**

**For:**

President Kaye Thurlow and Councillors Yananymul Mununggurr, Gordon Walsh, Wesley B Wunungmurra , Bobby M Wunungmurra, Jason Mirritjawuy, Joe Djakala, Djuwalpi Marika, Lapulung Dhamarrandji

**Against:**

Nil

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**Corporate Services Reports**

**11.1 FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is tabled to provide the Finance Report for the period ended the 31 March 2021 for its approval.

**Finance Section**

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

The finance report for the period ended 31 March 2021 is attached to the report for consideration and the following points are highlighted in the report:

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

The end of March is nine months through the financial year, or 75%.

Revenue received is 92% of the year budget. The only disappointing item is Interest due to the collapse in interest rates in the economy.

Expenditure overall is at 52%. Employee costs are at 65%. Contracts are at 30%. This reflects the one off nature of infrastructure works. Over \$10.8m of contracts are in progress, bringing the Contracts figure to 72%.

**Human Resources Section**

Employee expenses to the end of March by locations and service are presented with comments.

Total employees: 306

**022/2021 RESOLVED (Yananymul Mununggurr/Joe Djakala)**

**That the Council approves the Finance Report with Human Resources information for the period ended the 31 March 2021.**

**For:**

**President Kaye Thurlow and Councillors Yananymul Mununggurr, Gordon Walsh, Wesley B Wunungmurra , Bobby M Wunungmurra, Jason Mirritjawuy, Joe Djakala, Djuwalpi Marika, Lapulung Dhamarrandji**

**Against:**

**Nil**

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**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Special Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 12 May 2021

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 10:50am.

This page and the preceding 7 pages are the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Friday, 30 April 2021 ,and are to be confirmed.

**MINUTES OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Unconfirmed Minutes of Council Committees
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1476022
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Candice O'Halloran, Governance, Local Authority and Communication Officer

Council has two committees, the:

1. Finance Committee to approve financial reports in the months Council does not meet;
2. Audit Committee - provides advice to Council on Governance, Risk and Controls matters.

The Audit Committee met on 2 March 2021 and the Finance Committee met on 31 March 2021.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Council notes the Ordinary Minutes of the Audit Committee that met on 2 March 2021 and the Finance Committee that met on 31 March 2021.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 AC\_02 MARCH 2021\_ORDINARY MINUTES FINAL.pdf
- 2 Executive Summary of Audit Comm Meeting 2 March 2020.pdf
- 3 Finance Committee 2021-03-31 [1592] Minutes.DOCX



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## **MINUTES FOR THE AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING**

**2 March 2021**

MINUTES OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE DARWIN  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 2 MARCH 2021 AT 08:00AM

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**OFFICIAL OPENING**

Meeting Started at 8:05 am

**ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

**Attendance:**

In the Chair C Milikins (External Member), G Arnott (External Member), President K Thurlow, Cr W Wunungmurra, Cr G Walsh, Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer EARC, Shane Marshall, Director Technical & Infrastructure Services EARC, Andrew Walsh, Director Community Development EARC, Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager EARC, Rudra Suntharalingam, Risk Assurance and Policy Manager EARC.

**Apologies:**

None

**Minutes:**

Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

**Welcome Note:**

The meeting commenced with the Committee welcoming Mr Greg Arnott (New External Independent Member), and recognising the extensive experience and skills, particularly in Local Government, that Greg brings to the committee.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**4.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE AND STAFF OF EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Greg Arnott declared that he is the Assistant Director of Corporate Services of Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory.

Clare Milikins declared her resignation from Board and Audit Committee of Jacana Energy, effective 28 February 2021.

Kaye Thurlow declared that she is a representative in the Northern Territory's Grants Commission. This declaration was already noted in the Declaration of Interest Register.

No conflict of interest with the Committee's agenda was evident from the above disclosures.

There were no further new declarations of Interest.

Cr W Wunungmurra joined the meeting at 8:08 am

**4.2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES OF AUDIT COMMITTEE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3 2020**

**RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Kaye Thurlow)



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That the Audit Committee confirms minutes of the meeting held on 3 November 2020 to be true and correct.

**For:** Chair C Milikins (External Member), G Arnott (External Member), President K Thurlow, Cr W Wunungmurra, Cr G Walsh

**Against:** None

**4.3 TO REVIEW AND DISCUSS STATUS OF ACTIONS NOTED IN THE ACTION TAKEN REGISTER.**

**RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra)

That the Audit Committee:

- (a) Noted the significant number of action items with a deadline of June 2021. Management was requested to review the target due dates to ensure they were actually achievable and prioritise the more critical items to ensure actions can be implemented by the dates stated.
- (b) For item 1, notes that the Council Workshop on Asset Management has been deferred because of damage to the road network and costing needs to be re-assessed.
- (c) For item 3 (Road Map for the new Risk Management Methodology) planned completion date/s are required.
- (d) For item 16 (Fraud Awareness Training) include planned completion date.
- (e) Recommends removal of satisfactorily closed action items from the register.

**For:** Chair C Milikins (External Member), G Arnott (External Member), President K Thurlow, Cr W Wunungmurra, Cr G Walsh

**Against:** None

**4.4 DISCUSSION OF THE FINAL INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT - REVIEW ON PROCUREMENT (NON TENDER) & CREDIT CARDS**

**RESOLVED:** (Gordon Walsh / Greg Arnott)

That the Audit Committee:

- (a) Noted there were significant findings in this special audit.
- (b) Requested that Management
  - Color code the summary observation table of the paper according to the risk rating for ease of reading
  - Include recommendations/action plan in the summary schedule in the main paper
- (c) Noted that Vendor Advance Payment is not on the summary observation table of the paper, although rated as High, however as it was a one off item, it was not included.
- (d) Noted that the system needs to be aligned to the approved delegation manual.
- (e) Noted that it is not always possible to have segregation of duties between raising and approving of purchases and invoices in remote communities and suggested that Council recognise this limitation in its policy and document its tolerance for this risk.
- (f) Queried why the "No documentation approval for issuance and increase of credit limits of Council Credit Cards" was not rated as a High risk versus and noted management's explanation that the issue related to missing records and retrospective approval has been subsequently obtained. Records have now been properly filed.
- (g) Acknowledged the Corporate Services Manager's proposal to undertake this

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audit an annual basis, due to the significant annual spend in this area by Council. The Committee deferred agreement until it had the opportunity to review the 3-year Internal Audit Plan and requested this plan be presented for the committee's consideration at the next meeting.

- (h) Notes Corporate Services Manager's indication that other significant expense area is Payroll

**For:** Chair C Milikins (External Member), G Arnott (External Member), President K Thurlow, Cr W Wunungmurra, Cr G Walsh

**Against:** None

#### 4.5 DISCUSSION ON SPECIAL AUDIT REPORT - COMPLAINTS PROCESS

**RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra)

That the Audit Committee reviewed the Complaints Process Final Special Audit Report and notes that the implementation work has started with a top to bottom approach.

**For:** Chair C Milikins (External Member), G Arnott (External Member), President K Thurlow, Cr W Wunungmurra, Cr G Walsh

**Against:** None

#### 4.6 TO REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE AUDIT TRACKING REGISTER

**RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh / Greg Arnott)

That the Audit Committee:

- (a) Reviewed and deliberated on the items within the register and identified the significant number of items with June 2021 due dates. Management was asked to review these dates and prioritise the more important tasks, ensuring there will not be a continuing need to amend the dates in future.
- (b) Recommended that Item 2 (under Performance Management Audit Report) needs to be updated to reflect that a structured induction process has been adopted.

Meeting stopped at 8:52 am for the purpose of a Risk Appetite Workshop

Meeting reopened at 11:26 am

- (c) Noted that the process for Records Destruction has been established and started and will now be a continual process.
- (d) Recommends removal of satisfactorily closed internal audit action items from the register.
- (e) Notes closed External Audit action items and recommends these be removed after verification by External Auditors.

**For:** Chair C Milikins (External Member), G Arnott (External Member), President K Thurlow, Cr W Wunungmurra, Cr G Walsh

**Against:** None

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**4.7 TO DISCUSS AND REVIEW THE FRAUD PREVENTION POLICY AND FRAUD  
PROCEDURE.**

**RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra)

**That the Audit Committee:**

- (a) Noted that the Council has a current Fraud Control Policy in place.
- (b) Requested management review the proposed Policy and Procedure with a view to making them simple and easy to understand and refer for all staff to understand exactly what fraud is and what is expected out of them.
- (c) Recommends the following for the policy
  - At the high level should state that Council does not tolerate fraud;
  - Expand and simplify the definition of fraud and ensure it includes theft of money;
  - Clarify and step out the process and channels for reporting suspected fraud including staff obligations and Council managers roles (positions not names);
  - Include a requirement that trained investigators be used for suspected fraud investigations and recognise explicitly that there will be reporting to the police; and
  - Clarify and distinguish ICAC's role.

**For:** Chair C Milikins (External Member), G Arnott (External Member), President K Thurlow, Cr W Wunungmurra, Cr G Walsh

**Against:** None

**4.8 STATUS OF GOVERNANCE, RISK AND CONTROL ACTIVITIES**

**RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra)

**That the Audit Committee reviews and notes the briefing from the CEO and Corporate Services Manager on the status of Governance, Risk and Control activities.**

**For:** Chair C Milikins (External Member), G Arnott (External Member), President K Thurlow, Cr W Wunungmurra, Cr G Walsh

**Against:** None

The meeting closed at **11:58 am**

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 4 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Audit Committee Meeting HELD ON Tuesday, 2 March 2021 ARE TO BE CONFIRMED Tuesday, 6 July 2021.

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Chair



## **AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING**

**2 March 2021**

### **SIGNIFICANT MATTERS FOR THE COUNCIL'S ATTENTION**

#### **Independent Members:**

The Committee's new independent member commenced with attendance at this meeting.

#### **Audit of Procurement and Credit Cards:**

This audit resulted in significant findings principally around the alignment of financial systems with the approved delegations and the need for better and more structured record keeping ensuring all approvals and related documentation is captured. The Committee requested that the 3-year Internal Plan be provided for consideration at its next meeting noting management's suggestion that Procurement and Payroll may need to be annual audits due to their size and risk.

#### **Audit of Complaints process:**

The Committee noted the audit findings and managements assurances that a structured process is being implemented throughout Council. The Committee will monitor progress.

#### **Planned Completion Dates for Action Items, Audit Actions and Policies:**

The significant number of items with 30 June 2021 due dates was raised as a concern as achieving these dates was likely to be problematic and when everything has the same due date there is no prioritisation of the critical issues. The Committee requested that management ensure that critical items are identified and prioritised and that the due dates provided are realistically achievable and do not regularly change as has occurred in a number of areas.

#### **Fraud Policy and Procedures:**

There was continued concern regarding the clarity of the proposed revised Fraud Policy and Procedures. Given that Council currently has a Fraud Policy in place, the Committee requested Management review the proposed policy framework against the template due for release for the NT Government. It specifically asked Management to reframe the policy to make it simple and easy to understand for all staff and the procedures to make it clear what staff obligations are and what they need to report and to whom. The importance of having suspected fraud investigated by appropriate trained investigators on the Policy was also noted.

#### **Risk Appetite Workshop and Strategic Risk Register:**

The Committee participated in a Risk Appetite Workshop run by JLT as part of the strategic risk management process and noted the importance of this work in providing a framework for the identification of strategic risk and informing the on-going internal audit plan.

**Clare Milikins**

Chair



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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 FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

31 March 2021

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING VIA NHULUNBUY OFFICE  
ON WEDNESDAY, 31 MARCH 2021 AT 10:00AM

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**MEETING OPENING - 10:12 AM**

**ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

**Attendance:**

In the Chair Deputy President Djuwalpi Marika and Councillors Gordon Walsh, Wesley B Wunungmurra, Jason Mirritjawuy and Joe Djakala.

Michael Freeman – Corporate Services Manager

Minute Taker: Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**APOLOGIES**

**RESOLVED** (Joe Djakala/Jason Mirritjawuy)

**That Council notes apologies from Councillor Yananymul Mununggurr, President, Kaye Thurlow, Councillors Elliot Bara, David Djalangi.**

For: J Djakala, D Marika, J Mirritjawuy, G Walsh and WB Wunungmurra  
Against: Nil

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

**RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Jason Mirritjawuy)

**The Council notes that no declaration of interest was declared at today's meeting.**

For: J Djakala, D Marika, J Mirritjawuy, G Walsh and WB Wunungmurra  
Against: Nil

**Minutes:**

**Confirmation of Minutes of Finance Committee Meeting**

**UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 20  
JANUARY 2021**

**RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Jason Mirritjawuy)

**That the minutes be taken as read and accepted as a true record of the Finance Committee meeting held on 20 January 2021.**

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING VIA NHULUNBUY OFFICE  
ON WEDNESDAY, 31 MARCH 2021 AT 10:00AM

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**FINANCE REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is tabled to the Finance Committee to provide the Finance Report for the period ended the 28 February 2021 for its approval.

**RESOLVED** (Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra/Jason Mirritjawuy)

That the Finance Committee

- a) Approves the Finance Report for the period ended the 28 February 2021.
- b) Points out the importance of the EARC Executives (CEO and Directors) to attend the Finance Committee meeting to provide detailed insight on the numbers of the Finance Report.

**DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLVED** (Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra/Joe Djakala)

Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 10A(s) of the Local Government Act, 2008 as the items lists come within the following provisions:-

**Information On Debtors** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2), Regulation 8 (b) of the Local Government Act and Local Government (Administration) Regulations. It contains information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.*

**CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS**

**INFORMATION ON DEBTORS**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is to provide an update on the debtors of Council.

**Note:** *Corporate Services Manager to meet in person with the Deputy President to further explore about the outstanding rates.*

**RESOLVED** (Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra/Joe Djakala)

That the Finance Committee receives the information on Council Debtors

The meeting closed at **10:52 am**.

This page and the preceding 2 pages are the minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 31 March 2021 are to be confirmed on 12 May 2021.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Elected Members Attendance
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1476044
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Candice O'Halloran, Governance, Local Authority and Communication Officer

**SUMMARY:**

The role of Elected Members of Council is to:

- Represent the interests of all residents and ratepayers of the Council area.
- Provide leadership and guidance.
- Facilitate communication between the members of the council's constituency and the Council.
- To participate in the deliberations of the Council and its community activities.
- To ensure, as far as practicable, that the Council acts honestly, efficiently and appropriately in carrying out its statutory responsibilities.

There are 6 ordinary Council meetings each year and Councillors are required to attend as many as they can. If a Councillor is absent without permission from Council for 2 consecutive ordinary meetings of the Council then they cease to be a Councillor.

**GENERAL**

Sections 73 and 74 (Elected Members) *Local Government Act 2008*.

**REGISTER:**

2020/2021 Attendance and Apologies Register for Meetings							
Ordinary Council Meeting							
Key	✓ Attendance	X Absent Without Permission	∞ Not Required	■ Apology	^ Absent with Permission		
Councillor	24.06.2020	26.08.2020	28.10.2020	09.12.2020	25.02.2021	30.04.2021	
	Nhulunbuy	Nhulunbuy	Nhulunbuy	Nhulunbuy	Nhulunbuy	Nhulunbuy	
Kaye Thurlow	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
David Djalangi	✓	■	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Evelyna Dhamarrandji	■	✓	■	✓	✓	^	
Elliot Bara	■	✓	✓	✓	X	^	
Gordon Walsh	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Joe Djakala	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Jason Mirritjawuy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Bobby Wunungmurra	✓	✓	✓	■	^	X	✓
Yananymul Mununggurr	✓	✓	■	■	^	✓	✓
Djuwalpi Marika	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Yirmal Marika	X	X	✓	X	✓	■	^
Lapulung Dhamarrandji	∞	∞	∞	∞	✓	✓	



### 2020/2021 Attendance and Apologies Register for Meetings Special Council Meeting

	<input type="checkbox"/>	Apology	∞	Not Required		
Key	✓	Attendance	X	Absent		
Councillor	08.05.2020	04.06.2020	30.07.2020	16.11.2020	15.02.2021	
	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	
Kaye Thurlow	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
David Djalangi	✓	✓	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Evelyna Dhamarrandji	✓	X	X	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Elliot Bara	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	
Gordon Walsh	✓	✓	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Joe Djakala	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Jason Mirritjawuy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Bobby Wunungmurra	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Yananyumul Mununggurr	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Djuwalpi Marika	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	✓	✓	
Yirmal Marika	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	X	✓	

### 2020/2021 Attendance and Apologies Register for Meetings Finance Committee Meeting

					<input type="checkbox"/>	Apology
Key	✓	Attendance	X	Absent	∞	Not Required
Councillor	30.09.2020	25.11.2020	20.01.2021	31.03.2021		
	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference	Video Conference/ Teleconference		
Kaye Thurlow	✓	Unable to hold due to members availability	✓	∞		
David Djalangi	✓		✓	X		
Evelyna Dhamarrandji	∞		∞	∞		
Elliot Bara	X		✓	X		
Gordon Walsh	✓		✓	✓		
Joe Djakala	✓		✓	✓		
Jason Mirritjawuy	✓		✓	✓		
Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra	✓		∞	✓		
Bobby Wunungmurra	∞		✓	∞		
Yananyumul Mununggurr	X		∞	X		
Djuwalpi Marika	∞		✓	✓		
Yirmal Marika	∞		∞	∞		
Lapulung Dhamarrandji	∞		∞	∞		

2020/2021 Attendance and Apologies Register for Meetings Audit Committee Meeting						
					<input type="checkbox"/>	Apology
Key	✓	Attendance	X	Absent	∞	Not Required
Councillor	03.03.2020	07.07.2020	23.09.2020	03.11.2020	02.03.2021	
	Darwin	Darwin	Darwin (Special)	Darwin	Darwin	
Kaye Thurlow	Unable to hold due to member availability	✓	✓	✓	✓	
David Djalangi		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Evelyna Dhamarrandji		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Elliot Bara		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Gordon Walsh		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Lily Roy		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Joe Djakala		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Barry Malibirr		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Jason Mirritjawuy		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Bobby Wunungmurra		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Yananyumul Mununggurr		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Djuwalpi Marika		∞	∞	∞	∞	
Yirmal Marika	∞	∞	∞	∞		

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the running attendance register for Elected Members 2020-2021.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.2
<b>TITLE</b>	Declaration of Registered Interest Register
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1476043
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Candice O'Halloran, Governance, Local Authority and Communication Officer

**SUMMARY:**

Elected Members are required to disclose an interest in a matter under consideration by Council at a meeting of the Council or a meeting of a Council committee:

1) In the case of a matter featured in an officer's report or written agenda item by disclosing the interest to the Council as soon as possible after the matter is raised.

2) In the case of a matter raised in general debate or by any means other than the printed agenda of the Council by disclosure as soon as possible after the matter is raised.

Under disclosure, a member has a conflict of interest in a question arising for decision by the Council, Local Board or Council Local Authority, or Committee if the member or an associate of the member has a personal or financial interest in how the question is decided.

**GENERAL**

Sections 73 and 74 (Elected Members) Local Government Act 2008.

**REGISTER:**

Member's Names/ Families Names	Relationships	Entity Name	Connection to Entity
<b>Kaye Thurlow</b>			
<b>David Djalangi</b>			
R Guywanga	Wife		
Kenisha Gumbula	Granddaughter	NAAJA	Employee
L Gumbula	Granddaughter		
<b>Evelyna Dhamarrandji</b>			
Geoffrey Gurwanawuy	Grandfather	Arnhem Land Progress Association	Director
Dassy Gondarra	Grandmother	Shepherdson College	CLO
<b>Elliot Bara</b>			
Steven Bara	Brother		
Keenan Bara	Cousin		
<b>Gordon Walsh</b>			
Gordon Walsh		Warningakalinga Aboriginal Corporation	General Manager /Director
Andrew Walsh	Son	EARC	Director Community

			<b>Development</b>
<b>Marianne Walsh</b>	<b>Wife</b>	<b>Groote Eylandt Aboriginal Trust</b>	<b>Employee</b>
<b>Erin Walsh</b>	<b>Daughter In Law</b>	<b>Arnhem Land Progress Association - Community Development</b>	<b>Employee</b>
<b>Joe Djakala</b>			
<b>Keith Lapulung</b>			
		<b>ALPA</b>	<b>Director</b>
		<b>Manpan Furniture</b>	<b>Chair</b>
		<b>Milingimbi School Council</b>	<b>Chair</b>
		<b>Gulka Milingimbi Hostel</b>	<b>Committee Member</b>
		<b>REM Committee</b>	<b>Board Member</b>
		<b>Gattjirrk Yolngu Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>Director</b>
<b>Jason Mirritjawuy</b>			
		<b>Arnhem Land Progress Association</b>	<b>Director</b>
<b>Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra</b>			
<b>Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra</b>		<b>Yolngu Business Enterprise (2)</b>	<b>Director</b>
<b>Micky Wunungmurra</b>	<b>Brother</b>	<b>Arnhem Land Progress Association</b>	<b>Director</b>
<b>Bobby Wunungmurra</b>	<b>Brother</b>	<b>Northern Land Council, LGANT, EARC</b>	<b>Director/Councillor</b>
<b>Bobby Wunungmurra</b>			
<b>Bobby Wunungmurra</b>		<b>LGANT, Northern Land Council</b>	<b>Director, Director</b>
<b>Micky Wunungmurra</b>		<b>Arnhem Land Progress Association</b>	<b>Director</b>
<b>Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra</b>		<b>Yolngu Business Enterprise (2), EARC</b>	<b>Director</b>
<b>Yananyumul Mununggurr</b>			
		<b>Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>Director</b>
		<b>Gauybu Housing A.C</b>	<b>Director</b>
		<b>AHANT</b>	<b>Director</b>
		<b>Yothu Yindi Foundation</b>	<b>Director</b>
		<b>Northern Land Council</b>	<b>Director</b>
		<b>ABA</b>	<b>Committee Member</b>

		<b>Mikan (Dept. of Families)</b>	<b>Committee Member</b>
<b>Djuwalpi Marika</b>			
		<b>Northern Land Council</b>	<b>Director</b>
		<b>Rirratjingu Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>Director</b>
		<b>Miwatj Health</b>	<b>Director</b>
		<b>Yirrkala Housing</b>	<b>Director</b>
		<b>Alcohol Management</b>	<b>Director</b>
<b>Yirmal Marika</b>			

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the Conflict of Interest and Related Parties Register and no Change is to be made, or Conflict of Interest declared.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.3
<b>TITLE</b>	Council Members Extra Meeting Allowance 2020-2021
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1477193
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Candice O'Halloran, Governance, Local Authority and Communication Officer

**SUMMARY:**

The EARC Extra Meeting Allowance Policy (19/08/2020 CO) states that the Council may resolve that an extra meeting allowance will be payable where an Elected Member is to represent Council in external meetings as an official representative. This report is for Council to determine which other meetings are approved for representation by Councillors.

**BACKGROUND:**

Section 71(1) of the *Local Government Act 2008* (the Act) provides that, "a member of council is entitled to be paid an allowance by the council."

Guideline 2 to the Act provides advice on extra meeting allowances. This includes that:

- For a principal member, deputy principal member and acting principal member, this allowance is not paid separately. It is provided for and included in the base allowance.
- For other Council members (known as Ordinary Council members) this allowance is paid only in accordance with Council policy and after an approved claim is made.

The maximum claimable amount for 2020/21 is \$9006.64. The meeting rate is \$360.00.

Table: Extra Meeting Allowance to Date by Councillor for 2020/21

Elected Member	Number of Meetings							Total Remain	Have spent so far
	Local Authorities	Special	Workshop/ Informal	Official Representat ion	Audit	Finance			
Kaye Thurlow	Principal Member								
Djuwalpi Marika	Deputy Principal Member								
Elliot Bara	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 1,800.00			\$ 360.00	\$4,686.64	\$ 4,320.00	
David Djalangi	\$ 720.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 360.00		\$ 1,080.00	\$3,966.64	\$ 5,040.00	
Evelyna Dhamarrandji	\$ 720.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 1,800.00				\$6,126.64	\$ 2,880.00	
Joe Djakala	\$ 2,160.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 360.00		\$ 1,440.00	\$1,806.64	\$ 7,200.00	
Yirmal Marika	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 1,800.00				\$6,486.64	\$ 2,520.00	
Jason Mirritjawuy	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 360.00		\$ 1,080.00	\$2,526.64	\$ 6,480.00	
Yananyumul Mununggurr	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 720.00			\$6,126.64	\$ 2,880.00	
Gordon Walsh	\$ 2,160.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 1,800	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 6.64	\$ 9,000.00	
Bobby Wunungmurra	\$ 1,080.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 1,800.00		\$ 360.00	\$2,886.64	\$ 6,120.00	
Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra	\$ 2,160.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 1080.00	\$ 1,800	\$ 720.00	\$6.64	\$ 9,000.00	
Lapulung Dhamarrandji		\$ 360.00	\$ 1,080.00	\$ 360.00			\$7,206.64	\$ 1,800.00	

### **EARC Extra Meeting Allowance Policy**

EARC's Extra Meeting Allowance Policy outlines:

- which meetings attract allowances;
- the rate of allowances;
- eligibility; and
- procedures for claiming allowances.

Under the Extra Meeting Allowance Policy, claims must be made using a form approved by Council and must include the date of the meeting and the period of time the Elected Member was present at the meeting.

#### **GENERAL:**

The Council determines which external meetings will attract an extra meeting allowance.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council notes the Extra Meeting Allowance table above.**

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

## REPORTS OF OFFICERS

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.4
<b>TITLE</b>	CEO Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1474341
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer



### SUMMARY:

This is a report of the key broad matters for Council since the last report to the Ordinary Council Meeting, in addition to those covered in other parts of the pre-meeting sessions and Ordinary Council meeting agenda.

### GENERAL

It has been a very busy period in the last couple of months.

#### Community Cabinet Visit

Congratulations are due to all local and regional staff, and Local Authority Elected and Appointed Members involved in engaging with the Community Cabinet held in our three Anindilyakwa communities.

Council and the Local Authorities were able to showcase the amazing amount of previous, current and planned services and projects across the Groote Archipelago.

Local Authority Chairs and Members took the lead in discussions with the Minister for Local Government, Chansey Paech, and guiding him around each of their communities. Minister Paech and the other Ministers were very impressed, and could see first hand the central role of Local Authorities in the development and advancement of their communities.

#### Official Launch of Regional Office

Much work was also done to prepare for the launch of the new regional support office in Nhulunbuy scheduled for the end of April. The launch was cancelled in recognition of the very sad events in Yirrkala, that have affected many across the region.

We look forward to holding the official launch in the next couple of months, that will involve many of our long serving Aboriginal staff from across the region, Indigenous Liaison Officers, Local Authority Chairs, Councillors, and the Chairs, Board Members and CEO's of the range of other Aboriginal organisations in the region, government officials and, of course, the Minister for Local Government Chansey Paech, and the Minister for Local Decision Making, Aboriginal Affairs, and Justice and Attorney-General Selena Uibo.

A traditional bungal ceremony led by Wityana Marika will be at the heart of the event, to ensure full and proper recognition of cultural protocols by all involved.

#### 9 Million for 50 Projects to 9 Communities

The celebration of the launch of the new office will be accompanied by the celebration of Council's commitment to spend over \$9 million dollars on 50 projects across all 9 communities of East Arnhem Land, as determined by the Council Local Authority in each community.



Each Local Authority has considered and advised what community infrastructure projects are a priority for them. Council has played a critical role in confirming the funding for 50 community projects which vary widely from playgrounds and public toilets to waterparks and ceremony areas, and the upgrade of Council offices in each community.

The bringing together of Yolngu and Anindilyakwan leaders from across the Local Authorities, Council and other Aboriginal organisations - is what East Arnhem Regional Council is all about. Being driven by the voice and decisions of the people of each community and their homelands, working in partnership and unity with others, to achieve the best for all.

### **Enterprise Bargaining**

After reaching agreement with the relevant trade unions to postpone the renewal of our Enterprise Bargaining Agreement for a year due to the need to focus on protecting jobs and communities from the Coronavirus – we have now commenced the consultation and negotiation process.

I look forward to seeing the different ways we can further improve the employment conditions and opportunities for our staff, who so such an incredible job everyday across all 9 communities and the Nhulunbuy and Darwin support offices.

### **Local Decision Making and Indigenous Voice Processes**

There have been significant developments in the Yolngu Region and Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Processes, and now the Australian Government Local, Regional and National Indigenous Voice process.

These developments are detailed in a separate report and a workshop will be held with Councillors on the pre-agenda day to discuss and determine how Council wants to engage with these important processes.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council notes the CEO report.**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.5
<b>TITLE</b>	Community Development Update
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1474725
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Andrew Walsh, Director Community Development

**SUMMARY:**

This report is to provide information on the progress, successes, challenges and future opportunities of the Council's Community Development Directorate.

**BACKGROUND**

The Community Development Directorate covers the following areas and operations of Council; Aged Care & Disability services, Children and Library services, Youth Sport and Recreation services, Community Media, Community Night Patrol, Australia Post, Local Authority Support, Accommodation Businesses, Sobering Up Shelter, Local Commercial Opportunities, including the Territory Housing contract and Community Development Coordination through Council Offices. This report provides opportunity at Ordinary Council Meetings to update the Elected Members and allow an opportunity for discussion and feedback.

**GENERAL**

Community Development has had an extremely busy two months since council last met. As a collective, Community Development have increased funding, entered into new service locations and programs, formed new formal relationships, focused programs, and delivered

a large number of programs and services to countless residents of East Arnhem. Below are listed highlights from the multiple departments for the period.

### Children & Library Services:

Children and family services in Gapuwiyak took an active role in participating in ANZAC day services this year. The Gapuwiyak crèche staff along with children and parents were involved in commemorating the day with the Families as First Teachers (FaFT) and the Gapuwiyak Pre-School. With all taking part in creating a large pictorial banner and rehearsing with the djamarkuli to place poppies on the banner during the school assembly ANZAC Service.



It was fortunate for the kids that members from Norforce were visiting the school, creating much excitement for the children and giving relevance to the commemorations. The four soldiers (three of whom are Yolngu) were very formal and marched into the classroom in formation, saluted the class, and then remained at attention during an ANZAC video song. The visit added such gravity to their activity and the children were very awed by their presence.



Another highlight from the Gapuwiyak Crèche, is how FaFT routinely joins, under the leadership of Minay, EARC's Nutrition Officer for life skills classes which includes lessons for parents to cook for the combined group of Crèche and FaFT, children and parents. This often results in meals being prepared and life skills training being provided to a large group of children and parents, 47 djamarrkuli, 5 babies and 37 adults, and is great example of how

East Arnhem Regional Council's Growing Up Strong Kids (GUSK) program supports community and young parents to learn new skills, including how to create nutritious and simple meals at home.



As we all know and practice, the best events and services come through collaboration, building on the nutrition classes for children and parents, all East Arnhem Regional Council departments partnered with Northern Territory Police, Miwatj, Arnhem Land Progress Association (ALPA), Gapuwiyak School, community leaders and members to support another Growing Up Strong Kids initiative, the Family Cook Up Competition. With the many hands making light work, the event had strong participation and smiles were generated throughout the event. The EARC Community Night Patrol team took out the competition, winning the main event and best meal of the day.





### **Aged & Disability Services:**

EARC Aged Care has had a momentous two months, with much of the time focused on future planning and the next steps of the department as discussed with Council over past meetings.

The East Arnhem Regional Council Aged and Disability Services were happy to welcome our new Occupation Therapist, Katie Moore. Katie will spend the first few weeks settling into life and her new role in Nhulunbuy. She will be focusing on thoroughly reviewing client files, identifying needs and current gaps and then will start developing life skills programs for every participant. The next stage will be visiting the participants and communities and then starting to roll out the life skills programs and training one community at a time. This project is at the forefront of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) services in remote Australia and we are very excited to have Katie lead this for East Arnhem Regional Council and the Aged and Disability clients of East Arnhem.



During the period the Aged & Disability Services team were successful in a grant proposal that will see East Arnhem Regional Council's Aged & Disability Services operational footprint expand into Nhulunbuy and fill a service delivery gap in the region.

The successful grant proposal from Aged & Disability services to the Information, Linkages and Capacity Building Program – NDIS involves establishment of an after-school activity centre for school-aged children who need an alternative to sports activity in Nhulunbuy.

The proposal targeted children, both Yolngu and Balanda who may be on the Autism Spectrum or have Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) or are challenged by other learning challenges including Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

The centre will offer an alternative space for these children who may prefer to engage in small group or solitary activity in a safe and supervised area. In addition to offering activities and games it is anticipated life skills like cooking, washing clothes and introductions to financial management will be facilitated by the service.

It is hoped the centre will become a resource for parents and caregivers, linking families to Peak Body organisations, specialists and others to learn and share knowledge and awareness of ASD and other disabilities in the town to better the lives of all.

The program is only in its early days, currently EARC is seeking partners to collaborate with on the service, a service location and is working on its final delivery plan which is due in July. I will update the elected members on planned delivery at the next Council meeting.

The Aged & Disability Service has now also committed to renewing and refurbishing the Yirrkala Aged & Disability Centre, for Council's approval you will see 1.6 Million dollars quarantined in the 21/22 financial year budget. This capital reserve will allow for assessment, design and construction of the currently tired facility.



In the time since Council last met, the Aged & Disability department has also commenced business analysis on current workflow and process. The business analysis is only in the early stages, but is already showing promising results, including software changes, solution creation that indicates towards a healthy return on investment if progressed. Updates on the business analysis will be provided at the next ordinary Council Meeting.

### **Community Night Patrol:**

The Community Night Patrol Program has worked hard over the last two months on refocusing its purpose, and Yirrkala has been used as a trial location for this project. The ultimate goal is to improve Community Night Patrol's focus, purpose, community responsiveness and engagement.

In Yirrkala, under the guidance of the Deputy President Djuwalpi Marika and the Local Authority actively calling for a stronger more focused patrol service, East Arnhem Regional Council and the Rirratjingu Aboriginal Corporation (RAC) have formed a Community Safety Partnership. The Community Safety Partnership, supported by Northern Territory Police, aims to increase the engagement and community responsiveness to Community Patrol Services. Through the work of the Partnership, Community Night Patrol has been repurposed, culturally aligned and traditionally named.



The Community Safety Partnership along with returning Larrpan services to the streets of Yirrkala, has formed governance groups made up of Council staff, Community Patrol officers, Elected Members, Rirratjingu Board Members, Northern Territory Police and Community Members to steer the direction, functions and purpose of the Community Patrol Service.

Highlights of the initial trail program are significant milestones already achieved and support received from the National Indigenous Agency Australia on the program:

- Rebranded Community Patrol Service - Larrpan
- Location funding repurposed to change assets from patrol vehicles to vans
- Vehicle signage upgraded
- Location and Patrol focused positions created – Larrpan Cultural Lead
- Community & Stakeholder engagement with the service

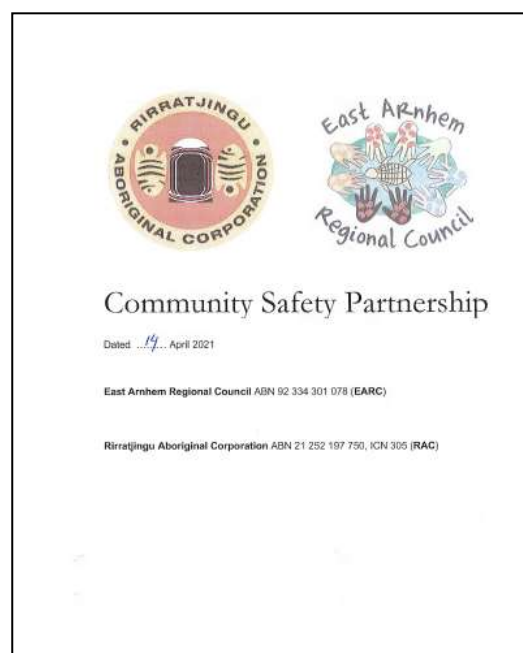


The next steps in the Community Patrol project is to expand the project throughout the East Arnhem Region. The Community Patrol 'focus' project will be raised at each Local Authority in the coming meetings. This will allow the Local Authority an ultimate role in the way the Community Night Patrol service is provided and what it looks like.

### Notable Events:

Local Decision Making, or more so the way it is being implemented is having more and more of an impact on how Council and community will operate going in the future. I want to bring to the attention of the elected members that a program that Council has delivered for multiple years, employing 90% indigenous staff, that is governed by an indigenous board of elected members of the East Arnhem Region. It has been withdrawn

from Council, not due to performance, but so it can be delivered by an 'Indigenous controlled entity', which does not recognise that this is what Council is. Put simply, under the Local Decision Making policy, a choice has been made that will less Indigenous people employed, spend more money on delivery, for no reasonable gain at all. This is very disappointing and concerning.



(Official advice received)

Good Morning All,

I write in relation to the current remote property, tenancy and trade panel contracts, arranged by the former Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development. As you will be aware the current contracts for remote property, tenancy and trade panel will cease on 30 June 2021.

**In accordance with the Northern Territory Government's Local Decision Making policy and obligations under the National Partnership for Remote Housing Northern Territory, procurement for future contracts will focus on maximising Aboriginal businesses, based locally, where possible.**

Following recent Machinery of Government changes, Property Management Services are transitioning to the Department of Infrastructure Planning and Logistics (DIPL) from 1 July 2021 and the Tenancy Management Services will remain with Territory Families, Housing and Communities (TFHC).

The procurement opportunities for new contracts will be released in March and April 2021 for eligible organisations to apply. DIPL and TFHC will be holding joint industry briefings in regional areas in late March and early April 2021 for eligible organisations. Details of these briefing sessions will be provided in the tender release documentation.

EARC met with the department for the purpose of retaining employment for the Indigenous staff involved with the program. To the disappointment of East Arnhem Regional Council the department would not enter into any discussions regarding transfer of existing employees to the new provider.

Other notable events, during the upcoming East Arnhem Regional Council visit to Canberra for the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) conference, the Elected Members nominated for the trip, supported by the Chief Executive Officer and the Director Community Development have been invited to take part of the Australian Parliament House Standing Committee on Indigenous Affairs inquiry into *Pathways and participation opportunities for Indigenous Australians in employment and business*. The Committee is very interested in hearing the views of the East Arnhem Regional Council, as such the meeting will take the

form of a public hearing, meaning the that discussion would be broadcast and it would be recorded for Hansard purposes (will form an official record of parliament). The information or evidence provided by the East Arnhem Regional Council could then be used in the inquiry report.

In addition to meeting with the Standing Committee on Indigenous Affairs, the Elected Members have also been invited to on a private guided tour of the Australian Parliament House ‘Yeribee’: Indigenous experiences of Parliament House. The tour includes many significant pieces and references to the East Arnhem Region, including the Yirrkala Bark Petitions.

Finally, although the Canberra trip will be quite extensive the Elected Members have also been invited to meet with Australian Government Department of Health representatives responsible for vaccination efforts across Australia. The Elected Members will be able to provide valuable insights on the efficacy of the vaccine rollout in remote Indigenous Australia.

**'Yeribee': Indigenous experiences of Parliament House**

**About the tour**

Hear the stories of our Indigenous parliamentarians and staff, explore the site history of Parliament House, gain insights into how Australia's First Peoples are participating in the nation's democratic processes, and enjoy significant artworks from the Parliament House Art Collection by celebrated Indigenous artists.

The tour will look at the Great Hall Tapestry, The Great Hall Embroidery, The Barunga Statement, The Apology to Australia's Indigenous Peoples, The Yirrkala Bark Petitions, recent portraiture commissions, and significant pieces from Indigenous artists from the Parliament House Art Collection.

Image: Catherine Funginga (born 1948, Gumatj people), Salsvanga Maraw (1944-2002, Malampa people), Gimbawa Maraw (born 1951, Malampa people), Marika Maraw (born c.1922, Malampa people), Gwinyi Ngarrinwutun (born c. 1948, Murrumbidgee people), Warran Rindjira (c.1924-2005, Arnhemland people), Umbay Jambitjpa (1951-2009, Warlpiri people), D. Williams Japwanga (1948-2013, Warlpiri people) Barunga Statement (2002), 1988. Online on computer based with collage of printed text on paper. GPO Collection, Parliament House Art Collection. Photography by Acaps.

**Dates**  
Runs daily

**Time**  
9:30 am

**Duration**  
50 minutes

**Cost**  
Free, but bookings essential

**More information**  
[Call Visitor Services on 02 6277 5300](#)

**Book your tour**

February

March

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council notes the Community Development Report.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

There is no attachment to this report.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**



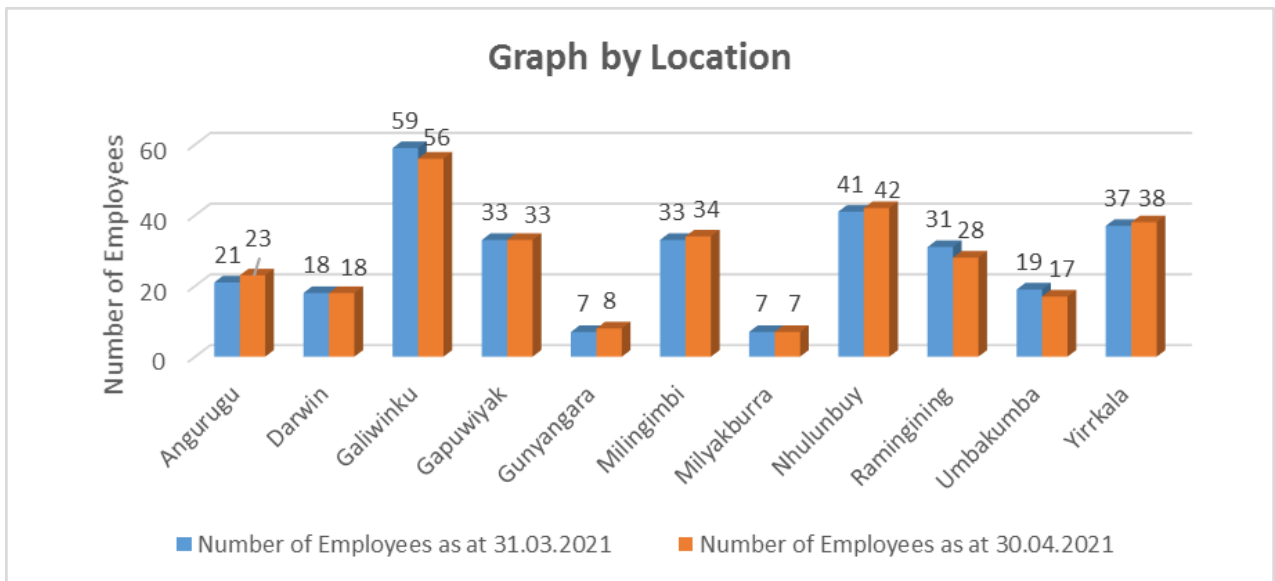
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**TITLE** Corporate Services Report  
**REFERENCE** 1474701  
**AUTHOR** Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager

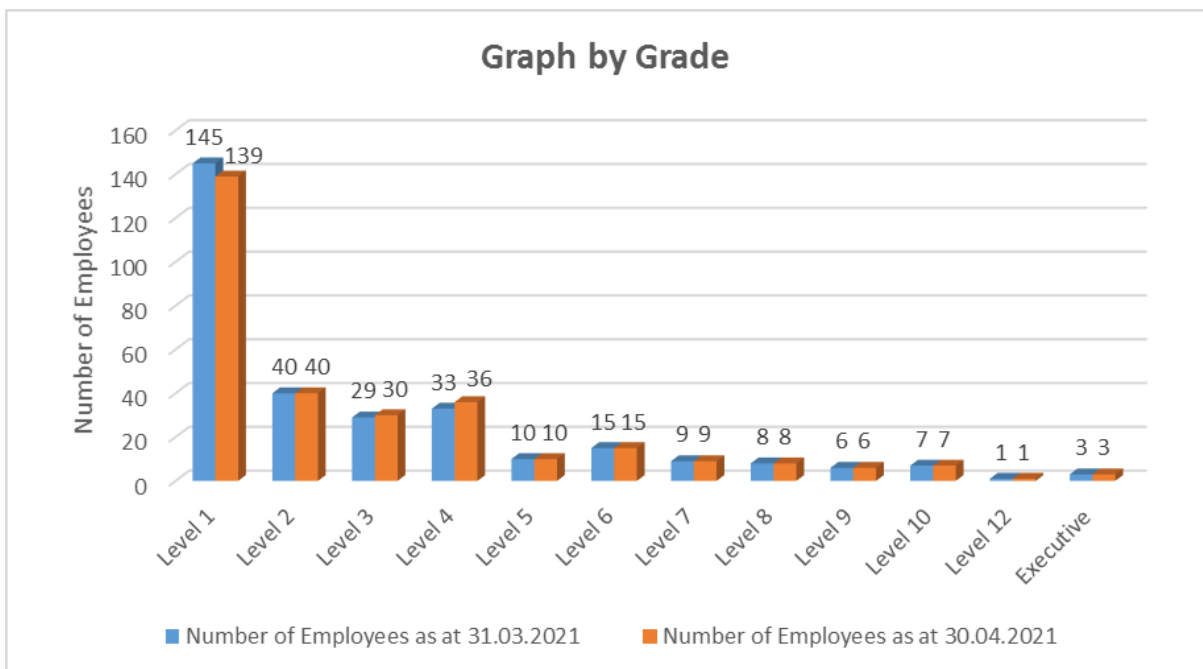
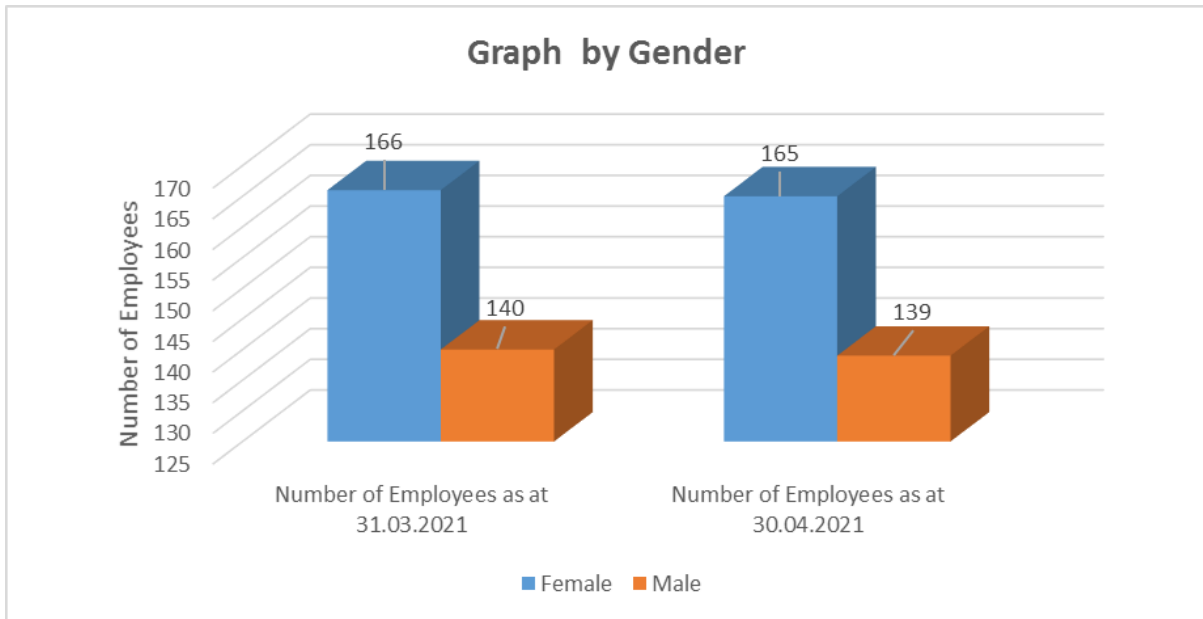
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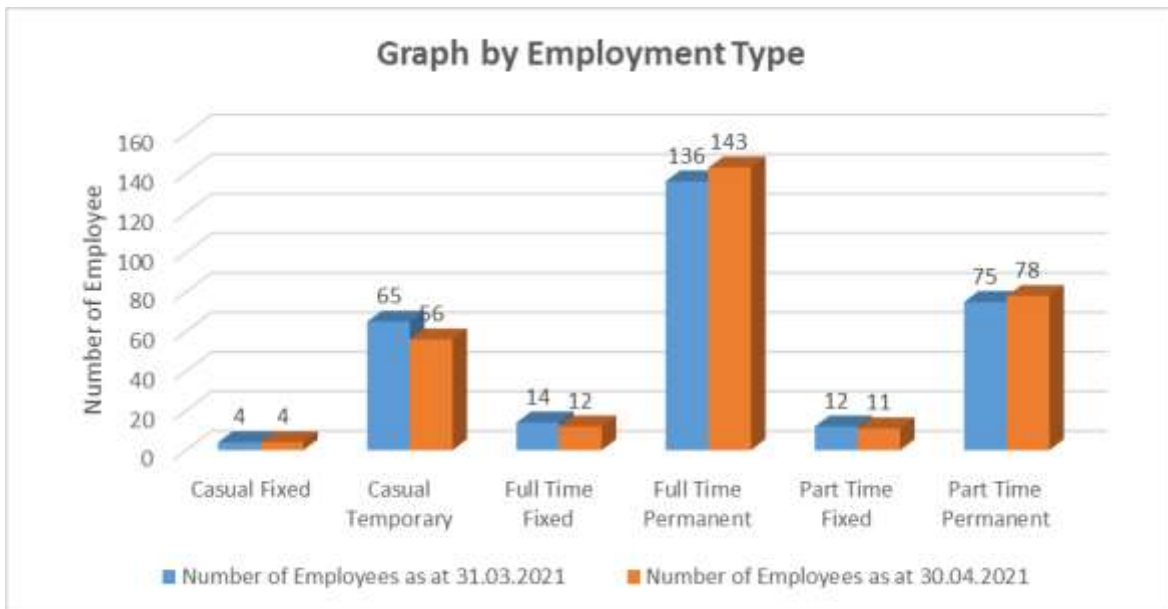
This report provides an update on Corporate Services matters and seeks endorsement on the utilisation of Special Measures recruitment.

**Human Resources Report**

Total employees: **304**







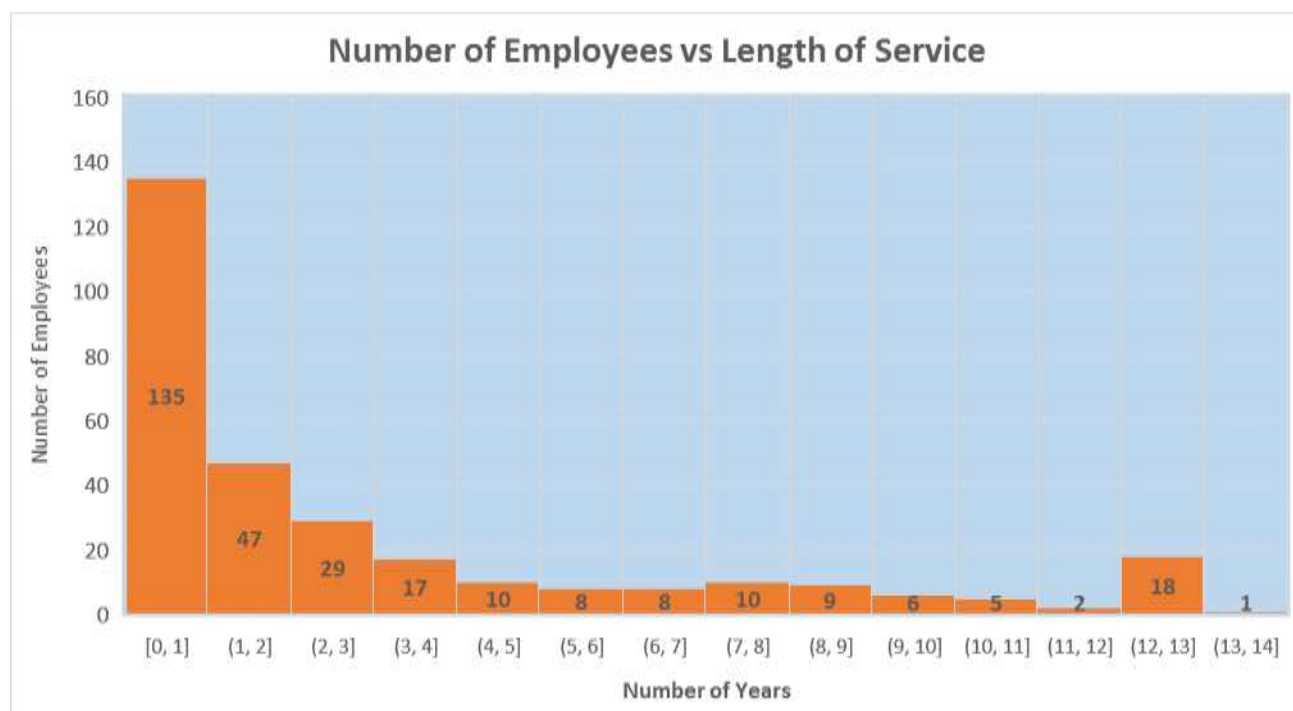
ATSI Employment Target

70%

Actual

56%

<b>VACANCIES AS AT 30.04.2021</b>		
<b>Position</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Community</b>
Project Officer - Family Support Worker	L3	Angurugu
Customer Services Officer	L1	Angurugu
Veterinary & Animal Mgmt. Supervisor	L7	Angurugu
Technical Officer	L5	Darwin
Finance Manager	L10	Darwin
Child Care Worker	L1	Galiwinku
Municipal Services Officer	L1	Galiwinku
Youth Sports & Recreation Coordinator	L4	Galiwinku
Community Media Officer	L1	Galiwinku
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	L1	Galiwinku
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	L1	Gapuwiyak
Community Media Officer	L1	Gapuwiyak
Youth Sports & Recreation Coordinator	L4	Gapuwiyak
Community Patrol Officer - Expansion Service	L2	Gunyangara
Community Patrol Officer	L2	Gunyangara
Environment and Recycling Officer	L1	Milingimbi
Nutrition Officer	L1	Milingimbi
Community Liaison Officer	L1	Milingimbi
Community Media Officer	L1	Milingimbi
Tenancy Manager	L6	Nhulunbuy
Trainee Project Officer - Waste & Recycling	L1	Nhulunbuy
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	L1	Ramingining
Community Liaison Officer / Customer Service Officer	L1	Umbakumba
Community Patrol Officer	L1	Umbakumba
Community Patrol Officer	L1	Umbakumba
Child Care Worker	L1	Yirrkala
Community Patrol Officer - Expansion Service	L2	Yirrkala
Child Care Worker	L1	Yirrkala
Community Media Officer	L1	Yirrkala



### Special Measures Recruitment

The aim of East Arnhem Regional Council's (EARC) proposed Targeted Recruitment Strategy is to promote the recruitment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) peoples through both special measure and genuine occupation requirement provisions.

Special measures allow preference in recruitment for certain Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) groups, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Special measures is also sometimes known as "affirmative action", or "positive discrimination".

It is in common usage within the Northern Territory Government and some other Councils.

The two types of Special Measures Recruitment Strategies that can be utilised by the EARC are:

- 1) **Special Measures Provision - Priority Consideration for ATSI applicants**
  - Vacancies are open to all persons, but eligible ATSI applicants will be assessed first, and offered the vacancy if they meet all the essential selection criteria and are suitable at the level of the position.
  - Other applicants will only be assessed for selection if there is no suitable ATSI Special Measures applicants who accepts the vacancy.
  - Where there is more than one suitable special measures applicant the vacancy will be offered to the special measures applicant assessed as most suitable for the vacancy.
- 2) **Genuine Occupational Requirement - Designated ATSI applicant only positions**
  - Vacancies are reserved only for eligible applicants and no other applicants will be considered. The special measures applicant selected must meet all the essential selection criteria and be suitable at the level of the position. If no applicant meets this standard the job will not be filled until such time as a suitable applicant is found to fill to position.

Special Measures is intended to constitute a special/equal opportunity measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth), section 57 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1996 (NT) and Sub-section 37(1)(b)(ii) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1996 (NT).

Council has an employment target of 70% of employees identify as ATSI. The graphs in this report show that the target is not being met. Implementing Special Measures is one part of the recruitment toolset towards achieving this target.

At time of recruitment for any position, the CEO, in approving the recruitment plan, will approve (or not) the use of the Special Measures provisions.

Special Measures require that selected applicants must meet all essential selection criteria and be suitable at the level of the position. This means the special measures are consistent with the merit principle, which requires selections to be based on suitability for a vacancy having regard to knowledge, skill, qualifications and experience and potential for development.

Special measures employees must perform their duties in accordance with standard requirements and comply with the EARC Code of Conduct, and are subject to the same probation conditions and have the same work entitlements as all employees. All that special measures does is ensure that EEO applicants who meet all essential criteria and are suitable at level can be given preference in recruitment. Once employed, special measures employees are no different than any others engaged by the EARC.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council:**

- a) Notes the update on Corporate Services matters.**
- b) Endorses the use of Special Measures recruitment where appropriate.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.



**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.7
<b>TITLE</b>	Finance Report to 30 April 2021
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1476046
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager

**SUMMARY:**

To provide Council with the Financial Management Reports for the period ended 30 April 2021.

**BACKGROUND**

The *Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 2008*, part 8, section 18, state that the Financial Reports of Council must set out and include the following:

- 1a. the actual income and expenditure of the Council for the period from the commencement of the financial year up to the end of the previous month; and
- 1b. the forecast income and expenditure for the whole of the year.
- 2a. details of all cash and investments held by Council (including money held in trust);
- 2b. a statement of debts owed to the Council including the aggregate amount owed under each category with a general indication of the age of the debts; and
- 2c. other information required by the Council.

The accounting statements attached as part of this report show:

- a) The Financial Performance (Profit and Loss Statement)
- b) The Financial Position (Balance Sheet)
- c) Equity and Cash Analysis
- d) Investment Report

**COMMENTARY**

The very short period between the end of the month and the agenda results in a finance report of interim figures.

Employment costs by Service and Location:

The April 30<sup>th</sup> finance report included narrative on variances, which still apply.

Service Codes	Service Code Description	Location Description	Actuals YTD	Budgets YTD	20/21 Budget
107	Community Development	Angurugu	127,741	196,522	235,827
		Galiwinku	202,047	258,798	310,558
		Gapuwiyak	172,358	163,234	195,881
		Gunyangara	24,943	38,868	46,641
		Milingimbi	220,147	240,657	288,789
		Milyakburra	55,981	76,407	91,689
		Nhulunbuy	307,215	328,454	394,144
		Ramingining	160,101	203,200	243,840
		Umbakumba	108,078	119,324	143,189
		Yirrkala	211,256	231,993	278,392
	<b>Community</b>		<b>1,589,867</b>	<b>1,857,458</b>	<b>2,228,951</b>

Service Codes	Service Code Description	Location Description	Actuals YTD	Budgets YTD	20/21 Budget
	<b>Development Total</b>				
<b>108</b>	<b>Veterinary and Animal Control Services</b>	Angurugu	126,801	196,049	235,259
		Galiwinku	64,410	53,549	64,259
		Nhulunbuy	43,224	63,818	76,582
		Ramingining	1,567	0	0
		Yirrkala	37,814	35,569	42,683
	<b>Veterinary and Animal Control Services Total</b>		<b>273,816</b>	<b>348,986</b>	<b>418,783</b>
<b>112</b>	<b>Fleet and Workshop Services</b>	Gapuwiyak	49,234	59,907	71,889
		Milingimbi	122,886	139,986	167,983
		Nhulunbuy	170,948	158,836	190,603
	<b>Fleet and Workshop Services Total</b>		<b>343,068</b>	<b>358,729</b>	<b>430,475</b>
<b>114</b>	<b>Information Communication and Technology Services</b>	Darwin	115,555	105,034	126,041
	<b>Information Communication and Technology Services Total</b>		<b>115,555</b>	<b>105,034</b>	<b>126,041</b>
<b>115</b>	<b>Library Services</b>	Angurugu	47,918	69,739	83,687
		Galiwinku	20,295	68,781	82,537
		Milingimbi	75,170	81,118	97,341
		Nhulunbuy	151,076	117,863	141,435
		Ramingining	54,491	70,544	84,653
		Umbakumba	4,047	35,248	42,298
	<b>Library Services Total</b>		<b>352,998</b>	<b>443,294</b>	<b>531,953</b>
<b>118</b>	<b>Local Road Maintenance &amp; Traffic Management</b>	Nhulunbuy	99,709	118,221	141,865
	<b>Local Road Maintenance &amp; Traffic Management Total</b>		<b>99,709</b>	<b>118,221</b>	<b>141,865</b>
<b>122</b>	<b>Building and Infrastructure Services</b>	Galiwinku	12,664	43,547	52,256
		Nhulunbuy	788,085	802,761	963,314
	<b>Building and Infrastructure Services Total</b>		<b>800,750</b>	<b>846,308</b>	<b>1,015,570</b>
<b>129</b>	<b>Waste and Environmental Services</b>	Angurugu	6,790	13,006	15,607
		Galiwinku	66,108	64,117	76,940
		Gapuwiyak	28,513	26,898	32,277
		Gunyangara	3,829	8,553	10,263

Service Codes	Service Code Description	Location Description	Actuals YTD	Budgets YTD	20/21 Budget
		Milingimbi	21,420	40,318	48,382
		Milyakburra	16,961	25,970	31,164
		Nhulunbuy	180,127	219,880	263,856
		Ramingining	23,678	28,522	34,226
		Umbakumba	13,136	13,498	16,198
		Yirrkala	13,068	13,101	15,721
	<b>Waste and Environmental Services Total</b>		<b>373,629</b>	<b>453,862</b>	<b>544,634</b>
<b>136</b>	<b>Post Office Agency</b>	Galiwinku	53,165	43,547	52,256
		Gapuwiyak	21,474	21,774	26,128
		Milingimbi	11,941	21,773	26,128
		Ramingining	6,848	25,115	30,138
		Yirrkala	10,857	21,309	25,571
	<b>Post Office Agency Total</b>		<b>104,285</b>	<b>133,518</b>	<b>160,222</b>
<b>138</b>	<b>Council Housing/Tenancy Services</b>	Galiwinku	14,409	59,389	71,267
		Milingimbi	3,316	52,741	63,289
		Nhulunbuy	117,332	47,836	57,404
		Ramingining	24,774	52,741	63,289
	<b>Council Housing/Tenancy Services Total</b>		<b>159,831</b>	<b>212,708</b>	<b>255,249</b>
<b>139</b>	<b>Visitor Accommodation</b>	Galiwinku	60,688	63,815	76,578
		Ramingining	65,147	62,053	74,464
	<b>Visitor Accommodation Total</b>		<b>125,835</b>	<b>125,868</b>	<b>151,042</b>
<b>141</b>	<b>Aged Care and Disability Services</b>	Angurugu	325,283	429,752	515,703
		Galiwinku	557,849	642,324	770,789
		Gapuwiyak	469,891	479,975	575,970
		Milingimbi	424,664	477,161	572,593
		Nhulunbuy	58,310	0	0
		Ramingining	325,489	464,420	557,304
		Umbakumba	135,747	152,264	182,717
		Yirrkala	535,804	522,818	627,381
	<b>Aged Care and Disability Services Total</b>		<b>2,833,037</b>	<b>3,168,713</b>	<b>3,802,457</b>
<b>145</b>	<b>Children and Family Services</b>	Angurugu	0	30,921	37,105
		Galiwinku	240,887	213,977	256,773
		Gapuwiyak	164,165	183,371	220,045
		Gunyangara	5,930	7,207	8,649
		Milingimbi	7,375	7,364	8,837

Service Codes	Service Code Description	Location Description	Actuals YTD	Budgets YTD	20/21 Budget
		Ramingining	0	11,229	13,475
		Umbakumba	207,418	195,723	234,868
		Yirrkala	200,697	241,117	289,340
	<b>Children and Family Services Total</b>		<b>826,472</b>	<b>890,908</b>	<b>1,069,090</b>
<b>146</b>	<b>Community Media</b>	Galiwinku	0	14,567	17,480
		Gapuwiyak	1,247	13,555	16,266
		Milingimbi	6,275	15,069	18,083
		Ramingining	5,087	13,247	15,897
		Yirrkala	2,892	15,340	18,408
	<b>Community Media Total</b>		<b>15,502</b>	<b>71,777</b>	<b>86,133</b>
<b>147</b>	<b>Community Patrol and SUS Services</b>	Angurugu	78,118	129,730	155,677
		Galiwinku	374,700	484,911	581,894
		Gapuwiyak	154,655	156,223	187,468
		Gunyangara	85,192	158,362	190,035
		Milingimbi	181,769	169,659	203,591
		Milyakburra	54,587	104,622	125,547
		Nhulunbuy	504,910	566,398	679,678
		Ramingining	142,218	102,854	123,424
		Umbakumba	69,698	125,551	150,662
		Yirrkala	134,814	160,023	192,027
	<b>Community Patrol and SUS Services Total</b>		<b>1,780,660</b>	<b>2,158,334</b>	<b>2,590,001</b>
<b>152</b>	<b>Youth, Sport and Recreation Services</b>	Angurugu	156,048	182,922	219,507
		Galiwinku	296,503	339,788	407,746
		Gapuwiyak	160,520	194,693	233,632
		Gunyangara	5,238	33,146	39,775
		Milingimbi	171,892	196,005	235,207
		Milyakburra	4,588	26,119	31,343
		Nhulunbuy	171,589	168,992	202,791
		Ramingining	75,435	145,517	174,620
		Umbakumba	62,258	125,967	151,160
		Yirrkala	151,680	175,200	210,240
	<b>Youth, Sport and Recreation Services Total</b>		<b>1,255,750</b>	<b>1,588,351</b>	<b>1,906,022</b>
<b>167</b>	<b>Corporate Services</b>	Darwin	1,374,548	1,501,285	1,801,543
	<b>Corporate Services Total</b>		<b>1,374,548</b>	<b>1,501,285</b>	<b>1,801,543</b>
<b>168</b>	<b>Governance and CEO</b>	Nhulunbuy	408,028	433,354	520,025
	<b>Governance and CEO Total</b>		<b>408,028</b>	<b>433,354</b>	<b>520,025</b>

Service Codes	Service Code Description	Location Description	Actuals YTD	Budgets YTD	20/21 Budget
169	<b>Municipal Services</b>	Angurugu	143,307	253,774	304,529
		Galiwinku	255,226	334,041	400,849
		Gapuwiyak	267,900	260,325	312,390
		Gunyangara	62,743	103,500	124,200
		Milingimbi	182,178	175,037	210,044
		Milyakburra	69,746	114,105	136,926
		Nhulunbuy	0	0	0
		Ramingining	317,647	306,744	368,093
		Umbakumba	212,892	249,619	299,543
		Yirrkala	185,252	269,633	323,560
	<b>Municipal Services Total</b>		<b>1,696,890</b>	<b>2,066,777</b>	<b>2,480,134</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>14,530,229</b>	<b>16,883,484</b>	<b>20,260,189</b>

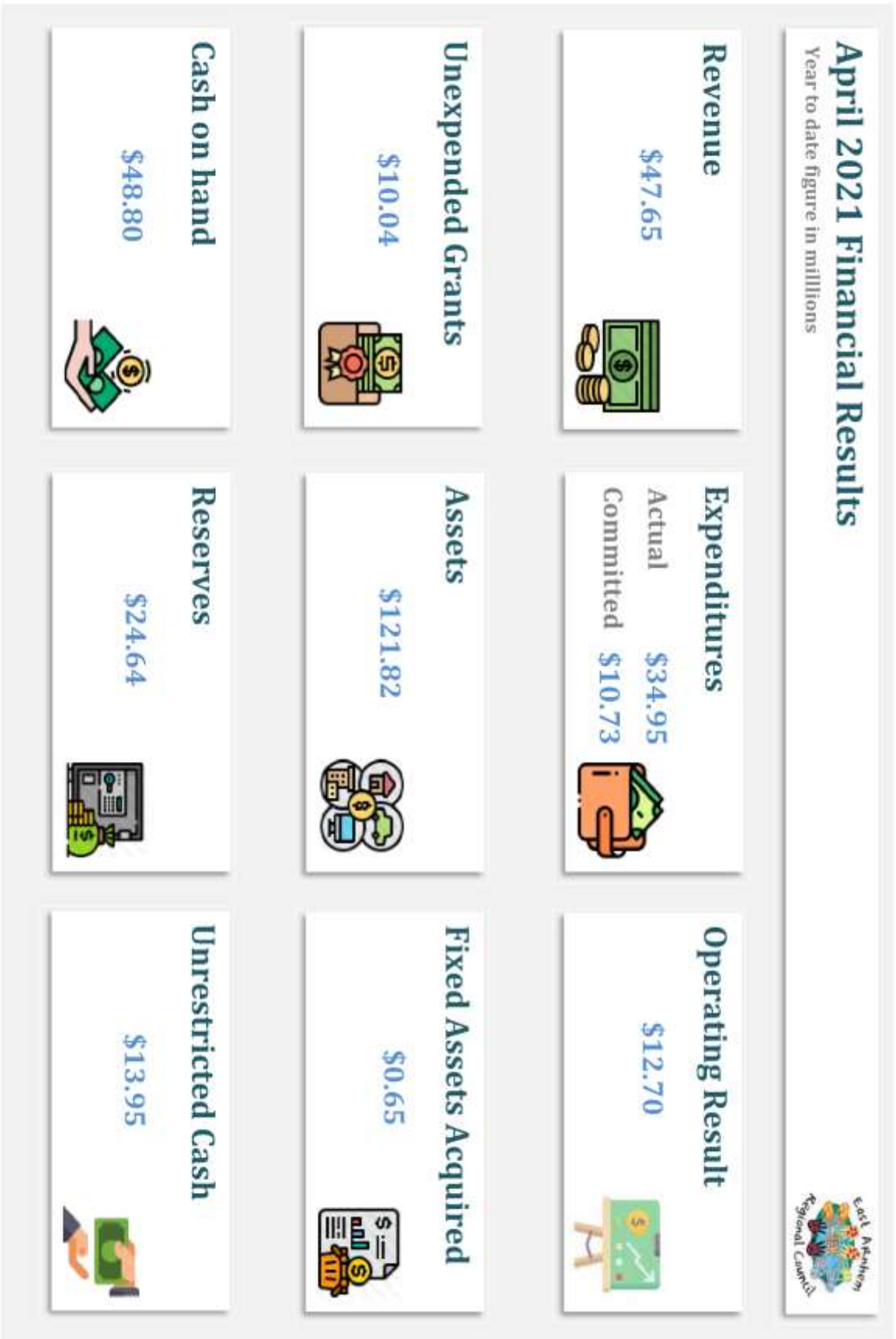


## RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the Financial Report to 30 April 2021.

## ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 10 April One Page Financial Results.pdf
- 2 10 Apr EARC Statement of Financial Performance.pdf
- 3 10 Apr EARC Statement of Financial Position.pdf
- 4 10 Apr EARC Cash and Equity Analysis (002).pdf
- 5 10 Apr 2021 EARC - Investment Report.pdf





## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

30<sup>th</sup> April 2021

	Revised Full Year Budget \$	Actual YTD \$	Percentage %
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	7,921,730	8,152,254	100%+
Grants	25,675,107	22,546,168	88%
User Charges and Fees	8,004,314	6,728,977	84%
Rates and Annual Charges	6,865,790	6,952,777	101%
Other Operating Revenues	1,473,081	2,854,549	194%
Interest	330,306	123,729	37%
Proceeds from Sale of Assets	101,000	288,141	285%
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>50,371,328</b>	<b>47,646,595</b>	<b>95%</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Costs	20,260,189	14,521,412	72%
Materials and Contracts	24,493,618	8,217,955	34%
General Expenses	10,327,622	6,901,185	67%
Finance Expenses	2,009,122	1,567,551	78%
Depreciation Expense	3,619,624	3,018,350	83%
Asset Expenses	523,937	722,935	138%
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>61,234,112</b>	<b>34,949,388</b>	<b>57%</b>
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(10,862,783)</b>	<b>12,697,207</b>	
Capital Expenditure	3,674,091	647,331	18%
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) AFTER CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>(14,536,875)</b>	<b>12,049,876</b>	
Transfer from Reserves/Equity	12,279,666	2,330,525	19%
Transfer to Reserves	(1,339,270)	(592,042)	44%
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) AFTER CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND F</b>	<b>(3,596,479)</b>	<b>13,788,359</b>	
Add back: Depreciation Expense	3,619,624	3,018,350	83%
<b>NET SURPLUS BEFORE DEPRECIATION</b>	<b>23,145</b>	<b>16,806,709</b>	



## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### 30th April 2021

	Revised Full Year Budget \$	As at Apr 2021 \$	Percentage %
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	23,799,793	48,800,583	205%
Trade and Other Receivables	1,401,622	707,962	51%
Other Current Assets	671,491	61,150	9%
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>25,872,906</b>	<b>49,569,695</b>	<b>192%</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, Plant and Equipment	60,963,083	58,220,515	96%
Right-of-Use Assets	12,232,241	12,232,241	100%
Work In Progress - Building	939,971	939,971	100%
Other Non-Current Assets	844,986	856,720	101%
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>74,980,281</b>	<b>72,249,447</b>	<b>96%</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>100,853,187</b>	<b>121,819,142</b>	<b>121%</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and Other Payables	1,844,744	574,436	31%
Other Current Liabilities	413,100	112,946	27%
Lease	1,122,239	1,122,239	100%
Borrowings	116,000	29,000	25%
Provisions	2,411,346	2,580,252	107%
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>5,907,429</b>	<b>4,418,873</b>	<b>75%</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Lease	11,256,064	11,256,064	100%
Borrowings	1,069,000	1,185,000	111%
Provisions	657,322	168,860	26%
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>12,982,386</b>	<b>12,609,924</b>	<b>97%</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>18,889,815</b>	<b>17,028,797</b>	<b>90%</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>81,963,372</b>	<b>104,790,345</b>	<b>128%</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Unexpended Grants Reserve	278,435	10,039,593	3606%
Replacement and Contingency Reserve	16,207,849	24,636,378	152%
Asset Revaluation Reserve	39,150,727	39,150,727	100%
Accumulated Surplus	26,326,361	30,963,647	118%
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>81,963,372</b>	<b>104,790,345</b>	<b>128%</b>





## CASH & EQUITY ANALYSIS

	30 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2021	30 <sup>th</sup> Jun 2020
Cash	48,800,583	41,753,842
Less:		
Unexpended Grants Reserve	(10,039,593)	(10,271,054)
Specific Reserves	(24,636,378)	(16,947,534)
Income Received in Advance	-	(2,433,636)
Other carried forward revenue	(171,387)	(1,186,020)
<b>Cash Available before Liabilities</b>	<b>13,953,225</b>	<b>10,915,598</b>
<b>Other Current Assets &amp; Liabilities</b>		
Trade Receivable & Other Current Assets	769,112	1,272,554
Less:		
Payables & other Liabilities	(687,382)	(2,193,099)
Bank Loan/Borrowing	(1,214,000)	(1,301,000)
Employee Provisions Current	(2,580,252)	(2,182,827)
Employee Provisions NonCurrent	(168,860)	(177,802)
<b>Net Other Current Assets &amp; Liabilities</b>	<b>(3,881,383)</b>	<b>(4,582,175)</b>
<b>Net Cash Available</b>	<b>10,071,842</b>	<b>6,333,424</b>
<b>Noncurrent Assets</b>		
Noncurrent Assets - excluding Right of Use Assets	60,017,206	62,939,586
Less Revaluation Reserves	(39,150,727)	(39,150,727)
<b>Noncurrent Assets Actual Carrying Value</b>	<b>20,866,479</b>	<b>23,788,860</b>
<b>Leases</b>		
Right of Use Assets	12,232,241	12,391,636
Less Lease Liability	(12,378,303)	(12,391,636)
<b>Net impact on Equity</b>	<b>(146,062)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Total Equity	104,790,345	97,677,618
Less:		
Revaluation Reserve	(39,150,727)	(39,150,727)
Unexpended Grants Reserve	(10,039,593)	(10,271,053)
Specific Reserves	(24,636,378)	(16,947,534)
Other carried forward revenue	(171,387)	(1,186,020)
<b>Net Equity</b>	<b>30,792,259</b>	<b>30,122,284</b>
<b>Net Equity is made up of</b>		
Net Assets Carried	20,866,479	23,788,860
Net Impact of Leases	(146,062)	-
Net Cash Carried Forward	10,071,842	6,333,424
<b>Net Equity</b>	<b>30,792,259</b>	<b>30,122,284</b>

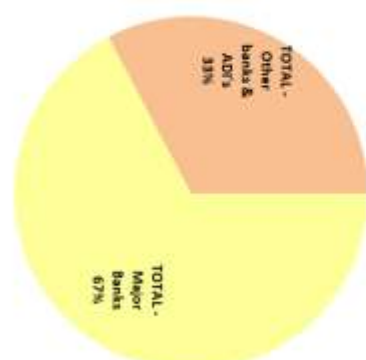


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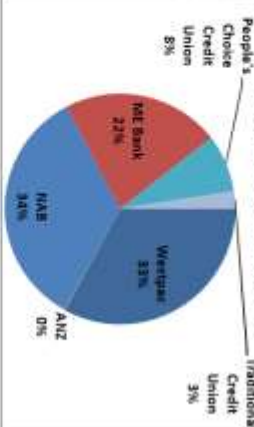
**Investment Portfolio**

Category	\$ Investment	% of Total Investment	Within Diversification Limits	Type	Amount	Rate	Term	Date Invested	Date to Mature	*Diversification Limits	
										Min	Max
Westpac	16,381,610	33%	✓	Operation fund Operation fund Security TD (*C) Security TD (*C) Short Term TD	349,949 13,187,874 200,000 643,786 2,000,000	- 0.25% 0.85% 0.20%	- 365 days 365 days 212 days	- 24/03/2021 8/07/2020 18/03/2021	- 24/03/2022 8/07/2021 18/09/2021	100%	45%
ANZ	20,480	0%	✓	Operation fund	20,480	-	-	-	-	0%	40%
NAB	17,001,973	34%	✓	Short Term TD Short Term TD Short Term TD Short Term TD Short Term TD Short Term TD Short Term TD	2,000,000 2,000,000 4,000,000 1,000,000 2,000,000 2,000,000 2,000,000	0.45% 0.45% 0.45% 0.95% 0.30% 0.40% 0.40%	180 days 187 days 180 days 365 days 120 days 182 days 181 days	16/11/2020 26/11/2020 5/12/2020 29/06/2020 10/03/2021 18/01/2021 19/01/2021	15/05/2021 1/06/2021 1/06/2021 29/06/2021 8/07/2021 19/07/2021 19/07/2021	100%	100%
<b>TOTAL - Major Banks</b>	<b>33,404,062</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>✓</b>		<b>33,404,062</b>						
ME Bank	11,000,000	22%	✓	Short Term TD Short Term TD	3,000,000 4,000,000	0.45% 0.45%	210 days 151 days	1/04/2021 1/04/2021	28/10/2021 30/08/2021	15%	45%
People's Choice Credit Union	4,009,921	8%	✓	Short Term TD Short Term TD	4,009,921 1,009,921	0.45% 0.70%	182 days 212 days	21/12/2020 20/04/2021	21/06/2021 18/11/2021	0%	40%
Traditional Credit Union	1,229,887	3%	✓	Operation fund Short Term TD	229,887 1,000,000	- 0.52%	- 365 days	4/10/2020 17/08/2020	4/05/2021 15/06/2021	0%	40%
<b>TOTAL - Other banks &amp; ADI's</b>	<b>16,239,807</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>✓</b>		<b>16,239,807</b>						
<b>TOTAL Investment Funds</b>	<b>49,643,869</b>	<b>100%</b>			<b>49,643,869</b>						

**Investment per Category**



**Investment per Institution**

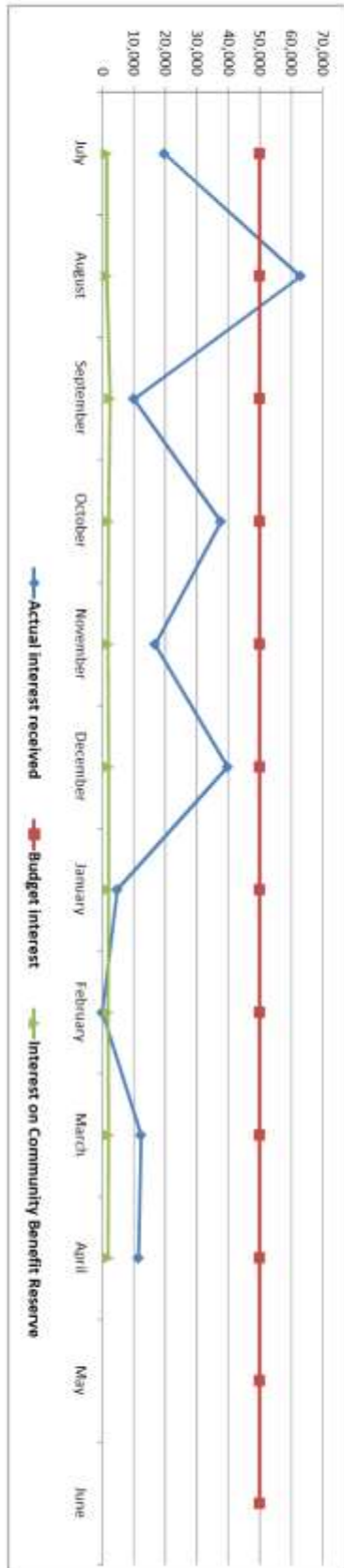




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**Investment Performance**

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Average
<b>Actual Invested Funds</b>	45,438,932	47,032,002	47,376,061	52,092,793	50,562,750	46,880,425	49,711,512	49,755,155	52,030,460	49,663,869			49,104,386
Actual interest received	19,750	62,983	10,071	37,726	16,790	39,831	4,703	16	12,371	11,526			21,577
Interest on Community Benefit Reserve	1,463	1,463	2,497	1,935	1,873	1,935	1,935	1,748	1,935	1,873			1,866
Budget interest:	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Actual v Budget	30,251	12,983	39,929	12,274	33,210	10,169	45,287	49,984	37,629	38,474			(28,423)



## REPORTS OF OFFICERS

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.8
<b>TITLE</b>	Elections 2021
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1476622
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager

### SUMMARY:

This report presents information on the 2021 Elections

### BACKGROUND

The Local Government Act requires Councils to have elections every four years. The next elections will be conducted on 28 August 2021. The same election law and timetable applies for all seventeen Northern Territory Councils. The Northern Territory Electoral Commission (NTEC) is responsible for the conduct of the elections.

#### The timetable is:

**Friday 16 July** Gazettal of date by Minister and **Nominations open**

Tuesday 27 July 5:00 pm Electoral roll closes

**Thursday 5 August** 12:00 noon **Nominations close**

Friday 6 August 12:00 noon Declaration of nominations, draw for position on ballot papers

Monday 9 August Postal vote mail-out commences

**Monday 16 August** 8:00 am Early voting commences and **Mobile voting commences**

Tuesday 24 August 6:00 pm Overseas postal voting despatches cease

Thursday 26 August 6:00 pm All postal voting despatches cease

Friday 27 August 6:00 pm Early voting ceases

### **Election Day Saturday 28 August**

8:00 am Election day voting commences

6:00 pm Election day voting ceases, Mobile voting ceases

6:00 pm Primary counts of postal, mobile and early votes commence

Monday 30 August 9:00 am Declaration vote verification checks, commence recheck of all counts

Thursday 2 September 9:00 am Primary counts of accepted declaration votes, further postal counts

Friday 10 September 12:00 noon Deadline for receipt of postal votes, Final counts of postal votes commence, 6:00 pm Distribution of preferences

**Monday 13 September** TBC **Declaration of the election result**

### Costs

The EARC is responsible for meeting the costs of the election.

An estimate of the election cost, prepared on the basis that the NTEC fully conduct the election, was nearly \$160,000. Council has \$200,000 in its election reserve for this purpose, with \$50,000 put aside each year for the four years.

<b>Finance - LG GE council - Estimates by category per council - East Arnhem</b>		
		<b>2021 NT Council elections</b>
<b>Expense category</b>		<b>Total</b>
<b>Advertising</b>		<b>\$13,374.72</b>
<b>Corporate</b>		<b>\$1,236.15</b>
<b>Destruction/rubbish removal</b>		<b>\$222.91</b>
<b>Forms, printing, stores, stationery</b>		<b>\$4,142.11</b>
<b>Information technology</b>		<b>\$7,497.95</b>
<b>Postage</b>		<b>\$324.24</b>
<b>Premises</b>		<b>\$6,576.44</b>
<b>Staff travel/accommodation/reimbursements</b>		<b>\$14,261.31</b>
<b>Staff wages</b>		<b>\$49,516.57</b>
<b>Vehicle hire/charter</b>		<b>\$47,402.59</b>
<b>Sub-total</b>		<b>\$144,554.99</b>
<b>GST</b>	10.0%	<b>\$14,455.50</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$159,010.48</b>

Council has six (6) wards, with 14 people to be elected. An election is required in a ward when there are more candidates nominated in that ward than positions.

Therefore, until Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> August it is not known whether an election in a ward is required.

### Conduct of Elections

The conduct of the elections has varied from Regional Council to Regional Council.

Some Councils (like EARC) have made resources available, such as a building, a vehicle, accommodation, but have left the voting process to the NTEC. This requires the NTEC to employ mobile teams of polling staff who visit each community for a short period and collect votes. An example, for EARC, in 2017, is attached to this report (note that not all communities are on the 2017 schedule as some wards did not require an election).

In recent times some Regional Councils have agreed to take on more responsibility for the elections, which lowers the cost, with the desire to provide more voting time within each community. The Council has had its staff trained in the voting process, and residents can vote for a whole week in each community.

(The homelands and outstations will still be conducted by NTEC mobile teams).

There are benefits and risks in Council helping with the election.

The benefits include:

1. Lower cost
2. A longer voting period for each community
3. Hopefully, a higher voter participation

The risks include:

1. The election process being impacted by inexperienced staff
2. Diversion of staffing resources from normal duties

3. A risk of perception of bias or favoritism for/against a certain candidate as Council staff are involved

### Who Does What?

The NTEC has provided this schedule, on the basis that EARC collects the votes in the nine communities. This schedule would require change if Council wish NTEC to do that.

Note that EARC does NOT count votes, and does not see how a voter votes.

EARC would, if involved, check a voter against the electoral role, give the voter a voting paper, and make sure the voting paper was put into the secure box.

The Northern Territory Electoral Commission will conduct the election in accordance with the requirements outlined in the *Local Government Act* and the Local Government (Electoral) Regulations.

In addition to these provisions, the Northern Territory Electoral Commission will provide the following agreed activities:

- Undertake all Statutory Advertising and a general awareness campaign
- Provide Notebook Electronic Electoral Rolls for voter markoff
- Provide all Cardboard voting equipment
- An active Website with election information and results
- Voter information call centre
- Training of election/council staff
- Early voting facilities from both Alice Springs and Darwin NTEC sites
- NTEC to deliver mobile voting services to minor communities/outstations using NTEC staff and transport in conjunction with council.
- Conduct all counts and provide Easy Count software
- Provide premises in Darwin and Alice Springs for materials management and scrutiny centres
- Returning Officers
- Ballot Papers and other associated printing products
- Voting Centre Election materials
- Conduct both the declaration of nominations and declaration of election result in the NTEC Darwin site

The **East Arnhem Regional Council** will support the Northern Territory Electoral Commission in the conduct of the 2021 General Election by providing the following:

- Provide voting services in agreed Council Delivery Centres from 16 August 2021 to 26 August 2021.
  - Centres agreed to are Angurugu, Umbakumba, Galiwinku, Gapuwiyak, Gunyangara, Yirrkala, Milyakburra, Ramingining, and Milingimbi.
- Provide council staff and premises in above Council Delivery Centres to conduct voting services.
- Facilitate council staff training by NTEC officer/s.
- Facilitate the delivery to communities and return to Darwin of election materials and ballot papers.

- Ensure the security of used and unused ballot papers, ballot boxes, and netbook machines.
- *Facilitate a mobile team voting service to minor communities and outstations in conjunction with NTEC.*
- Provide council owned accommodation (if required) and voting premises at no cost.
- Provide pick-ups and drop-offs at communities where necessary.
- Promote the election through social media and council sites throughout the council area.
- Act as an agent to receive and on-forward nominations to the NTEC for official processing etc.

## **GENERAL**

Council is required to consider the benefits and risks of assisting with the election voting process, and make a decision.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council:**

- (a) Notes the timetable for the 2021 election;**
- (b) (Does / Does not) endorse the EARC assisting with the election process by providing voting services in each community.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 East Arnhem 1 schedule**
- 2 East Arnhem 2 schedule**

# Voting schedule - with LGA

2017 NT Council (26 Aug 2017)  
Mobile Team East Arnhem 1

Remote Voting Team Leader: Paul Richard GOGGIN  
te Deputy Voting Team Leader: VIN TYNDALL  
Remote Voting Team Member: Chris BROGAN

Travel mode	Depart from	Time	Arrive at	Time	Voting location	Official voting times		Num electors	Comments
						Start	End		
<b>Mon 14 Aug 2017</b>									
Plane - Ctr	Darwin	7:00am	Gurumuru (M/WATJ)	10:15am	Community	11:00am	11:30am	38	
Plane - Ctr	Gurumuru	12:00pm	Dhalybyby (M/WATJ)	12:30pm	Community	1:15pm	2:00pm	63	
Plane - Ctr	Dhalybyby	2:30pm	Nhulunbuy	3:15 pm					Overnight stay at Walkabout Lodge - see accommodation sheet for details.

<b>Tue 15 Aug 2017</b>									
Plane - Ctr	Nhulunbuy	8:00am	Garthahala (M/WATJ)	8:30am	Community	9:15am	9:45am	44	
Plane - Ctr	Garthahala	10:15am	Birany Birany (M/WATJ)	10:45am	Community	11:15am	11:45am	29	
Plane - Ctr	Birany Birany	12:15pm	Wandawuy (M/WATJ)	12:45pm	Community	1:15pm	1:45pm	65	
Plane - Ctr	Wandawuy	2:15pm	Rurrangala (M/WATJ)	2:45pm	Community	3:15pm	3:45pm	12	
Plane - Ctr	Rurrangala	4:15pm	Nhulunbuy	5:00 pm					Overnight stay at Walkabout Lodge - see accommodation sheet for details.

<b>Wed 16 Aug 2017</b>									
Plane - Ctr	Nhulunbuy	8:00am	Gan Gan (M/WATJ)	9:00am	Community	9:45am	10:45am	80	
Plane - Ctr	Gan Gan	11:15am	Dhurupudjpi (M/WATJ)	11:45am	Community	12:15pm	12:45pm	17	
Plane - Ctr	Dhurupudjpi	1:15pm	Banyala (M/WATJ)	1:45pm	Community	2:15pm	3:45pm	98	
Plane - Ctr	Banyala	4:15pm	Nhulunbuy	5:45 pm					Overnight stay at Walkabout Lodge - see accommodation sheet for details.

<b>Thu 17 Aug 2017</b>									
4wd	Nhulunbuy	8:00am	Guruyangara (M/WATJ)	8:30am	Council Office	9:00am	11:00am	146	
4wd	Guruyangara	11:30am	Wallaby Beach (M/WATJ)	12:00pm	Community	12:30pm	1:00pm	45	
4wd	Wallaby Beach	1:30pm	Gove Hospital ( )	2:45pm		3:15pm	4:15pm	5	Ring resource Coordinator 048804571 on arrival. Someone will come and sign team in. See Darren Kessell. 38 people there at present.
4wd	Gove Hospital	4:30pm	Darfala Work Camp ( )	4:45pm		5:15pm	6:15pm	0	Overnight stay at Walkabout Lodge - see accommodation sheet for details.
4wd	Darfala Work Camp	6:30pm	Nhulunbuy	6:45 pm					

Friday, 18 August 2017 11:56 am



# Voting schedule - with LGA

2017 NT Council (26 Aug 2017)  
Mobile Team East Arnhem 1

Travel mode	Depart from	Time	Arrive at	Time	Voting location	Official voting times		Num electors	Comments
						Start	End		
<b>Fri 18 Aug 2017</b>									
4wd	Nhulunbuy	7:30am	Yirrkala (MIVATI)	8:00am	Community Church	8:30am	1:30pm	640	
4wd	Yirrkala	2:00pm	Nhulunbuy	3:00pm					
Plane - Chtr	Nhulunbuy	3:00pm	Darwin	5:30 pm					
<b>Mon 21 Aug 2017</b>									
Plane - Chtr	Darwin	8:00am	Ramingining	10:00am					Pick up May Brazil 0427755027. Driver organised to take you to Outstations
4wd	Ramingining	11:00am	Yathalamarra (BIRAWRING)	11:45am	Community	12:30pm	1:00pm	28	Council vehicle
4wd	Yathalamarra	1:45pm	Ngangalala (BIRAWRING)	2:15pm	Community	3:00pm	3:30pm	15	Council vehicle
4wd	Ngangalala	4:00pm	Ramingining	4:30 pm					Overnight stay at Visiting Contractors Quarters - see accommodation sheet for details.
<b>Tue 22 Aug 2017</b>									
Car	Ramingining	7:00am	Ramingining (BIRAWRING)	7:30am	Library Breezeway	8:00am	3:15pm	647	
Car	Ramingining	3:45pm	Ramingining	3:45 pm					Overnight stay at Visiting Contractors Quarters - see accommodation sheet for details.
<b>Wed 23 Aug 2017</b>									
Plane - Chtr	Ramingining	8:00am	Milyakburra (ANDLYK)	11:00am	Council Office	11:45am	1:45pm	89	Pick up by Joel Omeeyo 89877099. No mobile service in Milyakburra. Walking distance
Plane - Chtr	Milyakburra	2:30pm	Alyangula	3:00 pm					Overnight stay at Visiting Officers Quarters - see accommodation sheet for details.
<b>Thu 24 Aug 2017</b>									
4wd	Alyangula	7:30am	Umbakumba (ANDLYK)	9:00am	Council Office	9:30am	12:30pm	265	Contact is Vanya Thompson 89877024. No mobile reception
4wd	Umbakumba	1:00pm	Malkala (ANDLYK)	2:30pm	Community	3:00pm	3:30pm	46	
4wd	Malkala	4:00pm	Alyangula	4:15 pm					Overnight stay at Visiting Officers Quarters - see accommodation sheet for details.

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2017 NT Council (26 Aug 2017)  
Mobile Team East Arnhem 1

Travel mode	Depart from	Time	Arrive at	Time	Voting location	Official voting times		Num electors	Comments
						Start	End		
<b>Fri 25 Aug 2017</b>									
4wd	Alyangula	8:00am	Angurugu (ANDLYK)	8:30am	Council Office	9:00am	2:00pm	503	
Plane - Sched	Angurugu	3:30pm	Darwin	5:30 pm					

# Voting schedule - with LGA

2017 NT Council (26 Aug 2017)  
Mobile Team East Arnhem 2

Remote Voting Team Leader: Graeme HOCKEY  
Deputy Voting Team Leader: Dallas GRAETZ  
Remote Voting Team Member: Gary NELSON

Travel mode	Depart from	Time	Arrive at	Time	Voting location	Official voting times		Num electors	Comments
						Start	End		
<b>Thu 24 Aug 2017</b>									
Plane - Cntr	Darwin	6:30am	Bahma (GMRMRKA)	8:45am	Community	9:15am	9:45am	11	
Plane - Cntr	Bahma	10:15am	Dooydji (GMRMRKA)	10:45am	Community	11:15am	11:45am	26	
Plane - Cntr	Dooydji	12:15pm	Mirmatja (GMRMRKA)	12:30pm	Community	1:00pm	1:30pm	13	
Plane - Cntr	Mirmatja	2:00pm	Raymangir (GMRMRKA)	2:30pm	Community	3:00pm	3:30pm	33	
Plane - Cntr	Raymangir	4:00pm	Gapuwiyak	4:30 pm					Overnight stay at PMC Indigenous Strategy - Gapuwiyak (Lake Evella) - see accommodation sheet for details.

## Fri 25 Aug 2017

Car	Gapuwiyak	8:00am	Gapuwiyak (GMRMRKA)	8:30am	Sports & Rec Centre	9:00am	2:00pm	639	Contact is Aneisu Hector 0429 631 171. He will pick you up
Plane - Cntr	Gapuwiyak	2:30pm	Darwin	4:30 pm					

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.9
<b>TITLE</b>	Annual Plan and Budget 2021-22
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1476798
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager



### SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on the Annual Plan timetable.

### BACKGROUND

The Local Government Act 2008 and the new Local Government Act 2019, which commences 1 July 2021, both require Council to adopt an Annual Plan containing a budget.

The 2008 Act has a deadline of 31 July each year for this adoption.

The 2019 Act has a deadline of 30 June each year for this adoption.

The earlier date reflects that a year starts on 1 July, and a plan should be in place before the year starts.

The 2019 Act contains provisions that say that the part of the 2008 Act that specifies what an Annual Plan must contain still applies until after the August 2021 election, (section 350) and that the 2008 timetable applies for the 2021/22 year (section 356).

This year is election year, and a caretaker period is required prior to the elections, during which no major decisions shall be made, including setting a budget. This is from Friday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2021 to Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

The process requires Council to publish a DRAFT plan, and then advertise it for 21 days, then consider any feedback, then adopt a FINAL plan.

Local Authorities must be given an opportunity to have input into the plan.

Local Authorities have meetings scheduled between 17 May and 28 May.

Council has an ordinary meeting scheduled for 23 June.

The summary of all this is that Council must adopt a plan by 31 July this year.

### Timetable Options

Two options exist:

The Local Authorities will receive a briefing on a draft plan during May and the opportunity for input. These finish 28 May.

Council could hold a Special Meeting on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May to adopt a DRAFT plan, with an intention of adopting the FINAL plan on 23 June. This timetable is risky as the 21 day consultation period ( 1 June – 22 June ) could bring in feedback that would be very time squeezed to consider and include.

The alternative is adopt the DRAFT plan at the 24 June meeting, and call a Special Meeting for 23 July to adopt the final plan. (the 21 day consultation period would be 25 June – 16 July).

These dates are prior to the commencement of the caretaker period, but after nominations open on 16 July 2021.

### Annual Plan Decisions

An early decision in the budgeting process is the percentage increase in rates and refuse charges.

Should the rates be increased, and by what percentage?

The impact on rates and refuse charges with no increase and a 2% increase are shown:

<b>Community Rates</b>	<b>Total General Rates with 2% increase</b>	<b>Total General Rates with 0% increase</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Angurugu	645,267	632,615	12,652
Umbakumba	321,981	315,668	6,313
Milyakburra	135,906	133,242	2,665
Ramingining	462,650	453,579	9,071
Milingimbi	463,418	454,332	9,086
Gapuwiyak	465,800	456,667	9,133
Galiwinku	1,126,739	1,104,648	22,092
Yirrkala	475,403	466,082	9,321
Gunyangara	191,683	187,924	3,758
Mining	54,466	54,466	0
	<b>4,343,314</b>	<b>4,259,223</b>	<b>84,090</b>

<b>Community Rates</b>	<b># of Residential charges</b>	<b># of Commercial charges</b>
Angurugu	208	11
Umbakumba	102	7
Milyakburra	43	3
Ramingining	149	8
Milingimbi	154	4
Gapuwiyak	156	3
Galiwinku	367	16
Yirrkala	151	10
Gunyangara	55	9

<b>Community Refuse</b>	<b>Total Refuse charge with 2% increase</b>	<b>Total Refuse charge with 0% increase</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Angurugu	413,764	405,649	8,114
Umbakumba	210,609	206,479	4,130
Milyakburra	80,143	78,572	1,572
Ramingining	281,434	275,915	5,519
Milingimbi	298,208	292,360	5,848
Gapuwiyak	301,936	296,015	5,921
Galiwinku	663,513	650,501	13,012
Yirrkala	342,939	336,214	6,725
Gunyangara	115,556	113,290	2,266
	<b>2,708,101</b>	<b>2,654,994</b>	<b>53,107</b>

<b>Community Refuse</b>	<b># of Residential charges</b>	<b># of Commercial charges</b>
Angurugu	202	20
Umbakumba	102	11
Milyakburra	38	5
Ramingining	144	7
Milingimbi	153	7
Gapuwiyak	157	5
Galiwinku	332	24
Yirrkala	173	11
Gunyangara	54	8

<b>2% Increase to Last year rate</b>	
Rates Residential	\$ 2,919.41
Rates Commercial	\$ 3,457.25
Refuse charge	\$ 1,863.80

<b>No increase to Last year rate</b>	
Rates Residential	\$ 2,862.17
Rates Commercial	\$ 3,389.46
Refuse charge	\$ 1,827.25

Inflation, especially in remote communities, with increased wage costs, material costs, transport costs is higher than in the major cities.

Council rates and waste charges are the CORE income source of running the Council.

If Council does not increase its income from rates, then savings are required to adjust for the increased costs.

Last year, for 2020/21 Council applied a 1% rates increase due to COVID impacts on incomes.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**That Council:**

- (a) Approves a timetable for 2021-22 Annual Plan of approving a draft on 23 June 2021, consulting 25 June – 16 July 2021, and adopting a final Annual Plan at a Special Meeting to be called for Friday 23 July 2021.**
- (b) Endorses a 2% increase in rates and refuse charges for consideration in the Draft Annual Plan 2021/22.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.10
<b>TITLE</b>	Local Authority Action Listings from LA Meetings
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1476042
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Candice O'Halloran, Acting Governance, Local Authority and Communication Manager

### **SUMMARY:**

This report provides a summary list of actions arising from Local Authority meetings in each of the East Arnhem Regional Council communities.

### **BACKGROUND**

In accordance with item 13 of Guideline 8 of the Local Government Act, Council must consider the minutes of Local Authority meetings at each Council Meeting to address and minute Council's response to any matters raised by the relevant Local Authority. All matters arising with actions from the Local Authority meetings are consolidated in the attached Action Register for the Council's consideration.

### **GENERAL**

A current list of action items from Local Authority meetings held since Council last met is attached.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

- (a) Endorses the actions included in the Local Authority Actions List as recommended by each Local Authority, or as amended.**
- (b) Approves the removal of completed actions and as recommended by each Local Authority.**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 Local Authority Action Items.pdf**



## ANGURUGU ACTIONS

LOCAL AUTHORITY	ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS
Angurugu Actions from Resolutions Meeting – 2 February 2021	137/2021 Power & Water	The Angurugu Local Authority endorses ongoing consultation with the Director Technical & Infrastructure Services with Power and Water management to support the effective implementation of the Stage 2 Sewage Reticulation Upgrade.
	143/2021 Series of Murals	That the Local Authority continues to consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.
	147/2021 Liquor Permits	That the Local Authority notes the question from members and requests Council to confirm its support of Council staff, applying for and being approved for liquor permits, in line with the Liquor Act 2019, section 202.
Angurugu Actions	001/2020 RESOLVED  Apologies	That the Local Authority:  a) Notes the absence without permission of Venice Mirniyowam for the Local Authority Meeting. b) The Local Authority Chair to draft a letter to Venice Mirniyowam stating that her membership will be revoked should she not be present at the next meeting, in line with the Local Authority Policy.  <b>2/02/21 - Venice Mirniyowam has signed a resignation form, which is to be considered at the next Council meeting.</b>
	002/2020 RESOLVED  Playground Position	That the Local Authority support the positioning of the playground within the area of Lot 591 as a suggested alternative after the Office of Township consultation.
	003/2020 RESOLVED Staffing Update	<b>Completed Remove from Action Listing</b>
	004/2020 RESOLVED Joint Anindilyakwa Local Authority Meeting	<b>Completed Remove from Action Listing</b>
	005/2020 RESOLVED  Council Office Security	That the Local Authority:  (a) Notes the Community Development Coordinator Report. (b) Requests that Council reviews the security access for the Angurugu Council office; and (c) Includes the office number on the door for Animal Management.  <b>2/02/2021 – The request for quotes closes this Friday, but EARC has received submissions for the work to be</b>

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		done. To commence within three weeks, for completion by end of March in line with the SCALE funding.
	Angurugu Laundromat	<p>That the Angurugu Local Authority endorses the start-up of a laundromat, organised and paid for by Groote Eylandt Aboriginal Trust (GEAT), and request the Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to liaise with GEAT on the use of EARC leased land (lot 394) to locate the laundromat.</p> <p>16/11/2020 – all approvals in place and GEAT proceeding with the project in the near future.</p> <p><b>24.11.2020 Recommend Removal of Action</b></p>
	Aged Care & Disability Services	<p>The Angurugu Local Authority requests the Aged Care and Disability Services Regional Manager draft a letter to come from the President, to Sam McMahon Federal Senator for the NT, and Richard Colbeck, the Federal Minister for Aged Care and Senior Australians, to raise the serious problem in the timeframe in gaining assessments for more Commonwealth Home Care Program (CHSP) clients.</p> <p><b>Letter Completed</b></p> <p>24.11.2020 – The Director Community Development to provide an update about progress.</p> <p><b>2/02/2021 – A response from Senator, the Hon Richard Colbeck is included in the papers. Advocacy is ongoing. Completed</b></p>
	Angurugu Local Area Management Plan and Street Names	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Holds a workshop to consider any adjustments to the current Local Area Traffic Management Plan for Angurugu and supply feedback at the next scheduled Local Authority meeting.</li> <li>(b) Request the archive records of street names be located and used, and consider street name suggestions for new streets for the purpose of further consultation at the next Local Authority meeting.</li> </ul> <p>16/11/2020 – To date no records have been found – Local Authority to confirm suggested names for further OTL and ALC consultation consideration</p> <p><b>02/02/2021 – The Local Authority Chair to follow up with Silvia Tack and provide information to Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services – pending.</b></p>
	160/2020	<b>Completed Remove from Action Listing</b>
	Community Finance	

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	Report – July 2020	
	Water line to the cemetery \$20,000	<p>18/01/2021 Water line discussions are continuing meeting with the head of power and water Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> surrounding a range of connection requirements.</p> <p><b>2/02/2021 – Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services has recently met with Power and Water to facilitate this project (along with other projects).</b></p>
	Cemetery lights and shelter \$65,000	<p><b>18/01/2021 - All material in Community – project to commence in the coming weeks with final AAPA approval pending – expected mid February – OTL Approval already obtained</b></p>
	130/2020 – Chief Executive Officer Report	<p>The Local Authority: Requests that a Coordinator from the different Council program areas is invited periodically to provide an update to the Local Authority in addition to the CEO report.</p> <p><b>2/02/2021 – To invite the Community Night Patrol Coordinator to present to the Local Authority.</b></p> <p><b>Director Community Development to investigate what other stakeholders are doing for cross-cultural training for new employees, such as GEMCO, GEAT and ARDS, and report back on options for training EARC employees – for both Anindilyakwa and Yolngu communities.</b></p>
	MEMBER RAISED ISSUE 142 – Rubbish Bins at Cemetery	<p>The Local Authority requests that rubbish bins to be put into the cemetery area. The Community Development Coordinator is asked to provide details about the desired locations to the Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services</p> <p><b>18/01/2021– Steel Bins and stands have arrived and will be installed in the near future. The new Municipal Services Supervisor has arrived and is working through the works list.</b></p>

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	Gravesite Identification	<p>26.05.2020 – Project underway with ALC; a GPS locator is being used to locate and map graves to update the gravesite identification.</p> <p>Council amendment – Write a letter to advocate for additional funding for all communities for gravesite identification that has been and will be undertaken.</p> <p>28/07/2020 - The Director Community Development is requested to engage community consultants to identify gravesites and purchase materials; the Local Authority approves the expenditure up to \$15,000 of Local Authority Project Funds.</p> <p><b>02.02.2021 – EARC has been working closely with ALC Anthropologist, Hugh Bland, to help identify the graves in the Angurugu cemetery. The burial register is being updated as the project progresses. This cemetery mapping remains an ongoing process, but it is underway.</b></p>
	Footpath Installation	<p>26.05.2020 –The Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services and the Regional Roads Manager will be visiting community to assess the footpath works mid-June 2020.</p> <p><b>18/01/2021 – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services has met with BetaPave about defects and intersection road surface tie in points in conjunction with the roads capital program contractor to resume works once weather clears.</b></p>
	Airport Toilets	<p>26.05.2020 – The Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services will put to Council a design that is being finalised, with costings, that will form the basis for future toilet facilities and funding applications – for the airport toilets. These toilets will form part of cleaning schedule for the Municipal Services crew.</p> <p>16/11/2020 - Ongoing – designs have been supported by council and will form consideration with Dividend and Public funding allocation in the February Ordinary meeting – a report and discussion will take place for community priorities.</p>
	Playground Equipment	<p>26.05.2020 – The Community Development Coordinator has approached GEBIE; awe are waiting a quote, installation instructions and fixings (nuts &amp; bolts) to be able to install the playground equipment.</p> <p>The Community Development Coordinator to send through the map to Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to show proposed location.</p> <p><b>18/01/2021 – pricing is being obtained for installation. Installation expected by end of February.</b></p>

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	Lot 444 – New Sports Hub / Hall	<p>26.05.2020 – An email was sent to the engineering consulting firm and Matthew H from ALC. The consultation is due to be held between the end of June to mid-July, depending on COVID-19 restrictions.</p> <p>The Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services is to follow up on progress on the planned consultation and the designs.</p> <p>There is a question about the available funding from ALC. This won't affect the footprint of the building, but may require scaling back the scope of the design.</p> <p>10/07/2020 - Discussion and follow up email sent to the ALC – consultations scheduled at this stage to commence in the second week of August at the site by the ALC.</p> <p>20/10/2020 - ALC scheduled to present at the November Local Authority meeting.</p> <p>26.10.2020 – Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to raise again with ALC that it needs to conduct a community meeting/s to properly consult on the proposed new sports hub, as originally resolved by the Local Authority.</p> <p><b>24/11/2020 - ALC representatives provided a presentation to the Local Authority and provided commitment that community consultation will occur as the design is further developed with the architect.</b></p> <p><b>Completed</b></p>
	Anindilyakwa Land Council Regional Local Government	<p>26.05.2020 – The last meeting was a meeting with communities, just prior to the release of an assessment report. The coronavirus has delayed discussions and these will not progress prior to an easing of restrictions.</p> <p>24/11/2020 – An update was provided to the Local Authority.</p>
	Bridge Lighting Replace existing Lightings	<b>Completed Remove from Action Listing</b>

Angurugu Public Infrastructure Projects (as proposed by the Local Authority at its meeting of 24 November 2020)	
Medium to Large Scale Priorities	Smaller Scale Priorities

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Public toilets</li> <li>2) Footbridge</li> <li>3) CCTV</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Riverside market space</li> <li>2) Traffic calming</li> <li>3) External public seating and benches in Church area and cemetery</li> </ul>
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## FUTURE ACTIONS / ADVOCACY

Angurugu	ACTION ITEM	FUTURE ACTIONS
<b>Future/Actions on Hold</b>	Australia Post Services (Meeting - 28 July 2020)	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Provide direction to the Director Community Development on whether there is community interest in Council providing Australia Post services, based on practicality.</li> <li>(b) Seek the Director Community Development to raise an expression of interest with Australia Post for EARC - Angurugu to become the Australia Post Agent when the contract is next available.</li> </ul> <p><b>2/02/2021 - Australia Post confirmed that they are happy with the current provider. To submit interest when the contract comes up for renewal.</b></p>

## Galiwin'ku Actions

LOCAL AUTHORITY	ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS
Actions from Resolutions – 28 January 2021	149/2021 Community Asbestos Update	That the Local Authority:  (a) Notes the Community Asbestos Update, particularly the initial recommendations with regard to the asbestos in Galiwin'ku. (b) Supports a temporary licenced storage area at the current land fill site. (c) Support Indigenous employment and training for the asbestos removal project. (d) Will provide the Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services with a map that identifies priority areas. <b>Completed</b>
	150/2021 Galiwin'ku Hall Meeting Room Noise Reduction Project – LAPF	That the Local Authority provide a final layout direction in relation to wall imagery and textile colour and pattern option.  <b>Completed</b>
	152/2021 Series of Murals (re-tabled)	That the Local Authority:  (a) Continues to consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals. (b) Start gathering together photos of possible candidates, to be given to the Community Development Coordinator.
	155/2021 Questions from Members	That the Local Authority:  (a) Notes the questions from members about the misuse of the PA system, the progress of the proposed waterpark and BMX track projects, and the progress on the public toilet to be located at the private charter area at the airport. (b) Approves the proposed amendments to the microplastics signage, including the rangers logo to be added to the sign. (c) Approves the shade shelter, originally proposed to be located at 'Top Camp' to be placed at an alternative location near the Boat Landing.
Galiwin'ku Actions	001/2020 RESOLVED	That the Local Authority:  a) Notes the report on the Kava Pilot: Allowing the commercial importation of kava. b) Supports comprehensive community consultation as

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		<p>highlighted in the Northern Territory Government's submission to the Australian Government's Kava Pilot Phase 2: Allowing the Commercial Importation of Kava consultation paper, and the call for Commonwealth funding to support either:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) increased compliance and policing for the increase in the illicit kava trade, or</li> <li>2) effective and informed local decision making about kava management to minimise potential harms.</li> </ol> <p>c) Supports the Northern Territory Government's request for funding to support research into the health and social impacts from increased kava availability.</p>
	002/2020 RESOLVED	<b>Completed Remove from Action Listing</b>
	003/2020 RESOLVED	<p>That the Local Authority notes the questions from the public about the oval – the Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services will research and follow up on improvements, including alignment and surface dressing, to the oval.</p> <p>18/01/2021 – action to be considered in the February period.</p>
	Sound proofing of the meeting room \$27,000	18/01/2021 – wall photos have been supplied by the Local Authority and order for materials underway – ETA 4 weeks.
	Shelters at Top Camp \$40,000	20/10/2020 Shelters at Top Camp – Materials – confirmation on location to be supplied by Local Authority.
	Infrastructure build	<b>Completed Remove from Action Listing</b>
	Women's Centre Grant	<p>21/05/2020 – The Director of Community Development requested to provide an update for current and possible future programs to be run out of the Women's Centre facility.</p> <p>22/01/2021 – The Community Development Directorate has researched current women's centre and crisis accommodation providers across the NT. The attached list details organisation, location, operator, purpose and services offered for the members review.</p> <p>Galiwin'ku has current significant investment by Territory Families for a Galiwin'ku Crisis accommodation, in addition to other funded programs delivered at the Galiwin'ku women's space. The Community Development Directorate will continue to explore emerging opportunities to increase women's services in Galiwin'ku, however note that repetition of services adds increased complexity in further successful applications/opportunities being presented.</p> <p><b>28/01/2021 – Director Community Development to</b></p>



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		<b>provide an update on commencement date and services provided by the Women's Centre, and to check the option of a trip for a small group to visit the Women's Centre at Maningrida.</b>
	Cemetery Fencing	18/01/2021 – Quotations ready for release to the market end of January 2021.
	Grave Digger	21.05.2020 –The CDC is to provide modelling to inform further consideration of the viability of the purchase of a grave digger. Majority of providers on island are equipped with own machinery so hire model does not suit the operational environment. Grave digging is currently included as a 'gratis service' as per the EARC Funeral Service & Burial Policy.  18/11/2020 – The Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services to come back to the Local Authority with detailed costed briefing with options for a small digger.
	Interpreter's Office	21.05.2020 The Director of Community Development to follow up for a response from the Department of Housing and Community Development regarding the provision of an office space for an interpreter service in Galiwinku.  <b>28/01/2021 – Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to follow up on progress with EARC Tenancy Manager.</b>  20/10/2020 – Space identified and negotiations to be finalised
	LED Screen	<b>Completed Remove from Action Listing</b>
	Cluster One	24/09/2020 – The Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services to follow up with Office of Chief Minister about the ability to utilize the Cluster One (Lot 226) as a funeral ceremony area.  10/11/2020 - Change of land purpose to include ceremony purposes to be lodged with the NLC
	Micro-plastics Signage	The Local Authority supported the installation of a sign to tell the story of micro-plastics in the water. Members recommended that the pictures on the proposed sign should include people representing countries from around the world. The first sign is to be installed near the Mission Beach.  <b>18/01/2021 – Ongoing, with the signs expected to be installed in the early new year once all feedback received from Local Authorities.</b>

## Galiwin'ku Actions

Galiwin'ku Public Infrastructure Projects (as proposed by the Local Authority at its meeting of 18 November 2020)	
Medium to Large Scale Priorities	Smaller Scale Priorities
1) Outdoor youth recreation facilities, incorporating a waterpark and BMX track 2) Public toilets at two locations 3) Additional Footpaths 4) Buthan Recreation Area	1) Co-contribution to a ceremony area 2) Shelters 3) Mobile laundromat

## FUTURE ACTIONS / ADVOCACY

Galiwin'ku	ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS
Galiwin'ku Future Actions / Advocacy	Improvement to Tracks	That the Local Authority notes the question from members about the need for funds to improve the tracks to hunting grounds and Local Authority funds for Youth, Sport and Recreation.

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LOCAL AUTHORITY	ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS
Actions from Resolutions – 29 January 2021	175/2021 Series of Murals (re-tabled)	That the Local Authority:  (a) Continue to consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals. (b) Speak to family members, and start gathering together photos, of possible candidates, to be given to the Community Development Coordinator.  <b>19/03/2021 – Awaiting on suggestions, LA members still to speak to families seeking permission.</b>
Gapuwiyak Actions	178/2021 Questions from Members	That the Local Authority:  a) Notes the question from members. b) Requests a letter be written from the Local Authority to NT Health and Miwatj Health requesting the provision of a morgue service in Gapuwiyak, as in Galiwin'ku, as it is an essential and very important need for the community. <b>19/03/2021 – LA members request Director of Community Development to follow up on progress from NT Health and Miwatj Health</b>
	001/2020 RESOLVED	That the Local Authority:  a) Notes the report on the Kava Pilot: Allowing the commercial importation of kava. b) Supports comprehensive community consultation as highlighted in the Northern Territory Government's submission to the Australian Government's Kava Pilot Phase 2: Allowing the Commercial Importation of Kava consultation paper, and the call for Commonwealth funding to support either: 1) increased compliance and policing for the increase in the illicit kava trade, or 2) effective and informed local decision making about kava management to minimise potential harms. c) Supports the Northern Territory Government's request for funding to support research into the health and social impacts from increased kava availability. d) Seek clarification from Northern Territory Government how Kava is going to be managed in the Northern Territory during the next two years, the duration of the pilot.

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	002/2020 RESOLVED	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Provide direction to EARC that there is a need for Child Care Subsidy (CCS) approved child care service in Gapuwiyak.</li> <li>b) Recommend EARC submit a plan to the Department to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Clearly define the child care service as a separate entity to Families as First Teachers (FaFT) and/or preschool so that</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o families understand when they are attending the child care service and staff are aware when they are employed by the child care service.</li> <li>o Demonstrate agreement with other programs that share the same facility to allocate costs, staff and clients to each program.</li> <li>o Demonstrate the regular marketing of the child care service in community.</li> <li>o Increase confirmed Complying Written Arrangements and Relevant Arrangements</li> </ul> <p>o Regularly submit Child Care Subsidy (CCS) session reports. <b>Completed</b></p>
	121/2020 Gapuwiyak Community Footpath Installation	<p>That the Local Authority notes the report and approves the new locations marked in green for the allocation of Local Authority Project Funding on Gapuwiyak community footpaths.</p> <p>18/01/2021 – Tender awarded to YBE 2 Pty Ltd – construction to commence after the wet season.</p> <p><b>29/01/2021 – The Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services provided an update on the contract with YBE and expected start time, March 2021.</b></p> <p><b>19/03/2021 – Foot Path Project has had a delay due no accommodation in community for contractors. Foot Path project to commence early April 2021</b></p>

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	PA System  Upgrades to the PA system \$43,000	<p>The Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to provide an update on the upgrade to the PA system at next meeting.</p> <p>10/07/2020 - Action item issued to ICT Department and are looking into options for positioning at the oval potentially on one of the lighting towers given power and mounting height already available.</p> <p>25/09/2020 The Local Authority confirms it wants a new PA system installed to ensure PA coverage across the whole community.</p> <p><b>29/01/2021 – Jonathan Lora sent a revised action for commencement. The work to produce a revised design and costing is underway.</b></p> <p><b>19/03/2021 – Installation to commence in four weeks. Speakers to cover across the whole community</b></p>
	Community Entrance Signage Project –	That Local Authority members review the tabled Community Entry signs and provide feedback on the
	Gapuwiyak	<p>structure of the information and design of the sign specific for the Gapuwiyak community entrance.</p> <p>20.11.2020 The Local Authority will ask TOs to sit with them to decide what they want on the entrance signs.</p> <p><b>29/01/2021 – Awaiting advice. The Local Authority to check with TOs to decide what they want on the entrance signs.</b></p> <p><b>19/03/2021 – Awaiting advice. The Local Authority still to check with TOs and decide on the entrance signs for Gapuwiyak Community</b></p>
	Upgrade Airport Waiting Area	<p>22.05.2020 – The advice received was that the NTG is only responsible for grounds maintenance and the structure was built by the Community Incorporated Council/Shire at the transition of local government.</p> <p><b>29/01/2021 – The Local Authority has recommended a financial contribution toward a co-funded grant opportunity – to be tabled at the February Council meeting.</b></p> <p><b>19/03/2021 – Council have put 50k aside to work with NT Government to help with costs on the upgrade of the airport area</b></p>

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	Quote to repair public toilets  Showers and Toilets at the Oval	22.05.2020 – These public toilets are beyond repair. The Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services will put to Council a design that is being finalised, with costings that will form the basis for future toilet facilities and funding applications – for the public toilets behind the Council.  <b>29/01/2021 - Ongoing – design approved by Council and will be considered as part of the dividend or allocated public area funding in the February Council meeting – this was included on the community priority listing.</b> <b>19/03/2021 – Council approved</b>
	Church Repairs	22.05.2020 – David Forsyth from Uniting Church has written to the Local Authority in response to the issues raised by the LA.  The Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services to check if the building is heritage listed and if so, investigate options for funding for repairs and maintenance.  The Local Authority requests that the Community Development Coordinator drafts a letter for Council to send an invitation to Church, MAF and ALPA representatives to visit the community to consult with community about the future of the Church building. <b>(Completed)</b>  <b>29/01/2021 – Head man at church is planning to come out to discuss with community about condition of the church and future use – scheduled date unknown.</b> <b>19/03/2021 – No update has been received as yet from Uniting Church</b>
	Infrastructure for Youth to hang out	22.05.2020 – The Local Authority requests the Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services review and finalise existing designs for fit-for-purpose infrastructure under the Community Infrastructure Plan. This would be for fit out of the Youth, Sport & Recreation Hall as a major project that Council can seek to identify funding to implement.
		<b>29/01/2021 – Part of Approved Army project to commence in 2021/2022 financial year – action ongoing.</b> <b>19/03/2021 – Building approved , at this stage not sure if it will be a Youth Drop In Centre as purpose of the building has changed</b>
	Shelter for Fuel Bowsers	22.05.2020 – The Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services to investigate the Shelter for Fuel Bowsers as part of broader bowser update.  <b>29/01/2021 - This project is still pending. EARC is awaiting a replacement bowser supply first, which has been delayed due to available units in the country – expected by end of February.</b> <b>19/03/2021 – Units arrived in Darwin and installation</b>

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		will commence 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of April 2021

Gapuwiyak Public Infrastructure Projects (as proposed by the Local Authority at its meeting of 20 November 2021)	
Medium to Large Scale Priorities	Smaller Scale Priorities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Two Public Toilets – near the Airport and to replace those near the central Council area</li> <li>2) Staged Waterpark</li> <li>3) Footpaths</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Shade shelters at Wharf camp</li> <li>2) Two Playgrounds</li> <li>3) Solar lighting</li> <li>4) Up to \$50,000 financial contribution towards grant funding for improved airport waiting facility.</li> </ul>

## GUNYANGARA ACTIONS

LOCAL AUTHORITY	ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS
Gunyangara Actions from Meeting on 12.02.21	083/2021 Community Entrance Sign	That Local Authority members review the tabled Community Entry signs examples and provide feedback on a design specific for the Gunyangara community and decide on a suitable location for the sign to be installed when complete.
	084/2021 Community Public Infrastructure Projects	<p>(a) That Local Authority recommend the below projects for the direction of priority for the Community Public Infrastructure focus for Gunyangara.</p> <p>Medium to Large Scale Priorities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Multi-purpose Building at Oval – Change-rooms/Bathrooms (Cyclone Shelter)</li> <li>2) Basketball Court Cover and Seating</li> <li>3) Oval Lighting</li> </ol> <p>Smaller Scale Priorities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Footpaths (from school to Gumatj Office)</li> <li>2) Landscaping and Beautification around Community</li> <li>3) LED Screen and Trailer</li> </ol> <p>(b) That the Local Authority recommend the preferred option of distribution for the Public Infrastructure reserve for Council to consider to be a combination of options 1) distributed based on baseline need and 3) distributed based on levels of prior or pending public infrastructure investment.</p>
	Microplastics Sign	Local Authority Members were asked to consider the signs and provide feedback about the design and content, as well as where Members would like to see a sign (or 2 signs) installed.
Gunyangara Actions	075/2020 Funding Offer from Miwatj Employment & Participation	<b>Completed Remove from Action Listing</b>
	Local Authority Project Funding	Commits its available Local Authority Project Funding to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) \$17,000 for the supply of materials for airstrip fencing 15/09/2020 - materials have arrived and being stored ready for installation</li> <li>(ii) \$22,000 for the supply of fencing for the cemetery 18/01/2021 - materials have Arrived ready for installation – site has been survey and installation will commence in February – March</li> <li>(iii) \$30,000 for the supply and installation of two bus shelters – 18/01/2021 – Awaiting support for design from Town Board</li> <li>(iv) \$12,000 towards the supply and installation of</li> </ol>



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		<p>solar lights – 18/01/2021 – Lighting has arrived and awaiting selected location direction for installation from Town Board</p> <p>(c) Asks the Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to explore the options, costs and identify funding for youth, sporting and recreation infrastructure. Include as a Future Project.</p> <p>20/10/2020 - Ongoing and will form part of dividend and public funds consideration in the February Ordinary meeting</p> <p>(d) Confirms the need to identify priority footpaths from the shop/Council office area, past the clinic to the Gumatj Office.</p> <p>Reconfirm of action needed as part of the priority listing given the additional funding and extended direction for the February meeting</p> <p>18/01/2021 Final costings being sought – funding would be required to commence.</p> <p>(a) Asks the Director Technical Infrastructure Services to explore the options and costs for seating for near the basketball courts and oval.</p> <p>18/01/2021 – Seating mounts arrived – awaiting Gumatj Timber to open for orders</p>
	Bus Shelter	<p>19.06.2020 The Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services will table the Local Area Traffic Management Plan (LATM) at the next Local Authority meeting to help inform where the new bus shelter on Drimmie Head Road near the new subdivision will be located.</p> <p>15/09/2020 – Bus sites confirmed and added to plan <b>Completed</b></p>
	WIFI Public Usage	<p>19.06.2020 – The Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services will revisit the Telstra agreement and a revised proposal will be provided to the Local Authority.</p> <p>15/09/2020 – Wifi installation completed at both Council offices and Gumatj as a joint project. <b>Completed</b></p>

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<b>Medium to Large Scale Priorities</b>	<b>Smaller Scale Priorities</b>

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Multi-purpose Building at Oval – Change-rooms/Bathrooms (Cyclone Shelter)</li><li>2) Basketball Court Cover and Seating</li><li>3) Oval Lighting</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Footpaths (from school to Gumatj Office)</li><li>2) Landscaping and Beautification around Community</li><li>3) LED Screen and Trailer</li></ol>
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## MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

LOCAL AUTHORITY	ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS
Actions from Resolutions – 27 January 2021	140/2021 Nominations for Local Authority Membership	That the Local Authority consider adding two or three other members to the Local Authority, and calls for nominations.
	141/2021 <i>Series of Murals (re-tabled)</i>	That the Local Authority: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Continue to consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.</li> <li>(b) Start gathering together photos of possible candidates, to be given to the Community Development Coordinator.</li> </ul>
Milingimbi Actions	001/2020 RESOLVED	<b>Completed Remove from Action Listing</b>
	002/2020 RESOLVED	That the Local Authority: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Notes the report on the Kava Pilot: Allowing the commercial importation of kava.</li> <li>b) Supports comprehensive community consultation as highlighted in the Northern Territory Government's submission to the Australian Government's Kava Pilot Phase 2: Allowing the Commercial Importation of Kava consultation paper, and the call for Commonwealth funding to support either: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) increased compliance and policing for the increase in the illicit kava trade, or</li> <li>2) effective and informed local decision making about kava management to minimise potential harms.</li> </ol> </li> <li>c) Supports the Northern Territory Government's request for funding to support research into the health and social impacts from increased kava availability.</li> </ul>
	097/2020 Community Development Coordinator Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Notes the Community Development Coordinator Report.</li> <li>(b) Supports a meeting of Local Authority and key Mala leaders with senior Police to discuss concerns with growing law and order issues at Milingimbi, and how to work together to address it, including the permanent placement of Police, neutral Yolgnu Aboriginal Community Police Officers and police liaison officers at Milingimbi.</li> </ul>

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		<p>17.11.2020 - Letter written – Local Authority members to meet with police about joint action to address crime in community. EARC CEO to call Senior Police official to advise of local action and seek local action from Police.</p> <p>The Director Community Development to follow up with Chief Ministers office, and other stakeholders, to explore options for housing and confirm if lots have been quarantined for police housing. The local Authority request an update in relation to service provision and investment from both levels of Government.</p> <p><b>27.01.2021 – CEO to call senior police official again to raise ongoing need for a permanent police presence at Milingimbi, including an Indigenous Liaison Officer(s), and stronger engagement and linkage with Local Authority and broader community members for the benefit of community.</b></p> <p><b>The Local Authority to support calling and facilitating community meetings with Police on how to work together to improve community safety.</b></p> <p><b>27/01/2021 - The Director of Technical and Infrastructure Service to follow up with Chief Ministers office, and other stakeholders, to explore options for housing and a proper permanent Police Station and see if lots have been quarantined in future subdivisions.</b></p> <p>(c) Requests a letter to be sent from the Local Authority Chair and Council President to the Traditional Credit Union (TCU) for a new TCU office at Milingimbi, and for the Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to liaise with the TCU and the Government on options for this.</p> <p><b>10/11/2020 – Still pending and will be looked at in January 2021</b></p>
	Questions From Members	<p>That the Local Authority notes the question about the leases in Milingimbi and requests that the Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services investigates the options for leases in Milingimbi, including 99 year leases, and provides a report to the Local Authority.</p> <p>27/01/2021 – The Director Technical and Infrastructure Services provided a verbal brief to the Local Authority and will provide a presentation to the Local Authority about the zoning plan, and vacant land that can be developed.</p> <p>Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to follow up about the abandoned house behind the Municipal Services</p>

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		<p>yard – to confirm if the site is asbestos free and who is responsible for clearing the site.</p> <p><b>27/01/2021 – The Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services has followed up with the NLC and researched the status of the abandoned house. It sits on 'land trust' land and is not on a lot or under lease. The Community Development Coordinator will be provided with an additional update for the Local Authority within the next two weeks.</b></p> <p><b>25.02.21 – Council to request the Director of Technical Services to contact the Northern Land Council and the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet about the urgent removal of the abandoned house that sits on 'land trust' land and seek payment for removal.</b></p>
	Priority footpaths	<p>10/11/2020 – tender release to the market and evaluated – market pricing for the works significantly over budget and works of the same nature across multiple areas – this project will be re-assessed and delivered in a reduced scope or additional funds will need to be allocated – this item will be discussed at the next LA meeting for suggested direction.</p> <p><b>27/01/2021 – ongoing at this stage – CDP and Contractors still to recommence respective services in Community at this stage.</b></p>
	Water to be installed at the oval	<p>19.05.2020 – Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to follow up with Power &amp; Water regarding current status of water sources, and when extra water may become available. To also investigate the use of brackish water for the Oval and report back to the LA.</p> <p>18/01/2021 - Email and discussion are underway with Power and Water surrounding supply options – Brackish Test bore was not approved but other options have been suggested as possibilities – awaiting official Power and Water response.</p>
	Beautification of Jesse Smith park	<p>27/01/2021 - Additional bollards have arrived and will be installed by the MS Team in the near future.</p>
	Makarata Field	<p>27/01/2021 - NLC consultations were held the week of the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November – awaiting formal advice on the consultation outcome from the NLC, NLC leasing staff still on holidays and set to return at the end of January. We are awaiting an official response from NLC.</p> <p><b>18/01/2021 – Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure</b></p>

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		Services to follow up for potential for historical listing (and as bombing site) and options for funding, DTSI looking into options and will report back in future meeting, noting this project was listed on the community priority listing for a co- funding contribution.
	YSR – New commercial stove for YSR center	<p>19.05.2020 – YSR Regional Manager is following up with Department of Health for approval, which is needed, before purchase of the oven.</p> <p>The Local Authority requests the item 'YSR – New commercial stove for YSR center' be placed on hold due to committing funds to other projects.</p> <p>10/11/2020 – The Local Authority requests Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services to provide a satisfactory stove option for the Youth, Sport &amp; Recreation Hall that the Local Authority is happy to fund – yet to be actioned</p> <p><b>18/01/2021 – to be actioned in February when trades are available in Community.</b></p>
	Micro-plastics Signage (Arnhem Coast Clean Up)	<p>22.09.2020 The Local Authority supported the installation of a sign to tell the story of micro-plastics in the water. Members recommend simplifying the words and adding language. The first sign is to be installed near the boat ramp. – Action for Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services.</p> <p><b>18/01/2021 – will be ordered with the balance of the community signage order once all community input has been received so all signs can be ordered in one bulk engagement. These signs will also include the local ranger emblems.</b></p>

Milingimbi Public Infrastructure Projects (as proposed by the Local Authority at its meeting of 17 November 2020)	
Medium to Large Scale Priorities	Smaller Scale Priorities
1) Public toilets near the foreshore at Jesse	1) Two shade structures and seating on the

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Smith Park and combined change rooms, shower and toilets at Oval	foreshore
2) Waterpark	2) Lockable double-bin stands for each house
3) Contribute towards the ceremony area at Makarata field	3) Renovate/upgrade the commentator box at the oval

## FUTURE ACTIONS / ADVOCACY

LOCAL AUTHORITY	ITEM	FUTURE ACTIONS
Milingimbi Future/Actions on Hold	Shade Shelters Install – Football Oval	12.05.2020 – Technical Services advised that seating install is estimated at \$20k total and Shade Shelters are \$35k per item. Decided at LA workshop 12.05.2020 to proceed with the seating install but put shade shelter install on hold until additional funding can be accessed to install them and possibly to included park furniture such as picnic table and chairs under the shelters.  <b>18/01/2021 - Seating Completed – Remove Shade Shelter Action as other Priorities Identified.</b>

## MILYAKBURRA ACTIONS

LOCAL AUTHORITY	ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS
Actions from Meeting - 1 February 2021	163/2021 Series of Murals	That the Local Authority continue to consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.
Milyakburra Actions	LAPF Projects	23/11/2020 Portable Outdoor Screen <b>Completed</b>  <b>1/02/2021 – The outdoor seating has arrived and Municipal Services to install in February.</b>
	112/2020 – Approval of Welcome Signage for Milyakburra	That the Local Authority approves the above design, incorporating final amendments from the Local Authority members to be provided by the Community Development Coordinator, before printing and installation of the sign.  <b>Completed</b>
	Street Lights	25.05.2020 – A large order of street lights has been placed but was delayed, partly due to COVID-19 restrictions. These lights are due for delivery into Australia during the next few weeks.  <b>1.02.21 - Completed – additional lighting to be reviewed in the February period.</b>
	Centrelink and Australia Post services	25.05.2020 - The Director of Community Development to provide an update to the Local Authority on the progress in setting up the Centrelink agency. Local Authority also seeks an update on the progress of Australia Post agency.  <b>23/11/2020 – Director Community Development to provide an update for the Local Authority about the Centrelink agency, and explain what is happening to ensure that privacy is maintained.</b>
	Community Day	25.05.2020 – Community Day and Garden Competition to be merged into same event, to be held in July.  The Community Development Coordinator to work with Local Authority members to organise the activities for the Community Day/ Clean up week.  23.11.2020 – The prizes have arrived and the Community Development Coordinator to organise.  <b>Completed</b>
	Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government.	25.05.2020 Executive team and President had meeting with ALC just prior to COVID-19 – unable to hold community consultations.  1/02/2021 – Ongoing



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Milyakburra Public Infrastructure Projects (as proposed by the Local Authority at its meeting of 23 November 2020)	
Medium to Large Scale Priorities	Smaller Scale Priorities
1) Oval 2) Public Toilets 3) Waterpark	1) Jetty 2) Shade structures and seating (at the barge landing) 3) Up to \$30,000 contribution for BMX track 4) Solar lighting

## FUTURE ACTIONS / ADVOCACY

Milyakburra	ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS
Future Actions/ On Hold.	Australia Post Services (Meeting – 27 July 2020)	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>(a) Provide direction to the Director Community Development that there is community interest in Council providing Australia Post services in their community.</p> <p>(b) Seek the Director Community Development to raise an expression of interest with Australia Post for EARC - Milyakburra to become the Australia Post Agent when the contract is next available.</p> <p>An expression of interest has been sent.</p>
	Cemetery Fence	Cemetery fence – 18/01/2021 – The cemetery fence falls outside town boundary. The Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services to update the Local Authority of any progress once NT Government and LGANT recommence consultations – No update provided by the department to date and consultations still pending.
	Barge road and Barge Landing	<p>25.05.2020 – A costing outline has been provided to Local Authority for noting. The Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to provide advice from ALC on options for funding the barge landing once received.</p> <p>To be incorporated in final proposal with ALC if approved.</p>

## RAMINGINING ACTIONS

LOCAL AUTHORITY	ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS
Actions from Resolutions – Meeting of 27 January	180/2021 Nominations For Local Authority Membership	The Local Authority to consider adding other members to the Local Authority.
	181/2021 Series of Murals (re-tabled)	That the Local Authority consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.
Ramingining Actions	001/2020 RESOLVED	That the Local Authority: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Notes there were no apologies received.</li> <li>b) Notes that members, David Rumbarumba and Barry Malibirr are absent with permission for medical reasons, and Daphne Malibirr and Lizzy Mindhili are absent with permission.</li> <li>c) Notes that members Dorothy Wiliyawuy and Lloyd Garrawurra are absent without permission.</li> <li>d) Requests the Chair write letters to members absent without permission to encourage attendance.</li> </ul> <p><b>COMPLETED</b></p>
	002/2020 RESOLVED	That the Local Authority: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Notes the report on the Kava Pilot: Allowing the commercial importation of kava.</li> <li>b) Supports comprehensive community consultation as highlighted in the Northern Territory Government's submission to the Australian Government's Kava Pilot Phase 2: Allowing the Commercial Importation of Kava consultation paper, and the call for Commonwealth funding to support either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) increased compliance and policing for the increase in the illicit kava trade, or</li> <li>2) effective and informed local decision making about kava management to minimise potential harms.</li> </ul> </li> <li>c) Supports the Northern Territory Government's request for funding to support research into the health and social impacts from increased kava availability.</li> </ul> <p><b>25/01.21 – The Local Authorities resolution has been shared with the Department of Chief Minister.</b></p>
	003/2020 RESOLVED	That the Local Authority: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Receives the Financial and Employment information to 31 October 2020.</li> </ul>

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		<p>b) Requests all financial charts to be bigger to aid reading.</p> <p>c) Requests the last chart on money spent per service table on page 44 be listed straight after the line chart on page 42.</p> <p>d) Where there are large variations a written explanation be provided.</p>
	004/2020 RESOLVED	<p>That the Local Authority requests that the Community Development Coordinator speak to Dinyulu about concerns that it will not fix car tyres, and will hold another leader meeting this Thursday to discuss.</p> <p><b>25/01/21 – Meeting has been scheduled for this Thursday, 18 January.</b></p>
	Community Oval Stage	<p>Extend the Community Oval Stage and construct a stage at the Church grounds. \$200,000</p> <p><b>18/01/2021 Design and engineering being finalised for market release – release due end of November with Construction anticipated February – March 2021</b></p>
	Cemetery Gates	<p>10/11/2020 Cemetery Gates - Gates have arrived – installation will form part of a larger Cemetery project in December January period</p> <p><b>Remove – forms part of the priority listing for the February Council Meeting and will form a consolidated action outline.</b></p>
	Funeral Services	<p>20.07.2020 - Requests the Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services and the Director Community Development to look into and advise the Local Authority through the Community Development Coordinator, the process to have proper naming of graves at the cemetery.</p> <p>18/01/2021 – Grave Head stone project with MSS in the new year will see the manufacturer of headstone each week – brass naming plaques will be supplied as part of the in kind burial process. This will be ongoing.</p> <p><b>Completed</b></p>
	Church Grounds And Cemetery Grounds	<p>10/11/2020 – The Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services advised that Council staff and the LA need to meet to discuss retaining the lease on this land. The annual cost of the lease is \$15,000.00 There have been recent delays in clarification of leases and licences. Maintaining the mowing and general maintenance is fine.</p> <p>Ongoing – with review of Holdings and leases still pending</p>

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	Landfill Trench for Clothing	18.05.2020 – This has been deferred to July when some capital works are being done, as the required machinery, such as an excavator and bulldozer, will be in community. The clothes trench and new signage will have a July start date, based on approval of the Annual Budget 2020-21.  <b>18/01/2021 - YBE engaged for the site modifications and are due back in the community once the weather allows for Machinery to recommence civil works.</b>
	White Line Markings on Bitumen Roads	18.05.2020 – White line markings to become a quarterly requirement, within the development of Municipal Services work plans. Training of staff is required. Equipment is on order.  18/01/2021 – Equipment has arrived in Gapuwiyak and the training has been completed – once line works are complete the unit will be relocated to other communities – this is weather dependant at the moment.  <b>25/01/21 – CDC to provide an update to the Local Authority about when the equipment will be in Raminging.</b>
	Community Entrance Signage Project	The Local Authority has approved:  a) The artist's fee and artwork concept for the Barge road sign of a flood plain with a giant palm and a sea eagle. b) The artist's fee and the artwork concept for the main entry sign to community of a kangaroo as the prominent feature, and traditional name of the country stretching from the airstrip to community. c) That both signs will have 'Welcome to Raminging' with the artwork being the prominent feature of the sign. d) For the population of the community to be incorporated into the sign design.  18/01/2021 – ongoing

Ramingining Public Infrastructure Projects (as proposed by the Local Authority at its meeting of 16 November 2020)	
Medium to Large Scale Priorities	Smaller Scale Priorities
1) Oval lights 2) Combined shower, toilets and change rooms	1) Power to cemetery 2) Solar lights at cemetery 3) Airport shelter upgrade – painting and extension 4) Shade shelter near oval

## 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 <b>Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government Authority</b> meeting and end of year event to be held in Nhulunbuy and a biannual meeting for the Anindilyakwa Local Authorities.
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. 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.  <b>25.11.2020 – Director Community Development to provide an update.</b>  (c) Requests the Director Community Development and Regional Manager - Children & Library

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		<p>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> <p>(a) Notes the Community Development Report.</p> <p>(b) Requests that a local services coordinator and a senior Aboriginal staff member from a service area present at each Local Authority meeting.</p>
	146/2020 Questions Members	<p>from</p> <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 &amp; Disability Services to provide an update to the Local Authority.</p> <p><b>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.</b></p>
	147/2020 Questions Members	<p>from</p> <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><b>18/01/2021 – The Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to provide a presentation to the Local Authority about microplastics signage. – example will be presented on the day</b></p>
	LAPF Projects	<p>18/01/2021 BBQ Trailer, with generator &amp; esky</p> <p><b>Completed – Remove from Actions</b></p>
	Community Entrance Signage Project – Umbakumba	<p>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.</p> <p><b>18/01/2021 – Drone photos taken of Umbakumba for</b></p>

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		<b>the signage – Local Authority members to choose picture and advise Community Development Coordinator.</b>
	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 Public Infrastructure Projects (as proposed by the Local Authority at its meeting of 25 November 2020)	
Medium to Large Scale Priorities	Smaller Scale Priorities
1) New Sport and Recreation Hall 2) Footpaths 3) Oval Improvements 4) Firefighting unit 5) Floating pontoon/jetty	1) Solar lighting - foreshore 2) Equipment for new recreation hall (up to \$30,000) 3) Lockable trailer for music equipment 4) Bollards

## FUTURE ACTIONS / ADVOCACY

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

UMBAKUMBA ACTIONS

		tabled at the February Ordinary meeting for Council consideration
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## YIRRKALA ACTIONS

LOCAL AUTHORITY	ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS
<b>Actions from Meeting – 10 February 2021</b>	163/2021 Corporate Services Report	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 Yirrkala.
	170/2021 Series of Murals (re-tabled)	That the Local Authority considers and advises when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.
	172/2021 Questions from Members	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.
<b>Yirrkala Actions</b>	001/2020 RESOLVED	That the Local Authority:  a) Notes the report on the Kava Pilot: Allowing the commercial importation of kava. b) Supports comprehensive community consultation as highlighted in the Northern Territory Government's submission to the Australian Government's Kava Pilot Phase 2: Allowing the Commercial Importation of Kava consultation paper, and the call for Commonwealth funding to support either: 1) increased compliance and policing for the increase in the illicit kava trade, or 2) effective and informed local decision making about kava management to minimise potential harms. c) Supports the Northern Territory Government's request for funding to support research into the health and social impacts from increased kava availability.

## YIRRKALA ACTIONS

	002/2020 RESOLVED	That the Local Authority: a) Notes the questions from members about whether sitting fees can be increased to respect the significant contribution of the Local Authority to community. b) Request that the CEO writes a letter to the NT Government to advocate for an increase in fees for <b>all Local Authorities</b> . c) Requests that the CEO investigates more flexibility in payment of Local Authority sitting fees.
	139/2020 Technical and Infrastructure Report	That the Local Authority: (a) Reviews and confirms the design for the community entrance signage.- <b>Completed</b> – additional aerial shot to be placed on top (b) Reviews and advises the design for the sports oval signage at the next Local Authority meeting.- no options have been communicated at this stage (c) Notes the Technical and Infrastructure Services Report for Yirrkala.
Yirrkala Actions	Children's Playground \$60,000	18/01/2021 – application lodged with the NLC for approval to construct – awaiting consultative forum.
	New grandstands with shade covers at the Oval \$150,000	18/01/2021 – Project still to commence - expected time frame is March.
	Solar lights on the water front at Shady Beach \$30,000	18/01/2021 – Lighting arrived and to be installed. There were delays with the Contractor – to be completed by the end of February.
	Sign to display the name of the Oval \$8,000	Sign to display the name of the Oval \$8,000  <b>10/02/2021 LA to confirm design and information required for sign and advise Community Development Coordinator.</b>
	Visitor - Yingiya Guyula	The Local Authority: (a) Endorses writing to the Local Member, Yingiya Guyula, to thank him for meeting with the Local Authority. <b>(Completed)</b> (b) Requests the creation of a poster to promote the membership and role of the Local Authority. (c) Invites other Aboriginal organisations to attend Local Authority meetings. (d) Requests the Director Community Development to review the Night Patrol roster in community to include patrolling at football matches. <b>(Completed)</b> (e) Requests the CEO to contact NT Police senior management regarding the provision of Police at football matches. <b>(Completed)</b>

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		<p>(f) Will consider the creation of by-laws in consultation with the Local Member to strengthen peace-keeping and security in Yirrkala.</p> <p>26/8/2020 – Resolution b, a request for creation of a poster to promote membership and role of the Local Authority is endorsed for all communities. (Under development)</p> <p><b>10.02.2021 – Local Authority requests a newsletter to promote the work of the Local Authority in community. Maybe after every 2 meeting?</b></p>
	<p>Church Lawn Lights</p> <p>Church Security</p>	<p>01.06.2020 – The lights and Church security have been included in the resolution already passed earlier today by the Local Authority. The Local Authority resolved to support 'a contribution to the Church refurbishment based on a consideration of the cost of the formal quotation to be provided.'</p> <p>1.10.2020 – The Local Authority allocates \$74,835.00 ex GST for repairs and beautification of the Yirrkala Community Church, based on invoices for works once completed, subject to clarification of Local Government Officials (Department of the Chief Minister &amp; Cabinet) that this is allowable, and the appropriate process for it to occur.</p> <p>18/01/2021 Council will obtain three independent quotes for the scope of works for the Church upgrades. Pending with an anticipated completion of mid-March due to competing priorities.</p>
	CDP	<p>01.06.2020 – The Chairman Rev Dr Djiniyini Gondarra, the General Manager of Community Services, Liam Flanagan, and Local Manager, Emma Kelly, met with the LA members today to discuss their concerns. Any issues with the management of CDP by ALPA to be pursued by the Boards and organisations of YBE and Laynhapuy Homelands Association.</p> <p>Council amendment – CEO to seek contact with NIAA representatives to speak with Council, including Cr Yananyumul Mununggurr, about concerns with ALPA delivery of CDP program to Yirrkala and Gunyangara.</p> <p>10/09/2020 - Meeting request to attend October meeting sent to NIAA representative - attendance confirmed and will be in attendance in the October informal session.</p>
	Scoreboards	<p>The Local Authority request the Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to obtain quotations for repairs to the existing two oval score boards at each end of the oval.</p>

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		18/01/2021 – pending further discussion if this sits with the priorities moving forward.  <b>Remove – not included in priority projects</b>
	Waste Litter Education	The Local Authority requests increased education about waste litter and environmental care within Yirrkala – to be actioned by the Director Technical and Infrastructure Services.  <b>18/01/2021 – education material is being finalised for the whole region and will be a focus in the coming months with schools and households in communities.</b>
	Trees in Rika Park	<b>Completed Remove from Action Listing</b>
	Micro-plastics Education Signage	The Local Authority supports the other community changes as presented and ask that the local rangers be consulted for the views on the signage and once the changes are made approve the sign to be installed at the Yirrkala boat ramp – to be actioned by the Director Technical and Infrastructure Services.  18/01/2021 – changes made and tabled this meeting for approval to proceed to print.  <b>10/02/2021 – Approval to print microplastics sign</b>

Yirrkala Public Infrastructure Projects (as proposed by the Local Authority at its meeting of 3 December 2020)	
Medium to Large Scale Priorities	Smaller Scale Priorities
1) Sport and Recreation Hall (cyclone shelter) 2) Two Public Toilets – Shady Beach (plus water supply) and near Oval 3) Waterpark 4) Improved Oval Lighting 5) Fencing around Oval	1) Playgrounds 2) Improvements to Ceremony Areas 3) Solar Lights at Beach Areas 4) Fencing For Sacred Sites

## FUTURE ACTIONS/ ADVOCACY

Yirrkala	ACTION ITEM	FUTURE ACTIONS
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## YIRRKALA ACTIONS

<b>Yirrkala Future Actions/ Advocacy</b>	Marine Navigation Lights at Yirrkala Ramp	1.06.2020 – The Council does not have jurisdiction for the boat ramp, and in turn, any marine navigation lights for it. The Local Authority agreed for the Council to advocate for this in the future, as proposed by the Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services and the CEO of Council.  18/01/2021 – Issue for Advocacy ongoing

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.11
<b>TITLE</b>	Unconfirmed Minutes from Local Authority Meetings
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1476040
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Candice O'Halloran, Acting Governance, Local Authority and Communication Manager

**SUMMARY:**

This report provides Council copies of minutes from Local Authority meetings in each of the East Arnhem Regional Council communities.

**BACKGROUND**

In accordance with item 13 of Guideline 8, Council must consider the minutes of Local Authority meetings at each Council Meeting to address and minute Council's response to any matters raised by the relevant Local Authority.

**GENERAL**

Meetings were scheduled at the following communities in November 2020:

**Angurugu –**

23 Mar 2021	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Galiwin'ku –**

18 Mar 2021	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Gapuwiyak –**

19 Mar 2021	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Gunyangara –**

26 Mar 2021	Proceeded as a Provisional Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Milingimbi –**

16 Mar 2021	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Milyakburra –**

22 Mar 2021	Proceeded as a Provisional Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Ramingining –**

15 Mar 2021	Proceeded as a Provisional Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Umbakumba –**

24 Mar 2021	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Yirrkala –**

24 Mar 2021	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council notes the unconfirmed minutes from the Local Authority meetings held in January / February 2021.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 Local Authority - Angurugu 2021-03-23 [1574] Minutes.DOCX
- 2 Local Authority - Galiwinku 2021-03-18 [1562] Minutes.DOCX
- 3 Local Authority - Gapuwiyak 2021-03-19 [1564] Minutes.DOCX
- 4 Local Authority - Gunyangara 2021-03-26 [1587] Minutes.DOCX
- 5 Local Authority - Milingimbi 2021-03-16 [1560] Minutes.DOCX
- 6 Local Authority - Milyakburra 2021-03-22 [1572] Minutes.DOCX
- 7 Local Authority - Ramingining 2021-03-15 [1558] Minutes.DOCX
- 8 Local Authority - Umbakumba 2021-03-24 [1580] Minutes.DOCX
- 9 Local Authority - Yirrkala 2021-03-25 [1582] Minutes.DOCX



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## MINUTES FOR THE LOCAL AUTHORITY ORDINARY MEETING

23 March 2021



MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE  
ANGURUGU COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 23 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Member Marianne Walsh; Member Gregory Mamarika; Member Jonathan Nunggumajbarr; Member Ronald Wurrawilya; Member Mathew Wurrawilya; Member Geraldine Amagula; Councillor Gordon Walsh and Presidnet Kaye Thurlow.

**OBSERVERS**

East Arnhem Regional Council  
Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer; Shane Marshall – Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services; Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development (left at 3:30 pm); Scott Page – Acting Community Development Coordinator; Peter Dunkley - Regional Manager, Youth Sports and Recreation (from 12:50 pm to 2:25 pm); Alia Stevenson - Youth, Sport & Recreation Coordinator – Angurugu (from 12:50 pm to 2:25 pm); Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer.

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:20 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 the Local Authority gives permission for.

**138/2021 RESOLVED (Gregory Mamarika/Johnathan Nunggumajbarr)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) **Notes the absence of Members Dorothea Lalara, Rezena Bara Bara and Councillor Elliot Bara.**
- b) **Notes no apologies received.**
- c) **Notes Councillor Elliot Bara and Member Dorothea Lalara is absent with permission of the Local Authority.**
- d) **Notes Member Rezena Bara Bara is absent without permission of the Local Authority.**

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya

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.

**139/2021 RESOLVED (Gordon Walsh/ Mathew Wurrawilya)**

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

For: GA Amagula , G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

**GUEST SPEAKER**

**SUMMARY:**

Ashley Trevaskis, Community Engagement Police Officer – Groote Archipelago

**RESOLVED (Marianne Walsh/ Geraldine Amagula)**

**The LA members expressed their concerns regarding the lack of communication from the Darwin 000 emergency line back to community police in the Groote Eylandt Archipelago, and the lack of responses to a number of serious incidents.**

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

**Break at 11:07 am for tea**

**Resume at 11:31 am**

**Previous Minutes**

**4.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**140/2021 RESOLVED (Gordon Walsh/Kaye Thurlow)**

**That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the meeting of 02 February 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.**

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

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**MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION AT 11:34 AM**

**RESOLVED (Jonathan Nunggumajbarr /Gordon Walsh)**

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

**4.1 PREVIOUS CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**141/2021 RESOLVED (Gregory Mamarika/Johnathan Nunggumajbarr)**

**That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the confidential meeting of 02 February 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.**

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

**MOVE TO OPEN SESSION AT 11:38 AM**

**RESOLVED (Gregory Mamarika/Johnathan Nunggumajbarr)**

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

**Local Authorities**

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

**SUMMARY:**

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

**142/2021 RESOLVED (Ronald Wurrawilya/Mathew Wurrawilya)**

**That the Local Authority**

- a) **Notes the Resignations and Approved appointments of the above Local Authority changes.**
- b) **Reconfirms Geraldine Amagula as a member of the Local Authority.**

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

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## 5.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

### SUMMARY:

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

#### 143/2021 RESOLVED (Gregory 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: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nungumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

**Break for lunch at 1:00 pm**

**Resume after lunch at 1:38 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.

#### 144/2021 RESOLVED (Gregory Mamarika/Ronald Wurrawilya)

**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 Angurugu.**

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nungumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
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.

#### 145/2021 RESOLVED (Gregory Mamarika/Marianne Walsh)

**That the Local Authority**

- a) Notes this report.

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- b) **Recommends that the following be included in Youth, Sport and Recreation programming:**
- i. **After school programming**
  - ii. **Safer programming (Increased staffing)**
  - iii. **Increased funding**
  - iv. **Indigenous employment – active employment**
  - v. **Engagement with Police**
  - vi. **Source contributions for additional funding from other on/off island providers/organisations**
  - vii. **Weekend rostering**
  - viii. **Camping/on country trips**
  - ix. **Excursions off island**
  - x. **Definition on program linkages on island**
  - xi. **Engage disengaged kids**
  - xii. **Night activities included in programming**
  - xiii. **Volunteers (to include parents more in programming)**
  - xiv. **The following be included as activities: Movie Nights, Basketball, Netball, Music, Disco**
- c) **Sends an invitation to Bush Fit Mob & Polyfarmer programs to attend the Local Authority and present on current programs being run on Groote Eylandt. East Arnhem Regional Council, Youth Sport & Recreation staff to be in attendance at the meeting.**

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

## 7.2 CEO REPORT

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

**146/2021 RESOLVED (Marianne Walsh/Gregory Mamarika)**

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

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

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**COMMUNITY REPORTS**

**8.1 ANGURUGU 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 Angurugu.

**147/2021 RESOLVED (Gregory Mamarika/Johnathan Nunggumajbarr)**

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

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

**8.2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**148/2021 RESOLVED (Gordon Walsh/Johnathan Nunggumajbarr)**

**That Local Authority**

- a) **Notes the Community Development Coordinator Report.**
- b) **Conveys sincere gratitude to Mel Colville for her contribution in the role and overall Groote Eylandt in general.**

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

**8.3 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**149/2021 RESOLVED (Gordon Walsh/Gregory Mamarika)**

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

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

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**Questions From Members**

**9.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

**SUMMARY:**

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

**150/2021 RESOLVED (Johnathan Nunggumajbarr/Mathew Wurrawilya)**

**That the Local Authority**

- a) **Notes the questions from members and follow up on those questions that cannot be answered at today's meeting.**
- b) **Local Authority requests council to look at funding option to purchase a community BBQ trailer.**
- c) **The Local Authority calls for further nominations to join the Local Authority and that the nominations remain open until membership is full.**

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

**Questions From Public**

**10.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**151/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Geraldine Amagula)**

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

For: GA Amagula, G Mamarika, J Nunggumajbarr, K Thurlow, G Walsh, M Walsh,  
MW Wurrawilya and RW Wurrawilya  
Against: Nil

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**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

25 May 2021

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 4:02 pm.

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

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## **MINUTES FOR THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING**

**18 March 2021**

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE GALIWINKU  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY, 18 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Member Don Winniba, President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelyn Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Ripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi (at 11:35 am)

**OBSERVERS**

East Arnhem Regional Council  
Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer,  
Peter Dunkley – Regional Manager, Youth Sport and Recreation Services

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:38 am and welcomed all members and guests.

**RESOLVED (Joan Dhamarrandji/Nancy Gudaltji)**

**PRAYER**

By Joan Dhamarrandji

**Apologies**

**4.1 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.

**162/2021 RESOLVED (Joan Dhamarrandji/Terry Walunba)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) **Notes the absence of Councillor D Djalangi and Member B Nyikumula.**
- b) **Notes that no apologies were received.**
- c) **Notes Councillor D Djalangi and Member B Nyikumula are absent with permission of the Local Authority.**

For:

Member Don Winniba, President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelyn Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Ripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE GALWINKU  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY, 18 MARCH 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.

**163/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Nancy Gudaltji)**

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

For:

Member Don Winniba, President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelyn Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

**Previous Minutes**

**6.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**164/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Terry Walunba)**

**That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the meeting of 24 November to be a true record of the meeting.**

For:

Member Don Winniba, President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelyn Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

**MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

**RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Evelyn Dhamarrandji)**

For:

Member Don Winniba, President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelyn Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

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**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 (Nancy Gudaltji/Virginia Rripa)**

**That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the confidential meeting of 24 November 2020 to be true record of the meeting.**

For:

Member Don Winniba, President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelyn Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

**MOVE TO OPEN SESSION**

**166/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Evelyn Dhamarrandji)**

For:

Member Don Winniba, President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelyn Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

**Local Authorities**

**8.1 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.

**167/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Kaye Thurlow)**

**That the Local Authority notes the Resignations and New members of the above Local Authorities.**

For:

Member Don Winniba, President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelyn Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

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## 8.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

### SUMMARY:

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

#### 168/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Terry Walunba)

- a) 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.
- b) The Community Development Coordinator to get update from Director Technical & Infrastructure Services on effective signage of unsafe areas due to asbestos.
- c) Galiwinku Hall Meeting Room Noise Reduction Project - to be marked as ongoing instead of completed.
- d) Infrastructure build - Director Technical & Infrastructure Services asked to talk to Department of Planning, Infrastructure and Logistics and Territory Housing about how to fix problem of health risk from water pools in the Buthan area.
- e) Women Centre Grant – Director Community Development asked to organise a trip of small group to visit the women centre at Maningrida.
- f) Grave Digger – Director Technical & Infrastructure Services asked to consult Fleet Manager to provide detailed costed briefing with options for a small digger.
- g) Interpreter’s Office – Update on progress requested.
- h) Cluster One – Update on progress requested.

For:

President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelyn Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

**Note - Member Don Winniba was absent with permission after lunch time when item 8.2 was discussed.**

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### 8.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

#### SUMMARY:

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

169/2021 **RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Gaylene Gurruwiwi)**

- a) 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 Galiwinku.
- b) Director Technical and Infrastructure Services requested to liaise with the Community Development Coordinator on different options of the new water park and BMX track, and consult community on the preferred location at a community meeting, possibly the upcoming health and lifestyle festival.
- c) Requested Director Technical & Infrastructure Services to consult the Local Authority on the location of the public toilet at the airstrip.

For:

President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelynna Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

**Note - Member Don Winniba was absent with permission after lunch time when item 8.3 was discussed.**

#### General Business

### 10.1 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 YSR program is co-designed, culturally appropriate and addresses the needs of each community.

170/2021 **RESOLVED (Nancy Gudaltji/Terry Walunba)**

**That the Local Authority notes this report.**

For:

Member Don Winniba, President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelynna Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

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**Break for lunch at 12:18 pm**

**Resume after lunch at 1:10 pm**

**President Kaye Thurlow to act as the Chair as Don Winniba will be absent with permission for the rest of the day.**

**RESOLVED (Nancy Gudaltji/Joan Dhamarrandji)**

**Evelyna Dhamarrandji re-joined at 1:28 pm after lunch**

## **10.2 CEO REPORT**

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

**171/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Nancy Gudaltji)**

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

For:

President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelyna Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

## **COMMUNITY REPORTS**

### **11.1 GALIWINKU 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 Galiwinku.

**172/2021 RESOLVED (Evelyna Dhamarrandji/Virginia Rripa)**

**That Local Authority**

**a) Receives the report on Galiwinku Revised Budget 2020-2021**

**b) Notes that it would like more specific information on Galiwinku.**

For:

President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelyna Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

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### 11.2 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

#### SUMMARY:

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

173/2021 **RESOLVED (Joan Dhamarrandji/Gaylene Gurruwiwi)**

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

For:

President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelynna Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

### 11.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT

#### SUMMARY:

This is the Community Development Coordinator report for Galiwin'ku Community, January 2021 to March 2021.

174/2021 **RESOLVED (Evelyna Dhamarrandji/Virginia Rripa)**

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

For:

President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelynna Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell, Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Rripa, Member Terry Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

### Questions From Members

### 12.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

#### SUMMARY:

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

175/2021 **RESOLVED (Nancy Gudaltji/Terry Walunba)**

- 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) **Asked the Director Technical & Infrastructure Services to investigate improved lighting along the footpath in the dark areas.**



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**c) Asked the Community Development Coordinator to advise the Director  
Community Development on any issue regarding the library services.**

For:

President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelynna Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell,  
Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Ripa, Member Terry  
Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

**Questions From Public**

**13.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**176/2021 RESOLVED (Evelynna Dhamarrandji/Joan Dhamarrandji)**

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

For:

President Kaye Thurlow, Councillor Evelynna Dhamarrandji, Member Melissa Campbell,  
Member Joan Dhamarrandji, Member Nancy Gudaltji, Member Virginia Ripa, Member Terry  
Walunba, Member Gaylene Gurruwiwi.

Against:

Nil

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

20 May 2021

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 3:35 pm.

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## Mission

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Human Dignity  
Organisational Growth  
Equity  
Community

## **MINUTES FOR THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING**

**19 March 2021**

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE GAPUWIYAK  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON FRIDAY, 19 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair – Trudy Wunungmurra, Freddie Ganambarr, Jessica Wunungmurra, Rick Guyula, Ivan Wanambi, Michael Wunungmurra, Thomas Guyula, Wesley Wunungmurra, Bobby Wunungmurra, Kaye Thurlow

**EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COOUNCIL**

Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer, Shane Marshall – Director Technical Services, Peter Dunkley – Regional Manager – Youth Sport and Recreation Officer, Anesu Hector – Community Development Coordinator, Carl Honeysett – Youth Sport and Recreation Coordinator, Andre Leslie - Youth Sport and Recreation Coordinator

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10.04 am and welcomed all members and guests.

**PRAYER**

Trudy Wunungmurra performed the prayer

**RECOMMENDATION**

**166/2021 RESOLVED (Simon Maymuru/Ivan Wanambi)**

Local Authority recommend Trudy Wunungmurra to be the Chair for today's meeting

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**Apologies**

**3.1 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.

**167/2021 RESOLVED (Freddie Ganambarr/Simon Maymuru)**

**That the Local Authority notes the absence of Thomas Guyula and Bobby Wunungmurra who will attend meeting shortly.**

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

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**Conflict of Interest**

**4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**168/2021 RESOLVED (Simon Maymuru/Jessica Wunungmurra)**

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

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I  
Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**Previous Minutes**

**5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**169/2021 RESOLVED (Simon Maymuru/Freddie Ganambarr)**

**That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the meeting of 29 January 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.**

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I  
Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**MOVED TO CLOSED SESSION @ 10:24AM**

**170/2021 RESOLVED (Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra/Ivan Wanambi)**

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I  
Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION @ 10:30AM**

**171/2021 RESOLVED (Simon Maymuru/Ivan Wanambi)**

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I  
Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

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**Local Authorities**

**6.1 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.

**172/2021 RESOLVED (Freddie Ganambarr/Simon Maymuru)**

**That the Local Authority notes the resignations and approved members of the above Local Authorities**

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**6.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**173/2021 RESOLVED (Ivan Wanambi/Jessica Wunungmurra)**

**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: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**6.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**174/2021 RESOLVED (Freddie Ganambarr/Michael Wunungmurra)**

**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 Gapuwiyak.**

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow

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Against: Nil

**MOTION - BREAK @ 11:01AM**

175/2021 **RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Simon Maymuru)

Adjournment of meeting.

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I  
Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**RMOTION – RETRUN FROM BREAK @ 11:26AM**

176/2021 **RESOLVED** (Simon Maymuru/Freddie Ganambarr)

Resumption of meeting.

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I  
Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**General Business**

**8.1 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 YSR program is co-designed, culturally appropriate and addresses the needs of each community.

177/2021 **RESOLVED** (Simon Maymuru/Ivan Wanambi)

- a) That the Local Authority note this report.
- b) That the Local Authority recommends that the following be included in Youth, Sport and Recreation programming:
  1. Raypirri focused programming, including the creation of Youth Groups
  2. Family focused programming
  3. On country trips
  4. Increase in Youth diversion activities

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5. Increased Ball facilities in wharf camp

- c) Unanimously support the continuation of the original intent and purpose of the Army Aboriginal Community Assistance (AACAP) 2022 Project creation of a Youth & Drop In Facility in Gapuwiyak.
- d) Support the Children & Families services being located in the vacant rooms at the East Arnhem Regional Council Creche, which is appropriately located with current health, nutrition programs, and provides clear separation from Youth Sport & Recreation Services.
- e) Request the Regional Manager of Youth Sport & Recreation manager seek additional funding for Youth Diversion services in East Arnhem.
- f) Request the Director of Community Development, Regional Manager Youth Sport and Recreation address deficiencies in Australian Football League support in community, and enter into discussions with Northern Territory Australian Football League & National Indigenous Australians Agency to increase AFL services in community.

g)

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**MOTION – BREAK FOR LUNCH @ 12:45PM**

178/2021 **RESOLVED (Freddie Ganambarr/Simon Maymuru)**

Adjournment of meeting.

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**MOTION – RETURN FROM LUNCH @ 1:15PM**

179/2021 **RESOLVED (Simon Maymuru/Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra)**

Resumption of meeting.

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

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## 8.2 CEO REPORT

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

**180/2021 RESOLVED (Ivan Wanambi/Michael Wunungmurra)**

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

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I  
Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

## COMMUNITY REPORTS

### 9.1 GAPUWIYAK 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 Gapuwiyak.

**181/2021 RESOLVED (Simon Maymuru/Ivan Wanambi)**

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

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I  
Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

### 9.2 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

#### SUMMARY:

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

#### RECOMMENDATION

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

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I  
Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil



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### 9.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT

#### SUMMARY:

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

182/2021 RESOLVED (Simon Maymuru/Michael Wunungmurra)

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

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

#### Questions From Members

### 10.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

#### SUMMARY:

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

183/2021 RESOLVED (Simon Maymuru/Ivan Wanambi)

**That the Local Authority notes no questions from members at today's meeting.**

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

#### Questions From Public

### 11.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

#### SUMMARY:

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

184/2021 RESOLVED (Simon Maymuru/Bobby M Wunungmurra)

**That the Local Authority notes no questions from the public at today's meeting.**

For: F Ganambarr, T Wunungmurra, S Maymuru, T Guyula, J Wunungmurra, R Guyula, I Wanambi, M Wunungmurra, WB Wunungmurra, B Wunungmurra, K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

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**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

21 May 2021

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 1.50 pm.

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## MINUTES FOR THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

26 March 2021

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISIONAL MEETING HELD IN THE  
GUNYANGARA COUNCIL OFFICE ON FRIDAY, 26 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00AM

There was 2 out of 6 appointed members present at today's meeting, there for it's a provisional meeting.

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Antoine Gintz and Local Authority Member Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow

**OBSERVERS**

East Arnhem Regional Council

Dale Keehne – CEO, Andrew Walsh - Director of Community Development , Adam Johnson – Community

Darrariyal Aboriginal Corporation

Mathilde Payet-Vidalenc – General Manager

Minute Taker - Candice O'Halloran – Acting Governance, Local Authorities and Communication Manager

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:22am and welcomed all members and guests.

**Apologies**

**3.1 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.

**087/2021 RESOLVED (Antoine Gintz/Murphy Yunupingu)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) Notes the absence of Elizika Puertollano, Djawa Yunupingu, Rhonda Yunupingu, Balu Palu Yunupingu, Councillors Yirmal Marika, Deputy President Djuwalpi Marika and Councillor Yananyumul Mununggurr.
- b) Notes the apology received from Elizika Puertollano, Djawa Yunupingu, Rhonda Yunupingu, Balu Palu Yunupingu, Councillors Yirmal Marika, Deputy President Djuwalpi Marika and Councillor Yananyumul Mununggurr.
- c) Notes Elizika Puertollano, Djawa Yunupingu, Rhonda Yunupingu, Balu Palu Yunupingu, Councillors Yirmal Marika, Deputy President Djuwalpi Marika and Councillor Yananyumul Mununggurr is absent with permission of the Local Authority.

**For:**

**Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.**

**Against:**

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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.

**088/2021 RESOLVED (Murphy Yunupingu/Antoine Gintz)**

**That the Local Authority:**

**a) Notes no conflicts of interest declared at today's meeting**

**For:**

**Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.**

**Against:**

**Nil**

**Previous Minutes**

**5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**089/2021 RESOLVED (Antoine Gintz/Murphy Yunupingu)**

**That the Local Authority noted the minutes from the meeting on 05 February 2021.**

**For:**

**Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.**

**Against:**

**Nil**

**Local Authorities**

**6.1 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.

**090/2021 RESOLVED (Murphy Yunupingu/Antoine Gintz)**

**That the Local Authority:**

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISIONAL MEETING HELD IN THE  
GUNYANGARA COUNCIL OFFICE ON FRIDAY, 26 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00AM

- a) Notes the Resignations and Approved appointments of the above Local Authority changes.
- b) The Local Authority calls for further nominations to join the Local Authority and that the nominations remain open until membership is full.

For:

Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.

Against:

Nil

## 6.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

### SUMMARY:

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

091/2021 RESOLVED (Antoine Gintz/Murphy Yunupingu)

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:

Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.

Against:

Nil

## 6.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

### SUMMARY:

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

092/2021 RESOLVED (Antoine Gintz/Murphy Yunupingu)

That the Local Authority:

- a) 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 Gunyangara.
- b) Looks forward to direct consultation with Local Authority members and community on the implantations of these projects.

For:

Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.

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**Against:**  
**Nil**

**General Business**

**8.1 CEO REPORT**

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

**093/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Murphy Yunupingu)**

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

**For:**  
**Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.**

**Against:**  
**Nil**

**8.2 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.

**094/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Antoine Gintz)**

**That the Local Authority defer this report until the next Local Authority Meeting**

**For:**  
**Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.**

**Against:**  
**Nil**

**COMMUNITY REPORTS**

**9.1 GUNYANGARA 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 Gunyangara.

**095/2021 RESOLVED (Antoine Gintz/Murphy Yunupingu)**

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

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISIONAL MEETING HELD IN THE  
GUNYANGARA COUNCIL OFFICE ON FRIDAY, 26 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00AM

**For:**  
Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.

**Against:**  
Nil

## **9.2 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

### **SUMMARY:**

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

*096/2021* **RESOLVED (Murphy Yunupingu/Antoine Gintz)**

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

**For:**  
Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.

**Against:**  
Nil

## **9.3 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.

*097/2021* **RESOLVED (Antoine Gintz/Murphy Yunupingu)**

That the Local Authority notes the Community Development report.

**For:**  
Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.

**Against:**  
Nil

## **Questions From Members**

### **10.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

#### **SUMMARY:**

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

*098/2021* **RESOLVED (Murphy Yunupingu/Antoine Gintz)**



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

Local Authority member Antoine Gintz raised concern regarding the death of a tree from the front lawn of the Gumatj building, due to the bark being taken for painting from a community member and also if there is a possibility to have a by-law regarding this.

For:

Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.

Against:

Nil

**Questions From Public**

**11.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**SUMMARY:**

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

*099/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Antoine Gintz)*

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

For:

Antoine Gintz, Murphy Yunupingu and President Kaye Thurlow.

Against:

Nil

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

28 May 2021

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 11:27am.

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## Mission

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### Core Values

Respect  
Professionalism  
Human Dignity  
Organisational Growth  
Equity  
Community

## MINUTES FOR THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

16 March 2021

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILINGIMBI  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 16 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00AM

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**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu and Kaye Thurlow

**OBSERVERS**

East Arnhem Regional Council  
Dale Keehne – CEO, Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services,  
Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development, Peter Dunkley – Youth, Sports and Recreation Manager.

Minute Taker – Candice O'Halloran – Acting Governance, Local Authorities and Communication manager

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:05am and welcomed all members and guests.

**Apologies****3.1 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.

**111/2021 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Arthur Murrupu)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) **Notes the absence of Keith Lapulung and Joanne Baker**
- b) **Notes the apology received from Keith Lapulung and Joanne Baker**
- c) **Notes Keith Lapulung and Joanne Baker are absent with permission of the Local Authority.**

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

**Nil**

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**Conflict of Interest**

**4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**112/2021 RESOLVED (Rosetta Wayatja/Robert Yirapawanga)**

**That the Local Authority:**

**a) Notes no conflicts of interest declared at today's meeting.**

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

**Nil**

**Previous Minutes**

**5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**113/2021 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Kaye Thurlow)**

**That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the meeting of 27 January 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.**

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

**Nil**

**MOVED TO CLOSED SESSION**

**114/2021 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Kaye Thurlow)**

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

**Nil**

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**MOVED TO OPEN SESSION**

115/2021 **RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Kaye Thurlow)**

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

Nil

**Local Authorities**

**6.1 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.

116/2021 **RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Rowena Gaykamangu)**

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

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

Nil

**6.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER**

**VSUMMARY:**

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

117/2021 **RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Robert Yirapawanga)**

**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:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

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**Against:**  
**Nil**

### **6.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE**

#### **SUMMARY:**

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

**118/2021 RESOLVED (Rosetta Wayatja/Rowena Gaykamangu)**

**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 Milingimbi.**

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**  
**Nil**

### **General Business**

#### **8.1 CEO REPORT**

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

**119/2021 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Arthur Murrupu)**

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

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**  
**Nil**

#### **8.2 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 Sports Recreation program is co-designed, culturally

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appropriate and addresses the needs of each community.

**120/2021 RESOLVED (Arthur Murrupu/Boaz Baker)**

- a) That the Local Authority note this report.
- b) That the Local Authority recommends that the following be included in Youth Sport and Recreation programming:
  - 1. Softball, soccer, netball, football, basketball (like to see the sports rotating all year)
  - 2. Movie nights at different camps, move the big screen around to varies areas, once a week
  - 3. Kids football
  - 4. Mixed of formal and Informal competitions
  - 5. Support food and drink sales through other providers (Community Development Program)
  - 6. No School, No Games Program
  - 7. Discos – only on Friday/Saturday, once a month 7pm – 10:30pm
  - 8. Family to be involved in all activities
  - 9. Shoes/socks to be worn in the gym areas
  - 10. Gym timetable
- c) Local Authority recommend that the following not be included in the Youth Sport and Recreation program:
  - 1. Fishing program
  - 2. Long seasons of football, 16 rounds or less
- d) Community Development Coordinator contact Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation and Community Development Program about getting the Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation Food Van operational at community events and sporting games.
- e) The impact of Sport and Recreation is to stop kids causing harm to themselves and improve health and fitness of the community.

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

Nil

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**LUNCH BREAK @ 12:13PM**

121/2021 **RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Rosetta Wayatja)**

Adjournment of meeting

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

Nil

**RETURN FROM LUNCH @ 1:23PM**

122/2021 **RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Rosetta Wayatja)**

Resumption of meeting

**For:**

Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

Nil

**ACTING CHAIR**

123/2021 **RESOLVED (Rosetta Wayatja/Robert Yirapawanga)**

Boaz Baker was nominated for acting chair until Chair Joe Djakala return from funeral business.

**For:**

Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

Nil

**CHAIR RETURNED**

124/2021 **RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Rosetta Wayatja)**

Joe Djakala return from funeral business @ 1:39pm

**For:**

Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

Nil



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**COMMUNITY REPORTS**

**9.1 MILINGIMBI 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 Milingimbi.

**125/2021 RESOLVED (Arthur Murrupu/Rowena Gaykamangu)**

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

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

**Nil**

**9.2 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**126/2021 RESOLVED (Rosetta Wayatja/Robert Yirapawanga)**

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

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

**Nil**

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**9.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**127/2021 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Kaye Thurlow)**

**That Local Authority**

- a) Notes the Community Development Coordinator Report
- b) That the Community Development Coordinator to contact the Northern Territory Police about appointment of an Indigenous Police Liaison officer to be employed and stationed in Milingimbi.
- c) The Community Development Coordinator to arrange for the new Community Liaison Officer/Officers to record all calls to the police for assistance.

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

Nil

**Questions From Members**

**10.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

**SUMMARY:**

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

**128/2021 RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Rosetta Wayatja)**

**That the Local Authority notes there is no further questions from Members**

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu .and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

Nil

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**Questions From Public**

**11.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**SUMMARY:**

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

129/2021 **RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Rosetta Wayatja)**

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

**For:**

In the Chair Councillor Joe Djakala and Local Authority Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Rowena Gaykamangu and Kaye Thurlow

**Against:**

Nil

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

18 May 2021

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 3.05 pm.

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## Mission

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### Core Values

Respect  
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Human Dignity  
Organisational Growth  
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## MINUTES FOR THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

22 March 2021

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILYAKBURRA  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON MONDAY, 22 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00AM

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**ATTENDANCE**

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

**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 Wurraramara/Eric Wurraramara)**

**That the Local Authority:**

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

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

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.

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

**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 Wurramara, Lucille Wurramara, Vail Wurramara.

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 Wurramara)**

**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 Wurramara, Lucille Wurramara, Vail Wurramara.

Against  
Nil

**MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

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

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

Against

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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 Wurraramara)

**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 Wurraramara)

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

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 Wurraramara/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 Wurraramara, Lucille Wurraramara, Vail Wurraramara.

Against  
Nil

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COUNCIL OFFICE ON MONDAY, 22 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00AM

## 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.



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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 Wurramara)**

**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 Wurramara, Lucille Wurramara, Vail Wurramara.

Against  
Nil

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## 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

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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 Wurramara/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 Wurramara, Lucille Wurramara, Vail Wurramara.

Against

Nil

### Questions From Members

### 9.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

#### SUMMARY:

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

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

- 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 Wurramara, Lucille Wurramara, Vail Wurramara.

Against

Nil

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**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 Wurramara)**

**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 Wurramara, Lucille Wurramara, Vail Wurramara.

Against

Nil

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

24 May 2021

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 2:40 pm.

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22 March 2021.



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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**

**15 March 2021**

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE RAMINGINING  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON MONDAY, 15 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00AM

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**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Councillor Jason Mirritjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

**OBSERVERS**

East Arnhem Regional Council

Dale Keehne – CEO, Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services,  
Andrew Walsh – Director Community Services and Peter Dunkley – Youth, Sport and  
Recreational Manager

Minute Take – Candice O'Halloran – Acting Governance, Local Authorities and  
Communication Manager

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:59am and welcomed all members and guests.

**PRAYER****Apologies****3.1 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.

155/2021 **RESOLVED** (Judith Dhuru/John Djoma)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the absence of Dorothy Wiliyawuy, Lloyd Garrwurra and Lizzy Mindhili.
- b) Notes the apology received from Lizzy Mindhili and Lloyd Garrwurra.
- c) Notes Lizzy Mindhili and Lloyd Garrwurra are absent with permission of the Local Authority.
- d) Notes Dorothy Wiliyawuy absent without permission of the Local Authority.
- e) As Local Authority member Dorothy Wiliyawuy has missed 3 scheduled meetings without an apology and permission the Local Authority recommends that her Local Authority Membership is revoked.

For:

Councillor Jason Mirritjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma,  
Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

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**Conflict of Interest**

**4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

156/2021 **RESOLVED** (John Djoma/Jason Mirritjawuy)

**That the Local Authority:**

**a) Notes no conflicts of interest declared at today's meeting.**

For:

Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

**Previous Minutes**

**5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

157/2021 **RESOLVED** (John Djoma/Gilbert Walkuli)

**That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the meeting of 25 January 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.**

For:

Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

**MOTION – MOVED TO CLOSED SESSION**

158/2021 **RESOLVED** (Judith Dhuru/Gilbert Walkuli)

For:

Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

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**MOTION – MOVED TO OPEN SESSION**

159/2021 **RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Judith Dhuru)**

For:

Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

**Local Authorities**

**6.1 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.

160/2021 **RESOLVED (Gilbert Walkuli/Jason Mirritjawuy)**

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

For:

Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

**6.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER**

**VSUMMARY:**

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

161/2021 **RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Jason Mirritjawuy)**

**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:

Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA



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### 6.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

#### SUMMARY:

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

162/2021 **RESOLVED** (Jason Mirritjawuy/Judith Dhuru)

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 Ramingining.

For:

Councillor Jason Mirritjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

#### BREAK FOR LUNCH 12:05PM

163/2021 **RESOLVED** (Jason Mirritjawuy/Kaye Thurlow)

Adjournment of meeting.

For:

Councillor Jason Mirritjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

#### RETURN FROM LUNCH 12:41PM

164/2021 **RESOLVED** (John Djoma/Daphne Malibirr)

Resumption of meeting.

For:

Councillor Jason Mirritjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

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**General Business**

**8.1 CEO REPORT**

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

**165/2021 RESOLVED (John Djoma/Daphne Malibirr)**

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

For:

Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

**8.2 YOUTH SPORT AND RECREATING 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 YSR program is co-designed, culturally appropriate and addresses the needs of each community.

**166/2021 RESOLVED (John Djoma/Judith Dhuru)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes this report.
- b) Recommends that the following be included in Youth Sport and Recreation program:
  1. On country learning or On Country Trips
  2. Adult involvement in programs
  3. Support the AFL programs or be included in ALF programs
  4. Focus on all school ages
  5. Movie Nights
  6. AusKick
  7. Soccer
  8. Afterschool Oval Activities/ Recreation hall
  9. Thursday or Wednesday afternoon Soccer, Thursday Afternoon Football – have certain days for certain activities
  10. Discos once a month 7pm – 10pm
- c) Recommend that Youth, Sport and Recreation investigate potential funding for the following items:
  1. Sports uniforms/ ALF uniforms/ Umpire shirts
  2. Sports equipment

For:

Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma,

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Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:  
NA

### **COMMUNITY REPORTS**

#### **9.1 RAMINGINING 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 Ramingining.

**167/2021 RESOLVED (Judith Dhuru/John Djoma)**

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

For:  
Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:  
NA

#### **9.2 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

##### **SUMMARY:**

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

**168/2021 RESOLVED (Jason Mirritjawuy/Gilbert Walkuli)**

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

For:  
Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:  
NA

#### **9.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT**

##### **SUMMARY:**

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

**169/2021 RESOLVED (Jason Mirritjawuy/Judith Dhuru)**

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

For:

Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

**Questions From Members**

**10.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

**SUMMARY:**

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

**170/2021 RESOLVED (Judith Dhuru/Kaye Thurlow)**

- 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) **Local Authority members would like 2 more solar lights on the path in the park area, next to the Aged Care facility, 30 meters from the building – will get accurate location from CDC in consultation with the Local Authority.**

For:

Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:

NA

**Questions From Public**

**11.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**171/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Judith Dhuru)**

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

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For:  
Councillor Jason Mirriytjawuy, Local Authority members Daphne Malibirr, John Djoma,  
Gilbert Walku, Judith Dhuru and President Kaye Thurlow

Against:  
NA

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

17 May 2021

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 2:40 pm.

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## Mission

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### Core Values

Respect  
Professionalism  
Human Dignity  
Organisational Growth  
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Community

# **MINUTES FOR THE LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISIONAL MEETING**

**24 March 2021**

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISIONAL MEETING HELD IN THE  
UMBAKUMBA COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 24 MARCH 2021 AT  
10.00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Member Terrence Mamarika; Member Judy Hunter; President Kaye Thurlow; Councillor Gordon Walsh (on phone).

**OBSERVERS**

Member Anson Wurrawilya.

East Arnhem Regional Council:

Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer; Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development; Peter Dunkley - Regional Manager, Youth Sport and Recreation (from 12:27 pm to 1:20 pm); Josh Mamarika – Youth Sport and Recreation Officer (from 12:27 pm to 1:20 pm); Danel Bara – Youth Sport and Recreation Officer (from 12:27 pm to 1:20 pm); Natasha Jackson - Strategic Project Coordinator- A/Waste & Environmental Manager (left at 2:11 pm), Kirsten Eden - Municipal Service Supervisor;

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer.

**MEETING OPENING**

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

**Apologies**

**3.1 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.

**131/2021 RESOLVED (Terrance Mamarika/Kaye Thurlow)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Local Authority:

- a) **Notes the absence of Councillor Elliot Bara; Member Rita Bara; Member Phillip Mamarika; Member Amethea Mamarika and Member Jennifer Yantarrnga.**
- b) **Notes that apologies were received from Member Rita Bara; Member Phillip Mamarika and Member Jennifer Yantarrnga**
- c) **Notes Councillor Elliot Bara; Member Rita Bara; Member Phillip Mamarika; Member Jennifer Yantarrnga and Member Amethea Mamarika are absent with permission of the Local Authority.**

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh

Against: Nil

**Quorum was not reached for Local Authority Ordinary Meeting. However, a Provisional Meeting requires one third of the members to be present. In this instance, two out of six member were present and the meeting progressed as a Provisional**

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**Meeting. Refer to Guideline 8: Regional Councils and Local Authorities**  
([https://cmc.nt.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0009/261684/guideline-8-regional-councils-local-authorities.pdf](https://cmc.nt.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0009/261684/guideline-8-regional-councils-local-authorities.pdf))

**Conflict of Interest**

**4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**132/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Judy Hunter)**

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

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

**Previous Minutes**

**5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**133/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Judy Hunter)**

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

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

**Local Authorities**

**6.1 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.

**134/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Terrance Mamarika)**

**That the Local Authority**

- a) **Notes the Resignations and Approved appointments of the above Local Authority changes.**



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- b) The Local Authority calls for further nominations to join the Local Authority and that the nominations remain open until membership is full.
- c) Notes that Constantine Mamarika, Anson Wurrawilya, Roderick Mamarika, Linda Mamarika, Brendan Yantarrnga and Sherita Herbert are expected to be nominated to the Local Authority soon for Council approval.

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

## 6.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

### SUMMARY:

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

135/2021 **RESOLVED (Gordon Walsh/Kaye Thurlow)**

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.

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

## 6.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

### SUMMARY:

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

136/2021 **RESOLVED (Terrance Mamarika/Kaye Thurlow)**

That the Local Authority

- a) 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 Umbakumba.
- b) Requests Community Development Coordinator and Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to organise a Local Authority/ Community BBQ this dry season to discuss the location design and range of uses of the planned Sport and Recreation Hall.

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

**Break for lunch at 11:56 am**

**Resume after lunch at 12:27 pm**

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10.00AM

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**General Business**

**8.1 CEO REPORT**

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

137/2021 **RESOLVED** (Terrance Mamarika/Kaye Thurlow)

**RECOMMENDATION**

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

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

**8.2 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.

138/2021 **RESOLVED** (Terrance Mamarika/Kaye Thurlow)

**That the Local Authority,**

- a) **Notes the report.**
- b) **Recommends that the following be included in the Youth Sport & Recreation Program:**
  - i. **Basketball, Soccer & other sports**
  - ii. **Mix of competition and non-competition sports**
  - iii. **After School Programming, with agreeance on the hours of 4pm – 9pm and being run from Monday to Saturday**
  - iv. **Working with other programs including: Community Night Patrol, Bush Fit Mob**
  - v. **Fishing programs, e.g: barge landing**
  - vi. **Movie Nights**
  - vii. **The need to increase funding to the program, increase staff and increase Indigenous Staffing – High Priority Item**
  - viii. **Notes the program needed more support**
  - ix. **Bush Trips / On Country Trips, Culturally focused, learning about land, include TO's.**
  - x. **Culturally appropriate activities, looking after land and family.**
  - xi. **Upskilling staff and community members with sport skills like Umpiring**

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- c) Recommends the following be included in the Youth Sport and Recreation Equipment list:
- i. 4x4 Lockable Trailer for On Country Trips/Camping
  - ii. Camping Gear
  - iii. Fishing Equipment
  - iv. Storage Equipment
- d) Requests the Director – Community Development and Regional Manager Youth Sport & Recreation to seek additional funding and support from on/off Eylandt sources to meet Umbakumba Community Youth Sport & Recreation needs and sufficient levels of Indigenous Employment in the program.

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

Break at 1:20 pm

Resume at 1:35 pm

### COMMUNITY REPORTS

#### 9.1 UMBAKUMBA 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 Umbakumba.

139/2021 **RESOLVED** (Terrance Mamarika/Gordon Walsh)

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

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

#### 9.2 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

##### SUMMARY:

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

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140/2021 RESOLVED (Terrance Mamarika/Gordon Walsh)

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

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

### **9.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT**

#### **SUMMARY:**

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

141/2021 RESOLVED (Judy Hunter/Kaye Thurlow)

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

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

#### **Questions From Members**

### **10.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

#### **SUMMARY:**

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

142/2021 RESOLVED (Terrance Mamarika/Kaye Thurlow)

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

For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

#### **Questions From Public**

### **11.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

#### **SUMMARY:**

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

143/2021 RESOLVED (Terrance Mamarika/Kaye Thurlow)

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

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For: J Hunter, TM Mamarika, K Thurlow and G Walsh  
Against: Nil

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

26 May 2021

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 2:30 pm.

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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

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Professionalism  
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Community

## MINUTES FOR THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

25 March 2021

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE YIRRKALA  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY, 25 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00AM

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**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Member Mungurrapin (Graham) Maymuru (joined at 11:25 am); Member Timmy Burrawanga; Deputy President Djuwalpi Marika; President Kaye Thurlow; Member Mayila Maymuru; Member Dhanagtji Mununggurr (joined at 11:55 am) and Member Dipilinga Marika (on the phone, left at 3:18 pm).

**OBSERVERS**

East Arnhem Regional Council:

Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer; Shane Marshall – Director Technical & Infrastructure Services (left at 2:09 pm); Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development; Peter Dunkley - Regional Manager Youth, Sport & Recreation (from 2:18 pm to 3:02 pm); Kristina Manu – Youth, Sport & Recreation Officer (from 2:18 pm to 3:02 pm); Michaela Nona - Youth, Sport & Recreation Officer (from 2:18 pm to 3:02 pm); Geoff Maher – Community Development Coordinator; Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer.

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:37 am and welcomed all members and guests.

**PRAYER**

The meeting started with a prayer.

**Apologies**

**3.1 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.

**145/2021 RESOLVED (Djuwalpi Marika/Kaye Thurlow)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) Notes the absence of Councillors Yirmal Marika, Yananymul Mununggurr and Members Daymambi Mununggurr; Lirripiya Mununggurr; Djapirri Mununggirritj; Kira Gawiya Munuggurr; Grant Maymaru and.
- b) Notes that apologies were received from Councillor Yananymul Mununggurr and Members Daymambi Mununggurr and Lirripiya Mununggurr.
- c) Notes that Councillor Yananymul Mununggurr and Members Daymambi Mununggurr; Lirripiya Mununggurr; Djapirri Mununggirritj are absent with permission of the Local Authority.
- d) Notes that Councillor Yirmal Marika and Members Kira Gawiya Munuggurr and Grant Maymaru are absent without permission of the Local Authority.

For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, M Maymuru and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

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**Conflict of Interest**

**5.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**146/2021 RESOLVED (Mayila Maymurru/Timmy Burrawanga)**

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

For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, M Maymurru, and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**Mayila Maymurru left the meeting at 11:40 am**

**Previous Minutes**

**6.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**147/2021 RESOLVED (Timmy Burrawanga/Kaye Thurlow)**

**That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the meeting of 04 February 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.**

For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, Gm Maymaru and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION AT 11:53 AM**

**RESOLVED (Timmy Burrawanga/Kaye Thurlow)**

For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, Dhanagtji Mununggurr  
and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**6.1 PREVIOUS CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**148/2021 RESOLVED (Djuwalpi Marika/Kaye Thurlow)**

**That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the confidential meeting of 04 February 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.**



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For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, Dhanagtji Mununggurr  
and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**MOVE TO OPEN SESSION AT 12:00 PM**

**149/2021 RESOLVED (Djuwalpi Marika/ Kaye Thurlow)**

For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, Dhanagtji Mununggurr  
and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**Mayila Maymurru re-joined the meeting at 12:03 pm**

**Local Authorities**

**7.1 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.

**150/2021 RESOLVED (Timmy Burrawanga/Mununggurrpin Graham Maymuru)**

**That the Local Authority**

- a) **Notes the Resignations and Approved appointments of the above Local Authority changes.**
- b) **Requests a letter to be written by the Local Authority Chair to each member who has been absent for two or more meetings, stating that should a member or members not be present at the next meeting their membership will be revoked.**
- c) **Calls for further nominations to join the Local Authority and that the nominations remain open until membership is full.**
- d) **Request the local Yirrkala school to nominate students to attend Local Authority meetings to learn about leadership and the operations and local decision making of the Local Authority and Council, and pass on our knowledge to the new generation to become the leaders of tomorrow.**

For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, M Maymurru, Dhanagtji  
Mununggurr and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**Break for lunch at 12:33 pm**

**Resume after lunch at 12:51 pm**

**Mayila Maymurru re-joined at 1:10 pm after lunch**

**Timmy Burrawanga re-joined at 1:12 pm after lunch**

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## 7.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

### SUMMARY:

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

#### 151/2021 RESOLVED (Djuwalpi Marika/Timmy Burrawanga)

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, DM Marika, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, M Maymuru, Dhanagtji  
Mununggurr and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

## 7.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

### SUMMARY:

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

#### 152/2021 RESOLVED (Timmy Burrawanga/Dhanagtji Mununggurr)

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 Yirrkala.

For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, M Maymuru, Dhanagtji  
Mununggurr and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

## General Business

### 9.1 CEO REPORT

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

#### 153/2021 RESOLVED (Timmy Burrawanga/Djuwalpi Marika)

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, M Maymuru, Dhanagtji  
Mununggurr and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

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**9.2 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.

154/2021 **RESOLVED** (Timmy Burrawanga/Kaye Thurlow)

That the Local Authority

- a) Notes this report.
- b) Recommends that the following be included in Youth Sport and Rec programming:
  - i. Encourage behaviour in sport
  - ii. Programming that focuses on the well-being of kids
  - iii. Limit fighting resulting from sport – sportsmanship being important
  - iv. Mix of male and female staff
  - v. More staff – More funding
  - vi. Cultural advisors to assess the program
  - vii. Mentoring in the program, mentoring participants and staff, cultural and connection mentoring
  - viii. Engaging disengaged kids
  - ix. Additional youth diversion, program with wider scope, increased funding
  - x. Prevention of anti-social behaviour
  - xi. Engaging disengaged kids
  - xii. Camping, on-country trips – focused on disengaged kids
  - xiii. Well-being Raypirri camps
  - xiv. Work with other providers
  - xv. Bring communities together
  - xvi. Get parents involved in programming
  - xvii. Community engagement and promotion
  - xviii. Open days, include TO's
  - xix. Traditional practices
  - xx. Would like the following activities:
    - Not only Youth (any age)
    - Competitions
    - Football
    - Soccer
    - T-ball
    - Basketball
    - Variety of sports, changing sports
    - Camping
    - Kick ball
- b) Notes the following challenges in the program:
  - i. Staff attending work

For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, M Maymurru, Dhanagtji  
Mununggurr and K Thurlow

Against: Nil

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**COMMUNITY REPORTS**

**10.1 YIRRKALA 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 Yirrkala.

**155/2021 RESOLVED (Dipilinga Marika/Djuwalpi Marika)**

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

For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, M Maymurru, Dhanagtji  
Mununggurr and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**10.2 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**156/2021 RESOLVED (Timmy Burrawanga/Djuwalpi Marika)**

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

For: T Burrawanga, DM Marika, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, M Maymurru, Dhanagtji  
Mununggurr and K Thurlow  
Against: Nil

**10.3 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.

**157/2021 RESOLVED (Djuwalpi Marika/Timmy Burrawanga)**

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

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, M Maymurru, Dhanagtji Mununggurr  
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.

158/2021 **RESOLVED (Dhanagtji Mununggurr/Timmy Burrawanga)**

**The Local Authority notes that there are no questions from members.**

For: T Burrawanga, D Marika, Gm Maymaru, M Maymurru, Dhanagtji Mununggurr  
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.

159/2021 **RESOLVED (Dhanagtji Mununggurr/Timmy Burrawanga)**

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

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

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

27 May 2021

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 3:49 pm.

This page and the preceding 7 pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Meeting held on Thursday, 25 March 2021.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.12
<b>TITLE</b>	Correspondence Register
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1476020
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Candice O'Halloran, Governance, Local Authority and Communication Officer

**DOCUMENT DETAILS REPORT****Incoming Correspondence**

<b>Document Type</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Document Name</b>
Letter	15.03.2021	Dept of The Chief Minister and Cabinet - RE Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Agreements
Letter	30.04.2021	ALGA - Invitation of 2021 National General Assembly
Letter	06.05.2021	Health Services in Milyakburra

**Outgoing Correspondence**

<b>Document Type</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Document Name</b>
Letter	04.03.2021	Yolngu Regional Local Decision Making Partnership - Workshop and Working Group
Letter	05.03.2021	Introduction of Legal Sale of Kava
Letter	05.03.2021	The Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Agreement – Local Government Objective

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council notes the correspondence ingoing and outgoing.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1** Letter - Dept of The Chief Minister and Cabinet - RE Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Agreements - 15.03.2021.pdf
- 2** Letter - ALGA - Invitation of 2021 National General Assembly - 23.04.2021.pdf
- 3** Letter from EARC - Yolngu Regional Local Decision Making Partnership - Workshop and Working Group.pdf
- 4** Letter from EARC - Introduction of Legal Sale of Kava.pdf
- 5** Letter from EARC - The Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Agreement – Local Government Objective.pdf
- 6** Health Services in Milyakburra.pdf



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15 March 2021

Ms Kaye Thurlow President East Arnhem Regional Council PO Box 1060 NHULUNBUY NT 0881



BY: .....

Dear ~~President~~ Thurlow

Re: Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Agreement

Thank you for the telephone discussion on 12 March 2021.

As discussed, I am writing about the 2 March 2021 letter from East Arnhem Regional Council's (Council) CEO, Mr Dale Keehne to the Minister for Treaty and Local Decision Making and to the Minister for Local Government, advising of resolutions made by Council at its 24 February 2021 meeting in relation to the Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Agreement (LDM Agreement).

The Ministers have referred Mr Keehne's letter to the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet (Department) to reply directly to Council.

I would like to firstly acknowledge and commend Council for being proactive on deliberating on matters in relation to the LDM Agreement and making a resolution regarding its membership and participation on the Transition Committee. The importance of Council's participation on the Transition Committee and in the upcoming community engagement process cannot be overstated.

However, as discussed, there are a number of matters that I need to bring to Council's attention with regards to some of the resolutions made at its 25 February 2021 Council meeting.

In relation to resolution (a), local authority members are only entitled to the local authority sitting fee in respect of attendance at local authority meetings. Although Council can pay local authority members or others for attendance at meetings on behalf of Council, it is important that these are not treated as local authority sitting fees.

Resolutions (d) to (g) endorses actions that are largely unenforceable and which are outside the remit of a council. I understand from our discussion that Council saw these resolutions as suggestions for Government to consider. I can confirm there is no known intent by the NT Government to contemplate taking any form of a poll in the Council's area in relation to the LDM Agreement. You would be aware the Transition Committee is currently in the process of developing a community engagement plan, with input from Council. The aim of this plan is to ensure consistent and respectful messaging when meeting with community members to discuss the local government priority in the LDM Agreement.

Council's contribution in developing the plan and participating in all community engagement sessions is strongly encouraged and is important for ensuring the NT Government is fully informed of community sentiments regarding the proposed council restructure.

With regards to resolution (g), the LDM Agreement makes it clear that a very important factor in any decision to establish a new regional council will be ensuring the financial sustainability of the East Arnhem Regional Council. In this regard, Council's feedback on the Financial Assessment Report is an important step for ensuring the information provided to the NT Government is a fair and accurate reflection of the financial impact of any proposed council restructure. Council, and other members, will have input into the finalisation of the report, and your feedback will be fully considered.

Please let me know if Council would like me or Mr Jim Rogers, Regional Executive Director East Arnhem, to arrange a presentation at a future Council meeting to go through the Financial Assessment Report, community consultation process or any other aspect of the LDM Agreement.

I thank you for your participation and positive contribution on the Transition Committee and encourage you to raise any concerns you may have on the process either at a future Transition Committee meeting or directly with me. I am always open to discussion of any matter outside these meetings if needed.

I look forward to continuing to work collaboratively and productively with Council on local government matters as this Local Decision Making agreement is progressed.

Yours sincerely



MAREE DE LACEY  
Executive Director  
Local Government and Community Development





23/4/2021

Cr Kaye Thurlow  
President  
East Arnhem Regional Council  
PO Box 1060  
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BY: .....

Dear President Thurlow

**2021 National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA) Preliminary Program Released**

As President of the Australian Local Government Association, I am pleased to invite you and your Council colleagues to attend this year's National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA) in Canberra from 20 - 23 June.

This year's theme, *Working Together for our Communities*, reflects the key role of councils in leading economic recovery in our communities through job-creating improvements and initiatives as well as the opportunity for councils to work together and learn from each other as we take that recovery forward.

Local government is the level of government that has the ability to drive economic recovery by creating jobs in all corners of the nation and this year's NGA focuses specifically on how councils have led and will lead the way in supporting and rebuilding their communities. The Assembly will feature a series of panels led by Mayors focusing on experiences and learnings in how they have supported and led their communities.

This year's exciting program also includes keynote presentations on the political environment in the lead up to the next Federal Election, planning for a prosperous future and leadership in civil society pursuit of human rights.

Enclosed is the NGA Registration Brochure which contains full details of the program, business agenda and associated events and a reminder that our early bird registration closes on Friday 21 May.

It's great to be back with the NGA focusing on the strength of our sector and the importance of our partnership with the Federal Government. This will also be the last NGA before the next Federal Election and a chance to consider our priorities for that partnership and the vision of our political leaders.

Please take time to note this year's Regional Forum agenda with the Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government, the Hon Mark Coulton MP and the Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government the Hon Jason Clare MP both invited to speak. There will also be key presentations on how regional councils are rising to the challenge of regional economic development and service provision.

Please join me as we chart our way to economic recovery by putting job creation at the heart of our discussions. I look forward to seeing you in Canberra in June.

Linda Scott

Cr Linda Scott  
President



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# President Welcome

National General Assembly  
20 - 23 June 2021



Friends,

I am so excited to invite you to the 2021 National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA) at the National Convention Centre in Canberra, to be held from 20 to 23 June.

As President of Australian Local Government Association (ALGA), I am proud to be convening the 27th NGA. Frankly, it has never been held at a more important time in Australia's recent history.

COVID-19 cut a swathe through our communities in 2020, but it is with a sense of having prevailed as a nation that ALGA is planning a forward-looking 2021 NGA. And that future is about jobs, and the work local government is doing to drive a locally led recovery from COVID.

Australia's 537 councils provide direct employment for almost 200,000 people and expend about \$40 billion purchasing goods and services each year, supporting thousands of small and medium sized business enterprises.

We play a critical role in facilitating, establishing, and growing local businesses and economies, not only through their services and networks but in partnership with the states and Commonwealth in infrastructure and job-creation programs.

We cannot forget, however, that local government's ability to support communities going forward has been adversely impacted by drought, bushfires, COVID and floods. Our capacity to generate own-source income has been diminished, and financial reserves have taken a hit.

The NGA is a unique opportunity to send a powerful message to the Australian Government that financial support, particularly the Financial Assistance Grants provided by the Commonwealth, is essential for councils and their communities.

It is our chance to make the case for local government's inclusion in National Cabinet as First Ministers refocus on job creation and economic growth.

Your attendance sends a powerful message to the Australian Government that Local Government is strong, purposeful and can be trusted to partner in the delivery of government services and infrastructure on the ground. A partnership that will help to deliver national goals and local opportunities.

I am also pleased to invite you to attend the Regional Forum, which provides an opportunity for delegates with a specific interest in regional affairs to gain a deeper understanding of common issues.

It's a forum to hear from experts, to share experiences, to listen, and network.

By June, the Australian Government will have brought down the Federal Budget and in all likelihood, attention will begin to turn to the next Federal election.

The 27th session of the NGA has never been more important. This is Local Government's time. We know our communities. We know the challenges they have faced, and we know what is needed to go forward.

Join me and your fellow Mayors and Councillors at this year's NGA and help us shape the recovery.

*Linda Scott*

Councillor Linda Scott  
ALGA President

# NGA21

## WORKING TOGETHER FOR OUR COMMUNITIES

### Key Dates:

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on or before Friday 21 May 2021

**Standard Registration**  
on or before Friday 4 June 2021

**Late Registration**  
after Friday 4 June 2021

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# Provisional Program

## SUNDAY 20 JUNE

8.30am Registrations Open

5.00pm - 7.00pm Welcome Reception & Exhibition Opening

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## MONDAY 21 JUNE

8.00am Registrations Open

9.00am Opening Ceremony  
Welcome to Country

9.20am ALGA President Opens the Assembly

9.30am **Prime Minister Address (invited)**  
The Hon Scott Morrison MP

10.00am **ALGA President Address**  
Cr Linda Scott, ALGA President

### 10.30am MORNING TEA

11.00am **Keynote Address: All Politics is Local - The Context for the Next Federal Election**  
Peter Van Onselen, Political Editor, Network Ten and Professor of Politics and Public Policy, Griffith University

11.45am Debate on Motions

### 12.30pm LUNCH

1.30pm **COVID - The Long Goodbye**  
Professor Mary-Louise McLaws, Epidemiologist, Hospital Infection and Infectious Diseases Control, UNSW  
Professor Gigi Forster, School of Economics, UNSW  
Professor Sanjaya Senanayake, Infectious Diseases Specialist, ANU

2.30pm Debate on Motions

### 3.30pm AFTERNOON TEA

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4.00pm Debate on Motions

4.30pm **Shadow Minister Address (invited)**  
The Hon Jason Clare MP, Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government

5.00pm ALGA President Close

7.00pm - 11.00pm **Networking Dinner**  
National Arboretum

 University of South Australia

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**TUESDAY 22 JUNE**


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9.00am	<b>Keynote Address: Planning a Prosperous Future</b> Danielle Wood, CEO, Grattan Institute
9.45am	<b>Panel of Mayors: Local Employment and Economic Stimulus</b> Panelists TBC
10.30am	<b>MORNING TEA</b>
11.00am	<b>Panel of Mayors: Locally Led - Better Futures</b> Panelists TBC
12.00pm	<b>Launch of ALGA Federal Election Priorities</b>
12.30pm	<b>LUNCH</b>
1.30pm	<b>Concurrent Sessions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▫ Actions on Climate - At Home and Around the World</li> <li>▫ Safer Communities</li> <li>▫ The Circular Economy and You</li> </ul>
3.00pm	<b>AFTERNOON TEA</b>
3.30pm	<b>Federal Local Government Minister Address (invited)</b> The Hon Mark Coulton MP, Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government
4.00pm	<b>Keynote Address: Indigenous Voice</b>
5.00pm	<b>Session Close</b>
7.00pm - 11.00pm	<b>General Assembly Dinner</b> Exhibition Park in Canberra (EPIC)

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**WEDNESDAY 23 JUNE**


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9.00am	<b>Keynote Address: Recovery and Resilience</b> Commissioner Shane Fitzsimmons AFSM
9.45am	<b>Panel Discussion: Recovery and Resilience</b> Panelists TBC 
10.30am	<b>MORNING TEA</b>
11.00am	<b>Resilience in a Digital World</b>
11.30am	<b>Keynote Address: Leadership, Human Rights and Persistence</b> Craig Foster AM, Human Rights and Refugee Ambassador
12.15pm	<b>ALGA President Closing Address</b>
12.30pm	<b>LUNCH</b>



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**SUNDAY 20 JUNE**



## PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

9.00AM	Registrations Open
9.30AM	Welcome to Country
9.40AM	ALGA President Opening <i>Cr Linda Scott</i> , President, Australian Local Government Association
9.50AM	Keynote Address: Politics and the Bush <i>Speaker TBC</i>
10.30AM	Keynote Address: Regional Awareness <i>Kim Houghton</i> , Chief Economist, Regional Australia Institute
11.00AM	<b>MORNING TEA</b>
11.30AM	Shadow Minister Address ( <i>Invited</i> ) <i>The Hon Jason Clare MP</i> , Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government
12.00PM	Regional Health Challenges and Opportunities <i>Professor David Perkins</i> , Director, Centre for Rural and Remote Mental Health, University of Newcastle
1.00PM	<b>LUNCH</b>
2.00PM	Keynote Address: Regional Trends <i>Speaker TBC</i>
2.30PM	Panel of Mayors: Communities that Thrive - Strategies for Success
3.30PM	<b>AFTERNOON TEA</b>
4.00PM	Federal Local Government Minister Address ( <i>Invited</i> ) <i>The Hon Mark Coulton MP</i> , Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government
4.20PM	Closing Remarks

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### REGISTRATION FEES

Forum Only Registration  
\$425

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Registration  
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# 2021 Speakers



## **PETER VAN ONSELEN**

Political Editor, Network Ten and Professor of Politics and Public Policy, Griffith University

Peter van Onselen is Network Ten's political editor and a contributing editor for The Australian, where he writes a weekly column. He is also a professor of political science and Foundation Chair of Journalism at the University of Western Australia, as well as a professor of politics and public policy at Griffith University.

Peter is a host on The Project and appears as a panelist on ABC Insiders. He has won Walkley and Logie awards for his broadcast journalism on Sky News where he worked for nearly ten years as a host, and a News Award for his feature and opinion writing in the Australia.

He is the author or editor of six books, including a biography of former Prime Minister John Howard, rated by the Wall Street Journal as the best biography of 2007. He has a PhD in political science and a masters of policy studies and a masters of commerce.



## **PROFESSOR MARY-LOUISE MCLAWS**

Epidemiologist, Hospital Infection and Infectious Diseases Control, UNSW

Mary-Louise is a Professor of Epidemiology. Her COVID-19 related activities include: member of the World Health Organization Health Emergencies Program Advisory Panel for Infection Prevention and Control Preparedness, Readiness and Response to COVID-19 and is the Focal Point for the WHO Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network. Previously Mary-Louise a member of several other World Health Organization patient safety programs and a World Health Organization Advisor to China and Malaysia during the development of national infection surveillance. There were many lessons to be learnt from the response to the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) outbreak and she reviewed the healthcare worker safety for the Hong Kong SARS designated hospital and with Beijing reviewed their response. She reviewed the Pandemic Influenza Infection Control Guidelines for healthcare workers on behalf of the then Federal Chief Medical Officer.

She enjoys capacity building infection control in low and middle income countries and research with her PhD students in Cambodia, China, Bangladesh, Mali, Indonesia, Iran, Viet Nam, Taiwan and Turkey.

**CRAIG FOSTER AM**

Human Rights and Refugee Ambassador

Craig Foster is a decorated former Captain of the Socceroos and broadcaster who is leading the way in sport and social justice as an Adjunct Professor with Torrens University.

Craig is a member of the Australian Multicultural Council and was recognized for his leadership of the #SaveHakeem campaign to free a young Bahraini from a Thai prison, his advocacy of inclusion and multiculturalism and anti-racism with an Order of Australia Medal in the 2021 Australia Day honors.

**DANIELLE WOOD**

CEO, Grattan Institute

Danielle is the CEO of the Grattan Institute. She believes in the power of public policy to make Australia a better place. Danielle has published extensively on economic reform priorities, budget policy, tax reform, generational inequality and reforming political institutions. She is a sought-after media commentator and speaker on policy issues.

Danielle previously worked at the ACCC, NERA Economic Consulting and the Productivity Commission. She holds an Honours degree in Economics from the University of Adelaide and Masters degrees in Economics and Competition Law, from the University of Melbourne.

Danielle is the National President of the Economic Society of Australia and co-founder and former Chair of the Women in Economics Network.

# 2021 Speakers



## **PROFESSOR SANJAYA SENANAYAKE**

Infectious Diseases Specialist, ANU

Sanjaya is an Infectious Diseases Specialist dealing with patients in a hospital setting. Medicine has also given him the opportunity to diversify into media, writing and education as he loves to communicate and educate. This was the driving force behind two medical textbooks he wrote as well as writing a novel, "Chilli, Chicks and Heart Attacks: The Misadventures of an Intern" - a tale of medicine, migrants and mayhem. His enthusiasm and engaging manner have inadvertently resulted in a number of media interviews as a medical expert. Some of these included The Project, Ten's Breakfast show, the PM radio show about Ebola and Sunrise on the topic of "superbugs".

He has written a chapter on Infectious Diseases for the biennial publication from the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare: "Australia's Health". This is the official snapshot of the health of the nation, tabled at Parliament by the Federal Health Minister.

Sanjaya has a strong interest in the Public Health response to Communicable Diseases, as evidenced in his book, "Clinical Cases in Infectious Diseases: A Public Health Approach" (McGraw-Hill 2007) and his Masters of Applied Epidemiology from the ANU (2003-4).



## **PROFESSOR GIGI FORSTER**

School of Economics, UNSW

Gigi Foster is a Professor with the School of Economics at the University of New South Wales Business School, having received her BA from Yale, majoring in Ethics, Politics, and Economics, and her PhD in Economics from the University of Maryland. Upon receiving her PhD she joined the University of South Australia's School of Commerce, and moved to Sydney in 2009 as a Senior Lecturer in UNSW's Australian School of Business. She has held several ARC Discovery Grants and authored more than 25 scholarly works, including the book (joint with Paul Frijters) An Economic Theory of Greed, Love, Groups, and Networks, published in 2013 by Cambridge University Press. Gigi is active in the Australian media, particularly in regard to matters of education policy and economic thought and has served the profession in a variety of roles such as ARC Expert Assessor and National Economics Learning Standards Working Party member.



#### **SHANE FITZSIMMONS AFSM**

Commissioner, Resilience NSW

In the terrifying 2019/20 bushfire season, Australians were reassured by the exemplary leadership and empathetic presence of then NSW Fire Commissioner Shane Fitzsimmons.

Shane began as a volunteer with NSW RFS in 1985, in the footsteps of his father George – a full-time firefighter who was tragically killed in an out-of-control hazard reduction burn in 2000.

In 1994, Shane joined the NSW RFS full-time, working in a range of leadership positions before being endorsed as the organisation's commissioner in 2007 – a role he held for 12 years.

In 2019/20, Shane guided a state-wide response including a 74,000-strong crew of mostly volunteers through one of Australia's worst fire seasons. Working long hours, he informed and calmed the public in daily press conferences, liaised with government leaders and provided comfort to colleagues and family members of firefighters who lost their lives in service to others.

In April 2020, Shane was appointed leader of the new disaster management and recovery agency, Resilience NSW.



#### **HON SCOTT MORRISON MP**

Prime Minister of Australia

Scott Morrison was sworn in as Prime Minister of Australia on 24 August 2018.

Prior to becoming Prime Minister, Scott Morrison was Federal Treasurer. His achievements as Treasurer include:

- Record jobs growth
- Delivering tax relief for families and small businesses
- Reducing the deficit
- Getting debt under control
- Ensuring multinationals pay their fair share of tax
- The Prime Minister says the achievement he is most proud of is the more than 100,000 jobs that were created for young people during 2017-18. This is the best result on record.

As Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, Scott Morrison successfully stopped the boats. This stopped the deaths at sea that had been occurring over the previous six years under Labor. Stopping the boats meant that, the Government could close 19 detention centres and remove all children from detention and from Nauru.

As Social Services Minister, Scott reduced abuse of the welfare system and put Australia's social safety net on a more sustainable footing.

Throughout his career in government and in the private sector, Scott Morrison has established a reputation as someone who listens to people and solves difficult policy problems.

Scott Morrison is from the Sutherland Shire in Sydney's south. He has represented his local community in Parliament for over 11 years.

# 2021 Speakers



**HON MARK COULTON MP**

Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government

Mark was first elected to the House of Representatives for the seat of Parkes, New South Wales, in 2007. He has since been reelected in 2010, 2013, 2016 and 2019.

In January 2020, Mark was appointed to the Coalition Government Ministry by Prime Minister Scott Morrison as the Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government, and was officially sworn-in on 29 May 2019. From March 2018 to May 2019, Mark was the Assistant Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment.

During his time in the Federal Parliament, Mark has also held the positions of Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives, National Party's Chief Whip, Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for Ageing and the Voluntary Sector, Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for Water and Conservation and Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for Regional Development and Emerging Trade Markets.

Prior to his election to the House of Representatives, Mark was the Mayor of Gwydir Shire Council from 2004 until 2007. Mark has an extensive agricultural background having spent 30 years as a farmer and grazier. Mark and his wife Robyn owned and operated a mixed farming system growing cereal crops and running beef cattle. As the Federal Member for Parkes, Mark represents one of the largest Aboriginal populations in the Australian Parliament.



**HON JASON CLARE MP**

Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government

Jason was born and raised in western Sydney where he attended Cabramatta Public School and Canley Vale High School before graduating with a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) and a Bachelor of Laws from the University of New South Wales.

In June 2019, Jason was appointed Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government and Shadow Minister for Housing and Homelessness.

He joined the Australian Labor Party because of its commitment to improving the lives of working Australians, particularly through education.

Jason is the Patron of Care Leavers Australia Network (CLAN), the Bankstown Youth Development Service (BYDS), the Bankstown Sports Club and the Bankstown RSL.

# General Registration

GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGISTRATION FEES		INCLUSIONS
Registration Fees — Early Bird Payment received by Friday 21 May 2021	\$989.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Attendance at all General Assembly sessions</li> <li>— Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea as per the General Assembly program</li> <li>— One ticket to the Welcome Drinks, Sunday</li> <li>— General Assembly satchel and materials</li> </ul>
Registration Fees — Standard Payment received on or before Friday 4 June 2021	\$1,099.00	
Registration Fees — Late Payment received after Friday 4 June 2021	\$1,199.00	
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Full Virtual Registration	\$689.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Virtual access to all General Assembly sessions for day(s) selected</li> <li>— Meeting hub to connect with other virtual attendees</li> </ul>
Virtual Day Registration (Monday or Tuesday)	\$449.00	
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Monday 21 June 2021	\$529.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Attendance at all General Assembly sessions on the day of registration</li> <li>— Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea as per the General Assembly program on that day</li> <li>— General Assembly satchel and materials</li> </ul>
Tuesday 22 June 2021	\$529.00	
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Accompanying Partners Registration Fee	\$280.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— 1 ticket to the Welcome Reception, Sunday 20 June</li> <li>— Day tour Monday 21 June</li> <li>— Day tour Tuesday 22 June</li> <li>— Lunch with General Assembly Delegates on Wednesday 23 June</li> </ul>

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## Cancellation Policy

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### Standard Terms

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### COVID Terms

Conditions that apply to cancellations, substitutions and rescheduling of the Assembly due to COVID-19 are listed below.

All other cancellation will be subject to the standard cancellation policy.

#### **Cancellation of face-to-face event**

If the face-to-face event has to be cancelled as a result of an outbreak of COVID-19 restricting travel to, or circulation in Canberra, your registration will be transferred to virtual attendance. The difference in price between in-person attendance and virtual attendance will be refunded. All ancillary costs (cancelled flights etc) will not be the responsibility of ALGA.

#### **Registration changes**

Delegates who are unable to attend the Assembly due to their location in a declared COVID-19 hot spot will be automatically transferred to become virtual delegates. The difference in price between in-person attendance and virtual attendance will be refunded. It is the responsibility of the individual to contact the conference organisers (in writing) if they are affected by a local lock-down.

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#### **Substitutions**

As with all ALGA events, substitutions are allowed for delegates. Please notify the conference organisers in writing if substitutions are required.

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## Photographs

During the National General Assembly there will be a contracted photographer. The photographer will take images during the sessions and social functions. If you have your picture taken it is assumed that you are giving consent for ALGA to use the image.

Images may be used for print and electronic publications.

## Coach Transfers

**Welcome Reception and Exhibition Opening - Sunday 20 June 2021**  
Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) at approximately 4:45pm. The return coaches will depart at 7:00pm.

### Daily Shuttles to and from the National Convention Centre

A shuttle service between all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) and the National Convention Centre will operate between 8:00am and 8:30am. Return shuttles will depart the National Convention Centre at 5:30pm.

**Networking Dinner – National Arboretum – Monday 21 June 2021**  
Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels at approximately 6:45pm. A return shuttle service will commence at 10:15pm.

**General Assembly Dinner – Exhibition Park in Canberra – Tuesday 22 June 2021**  
Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels at approximately 6:40pm. A return shuttle service will operate between 10:30pm and 11:45pm.

## Canberra Weather in June

Winter days in Canberra are characterised by clear sunny skies but the days are cool at around 12-15C and temperatures do drop to 1C on average in the evenings, so be sure to bring a warm jacket. Mornings can be foggy so keep this in mind when booking flights. It is best to avoid early arrivals or departures in case of delays due to fog.

## Car Parking

Parking for delegates is available underneath the National Convention Centre for a cost of approximately \$19.00 per day. Alternatively, voucher public parking is available 300m from the Centre at a cost of approximately \$15.70 per day. The voucher machines accept either coins or credit cards (Visa or MasterCard).

# Social Functions

## Welcome Reception and Exhibition Opening

**Sunday 20 June 2021**

**Venue:** National Convention Centre Canberra.

The Welcome Reception will be held in the exhibition hall and foyer.

05:00pm - 07:00pm

\$50.00 per person for day delegates and guests. No charge for full registered delegates. No charge for registered accompanying partners.

**Dress Code:** Smart casual

## Networking Dinner

**Monday 21 June 2021**

**Venue:** National Arboretum

The dinner is being held in the Village Centre

07:00pm - 11:00pm

\$150.00 per person

**Dress Code:** Smart casual

The Networking Dinner will be held at the National Arboretum where you get the breathtaking views of the living forests and gardens whilst having the opportunity to network with delegates from other councils.

With over 44,000 rare and endangered trees across a 250-hectare site, the Arboretum is a place of conservation, research, education, tourism and recreation.

## General Assembly Dinner

**Tuesday 22 June 2021**

**Venue:** Exhibition Park in Canberra (EPIC)

The dinner is being held in The Budawang Pavillion.

07:00pm - 11:00pm

\$175.00 per person

**Dress Code:** Formal/Cocktail

We are excited to bring the 2021 General Assembly dinner back to Exhibition Park. The space offers us ample opportunity to provide guests with great entertainment, food and networking opportunities.

## General Assembly Business Sessions

**Monday 21 June 2021 -  
Wednesday 23 June 2021**

**Venue:** National Convention Centre Canberra

All plenary sessions will be held in the Royal Theatre at the National Convention Centre.

**Dress Code:** Smart casual

## Exhibition

**Monday 21 June 2021 -  
Wednesday 23 June 2021**

**Venue:** National Convention Centre

The exhibition is being held in the Exhibition Hall at the National Convention Centre.

**Dress code:** Smart casual

## Partner Tours

**Monday 21 June & Tuesday 22 June 2021**

The Partner program consists of two full day tours highlighting what Canberra has to offer. Both days will include lunch.

The partners meet at the National Convention Centre Canberra each morning to join the tour guide for their specialised trip around Canberra.

The tour details will be announced soon via email.

To register your partner, please select the partner fee on the registration form.

# Accommodation

## Crowne Plaza

1 Binara Street, Canberra

The Crowne Plaza is adjacent to the Convention Centre and only a short walk from restaurants, bars and the main shopping district.

Twin option at the hotel consists of two double beds.

Superior Room \$325 per night  
— Single/twin/double

Deluxe Room \$375 per night  
— Single/twin/double

## A by Adina

\*New Property\*

1 Constitution Avenue, Canberra

A by Adina Canberra is the newest hotel to Canberra which is located on Constitution Avenue only a 5-minute walk from the National Convention Centre.

The hotel combines spacious apartment living with 24-hour reception, room service, service provided by knowledgeable concierges and a well-equipped gym.

A new dining district is also newly constructed in the immediate area.

All rooms have a king bed and the studios offer a twin option of two singles beds.

Studio Rooms: \$199 per night  
— single/twin/double

1 Bedroom Apartments: \$239 per night  
— single/double

## Avenue Hotel

80 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

The Avenue Hotel is one of the only 5 star options in the Canberra city and offers guests both studio and apartment style rooms. The hotel is a 15-20 minute walk from the Convention Centre.

The apartments have a fully functioning kitchen. Twin option at the hotel consists of two king singles.

Superior King Rooms \$285 per night  
— Single/twin/double

1 Bedroom Apartments \$335 per night  
— Single/double

## Nesuto Apartments (previously the Waldorf)

2 Akuna Street, Canberra

Located in the heart of Canberra's CBD, the Nesuto Apartments is only a five-minute walk from the National Convention Centre. The one-bedroom apartments also offer a separate lounge/dining area.

Twin option at the hotel consists of two single beds. Additional costs will apply if more than 2 guests are within the one room.

Studio Apartment \$210 per night  
— Single/twin/double

1 Bedroom Apartments \$230 per night  
— Single/twin/double

## The Sebel Canberra Civic

197 London Circuit, Canberra

The Sebel Canberra Civic is one of Canberra's newest hotels which opened in June 2019 and is just a 7-minute walk from the National Convention Centre.

This property offers free WiFi throughout the hotel, a fully equipped gym, and an onsite restaurant and bar lounge.

All rooms come with a fully equipped kitchenette with Nespresso machine and dining table. Every bathroom is accessibility friendly with walk in showers.

Superior rooms come with a queen bed.

Superior Room \$160 per night  
— Single/double



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*Selena and Chansey*

Dear Hon Ministers,

East Arnhem Regional Council had its Ordinary Council Meeting on 25 of February 2021. It considered the Yolngu Region Local Decision Making Partnership - Workshops and Working Group.

We would like to advise:

That Council endorses:

(a) The attendance and participation of all Local Authority appointed and elected members, at the Yolngu Region Local Decision Making Workshop Series, for the respective Miyarrka, Gattjirrk, Laynhapuy/Miwatj and Marthakal sub-regional workshops.

These meetings are considered approved meetings with Councillors to be paid the Extra Meeting Allowance, and the appointed Local Authority members will be paid an amount equivalent to the Local Authority sitting fee.

Council will seek payment from the Northern Territory Government of Local Authority appointed members who attend the Workshop meetings.



(b) The attendance and participation of the following elected Councillors at any Yolngu Region Local Decision Making Partnership – Working Group meetings:

Jason Mirritjawuy	- Birr Rawarrang Ward
Joe Djakala or Lapulung Dhamarrandji	- Gumurr Gattjirrk Ward
David Djalangi	- Gumurr Marthakal Ward
Bobby Wunungmurra	- Gumurr Miyarrka Ward
Yananymul Mununggurr	- Gumurr Miwatj Ward
Djuwalpi Marika	- Deputy President
Kaye Thurlow	- President

(c) The attendance and participation of the EARC Chief Executive Officer and other EARC staff he nominates to provide specialist support and advice, at all Yolngu Region Local Decision Making Partnership Workshop Meetings and Working Group meetings.

(d) Seeks clarification on how community leaders of Gunyangara and its homelands can engage with the Miwatj LDM workshop.

(e) Seeks clarification on how community of Milingimbi and Ramingining and the homelands can engage in the Gattjirrk LDM workshop given the distance between the communities

Council looks forward to engaging positively with the Yolngu Region – Local Decision Making Partnership Workshop and Working Party, to further build our engagement and partnership with community leaders and members, other Aboriginal organisations, the Northern Territory and Australian Governments.

Yours sincerely,

Dale Keehne  
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Dear Hon Chief Minister,

**Re: Introduction of Legal Sale of Kava**

East Arnhem Regional Council had its Ordinary Council Meeting on 25 of February 2021.

We would like to advise:

That Council:

Calls for confirmation from the NT Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet and NIAA that all nine communities and homelands in the East Arnhem land will be properly consulted on the impending re-introduction of the legal sale of kava, and that the voice of all nine communities and homelands in East Arnhem Land will be heard on how to properly deal with this.

Council look forward to engaging positively with the Northern Territory and Australia Government on this pressing and important issue.

Yours sincerely,



Dale Keehne  
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*Selena & Chaney*

Dear Hon Ministers,

East Arnhem Regional Council has its Ordinary Council Meeting on 25 of February 2021. It considered the Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Agreement – Local Government Objective.

We would like to advise:


That Council endorses:

- (a) The attendance and participation of the following elected Councillors at the Transition Committee for the Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Agreement and Special Local Authority / community consultation meetings:

President	Kaye Thurlow
Deputy President	Djuwalpi Marika
Councillor	Bobby Wunungmurra
Councillor	Lapulung Dhamarrandji

These meetings are considered approved meetings for Councillors to be paid the Extra Meeting Allowance. Local Authority appointed members will be paid the Local Authority meeting allowance.

- (b) The attendance and participation of the EARC Chief Executive Officer and other EARC staff he nominates to provide specialist support and advice, to Transition Committee meetings and community consultations.

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- (c) The four Council representatives, with support and advice from the CEO and any staff nominees, will develop and finalise an agreed 'East Arnhem Regional Council Vision' of how the goal of Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making for a stronger voice and outcomes has been achieved and can be further strengthened. This vision will be shared in joint community consultations with all Yolngu and Anindilyakwa communities, and submitted to the Northern Territory Cabinet.
  - (d) Following agreed joint consultation with all Yolngu and Anindilyakwa communities, an independent poll be conducted of all eligible voters in the East Arnhem Regional Council Local Government Area, by the Northern Territory Electoral Commission, whether they support the de-amalgamation of the East Arnhem Regional Council into two Councils, with a separate Council for the three Anindilyakwa communities of the Groote Eylandt Archipelago, and the remaining six Yolngu communities of East Arnhem Land.
  - (e) Payment for the independent poll by the Northern Territory Government.
  - (f) A minimum of 70 per cent of the people who vote be required for the de-amalgamation to be supported.
  - (g) The Northern Territory Government commit to provide ongoing financial assistance to an agreed value should the final Assessment and Analysis Report conclude that the new EARC is unsustainable.

Council looks forward to continuing to work collaboratively with the Northern Territory Government and the Anindilyakwa Land Council on this important shared Local Decision Making objective.

Yours sincerely,



Dale Keehne  
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Dear Mr Keehne

Thank you for your correspondence dated 9 April 2021 relating to Health Services in Milyakburra Community where you outline concerns raised during a Milyakburra Local Authority meeting.

The Top End Health Service (TEHS) is responsible for the provision of Primary Health and Emergency Medical Responses care for the residents of Milyakburra Community. TEHS takes pride in providing safe and equitable access to health services across the Top End of the NT.

The health service model for Milyakburra Community is based on visiting nurses and medical officers due to the small population size of the community, and is comparable to other similar sized communities across the NT. I am assured the current service model is appropriate for the population of Milyakburra, and aligns with national benchmarks for remote staffing.

You raised concerns that the clinic, ambulance and government house are unused. I can advise the assets are being used appropriately in the provision of health services to the community. The clinic is essential as a space to deliver care to clients when the doctor and nurses visit (weekly). The government housing is an important part of contingency planning in the event of a COVID-19 outbreak in the community. Finally, the vehicle is also well used. However, health services are considering replacement of this vehicle with a more appropriate vehicle.

I acknowledge your concerns regarding a lack of Indigenous nurses. We too would love to see as many Aboriginal nurses as possible and TEHS actively supports Aboriginal employment through a number of strategies aimed at increasing Aboriginal workforce participation, including the Commissioner for Public Employment Special Measures Program. Further information relating to this program can be found at <https://ocpe.nt.gov.au/employment-conditions-appeals-grievances/special-measures>.



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If you would like further information on this matter, please contact Ms Michelle Evison-Rose, General Manager East Arnhem Region, Top End Health Service on telephone 08 8987 0332 or email [GMEARRegionTEHS.DoH@nt.gov.au](mailto:GMEARRegionTEHS.DoH@nt.gov.au).

Thank you for your interest and support in this matter

Kind regards



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