

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

20 July 2021

ATTENDANCE

In the Chair Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

OBSERVERS

East Arnhem Regional Council

CEO – Dale Keehne and Community Development Coordinator – Jennifer Newton Minute Taker – Candice O'Halloran – Acting Governance, Local Authorities and Communication Manager

MEETING OPENING

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

PRAYER

Joanne Baker

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.

127/2021 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Joanne Baker)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the absence of Rowena Gaykamangu and Present Kaye Thurlow.
- b) Notes the apology received from Rowena Gaykamangu and Present Kaye Thurlow.
- c) Notes Rowena Gaykamangu and Present Kaye Thurlow are absent with permission of the Local Authority.

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

Conflict of Interest

4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

SUMMARY:

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

128/2021 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Rosetta Wayatja)

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

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

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.

129/2021 RESOLVED (Arthur Murrupu/Rosetta Wayatja)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the meeting of 18 May 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

MOTION - MOVED TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

130/2021 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Joanne Baker)

Move to Confidential Agenda

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

MOTION

131/2021 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Robert Yirapawanga)

Move to Ordinary Session

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Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

MOTION - BREAK FOR 10 MINS

132/2021 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Joe Djakala)

Adjournment of meeting at 11:19am

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

MOTION- RETURN FROM BREAK

133/2021 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Boaz Baker)

Resumption of meeting at 11:44am

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

Local Authorities

6.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

SUMMARY:

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

134/2021 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Arthur Murrupu)

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:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

MOTION - LUNCH

135/2021 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Robert Yirapawanga)

Adjournment for Lunch at 12:15pm

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

MOTION

136/2021 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Joe Djakala)

Resumption of meeting at 1:11pm

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

General Business

8.1 CEO REPORT

SUMMARY:

This is a report of the key broad issues since the last report to the Local Authority, in addition to those covered in other parts of the agenda.

137/2021 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Robert Yirapawanga)

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

For-

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

8.2 INQUIRY INTO LOCAL DECISION MAKING - YOUR VOICE

SUMMARY:

The Northern Territory Government's Local Decision Making Policy and Program is now due to be reviewed, as it is almost three and a half years old, and there have been significant developments including the update of Closing the Gap that includes the recognition of the role of Local Government, the Indigenous Local, Regional and National Voice process, and proper recognition of Aboriginal Community Controlled Local Government Councils.

138/2021 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Joe Djakala)

That the Local Authority supports a submission by Council to the Inquiry into Local Decision Making by the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory, with the incorporation of views provided by the Local Authority.

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

8.3 MUTUAL RESPECT AGREEMENT - NORTHERN TERRITORY POLICE SUMMARY:

This report seeks to inform and establish a position from the Local Authority on the proposed Northern Territory Police Mutual Respect Agreement (MRA).

139/2021 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Joe Djakala)

That the Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the report.
- (b) Supports the signing of the Northern Territory Police Mutual Respect Agreement.
- (c) Commits to work with Cultural Leaders and Police to develop a Mutual Respect Agreement based on a shared and united voice and vision, to further the safety, protection and environment for the people

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

8.4 NATIONAL ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLAND FLEXIBLE AGED CARE SERVICE - PROPOSAL

SUMMARY:

This report seeks to inform and gain support for Council's Aged and Disability Service to submit an application for the upcoming Department of Health (DoH) grant round to convert all current Home Care Packages (HCP) into a regional National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Flexible Aged Care (NATSIFAC) service.

140/2021 RESOLVED (Arthur Murrupu/Robert Yirapawanga)

That Council support the development and submission of an application for a regional National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island Flexible Aged Care grant when next

released.
For: Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala
Against: Nil

8.5 WASTE SERVICES UPDATE

SUMMARY:

This report is to provide a summary update of works and projects being implemented in the community by the Waste Services Department

141/2021 RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Joe Djakala)

The Local Authority note the Waste Services report

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

8.6 YOUTH, SPORT AND RECREATION COMMUNITY UPDATE SUMMARY:

This report sets out to highlight Youth, Sport and Recreation events, activities, successes and challenges in your community.

142/2021 RESOLVED (Lapulung Dhamarrandji/Arthur Murrupu)

That the Local Authority notes the Youth, Sport and Recreation Community update.

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

8.7 ROADS INFRASTRUCTURE - ROUTINE GRADING MAINTENANCE UPDATES SUMMARY:

This Report is tabled for the Milingimbi Local Authority in order to update on the progress of the recent grading maintenance undertaken on the internal and rural outstation roads network.

143/2021 RESOLVED (Rosetta Wayatja/Joanne Baker)

That the Milingimbi Local Authority note the report.

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

8.8 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY:

This report presents the DRAFT year-end financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 30 June 2021 within the Local Authority area.

144/2021 RESOLVED (Arthur Murrupu/Joe Djakala)

That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 30 June 2021.

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

8.9 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

SUMMARY:

This report is tabled for the Local Authority as an update on the Animal Management Program annual results and program focus for the 21-22 financial period.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority note the report.

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

COMMUNITY REPORTS

9.1 COMMUNITY NIGHT PATROL - FOCUS PROJECT

SUMMARY:

This report is to inform and seek input from the Local Authority on the Community Night Patrol focus project.

145/2021 RESOLVED (Rosetta Wayatja/Arthur Murrupu)

The Local Authority:

- a) Note the report.
- b) Provide the following inputs to the community patrol focus project
 - a) Service Name Yurrwi Djagamirr / Yurrwipuy Djagamirr Yolnumala / Yurrwipuy Gungayunamirr Yolnumala and logo will be the tree of life with the Barramundi
 - b) Service Purpose Protect the safety of the people.
- The below points will be discussed in an out of session with Local Authority Members.

Service Focus...

Service Outputs...

Service Governance...

Service Linkages...

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

9.2 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.

146/2021 RESOLVED (Joanne Baker/Joe Djakala)

That Council That Local Authority notes the Community Development Coordinator Report

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

Questions From Members

10.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

SUMMARY:

The Local Authority will now take questions from members.

147/2021 RESOLVED (Arthur Murrupu/Robert Yirapawanga)

That the Local Authority notes no questions from members.

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

Questions From Public

11.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

SUMMARY:

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

148/2021 RESOLVED (Arthur Murrupu/Boaz Baker)

That the Local Authority notes no questions from the public.

For:

Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Members Joanne Baker, Robert Yirapawanga, Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu and Councillor Joe Djakala

Against:

Nil

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Due to Local Government Election, the Next Local Authority meetings will be held in November.

MEETING CLOSE

The meeting terminated at 4:06 pm.

This page and the preceding 9 pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 20 July 2021.