

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

21 July 2021

ATTENDANCE

In the chair Bobby Nyikamula and Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

OBSERVERS

Dale Keehne - CEO and Melissa Jones - Community Development Coordinator

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

MEETING OPENING

MOTION – ELCTION OF CHAIRPERSON

192/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Gaylene Gurruwiwi)

Election of chair Person Bobby Nyikamula

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

Chair opened the meeting at 10:28am and welcomed all members and guests.

PRAYER

David Djalangi

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.

193/2021 RESOLVED (Nancy Gudaltji/Gaylene Gurruwiwi)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the absence of Joan Dhamarrandji, Don Wininba, President Kaye Thurlow Evelyna Dhamarrandji .
- b) Notes the apology received from President Kaye Thurlow, Evelyna Dhamarrandji and Joan Dhamarrandji.
- c) Notes President Kaye Thurlow, Evelyna Dhamarrandji, Don Wininba and Joan Dhamarrandji are absent with permission of the Local Authority.

For:

Bobby Nyikamula and Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

Conflict of Interest

5.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

SUMMARY:

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

194/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Virginia Rripa)

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

For:

Bobby Nyikamula and Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

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.

195/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Gaylene Gurruwiwi)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes from the meeting of 20 May 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.

For-

Bobby Nyikamula and Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Dialangi

Against:

Nil

MOTION - MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

196/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Virginia Rripa)

Move to Confidential Session

For:

Bobby Nyikamula and Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

MOTION - MOVE OUT OF CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

197/2021 RESOLVED (David Djalangi/Melissa Campbell)

Move to Ordinary Session

For:

Bobby Nyikamula and Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

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Local Authorities

8.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

SUMMARY:

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

198/2021 RESOLVED (Virginia Rripa/Nancy Gudaltji)

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:

Bobby Nyikamula and Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

Guest Speakers

9.1 DEPARTMENT OF CHIEF MINISTERS AND CABINET - ABORIGINAL INTERPRETER SERVICES – DEFERED TO NEXT MEETING

SUMMARY:

The Aboriginal Interpreter Services (AIS) is piloting a model of service delivery in Galiwinku with the intent to increase the AIS community based workforce, increase remote service delivery for East Arnhem and ultimately improve the access and quality of interaction of

Aboriginal Territorians with services in remote areas.

199/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Gaylene Gurruwiwi)

That the Local Authority deferred to the next Local authority Meeting

For:

Bobby Nyikamula and Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

General Business

MOTION – LUNCH FOR 30 MINS

200/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Nancy Gudaltji)

Adjournment for lunch at 12:10pm

For:

Bobby Nyikamula and Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

MOTION - RETURN FROM LUNCH

201/2021 RESOLVED (David Djalangi/Gaylene Gurruwiwi)

Resumption of meeting at 12:44pm

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

Cr Bobby Nyikumula left the meeting, the time being 12:32 PM

MOTION - CHANGE TO CHAIR PERSON

202/2021 RESOLVED (Gaylene Gurruwiwi/David Djalangi)

New chairperson Melissa Campbell has been nominated due to current chairperson Bobby Nyikamula being called away for ceremony.

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against: Nil			

10.6 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

203/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Terry Walunba)

That the Local Authority notes the Waste Services Update report.

For-

Bobby Nyikamula and Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

10.7 ROADS INFRASTRUCTURE - PEDESTRIAN FOOTPATH PROGRAM PUBLIC TENDER, GRADING MAINTENANCE & LINE MARKING PROGRAM UPDATES

SUMMARY:

This Report is tabled for the Galiwin'ku Local Authority in order to update on the progress of the proposed stage two (2) and three (3) of the pedestrian footpath program via public tender.

204/2021 RESOLVED (Virginia Rripa/Terry Walunba)

That the Local Authority note the Roads Infrastructure - Pedestrian Footpath Program Public Tender, Grading Maintenance & Line Marking Program Updates report.

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

10.8 INCIDENT DAMAGE ASSCOATED WITH THE GALIWINKU HEARSE UNDER EXTERNAL USAGE AGREEMENT.

SUMMARY:

This report is tabled for the Local Authority to report and provide information in relation to damage sustained to the Galiwinku Hearse whilst being used under a formal external party usage agreement and the requirements surrounding the insurance liabilities associated with damage by an external party.

205/2021 RESOLVED (David Djalangi/Terry Walunba)

That Local Authority support the administration recovery of the financial liabilities from the user as per the signed Hearse usage agreement.

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

10.9 PROPOSAL TO FLY AERIAL ELECTOR MAGNETIC SURVEYS (AEM) OVER PROSPECTIVE GROUNDWATER SOURCE AREAS AROUND GALIWINKU

SUMMARY:

This report is tabled to the Local Authority surrounding the proposed aerial surveys using the electro-magnetic technique (AEM), over two potential groundwater supply areas.

206/2021 RESOLVED (David Djalangi/Terry Walunba)

- (a) That Local Authority note the report
- (b) Support the project to identify additional water and water quality for Galiwinku into the future.
- (c) Request that the program avoids direct flights over the outstations of Dhambala, Dhudpu and Galawarra.

For

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

10.10ANIMAL 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.

207/2021 RESOLVED (Gaylene Gurruwiwi/Nancy Gudaltji)

That the Local Authority note the report.

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

10.11CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY:

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

RECOMMENDATION

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

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

MOTION - BREAK FOR 45 MINS

208/2021 RESOLVED (Virginia Rripa/Gaylene Gurruwiwi)

Adjournment of meeting at 2:03pm

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

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MOTION – RETURN FROM BREAK

209/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Virginia Rripa)

Resumption of meeting at 2:45pm

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa

Against:

Nil

10.4 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.

210/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Virginia Rripa)

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:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa

Against:

Nil

10.3 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).

211/2021 RESOLVED (David Djalangi/Virginia Rripa)

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 vunerable people.

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

11.2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT

SUMMARY:

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

212/2021 RESOLVED (David Djalangi/Gaylene Gurruwiwi)

That the Local Authority notes the Community Development Coordinator report.

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

10.1 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.

213/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Virginia Rripa)

That Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

For:

Bobby Nyikamula and Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

10.2 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.

214/2021 RESOLVED (David Djalangi/Virginia Rripa)

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

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

Against:

Nil

10.5 YOUTH, SPORT AND RECREATION COMMUNITY UPDATE – DEFER TO NEXT MEETING

SUMMARY:

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

215/2021 RESOLVED (Melissa Campbell/Gaylene Gurruwiwi)

That the Local Authority defer to the next Local Authority
For: Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi
Against: Nil
COMMUNITY REPORTS 11.1 COMMUNITY NIGHT PATROL - FOCUS PROJECT – DEFER TO NEXT MEETING SUMMARY:
This report is to inform and seek input from the Local Authority on the Community Night Patrol focus project.
216/2021 RESOLVED (Nancy Gudaltji/Terry Walunba)
That the Local Authority defer to the next meeting.
For: Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi
Against: Nil
Questions From Members 12.1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS SUMMARY:
The Local Authority will now take questions from members.
217/2021 RESOLVED (Virginia Rripa/Melissa Campbell)
That the Local Authority notes no questions from members
For: Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi
Against: Nil

Questions From Public

13.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

SUMMARY:

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

218/2021 RESOLVED (Terry Walunba/David Djalangi)

That the Local Authority notes no questions from the public

For:

Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Melissa Campbell, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba, Virginia Rripa and Councillor David Djalangi

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 4:45pm.

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