



Agenda

Galiwin'ku

LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

On

20 January 2022

EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that an Local Authority Meeting of the East Arnhem Regional Council will be held at the Galiwinku Council Office on Thursday, 20 January 2022 at 10:00AM.

Dale Keehne
Chief Executive Officer

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APOLOGIES



ITEM NUMBER	4.1
TITLE	Apologies and Absence Without Notice
REFERENCE	1571361
AUTHOR	Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

SUMMARY:

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

The report author does not have a conflict of interest in this matter (Section 179 of the Act).

RECOMMENDATION

That Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the absence of <>.**
- (b) Notes the apology received from <>.**
- (c) Notes <> are absent with permission of the Local Authority.**
- (d) Determines <> are absent without permission of the Local Authority.**

ATTACHMENTS:

APOLOGIES

ITEM NUMBER	4.2
TITLE	Local Authority Membership
REFERENCE	1572245
AUTHOR	Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer

**SUMMARY:**

This report lists the community and Council appointed members and the resignation and vacancies of the Local Authority.

BACKGROUND

The meeting needs to consider the membership of the Local Authority.

A Local Authority can have between 6 and 14 members, including the appointed Councillors.

GENERAL

Following are the current community members of this Local Authority.

Galiwinku

Melissa Campbell
Gaylene Gurruwiwi
Virginia Ripa
Nancy Gudaltji
Bobby Nyikamula
Don Wininba
Terry Walunba

In the meeting of the Council on 16 December 2021, it was resolved that all Ward Councillors will be members of their respective Local Authority. Therefore, the following elected Councillors were appointed by the Council as members of the Local Authority.

Galiwinku

Cr Kaye Thurlow
Cr David Djalangi
Cr Evelynna Dhamarrandji

It must be noted that the Chief Health Officer rules #55 concerning vaccination against COVID apply to Local Authority meetings.

The report author does not have a conflict of interest in this matter (Section 179 of the Act).

RECOMMENDATION

The Local Authority notes the member list and calls for new members to fill existing vacancies.

ATTACHMENTS:

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

ITEM NUMBER	5.1
TITLE	Conflict of Interest
REFERENCE	1571363
AUTHOR	Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

**SUMMARY:**

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

BACKGROUND

The Local Government Act (Chapter 7, Part 7.2, Section 114 – Conflict of Interest) details that “A member has a conflict of interest in a question arising for decision by the audit committee, council, council committee or local authority if the member or an associate of the member has any of the following interests in how the question is decided:

- (a) a direct interest;
- (b) an indirect financial interest;
- (c) an indirect interest by close association;
- (d) an indirect interest due to conflicting duties”.

GENERAL

A conflict of interest is a situation that has the potential to undermine a person’s ability to be impartial because of the possibility of a clash between the person’s self-interest and professional interest or public interest.

When this occurs the Local Authority Member should declare the interest and remove them self from the decision making process.

The report author does not have a conflict of interest in this matter (Section 179 of the Act).

RECOMMENDATION

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

OR

That the Local Authority notes any conflicts of interest declared at today’s meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER	6.1
TITLE	Previous Minutes for Ratification
REFERENCE	1571411
AUTHOR	Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

**SUMMARY:**

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

BACKGROUND

In line with the Northern Territory *Local Government Act 2019 (Chapter 6, Part 6.3, Section 101- 3)*, The audit committee, council, council committee or local authority must, at its next meeting, or next ordinary meeting, confirm the minutes (with or without amendment), including any confidential business considered at the meeting, as a correct record of the meeting.

GENERAL

Local Authority members need to read the unconfirmed minutes carefully before they endorse them as a true record of the previous meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

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

ATTACHMENTS:

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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 PROVISIONAL MEETING

18 November 2021

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD VIA VIDEO
CONFERENCE FOR GALIWINKU ON THURSDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 2021 AT
10.00AM

ATTENDANCE

In the Chair Don Wininba, Local Authority Members Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Virginia Ripa, Nancy Gudaltji and Terry Walunba.

COUNCIL OFFICERS

Dale Keehne – CEO
Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services
Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development
Melissa Jones – Community Development Coordinator

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

OBSERVERS

Councillors Kaye Thurlow and David Djalangi.

MEETING OPENING

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

Apologies**4.1 APOLOGIES AND ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE****SUMMARY:**

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

The report author does not have a conflict of interest in this matter (Section 179 of the Act).

192/2021 RESOLVED (David Djalangi/Nancy Gudaltji)

That the Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the absence of Councillor Evelyn Dhamarrandji and Local Authority Members Melissa Campbell and Bobby Nyikamula.**
- (b) Notes the apology received from Bobby Nyikamula.**
- (c) Notes Councillor Evelyn Dhamarrandji and Local Authority members Melissa Campbell and Bobby Nyikamula are absent with permission of the Local Authority.**

4.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP**SUMMARY:**

This report lists the community and Council appointed members and the resignation and vacancies of the Local Authority.

193/2021 RESOLVED (Virginia Ripa/Terry Walunba)

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10.00AM

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the member list and calls for new members to fill existing vacancies.
- b) Accepts the resignation of Local Authority member Joan Dhamarrandji.
- c) Recommends Councillors David Djalangi and Kaye Thurlow be appointed as Council members of the Local Authority.

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** (Virginia Rripa/David Djalangi)

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

Guest Speakers

GUEST SPEAKER - THE MEETING MOVED TO THE GUEST SPEAKER SESSION AT 10:33 AM

SUMMARY:

Presentation by the representatives of the Anindilyakwa Land Council and the Northern Territory Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet regarding the Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Agreement – proposed Local Government.

195/2021 **RESOLVED** (Terry Walunba/Virginia Rripa)

That the Local Authority thanks the Guest Speakers for their presentation.

MOTION - THE MEETING RESUMED AT 1:17 PM AFTER THE GUEST SPEAKER SESSION

196/2021 **RESOLVED** (Terry Walunba/Virginia Rripa)

Nancy Gudaltji left the meeting, the time being 01:17 PM.

The meeting continued as a Provisional Meeting.

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Previous Minutes

6.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION

SUMMARY:

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

197/2021 RESOLVED (Gaylene Gurruwiwi/Virginia Rripa)

That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the meeting of 21 July 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.

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/Terry Walunba)

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.

Guest Speakers

9.1 GUEST SPEAKERS

SUMMARY:

Professor Beverley-Ann Biggs, Head, International and Immigrant Health Group from Department of Medicine at the Peter Doherty Institute for Infection and Immunity, Victorian Infectious Diseases Service, Royal Melbourne Hospital regarding The ELCHO Health and Well-being Project.

199/2021 RESOLVED (Virginia Rripa/Terry Walunba)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Thanks the guest speaker for their presentation.
- b) Endorses the ELCHO Health and Wellbeing Project for the benefits it can bring to the Galiwinku Community, noting the employment of local Aboriginal people should be a key part of the project.

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10.00AM

Gaylene Gurruwiwi left the meeting, the time being 02:35 PM

10.8 REVISED BUDGET 2021/22

SUMMARY:

This report presents a draft Revised Budget for consideration.

200/2021 RESOLVED (Terry Walunba/Virginia Ripa)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the 2021/22 Budget Revision.
- b) Recommends the expenditure of the unallocated equity towards the cemetery improvement and grave identification project.

GUEST SPEAKER,

SUMMARY:

Michael Soler, Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) Treatment Systems Coordinator, and Natalie Sarsfield, Multi-Agency Community and Child Safety Framework Implementation Manager from the Northern Territory Government regarding a new Youth AOD program.

201/2021 RESOLVED (Virginia Ripa/Terry Walunba)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Thanks the guest speakers for their presentation.
- b) Confirms its support on collaborating with the Northern Territory Government Alcohol and another drugs (AOD) program, to build on the range of current Youth Services Programs, by council and other providers.

General Business

**10.1 NEW ANINDILYAKWA AND REMAINING EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL LOCAL
GOVERNMENT COUNCILS**

SUMMARY:

This is an update to the Local Authority on developments regarding a proposed new Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government Council.

202/2021 RESOLVED (Terry Walunba/Virginia Ripa)

That the Local Authority:

- 1) Support the creation of an Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government including

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through:

- a) Support for the development, transition to and services of the new Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government, as agreed, and
 - b) Formal commitment by the Northern Territory Government to provide funding necessary to ensure continuity of capacity, service delivery levels and sustainability across the East Arnhem Region.
- 2) Affirms the need to maintain the strength of all services, workers and voices of the Yolngu run Galiwinku Local Authority, and East Arnhem Regional Council.

10.2 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.

203/2021 **RESOLVED** (Terry Walunba/Virginia Rripa)

That the Local Authority notes the CEO report.

10.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT

SUMMARY:

This report is provided by East Arnhem Regional Council's Community Development Coordinator in Galiwin'ku at every Local Authority meeting to provide information to members.

204/2021 **RESOLVED** (Terry Walunba/Virginia Rripa)

That the Local Authority notes the Community Development Coordinator report.

10.4 YOUTH, SPORT AND RECREATION COMMUNITY UPDATE

SUMMARY:

This report highlights Youth, Sport and Recreation events, activities, successes and challenges in your community.

205/2021 **RESOLVED** (Virginia Rripa/Terry Walunba)

That the Local Authority approve to defer consideration of the Youth, Sport and Recreation report to the next meeting.

10.5 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT UPDATE

SUMMARY:

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10.00AM

This report is tabled for the Local Authority to provide an update on the Animal Management program delivery within Galiwinku.

206/2021 RESOLVED (Virginia Rripa/Terry Walunba)

That the Local Authority note the report.

10.6 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY:

This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 31 October 2021 within the Local Authority area.

207/2021 RESOLVED (Terry Walunba/Virginia Rripa)

That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 31 October 2021.

10.7 GRANT REPORT

SUMMARY:

This report presents the Grant Report for the community.

208/2021 RESOLVED (Virginia Rripa/Terry Walunba)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the Grant Report.**
- b) Supports the grant application to the Immediate Priority Grants 2021-22 for the Buthan footpath priority project.**
- c) Allocate the unallocated Local Authority Project Funding towards the footpath, if the grant application is not successful.**

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

20 January 2022.

MEETING CLOSE

The meeting ended at 4:42 PM.

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LOCAL AUTHORITIES



ITEM NUMBER 8.1
TITLE Local Authority Action Register
REFERENCE 1571490
AUTHOR Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

SUMMARY:

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

BACKGROUND

The current Local Authority Action Items List, and updates on progress to complete them, is attached.

GENERAL

The attached report gives the Local Authority an opportunity to check that actions from previous meetings are being implemented. New actions will be added to the Action Register.

If an action is completed the Local Authority need to request for the item to be removed from the Action Register, for the Council to endorse.

The report author does not have a conflict of interest in this matter (Section 179 of the Act).

RECOMMENDATION

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.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 LA Action Register_Galiwinku - Jan 22.docx

GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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.	12.05.2021 – Will update further prior to next Local Authority meeting. 20.05.2021 – Update provided to Local Authority, Budget was submit to the NTG and EAIRC are waiting for it to be approved and sent back with a contract. This will also include a storage container that will be portable. Training is also included in the budget with regards to the removal of asbestos – Ongoing – Updates will be provided at next meeting. 12/10/2021 - position advertised for the project and communications officer - position should be filled November - more update provided in future reports. 18.11.2021 – Interview was done on 17 Nov. a draft employment contract will be finalised and probable start would be January 2022.
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.	12.05.2021 – Ongoing 20.05.2021 – Update was provided at meeting. At the Next LA meeting to come up with a plan or design for the series of murals - Ongoing 12/10/2021 - Ongoing awaiting designs from LA 18.11.2021 – Ongoing awaiting design from LA
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.	12.10.2021 – Ongoing - awaiting NLC consultations - Shelter to be installed Nov/Dec 18.11.2021 – The volume of the PA system is not loud enough and will be assessed. NLC consultation has not happened for Galiwinku yet. So the approval process is still going on. Will try to get it done before Christmas.

GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
001/2020 RESOLVED	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>a) Notes the report on the Kava Pilot: Allowing the commercial importation of kava.</p> <p>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:</p> <p>1) increased compliance and policing for the increase in the illicit kava trade, or</p> <p>2) effective and informed local decision making about kava management to minimise potential harms.</p> <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>	<p>12.05.2021 – Email was received, stating that there is no action regarding the Kava Pilot – Ongoing</p> <p>20.05.2021 – Still unsure when this will be happening, Update has been provided to LA, will update up at next LA meeting – Ongoing</p> <p>17.12.2021 – A separate report on this will be presented by the CEO in the meeting.</p>

GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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. 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>28.01.2021 – Director Community Development to 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.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – plan will be supplied at next council meeting.</p> <p>20.05.2021 – Director of Community Development to organise a charter for the Women of the LA to have a look at the women's centre in Maningrida. Update will be provided at next LA meeting - Ongoing</p> <p>18.11.2021 – a budget has been allocated and CDC to organise a trip early new year.</p>

GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Cemetery Fencing		<p>18.01.2021 – Quotations ready for release to the market end of January 2021.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – All materials have been provided, Still waiting for ARPA Approvals – Ongoing</p> <p>12/10/2021 – Ongoing - will be in the new year around Jan / Feb</p> <p>18.11.2021 – Ongoing - will be in the new year around Jan / Feb</p>
Grave Digger		<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Costing has been obtain, will provided amounts at next Local Authority meeting.</p> <p>20.05.2021 – Cost has been provided to members of \$83,000 for grave digger, Recommendation that the Galiwin'ku LA support the mini excavator for burials and other requirements within Galiwin'ku pending council approval – Ongoing.</p> <p>18.11.2021 - Grave digger will be discussion in the December council meeting.</p>

GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Interpreter's Office		<p>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.</p> <p>28.01.2021 – Director Technical & Infrastructure Services to follow up on progress with EARC Tenancy Manager.</p> <p>20.10.2020 – Space identified and negotiations to be finalised.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – assistance accommodation has been sourced and will be available for the interpret services.</p> <p>20.05.2021 – Design has been finalised and a house has been provided for a period of up to 3 months. Agreement should be finalised this week. – Ongoing.</p> <p>18.11.2021 – Ongoing.</p>
Cluster One		<p>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.</p> <p>10/11/2020 - Change of land purpose to include ceremony purposes to be lodged with the NLC</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Meeting with Jim Rogers, still waiting for answers. Application has been lodged with NLC, consultations are happening at the moment, once completed, findings will be brought to the next Local Authority – Ongoing</p> <p>12/10/2021 - New 3 tonne machine to be purchased through Fleet for the purpose in 2022.</p>

GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		18.11.2021 – awaiting consultation as part of the broad project NLC community discussion.
FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD	ACTIONS	STATUS
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.	12.05.2021 – Grants are been sourced – Ongoing 20.05.2021 – Another round has been realised, Update will be provided at next LA meeting. – Ongoing 18.11.2021 – Ongoing and keep looking for additional fund.

GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	9.1
TITLE	Guest Speakers
REFERENCE	1573568
AUTHOR	Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

**GENERAL**

Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) will present a brief on the upcoming Federal Election and the Importance of Community participation in this. There are also multiple Temporary Election Work Opportunities that would be great for community members. The AEC is also keen to hear how they can reach to communities and encourage them to vote.

The report author does not have a conflict of interest in this matter (Section 179 of the Act).

RECOMMENDATION

The Local Authority thanks the guest speakers for their presentations.

ATTACHMENTS:

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	10.1
TITLE	CEO Report
REFERENCE	1575156
AUTHOR	Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer

**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.

New Council President

At the last Council meeting in December Councillor Banambi Wunungmurra stepped down from his role as the President of the East Arnhem Regional Council after his unanimous selection to office by his fellow Councillors in September 2021.

I would like to acknowledge the incredible contribution from Banambi since the creation of the regional council in 2008, and for its first 10 years, as well as his most recent time as President.

In his handover speech Mr. Wunungmurra stated, "I thank all Council staff for working tirelessly to serve the people of East Arnhem Land and I feel privileged to have worked alongside such people."

I also take great pleasure in acknowledging Councillor Lapulung Dhamarrandji as our new President.

In his address to Councillors and staff, President Dhamarrandji said, "I look forward to sustaining the passion we all have to work as Yolngu and Balanda together for the advancement of our land. It doesn't matter if we are Yolngu or Balanda; we are Australians and we are all one."

Council looks forward to President Dhamarrandji's leadership of our Aboriginal Community Controlled Local Government Council.

President Dhamarrandji and I have already met with the Honourable Selena Uibo whose NT Ministerial responsibilities include the Aboriginal Affairs, Local Decision Making, and Justice.

Lapulung and I will be visiting all communities and reaching out and talking with all Local Authorities and other community leaders and members. Your new President is a strong supporter of connecting and collaborating with all Clan Leaders, Traditional Owners, community members, other Aboriginal Organisations and the two Balanda levels of government, to build a stronger voice and future.

Covid-19

Council officers have been working a great deal in collaboration with the other levels of government and other organisations, on supporting the most effective response to the spread of Covid-19 over the last few weeks.

Council has been able to assist in providing buildings, vehicles, staff and communication through the Public Announcement (PA) systems and LCD screens, as useful in each community in the region, as well as Nhulunbuy.

Proposed Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government Council

Council has formally advised government of the resolutions from all Local Authorities. Based on the range of resolutions of the Local Authorities and its further consideration Council made the following key relevant resolutions.

That Council:

Support the creation of an Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government including through:

- a) Support for the development, transition to and services of the new Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government, as agreed.*
- b) Formal commitment by the Northern Territory Government to provide funding necessary to ensure continuity of capacity, service delivery levels and sustainability across the East Arnhem Region.*
- c) Making sure all Yolngu people of our communities and homelands continue to have a strong voice and are heard on all djama (business) important to us, through our remaining Yolngu Aboriginal Community-Controlled East Arnhem Regional Council, Yolngu Local Authorities, and our engagement and partnership with other Aboriginal organisations, Traditional Owners and Leaders, including through Local Decision Making and the Closing the Gap Northern Territory Implementation Plan.*
- d) Requests that EARC CEO and Executives keep all staff informed about developments on the creation of a proposed new Anindilyakwa council.*

The newly elected Councillors have nominated President Lapulung Dhamarrandji, Deputy President Gordon Walsh, Anindilyakwa Councillor Constantine Mamarika and Gumurr Marthakal Councillor Kaye Thurlow, as the Council members on a committee the Anindilyakwa Land Council, and NT Government.

This committee is providing input to a submission to the NT Government to help inform to decide whether to support the de-amalgamation of council, or not.

If it is supported the current estimate is that it would not happen until at least the middle of 2023.

Re-introduction of the Legal Sale of Kava

There have been delays in the process of arranging community consultation to actually occur. Council continues to be closely involved in discussions with the Northern Territory and Australian Governments on this important issue, to ensure genuine and meaningful engagement occurs with all communities and homelands across the region.

The report author does not have a conflict of interest in this matter (Section 179 of the Act).

RECOMMENDATION

The Local Authority notes the CEO report

ATTACHMENTS:

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	10.2
TITLE	Community Development Coordinator Report
REFERENCE	1574567
AUTHOR	Melissa Jones, Community Development Coordinator - Galiwinku

**SUMMARY:**

This report is provided by East Arnhem Regional Council's Community Development Coordinator in Galiwin'ku at every Local Authority meeting to provide information to members.

BACKGROUND

In line with Guideline 1: Local Authorities it is a requirement for a report to be included on service delivery issues in the local authority area;

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Since the last time we met in November, the community has been fairly quiet in regard to Council and service providers. A number of staff have taken some well-deserved annual leave over the Christmas and New Year period and by the end of January expect to have all staff back on board.

At the end of January the Community Housing contract will finally come to an end. The tender to take over that contract was put out in November, closing in December. At this stage it is unclear who will be taking over that contract. We have been fortunate that our two housing staff will transition into the Community Library Officer positions as of 1 February 2022. The library has been closed for a very long time, so it will be exciting for the community to see it re-open.

You might have seen around community, the Municipal Services team have been putting some lines on the road. Where there is a give-way sign they have been marking the roads with fresh paint to make it clearer and safer for the community. They have also re-done the speed bump at the front of the School.

Both myself and Kaye have spoken with the Babbarra Women's Centre in Maningrida in regard to organising a day trip to learn about their work – as an action item from the previous meeting. The Women's Centre has been kind enough to offer to show us around their printing studio, sewing room, op shop and retail space.

They have expressed they would like to show us the areas that do not work as effectively and offer ideas and suggestions as to how they could be made more user friendly. I will organise catering through the local café here so we can take across lunch for our team and the team in Maningrida. Initially it was mentioned the latter half of January, however we will continue to monitor the current Covid situation and plan accordingly.

I would like to remind us about the current gratis service and amount applicable to EARC communities.

4.2.1 Gratis Services

Gratis service is applicable by location and has a limitation calculated by the value of the service under the following guidelines:

- EARC provided services up to the value of \$1000
- Once per deceased individual
- Limited to the community and EARC administered cemetery where the burial will take place.
- For gratis funeral services provided please refer to 4.2.2

The gratis measure of \$1000 is an in-kind amount, thus cannot be:

- Used to purchase items
- Paid to an external or third party for service or material
- Held in credit for subsequent funerals of other relatives
- Applied to funeral services requested outside of ordinary business hours

The gratis service amount will be drawn on by application of the fees as per EARC's schedule of rates for the current financial year. Payment will be required for any service that exceeds the gratis amount as set in this policy.

4.2.2 Available Gratis funeral services

Services listed below are subject to equipment availability and serviceability. Council will not be liable for costs of contracted services due to plant, equipment or human resources being unfit or unavailable at the time of the request.

- Grave digging
- Ceremonial sand delivery
- General labour assisting in grave preparation activities

Other services may be available at each location, these are by negotiation with the local EARC office. Other services do not form part of the gratis services availability.

The \$1,000 in-kind amount equates to 2 truckloads of sand, sand delivery and the labour assisting in grave preparation activities as well as grave digging. Currently in community there are more than two truckloads of sand being used for ceremony, going against our Policy for Funeral Services. According to the Schedule of Fees and Charges, extra sand delivery is \$675.

The Community Development Coordinator would like to have everyone's feedback and discussion regarding this matter.

The report author does not have a conflict of interest in this matter (Section 179 of the Act).

RECOMMENDATION

That Local Authority notes the Community Development Coordinator report.

ATTACHMENTS:

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	10.4
TITLE	Street Naming for Buthan Subdivision - Galiwinku
REFERENCE	1575424
AUTHOR	Natasha Jackson, Strategic Project Coordinator



SUMMARY:

This report is for discussion on suggested road names for the Buthan subdivision in Galiwinku –to submit to the NT Place Names Committee for consideration.

BACKGROUND

The Place Names Act 1967 sets out specific minimum consultation requirements that must be met before the Committee can recommend a name to the Minister for approval.

A quick overview of the consultation process for naming a road is:

1. A submission is put forward to the NT Place Names committee
2. The Place Names Committee considers the submission at its next meeting.
3. If the proposed place name meets the criteria it is then recommended to the Minister for approval

GENERAL

Current Street Names in Galiwinku

Galiwinku

Roads **18**

Place Id	Data Type	Name	Type Designation	Locality
5177	Road	Balpapalina	Street	Galiwinku
5305	Road	Birrkpirrknura	Street	Galiwinku
5468	Road	Burmala	Street	Galiwinku
5886	Road	Dhorunhdhu	Street	Galiwinku
5958	Road	Dutungurra	Street	Galiwinku
6201	Road	Gakuda	Street	Galiwinku
6202	Road	Galawarra	Road	Galiwinku
6209	Road	Ganapay	Parade	Galiwinku
22877	Road	Guluwurru	Street	Galiwinku
7053	Road	Marrpandhanganala	Street	Galiwinku
7169	Road	Merlnura	Street	Galiwinku
7175	Road	Mewalnura	Street	Galiwinku
7302	Road	Nalkanna	Street	Galiwinku
22870	Road	Nurruwurrnhan	Road	Galiwinku
7635	Road	Rarrapul	Street	Galiwinku
7680	Road	Riyalanura	Road	Galiwinku
8196	Road	Wakirana	Street	Galiwinku
8383	Road	Yawunymirringura	Street	Galiwinku



The report author does not have a conflict of interest in this matter (Section 179 of the Act).

RECOMMENDATION

That the Galiwin'ku Local Authority Members suggest road names for Buthan subdivision to submit to the NT Place Names Committee for consideration.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER 10.5
TITLE Corporate Services Report
REFERENCE 1571513
AUTHOR Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager

SUMMARY:

This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 31 December 2021 within the Local Authority area.

BACKGROUND

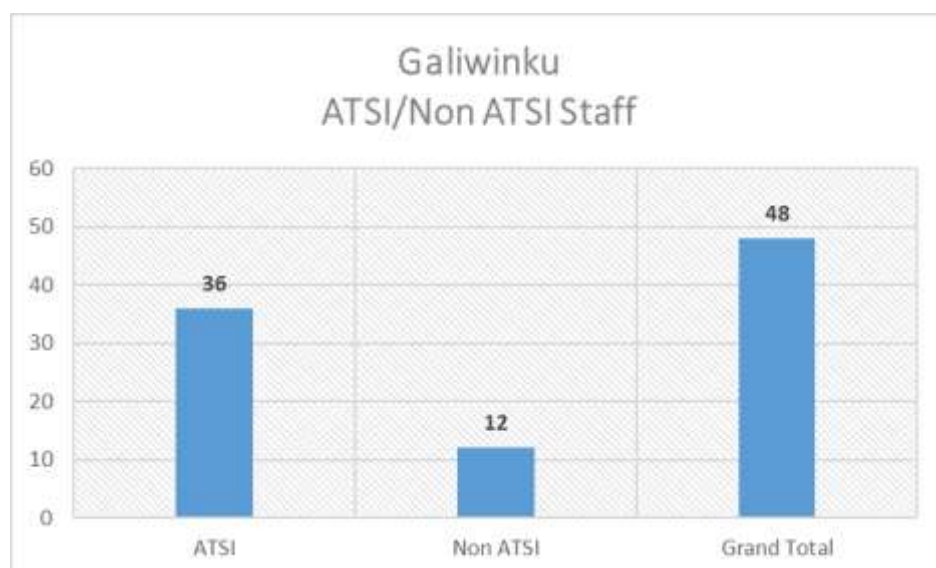
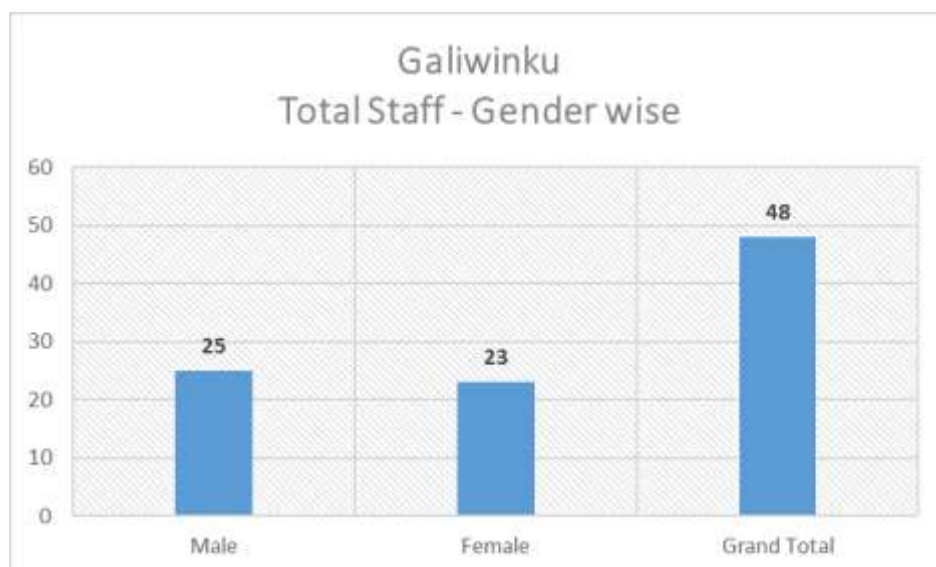
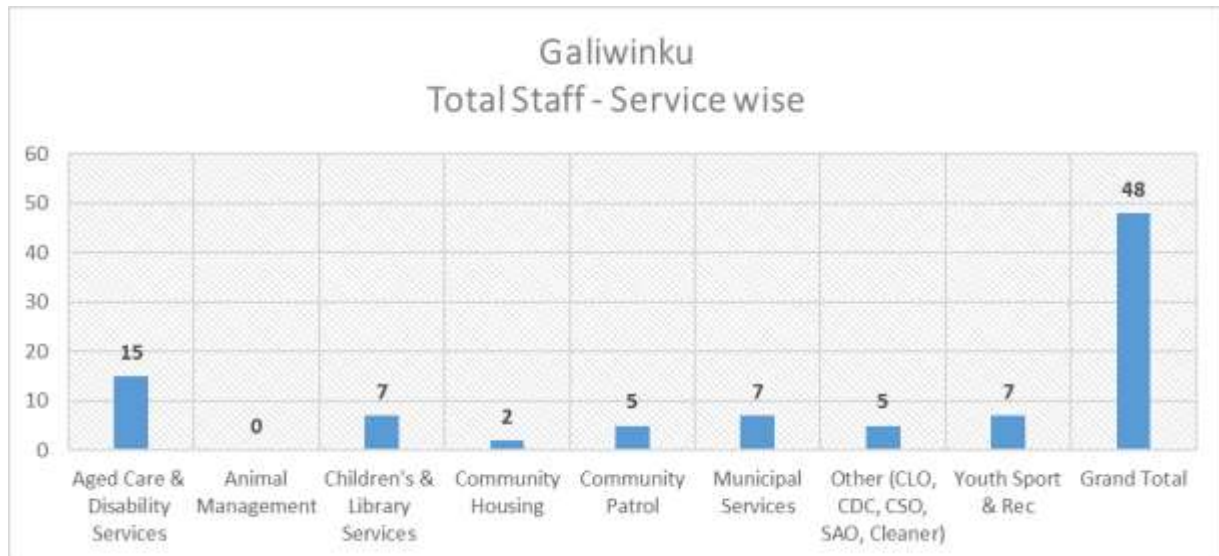
Local Authorities need to consider the Finance Report carefully as it details the current actual figures against the budget for the Local Authority area. Also the report details the number of staff against the different service areas.

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Comparisons are to the revised budget approved by the Council in December 2021.

The following tables show year to date employment costs against budget. Services that are under budget are the result of poor attendance at work and vacancies due to staff turnover.

Row Labels	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance	% of Variance
Aged Care and Disability Services	378,462	418,185	39,723	10%
Building and Infrastructure Services	17,644	26,498	8,854	50%
Children and Family Services	118,929	163,912	44,983	38%
Community Development	160,933	165,781	4,847	3%
Community Media	2,230	7,889	5,660	254%
Community Patrol and SUS Services	118,258	145,865	27,607	23%
Council Housing/Tenancy Services	26,438	37,747	11,308	43%
Library Services	810	47,977	47,167	5820%
Municipal Services	160,828	201,172	40,344	25%
Post Office Agency	-1,154	-	1,154	-100%
Veterinary and Animal Control Services	34,775	-	-34,775	-100%
Visitor Accommodation	15,941	38,801	22,861	143%
Waste and Environmental Services	46,120	55,356	9,236	20%
Youth, Sport and Recreation Services	152,381	213,967	61,586	40%
Grand Total	1,232,597	1,523,151	290,554	24%

Employee Statistics:

Vacancies as of 31 December 2021:

Position	Level
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Level 1
Child Care Project Officer	Level 2
Child Care Worker	Level 1
Community Library Officer	Level 1
Community Media Officer	Level 1
Community Patrol Officer	Level 1
Community Patrol Officer	Level 1
Municipal Services Officer	Level 1

The report author does not have a conflict of interest in this matter (Section 179 of the Act).

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 31 December 2021.

ATTACHMENTS:

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Financial Report for Each Location - Actuals vs Budget

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 DECEMBER 2021	Galiwinku		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
OPERATING REVENUE			
Grants	1,400,768	1,209,771	190,996
User Charges and Fees	707,587	848,348	(140,761)
Rates and Annual Charges	1,816,032	1,790,252	25,780
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	176,018	238,980	(62,962)
Untied Revenue Allocation	239,507	241,265	(1,759)
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	4,339,911	4,328,616	11,295
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Employee Expenses	1,232,597	1,523,151	(290,554)
Materials and Contracts	487,466	592,730	(105,263)
Elected Member Allowances	119	-	119
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,262	4,500	(3,238)
Depreciation and Amortisation	47,709	44,568	3,141
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	943,318	676,476	266,842
Council Internal Costs Allocations	504,700	741,353	(236,654)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	3,217,170	3,582,778	(365,608)
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	1,122,742	745,838	376,903
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	1,122,742	745,838	376,903
Capital Expenses	(6,074)	(978,264)	972,190
Transfer to Reserves	-	(407,456)	407,456
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	47,709	44,568	3,141
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	1,164,376	(595,315)	1,759,691
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	1,810,076	1,500,432	309,644
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	779,351	(779,351)
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	1,810,076	2,279,783	(469,707)
NET OPERATING POSITION	2,974,452	1,684,468	1,289,984
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