



## Mission

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### Core Values

Human Rights  
Equality  
Independence  
Community  
Work Confidence  
Equity  
Respect

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

**24 February 2022**

## **EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Meeting of the East Arnhem Regional Council will be held via video conference on Thursday, 24 February 2022 at 10:00AM.

Agendas and minutes are available on the Council website [www.eastarnhem.nt.gov.au](http://www.eastarnhem.nt.gov.au) and can be viewed at the Council's public office.

Dale Keehne  
**Chief Executive Officer**

### **Anindilyakwa Ward**

- Constantine MAMARIKA
- Gordon WALSH

### **Birr Rawarrang Ward**

- Jason MIRRITJAWUY
- Robert YAWARNGU

### **Gumurr Gattjirr Ward**

- Joe DJAKALA
- Lapulung DHAMARRANDJI

### **Gumurr Marthakal Ward**

- Evelyn DHAMARRANDJI
- David DJALANGI
- Kaye THURLOW

### **Gumurr Miwatj Ward**

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- Yirrma MARIKA
- Banambi WUNUNGMURRA

### **Gumurr Miyarrka Ward**

- Wesley Bandi WUNUNGMURRA
- Bobby WUNUNGMURRA

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**ATTENDANCE**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	2.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Declaration of Membership and Elected Members Attendance
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1582252
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

**SUMMARY:**

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

This report is to also provide the process for the newly elected members to acknowledge their role as an elected member, the code of conduct, and sign their declaration.

**GENERAL:**Result of the by-election

The by-elections for two vacancies in Gumurr Gattjirrk Ward and Gumurr Miyarraka Ward were set for 5 March 2022. Nominations closed on 17 February 2022. The following nominations were received for the two wards.

Gumurr Gattjirrk Ward – Joe Djakala  
Gumurr Miyarraka Ward – Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra

Each ward had only one nomination. Therefore, under regulation 71 of the Local Government (Electoral) Regulations Joe Djakala and Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra have been elected to the position of Ordinary Council Member for Gumurr Gattjirrk and Gumurr Miyarraka Wards respectively.

Attendance in Council meeting

After the last Council meeting in December 2021, as advised by the Council members, the CEO sent letters to the members who were absent emphasizing the importance of attending Council meetings and Council's preference of a written apology in case they are unable to do so.

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

**RECOMMENDATION****That Council:**

- (a) **Acknowledges, welcomes the return of Joe Djakala and Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra, as Councillors of East Arnhem Regional Council. Both the newly elected Councillors made the Declaration of Office.**
- (b) **Notes the absence of <<Cr. Name>> .**
- (c) **Notes the apology received from <<Cr. Name>> .**
- (d) **Notes <<Cr. Name/s>> are absent with permission of the Council.**
- (e) **Determines <<Cr. Name/s>> are absent without permission of the Council under Section 47(1)(o) of the Act.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 [!\[\]\(31b03e46ee8a80a1f1467b8c03bd76e8\_img.jpg\)](#) Gumurr Gattjirr Ward by-election
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Attention: Dale Keehne

**EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL BY-ELECTION: GUMURR GATTJIRRK WARD  
RESULT**

Dear Dale

In accordance with *Local Government (Electoral) Regulation 71(b)*, I hereby notify you of the result of the by-election for one Councillor for the East Arnhem Regional Council Gumurr Gattjirrk ward that was held with an election day set for Saturday 5 March 2022.

Nominations to stand as a candidate for this election were invited on 4 February 2022 and at close of nominations 12 noon, today, Thursday 17 February 2022 the following nomination had been received:

Joe DJAKALA

As there is one vacancy and one nomination I therefore, under regulation 71 of the Local Government (Electoral) Regulations, declare Joe Djakala duly elected to the position of Ordinary Council Member for the East Arnhem Regional Council/Gumurr Gattjirrk Ward.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact Greg Hibble on telephone 8999 7623.

Yours sincerely

Iain Loganathan  
Electoral Commissioner  
17 February 2022

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Attention: Dale Keehne

**EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL BY-ELECTION: GUMURR MIYARRKA WARD  
RESULT**

Dear Dale

In accordance with *Local Government (Electoral) Regulation 71(b)*, I hereby notify you of the result of the by-election for one Councillor for the East Arnhem Regional Council Gumurr Miyarrka ward that was held with an election day set for Saturday 5 March 2022.

Nominations to stand as a candidate for this election were invited on 4 February 2022 and at close of nominations 12 noon, today, Thursday 17 February 2022 the following nomination had been received:

Wesley Bandi Bandi WUNUNG MURRA

As there is one vacancy and one nomination I therefore, under regulation 71 of the Local Government (Electoral) Regulations, declare Wesley Bandi Bandi Wunungmurra duly elected to the position of Ordinary Council Member for the East Arnhem Regional Council/Gumurr Miyarrka Ward.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact Greg Hibble on telephone 8999 7623.

Yours sincerely

Iain Loganathan  
Electoral Commissioner  
17 February 2022

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## Declaration of Office

I, Joe Djakala having been elected as a Councillor of the East Arnhem Regional Council declare that I will faithfully and impartially fulfil the duties of the office.

Under the Northern Territory of Australia Local Government Act 2019, Section 44, as a member of Council, I will;

- Represent the interest 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;
- Be properly informed to enable participation in the deliberations of the council and its community activities;
- Ensure, as far as practicable, that the council acts honestly, efficiently and appropriately in carrying out its statutory responsibilities;
- Ensure that council resources are used prudently and solely in the public interest; and
- Actively monitor the financial affairs of the council.

I declare that I have read and will comply with the Northern Territory of Australia Local Government Act 2019 Code of Conduct.

Declared on this day, Monday, 20 September 2021, at East Arnhem Regional Council, Nhulunbuy Council Chambers.

Councillor

Joe Djakala

Witnessed by

Dale Keehne  
Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council





## Declaration of Office

I, Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra having been elected as a Councillor of the East Arnhem Regional Council declare that I will faithfully and impartially fulfil the duties of the office.

Under the Northern Territory of Australia Local Government Act 2019, Section 44, as a member of Council, I will;

- Represent the interest 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;
- Be properly informed to enable participation in the deliberations of the council and its community activities;
- Ensure, as far as practicable, that the council acts honestly, efficiently and appropriately in carrying out its statutory responsibilities;
- Ensure that council resources are used prudently and solely in the public interest; and
- Actively monitor the financial affairs of the council.

I declare that I have read and will comply with the Northern Territory of Australia Local Government Act 2019 Code of Conduct.

Declared on this day, Monday, 20 September 2021, at East Arnhem Regional Council, Nhulunbuy Council Chambers.

Councillor

Wesley Bandi Wunungmurra

Witnessed by

Dale Keehne  
Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council

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22 December 2021

Mr Yirmal Marika  
Councillor  
East Arnhem Regional Council

Dear Yirmal

**Re: Attendance in Council Meeting on 16 - 17 December 2021**

East Arnhem Regional Council had its Ordinary Meeting on 16 – 17 December 2021. You were unable to attend and provided a last minute verbal apology. This was recorded in the Meeting Minutes as per the Local Government Act, section 47(1)(o). Please find attached the relevant insert from the Minutes.

In the first meeting of this new Council in September 2021, the Council emphasised that going forward, if a member cannot attend the Council meeting, a written apology must be provided via fax, email or in person. This was communicated to all Councillors in a written letter dated 19 October 2021.

The Council would like to remind you that in accordance with the Local Government Act, section 47(1)(o), being absent without permission from the Council meeting scheduled on 24 February 2022, will revoke your membership from the Council.

The Council values your contribution as a Councillor and encourages you to attend the Council meetings when they are scheduled.

Yours sincerely,

23/12/2021

Dale Keehne  
Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council

**Attachment:** Insert from Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 - 17 December 2021.

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE NHULUNBUY ON  
THURSDAY 16 DECEMBER 2021 AT 9:00AM

**MEETING OPENING: 9:14AM**

**In Attendance:**

President Banambi Wunungmurra, Deputy President Gordon Walsh, Councillors Bobby M Wunungmurra, David Djalangi, Lapulung Dhamarrandji, Constantine Mamarika, Robert Yawangu, Djuwalpi Marika, Kaye Thurlow and Jason Mirritjawuy (joined at 11:55AM).

**East Arnhem Regional Council Officers:**

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Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer.

**Attendance**

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

**060/2021 RESOLVED (Constantine Mamarika/Lapulung Dhamarrandji)**

**That Council:**

- (a) Notes the absence of Crs Yirmal Marika and Evelyn Dhamarrandji.
- (b) Notes the verbal apology received from Cr Yirmal Marika.
- (c) Determines Crs Yirmal Marika and Evelyn Dhamarrandji are absent without permission of the Council under Section 47(1)(o) of the Act.

**Declaration of Registered Interest Register**

**3.1 DECLARATION OF REGISTERED INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**061/2021 RESOLVED (Constantine Mamarika/David Djalangi)**

**That Council,**

- a) Notes the following new addition to the register,



**Nawshaba Razzak**

**From:** Ineke Wallis <inekewallis1994@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 23 December 2021 11:54 AM  
**To:** Nawshaba Razzak  
**Subject:** Re: Correspondence for Councillor Yirmal Marika

Dear CEO I write this letter to apologise for not attending to the council meeting.

Kind regards  
 Yirmal

On Thu, 23 Dec 2021 at 9:12 am, Nawshaba Razzak <[Nawshaba.Razzak@eastarnhem.nt.gov.au](mailto:Nawshaba.Razzak@eastarnhem.nt.gov.au)> wrote:

Good Morning Ineke,

Please find attached a correspondence for Councillor Yirmal Marika from EARC Council CEO.

Would appreciate if you could kindly provide the letter to the Councillor.

Regards,

**Nawshaba Razzak**  
 Corporate Planning & Policy Officer



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22 December 2021

Ms Evelynna Dhamarrandji  
Councillor  
East Arnhem Regional Council

Dear Evelynna

**Re: Attendance in Council Meeting on 16 - 17 December 2021**

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Yours sincerely,

 23/12/2021

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

**060/2021 RESOLVED (Constantine Mamarika/Lapulung Dhamarrandji)**

**That Council:**

- (a) Notes the absence of Crs Yirmal Marika and Evelyn Dhamarrandji.
- (b) Notes the verbal apology received from Cr Yirmal Marika.
- (c) Determines Crs Yirmal Marika and Evelyn Dhamarrandji are absent without permission of the Council under Section 47(1)(o) of the Act.

**Declaration of Registered Interest Register**

**3.1 DECLARATION OF REGISTERED INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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**061/2021 RESOLVED (Constantine Mamarika/David Djalangi)**

**That Council,**

- a) Notes the following new addition to the register,

**DECLARATION OF REGISTERED INTEREST REGISTER**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	3.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Declaration of Registered Interest
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1582262
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

**SUMMARY:**

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

**GENERAL**

Sections 114 and 115 Local Government Act.

**REGISTER**

The Declaration of Interest is attached with this report.

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council notes the Conflict of Interest and Related Parties Register.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1 [↓](#) Declaration of Interest\_Feb 2022



## Declaration of Interest Register



Member's Names/ Families Names	Relationships	Entity Name	Connection to Entity
		Banambi Wunungmurra	
		Miwatj Health	Director
		Kaye Thurlow	
		Northern Territory's Grants Commission	Representative
		Northern Territory Place Names Committee	Member
		David Djaiangl	
R Guywanga	Wife		
Kenisha Gumbula	Grandaughter	NAAJA	Employee
L Gumbula	Grandaughter		
		Evelyna Dhamarrandji	
Geoffrey Gurwanawu	Grandfather	Arnhem Land Progress Association	Director
Dassy Gondarra	Grandmother	Shepherdson College	CLO
		Gordon Walsh	
Gordon Walsh		Warnlingakalinga Aboriginal Corporation	Director
Andrew Walsh	Son	EARC	Director Community Development
Marianne Walsh	Wife	Groote Eylandt Aboriginal Trust	Employee
Erin Walsh	Daughter In Law	Arnhem Land Progress Association - Community Development	Employee
		Lapulung Dhamarrandji	
		Arnhem Land Progress Association	Director
		Manapan Furniture	Chair
		Milingimbi School Council	Chair
		Ruiku Milingimbi Hostel	Committee Member
		APLA Remuneration Committee	Board member
		Gatjirrk Yolngu Committee	Director
		ALPA Milingimbi Store Committee	Chair
Jo Diakala	Brother	East Arnhem Regional Council	Previous Elected Member

Member's Names/ Families Names	Relationships	Entity Name	Connection to Entity
		Jason Mirritjawuy	
		ALPA Mililingimbi Store Committee	Chair
		Bobby Wunungmurra	
Bobby Wunungmurra		LGANT, Northern Land Council	Director, Director
Bobby Wunungmurra		Aboriginals Benefit Account Advisory Committee	Committee member
Micky Wunungmurra	Brother	Arnhem Land Progress Association	Director
Wesley Bandi Wunun	Brother	Yolngu Business Enterprise (2), EARC	Director
		Yirmal Marika	
		Constantine Mamarika	
		Groote Eylandt Bickerton Island Enterprise	Director
		Anindilyakwa Rangers	Employee
		Robert Yawarngu	
		ALPA	Director

## **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MINUTES**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	4.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Minutes of the Council Meeting held 16 December 2021
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1582278
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the minutes be taken as read and accepted as a true record of the Meeting.**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1 [↓](#) Ordinary Council 2021-12-16 Minutes



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

**16 December 2021**



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**061/2021 RESOLVED (Constantine Mamarika/David Djalangi)**

**That Council:**

- a) Notes the following new addition to the register:
  - Bobby Wunungmurra is in the Aboriginals Benefit Account Advisory Committee as a Committee member.

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- B) Notes the Conflict of Interest and Related Parties Register with the above amendment.**

**BREAKING FOR MORNING TEA AT 9:35AM**

062/2021 RESOLVED (Constantine Mamarika/David Djalangi)

**RESUMES MEETING AT 10:15AM**

063/2021 RESOLVED (Constantine Mamarika/David Djalangi)

**COUNCIL PRESIDENCY**

064/2021 RESOLVED (Banambi Wunungmurra/Bobby M Wunungmurra)

**The Council:**

- a) Respectfully accepts the resignation of Banambi Wunungmurra from the office of Principal Member (President) of the Council effective today and acknowledge his amazing contribution to Council as President.
- b) Notes that Banambi Wunungmurra will continue as an Ordinary Member of the Council.
- c) Appoints Councillor Lapulung Dhamarrandji as the new President of East Arnhem Regional Council.

Cr D Marika left the meeting, the time being 11:17am on 16 December 2021

**Previous Council Minutes**

**4.1 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 20 OCTOBER 2021**

065/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Bobby M Wunungmurra)

That the minutes be taken as read and accepted as a true record of the Meeting.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**

**6.1 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is to further consider Committee Memberships.

066/2021 RESOLVED (Robert Yawarngu/Bobby M Wunungmurra)

That Council makes the following alterations to Committee Memberships:

- a) Finance Committee:
  - Bobby Wunungmurra from Gumurr Miyarrka Ward to replace the resigned Councillor.
  - Lapulung Dhamarrandji from Gumurr Gattjirrk Ward replace the resigned

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- Councillor.**
- b) Audit Committee:**
- Kaye Thurlow and Bobby Wunungmurra to replace the resigned Councillors.
- c) CEO Review Committee:**
- Lapulung Dhamarrandji as President
  - Gordon Walsh as Deputy President
  - Robert Yawarngu
- d) Local Authority:**
- All Ward Councillors will be members of their Local Authority with exception of Gunyangara where only Banambi Wunungmurra will be the member of that Local Authority.
- e) Groote Archipelago Local Decision Making Agreement Committee:**
- President Lapulung Dhamarrandji
  - Gordon Walsh and Constantine Mamarika as the two Anindkilyakwa Councillors
  - Kaye Thurlow from Gumurr Marthakal Ward
- f) Yolngu Region Local Decision Making Process:**
- Gumurr Miwatj Ward: Cr Banambi Wunungmurra
  - Gumurr Miyarrka Ward: Cr Bobby Wunungmurra
  - Birr Rawarrang Ward: Cr Robert Yawarngu
  - Gumurr Gattjirrk Ward: Cr Lapulung Dhamarrandji
  - Gumurr Marthakal Ward: Cr David Djalangi

## 6.2 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.

067/2021 **RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Jason Mirritjawuy)

That Council notes the CEO Report.

## 6.5 ACCESS TO ARCHIVES

### SUMMARY:

This report is to consider a request to access archive material.

068/2021 **RESOLVED** (David Djalangi/Constantine Mamarika)

That Council grant the requested permission to access the archives.



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**BREAK FOR LUNCH AT 12:30PM**

069/2021 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Kaye Thurlow)

Cr Bobby M Wunungmurra left the meeting, the time being 01:15 PM

**RESUME MEETING AT 1:21PM**

070/2021 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Kaye Thurlow)

**6.3 REGULATED SALE OF KAVA IN COMMUNITIES**

**SUMMARY:**

The use of kava has impacted remote Indigenous communities in the Northern Territory. This paper discusses the Australian Government's kava pilot program to allow the commercial importation of kava.

071/2021 **RESOLVED** (Jason Mirritjawuy/Constantine Mamarika)

That Council, given the now current legal importation of Kava into Australia strongly supports:

a) The call by the Northern Territory Government for:

1. Resources to support comprehensive and culturally sensitive community engagement, including to determine the benefits and risks of a reintroduction of regulated/controlled kava trading, and to ensure comprehensive education for consumers in relevant languages.
2. Resources to support increased compliance in the Northern Territory, including increased policing and/or licensing and regulatory capacity to assist with regulated kava trade and/or to manage expected increased illicit supply.
3. Increased and dedicated research into the health and socio-economic impacts of kava on vulnerable communities, families and individuals.
4. A comprehensive and culturally sensitive monitoring and evaluation framework to understand any benefits, risks and impacts of the commercial kava pilot.

b) That all Yolngu and Anindilyakwa people of our communities and homelands have a strong voice and are heard on the important issue of the possible legal sale of kava in East Arnhem Land, through our Yolngu and Anindilyakwa Local Authorities, Aboriginal Community Controlled Local Government Council, and our engagement and partnership with other Aboriginal organisations, and Traditional Owners and Leaders, as an important matter for Local Decision Making.

**6.4 REVISED BUDGET 2021/22 - REVISION ONE**

**SUMMARY:**

This report presents a draft Revised Budget for consideration.

072/2021 **RESOLVED** (Jason Mirritjawuy/Robert Yawarngu)

That the Council:

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- a) Makes the following allocations from equity to:
  - \$80,000 be used for Gravesite Identification project in Angurugu.
  - The remaining \$1,560,343 be allocated to road projects, with a report to be presented on the particular projects.
  - \$800,000 be allocated to the Building Reserve for the purchase of accommodation in Nhulunbuy.
- b) Requests the Aged and Disability Reserve drawdown be detailed in a further report on specific projects.
- c) Approves capital purchase of housing in Nhulunbuy up to the value of \$800,000 from the Aged and Disability Reserve drawdown, to be detailed in a further report.
- d) Approves the 2021/22 Budget Revision.

Cr Bobby M Wunungmurra returned to the meeting, the time being 02:16 PM

**TECHNICAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS**

**7.1 EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL TENDER AND REQUEST FOR QUOTATION ASSESSMENT WEIGHTING CRITERIA**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is tabled for Council to review the current Assessment Weightings Criteria for Tender and Request for Quotations, for the Procurement of Goods and Services.

**073/2021 RESOLVED (Bobby M Wunungmurra/Robert Yawarngu)**

**That Council:**

- a) Reviews and approves the proposed Tender Assessment Weighting Criteria and Percentages, for future market Tier 3 and 4 Procurement opportunities (\$100,000.00 and above).
- b) Approves the secondary Assessment Weighting Criteria for consultancy, and specialised equipment and engement services for future market Tier 2, 3 and 4 Procurement opportunities (\$ 50,000.00 and above).

**7.5 2021-22 WASTE AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM**

**SUMMARY:**

Proposal to utilise 2021-22 Waste and Resource Management Grant to upgrade entry gates at Galiwin'ku and Milingimbi Landfills and to offset costs associated with environmental monitoring requirements as part of NT EPA and NLC lease agreements.

**074/2021 RESOLVED (Bobby M Wunungmurra/Robert Yawarngu)**

**That Council resolve to utilise the WaRM funding towards an upgrade of the entry gates at Galiwin'ku and Milingimbi Landfills and to offset costs associated with environmental monitoring requirements.**

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**9.1 NEW POLICIES - CREDIT CARDS AND HUMAN RESOURCES**

**SUMMARY:**

The Local Government Act requires a policy on Credit Cards and Human Resources.

075/2021 **RESOLVED** (Bobby M Wunungmurra/Jason Mirritjawuy)

That Council approves:

- a) The Credit Card Policy (Council Member and CEO).
- b) The Human Resource Management Policy.

**BREAK FOR AFTERNOON TEA AT 3:14PM**

076/2021 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Banambi Wunungmurra)

**RESUMES MEETING AT 3:31PM**

077/2021 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Banambi Wunungmurra)

**MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL AT 3:32PM ON 16 DECEMBER 2021**

078/2021 **RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Bobby M Wunungmurra)

**MOVED BACK TO OPEN AGENDA AT 8:50AM ON 17 DECEMBER 2021**

079/2021 **RESOLVED** (Jason Mirritjawuy/Bobby M Wunungmurra)

**7.6 WASTE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES UPDATE**

**SUMMARY:**

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

080/2021 **RESOLVED** (Constantine Mamarika/Robert Yawarngu)

That Council notes the Waste and Environmental Services report.

**7.7 TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES UPDATE**

**SUMMARY:**

This report provides Council with an update on the Transport and Infrastructure Services Program.

081/2021 **RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Constantine Mamarika)



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That Council notes the Report.

#### 8.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

##### SUMMARY:

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

082/2021 RESOLVED (Bobby M Wunungmurra/Constantine Mamarika)

That Council notes the Community Development Report.

Cr D Marika returned to the meeting, the time being 09:46 AM on 17 December 2021.

Cr Lapulung Dhamarrandji left the meeting, the time being 10:00 AM.

Deputy President Gordon Walsh to Chair the meeting until the President returns.

##### BREAKING FOR MORNING TEA 10:00AM

083/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Jason Mirritjawuy)

Cr D Marika left the meeting, the time being 10:29 AM

Cr Banambi Wunungmurra left the meeting, the time being 10:31 AM

##### MEETING RESUMES AT 10:34AM

084/2021 RESOLVED (Constantine Mamarika/Robert Yawarngu)

Cr Banambi Wunungmurra returned to the meeting, the time being 10:45 PM

#### 10.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION LISTING FROM LA MEETINGS

##### SUMMARY:

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

085/2021 RESOLVED (Bobby M Wunungmurra/Jason Mirritjawuy)

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 additional expenditure nominated from the November meeting at Ramingining \$138,934 to the community oval stage project.
- c) Approves the removal of completed actions and as recommended by each Local Authority.

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**10.2 UNCONFIRMED MINUTES FROM LOCAL AUTHORITY AND COMMITTEE  
MEETINGS AND MEMBERSHIP AND RESIGNATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITY**

**SUMMARY:**

This report provides to Council copies of minutes from Local Authority and Committee meetings and also lists the membership and resignation in each of the East Arnhem Regional Council communities

**086/2021 RESOLVED (Bobby M Wunungmurra/Kaye Thurlow)**

**That Council:**

- a) **Notes the unconfirmed minutes from the Local Authority and Committee meetings.**
- b) **Accepts the resignations of Local Authority members Joan Dhamarrandji and Murphy Yunupingu.**

**9.2 FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is tabled to provide the Finance Report for the period ended the 30 November 2021 for its approval.

**087/2021 RESOLVED (Constantine Mamarika/Banambi Wunungmurra)**

**That Council:**

- a) **Approves the Finance Report with Human Resources information for the period ending the 30 November 2021.**
- b) **Notes the Local Authority Project Funding Grant Acquittals.**

Cr Lapulung Dhamarrandji returned to the meeting, the time being 12:01 PM

Cr D Marika returned to the meeting, the time being 12:04 PM

**9.3 DARWIN COSTS**

**SUMMARY:**

This report summarises savings in the Darwin Office.

**088/2021 RESOLVED (Jason Mirritjawuy/D Marika)**

**That Council notes the information on delivery of services from the Darwin office.**

**BREAK FOR LUNCH AT 12:23PM**

**089/2021 RESOLVED (Kaye Thurlow/Bobby M Wunungmurra)**



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**RESUMES MEETING AT 1:08PM**

090/2021 **RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Gordon Walsh)

**MOVING TO CONFIDENTIAL AT 1:08PM**

091/2021 **RESOLVED** (Kaye Thurlow/Gordon Walsh)

**RETURN TO OPEN AGENDA AT 2:03PM**

092/2021 **RESOLVED** (Bobby M Wunungmurra/Kaye Thurlow)

**7.2 ANNUAL REPORT - REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS - REQUEST FOR TENDERS  
INFORMATION - JANUARY 2021 - DECEMBER 2021**

**SUMMARY:**

093/2021 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Robert Yawarngu)

That Council notes breakdown of Council expenditure from January, 2021 to December, 2021 which includes for Request for Quotations, Request for Tenders and General Repairs and Maintenance.

**7.3 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ANNUAL UPDATE**

**SUMMARY:**

This Report is tabled for Council as a 12 month overview from January to December on the program delivery of the Animal Management and Veterinarian Program.

094/2021 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Robert Yawarngu)

That Council notes the report.

**7.4 INFORMATION, COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

This report provides Council an update on current projects and overview on the CCTV and Telecommunications statistics within the Information, Communications and Technology Department.

095/2021 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Robert Yawarngu)

That Council notes the Information, Communications and Technology report.

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## 16.1 CORRESPONDENCE REGISTER

### DOCUMENT DETAILS REPORT

#### Incoming Correspondence

Document ID	Document Name
1555985	15.11.2021 - Letter - ALGA - National General Assembly motion
1552219	Letter - Shadow Minister for Local Government - Self Introduction - 20.10.2021
1564542	Letter - The Chief Minister And Cabinet - Local Authority Project Funding 2021-22 - 29.11.2021
1554106	AHRC - re Electoral Legislation Amendment (Voter Integrity) Bill 2021 - 09.11.2021
1554004	ALGA - 2021 National General Assembly motion 40 - 09.11.2021
1550617	Department of LG - Hon Chansey Paech - Congratulation to Banambi W - 20.10.2021
1552131	Department of LG - Maree De Lacey - Allowances for council members and local authority members - 4.11.2021
1537322	Dept of the Chief Minister and Cabinet - LDM Agreement - 11.10.2021
1554429	Leader of the Opposition - Congratulations to Councillors - 26.10.2021
1557980	Letter - Minister for LDM and Treaty - Future of the Yolngu Region Local Decision Making Partnership - 27.10.2021
1545519	Letter - The Minister for Local Government - Congratulation to Councillor Dhamarrandji - 26.10.2021
1540187	Letter - The Minister for Local Government - Congratulation to President Wunungmurra - 22.10.2021
1552162	Minister for LDM and Treaty - Hon Selena Uibo - Future of the Yolngu Region Local Decision Partnership
1550566	Minister for LG - Hon Chansey Paech - Congratulations to Gordon Walsh - 27.10.2021
1554438	Senator Malamdirri McCarthy - Congratulations to Councillors - 22.10.2021

#### Outgoing Correspondence

Document ID	Document Name
1555164	Hon Chansey Paech - Annual Report 2020-2021 - 12.11.2021

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

096/2021 **RESOLVED** (Jason Mirritjawuy/David Djalangi)

#### That Council:

- a) Note the ingoing and outgoing correspondence register.
- b) Notes additional correspondence both incoming and outgoing regarding the resignation of Crs Gilbert Alimankinni and Jason Butjala.



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**DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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 99 of the Local Government Act, 2019 as the items lists come within the following provisions:-

- 12.1 Proposed Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government Council** - The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (c)(iv) of the Local Government (General) Regulations. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person.
- 12.2 Fleet and Sales Report** - The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (c)(i) of the Local Government (General) 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.
- 12.3 T21-203412.1 - Umbakumba New Pedestrian Pathways and Crossings - 2nd Round** - The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (c)(i) of the Local Government (General) 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.
- 12.4 RFT11550-2010 - Lot 550 Angurugu - Renovation Works** - The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (c)(i) of the Local Government (General) 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.
- 12.5 ICT013 - Computer Refresh Project** - The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (c)(i) of the Local Government (General) 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.
- 12.6 FT2122.06 - Supply of Jeep Type Vehicles** - The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (c)(i) of the Local Government (General) 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.
- 12.7 Gapuwiyak PA System** - The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (e) of the Local Government (General) Regulations. It contains information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential.
- 12.8 Variation 01 - T20-203411.2 - Angurugu Yanbakwa Access Road Repairs and Upgrades** - The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (c)(i) of the Local Government (General) 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.
- 12.9 Variation 01 - T20-203416.3 - Gapuwiyak Access Roads Upgrades** - The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (c)(i) of the Local Government (General) 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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**12.10 Variation 01 - RFT1879-2102 - Lot 79 Yirrkala - Oval Shade Shelters Installation -**

*The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (c)(i) of the Local Government (General) 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.*

**12.11 Variation 01 - RFT15245-2104 - Lot 245 Milingimbi - Supply and Installation of**

**Security Screens and Fences -** *The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (c)(i) of the Local Government (General) 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.*

**12.12 Project Update -** *The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (c)(i) of the Local Government (General) 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.*

**12.13 Write Off Small Amounts -** *The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (b) of the Local Government (General) Regulations. It contains information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.*

**12.14 Write Off of Losses -** *The report will be dealt with under Section 99 of the Local Government Act and Section 51 (a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations. It contains information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.*

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

24 February 2022

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting concluded at 2:16PM.

This page and the preceding 12 pages are the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Thursday and Friday 16 and 17 December 2021 and are to be confirmed on the next Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled on 24 February 2022.

## **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MINUTES**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	4.3
<b>TITLE</b>	Unconfirmed Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 25 January 2022
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1586813
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the minutes be taken as read and accepted as a true record of the Special Council meeting held on 25 January 2022.**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1 [↓](#) Special Meeting 2022-01-25 Minutes





## 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 SPECIAL MEETING**

**25 January 2022**

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD VIA VIDEO  
CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY, 25 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**MEETING OPENING: 10:06AM**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji, Deputy President Gordon Walsh, Councillors Jason Mirritjawuy, Bobby M Wunungmurra, Constantine Mamarika, Robert Yawarngu, Banambi Wunungmurra, D Marika and Kaye Thurlow

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Andrew Walsh – Acting CEO & Director Community Development

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**9.1 EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL - BY-ELECTIONS**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is to update and seek direction from the elected members for the East Arnhem Regional Council By-elections for the Gumurr Miyarrka ward and Gumurr Gattjirrka ward.

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

**That Council:**

- (a) Do not appoint a returning officer, and the By-election is conducted by the Electoral Commissioner.**
- (b) Notes the proposed timetable from the Northern Territory Electoral Commission.**

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting concluded at 10:21AM.

This page is the minutes of the Special Meeting held on Tuesday, 25 January 2022.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	6.1
<b>TITLE</b>	CEO Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1585701
<b>AUTHOR</b>	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.

**GENERAL**

The last few months has been a very significant and momentous time for all of us.

**Councillors and our Workers on Covid**

The passion and dedication of all our staff and Councillors has been simply outstanding as we have pulled together, with our fellow community members and other Aboriginal organisations and government – to help protect our most vulnerable from Covid-19.

**New / Old Councillors**

It gives me great pleasure to welcome back two of our old Councillors, Joey Djakala and Bandi Wunungmurra, out of the two recent by-elections. I am confident they will again contribute to Council the local and regional leadership for which they are known, and we will all be wiser and stronger for it.

**The Passing of Councillor D Marika**

I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Councillor D Marika who passed away recently, a man of great passion, vision and integrity – and with a keen sense of humour along the way.

Mr Marika continued the long legacy of his father Mathaman and other Yolngu leaders' call for recognition through Land Rights, by his call last year in Canberra for the proper recognition of East Arnhem and all other Aboriginal Community Controlled Local Governments across the nation, by the other two levels of government.

Out of our many conversations, I will always remember the then Deputy President D Marika telling me how "Council is the arm of the people of East Arnhem Land."

Till the end he was firm in his commitment that "We Yolngu and Balanda are intertwined to make a strong nation of Australia, where the first Australian Yolngu voice is heard".

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Marrpalawuy, family, community and the East Arnhem Region.

We will miss him - but we will carry forward his legacy.

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



**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council note the CEO Report.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	6.2
<b>TITLE</b>	Real Outcomes Through Genuine Recognition of the Role, Voice and Capacity of Local Authorities and Regional Councils.
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1585704
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer

**SUMMARY:**

The achievement of real change and outcomes out of the range of Northern Territory and Australian Government policy reform processes is arguably linked to the genuine recognition of the role, voice and capacity of Local Authorities and Regional Councils.

**BACKGROUND**

There are a range of Northern Territory and Australian Government Policy reform processes in development aimed at improving the lives of Aboriginal people, that are related but not yet effectively connected to each other or the people.

**Closing the Gap – Northern Territory Implementation Plan**

The Closing the Gap Northern Territory Implementation Plan was agreed on 29 July 2021.

The agreement is between the Northern Territory Government, the Aboriginal Peak Organisations Northern Territory (APO NT) and the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT).

APO NT is an alliance comprised of the Aboriginal Medical Service Alliance Northern Territory (AMSANT), North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (NAAJA), Central Land Council (CLC), Northern Land Council (NLC), Tiwi Land Council (TLC), Anindilyakwa Land Council (ALC), Aboriginal Housing NT (AHNT) and the Northern Territory Indigenous Business Network (NT IBN).

The agreement is related to the National Agreement on Closing the Gap (2019-2029). Local Government for the first time is an official signatory to Closing the Gap, which the Australian Local Government Association signed up to nationally, and now LGANT with this agreement for the Northern Territory.

The agreement covers a wide range of 'priority reforms' across a wide range of areas including justice, disability, family support, education, economic development, housing and building the community controlled sector.

The signing of the agreement by LGANT is very significant, as it allows a great opportunity for all member councils to be involved in it.

LGANT Officers who have attended meetings on the Closing the Gap Northern Territory Implementation Plan, have advised that the process remains high level at this stage. They have also advised that Local Government Councils are not recognised as Indigenous controlled, but the members of the Aboriginal Peak Organisations Northern Territory (APO NT) or particular registered Indigenous corporations are.

This is in line with many references in the Closing the Gap Northern Territory Implementation Plan to recognise and prioritise the provision of funding to 'Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations' that are part of the 'Aboriginal Community Controlled Sector'.

LGANT in its description of local governments in the Closing the Gap NT Implementation Plan included the significant observation that “most elected council members are Aboriginal as are the communities they represent”. This is the case for the 9 Regional Councils in the Northern Territory.

The LGANT CEO has advised that following the signing of the agreement, we can now consider the most effective way to involve member Councils in the process. Options could be the involvement of some or all of the Regional and Municipal Members of the LGANT Executive, and/or a Steering Committee of nominated Council representatives, with appropriate support from the LGANT CEO, Council CEO's and senior officers.

At the 20 September meeting Ordinary Council Meeting the following resolution was made.

*That Council propose a motion to the LGANT General Meeting on 4 November 2021, that LGANT consult with all member councils on the most effective way to involve them in the Closing the Gap Northern Territory Implementation Plan process. The Consultation should include consideration of the involvement of some or all of the Regional and Municipal Members of the LGANT Executive, and/or a Steering Committee of nominated Council representatives, with appropriate support from the LGANT CEO, Council CEO's and senior officers.*

The motion received unanimous support from all member Councils at the LGANT General Meeting held on 4 November.

### **Local Decision Making Policy and Local and Regional Indigenous Voice**

The Northern Territory Government launched its Local Decision Making Policy in February 2018.

The Northern Territory Government's Local Decision Making Policy and Program is now being reviewed, as it is four years old, and there have been other significant developments.

These other significant developments include the update of Closing the Gap in mid 2020 with direct recognition of the role of Local Government, the unanimous resolution of the Australian Local Government Association for the proper recognition of Aboriginal Community Controlled Local Government Councils, the Closing the Gap Northern Territory Implementation Plan, and the Australian Government's Indigenous Local, Regional and National Voice process.

All 17 Northern Territory Local Governments formally resolved at the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) General Meeting on 22 April 2021 to call for the formal evaluation of the Local Decision Making Program, including its alignment with the updated Closing the Gap and Local and Regional Indigenous Voice process, upon approval.

Council considered and endorsed a submission to an Inquiry on Local Decision Making by the Northern Territory Parliament in August 2021. Our Council also contributed to key points made by LGANT officers at a public hearing by the Inquiry.

One of the key commitments of the Local Decision Making Yolngu Partnership agreement and broader LDM policy, that there is a need to honour, is to assess and build on existing governance and decision making arrangements.

This commitment is in full alignment of one of the core principles of the Local, Regional and National Indigenous Voice reform of the Australian Government to “...build on and leverage existing approaches wherever possible and “...link to other existing bodies, not duplicate or undermine their roles.”

Council's submission to the Inquiry details clearly the legislated role and responsibility in Local Decision Making of Local Authorities and the regional Councils "to play a broad role in promoting the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of their local communities".

### **Recognition of Aboriginal Community Controlled Councils**

At a Special Meeting of Council on 29 March 2021 Council endorsed a motion to be put to the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly in June 2021. The motion was:

*The National General Assembly calls on the Federal, State and Territory Governments to commit to nationally consistent recognition of Indigenous Local Government Councils as an Aboriginal controlled entity across Australia at all levels of Government. Indigenous Local Government being a Local Government Council with a majority representation of both Elected Officials and Constituency of Indigenous Australians.*

The Council received unanimous support from all Councils across Australia, from small regional Councils to the largest municipal and city Councils.

The Federal Minister for Indigenous Australians the Honourable Ken Wyatt has responded positively to the motion from East Arnhem Regional Council that received unanimous support from the 537 Local Government Councils across Australia, at the General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) held in June (see letter from ALGA at Attachment 1).

Minister Wyatt has taken action to support progress on the recognition of Indigenous Local Governments by ALGA through the National Federation Reform Council (NFRC).

The motion was put forward at the 10 December meeting of the NFRC by ALGA President Linda Scott and senior Officers. ALGA has advised that the matter has been referred to the Indigenous Affairs Taskforce for consideration.

### **GENERAL**

The Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet, Division of Local Government, is conducting a review of Local Authorities, their role and any changes to their role. Various views have been expressed by Senior Officers ranging from the prospect of creating another way of consulting and engaging with communities, to building on and strengthening the broad role of Local Authorities on a wide range of issues.

There is significant value in the Local Government sector considering and making clear its view of how Local Authorities and Councils can meaningfully engage and contribute to whole of Government processes like Local Decision Making, Closing the Gap and the Indigenous Voice.

East Arnhem Regional Council has highlighted the special role and contribution that can be made by the nine Aboriginal Community Controlled Councils that represent over 75 per cent of Indigenous people across the Northern Territory.

There is a major formal role in the Local Government Act or law, culture and practice of Local Authorities across the region, and reaching out through them to include the voices of all Clans, Traditional Owners, non Traditional Owners, young, and all community and homeland members, by Local Authorities and Council, is integral to this recognition.



In line with this there is a compelling logic for the direct inclusion of East Arnhem and other regional Councils in the Northern Territory, with complementary representation of the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory, in significant reform processes including the Closing the Gap Northern Territory Implementation Plan, Local Decision Making and the Federal Indigenous Voice.

This will maximise the contribution of local and regional voices and capacity, and the scope to partner with and develop other Aboriginal organisations, to help address significant social, economic, cultural and environmental needs.

There is also a clear and compelling need for the review of the official guidelines of the Northern Territory funding agencies to allow Aboriginal Community Controlled Local Government Councils to apply for and be provided funding to help address significant social, economic, cultural and environmental needs.

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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

### **That Council:**

- 1. Acknowledges and expresses its gratitude for the unanimous endorsement at the Australian Local Government Association 2021 National General Assembly that the National General Assembly calls on the Federal, State and Territory Governments to commit to nationally consistent recognition of Indigenous Local Government Councils as an Aboriginal controlled entity across Australia at all levels of Government. Indigenous Local Government being a Local Government Council with a majority representation of both Elected Officials and Constituency of Indigenous Australians.**
- 2. Calls on the Australian and Northern Territory Governments to recognise East Arnhem and all other regional councils in the Northern Territory as Aboriginal Community Controlled Local Government Councils, including the formal role of Local Authorities under the Northern Territory Local Government Act and the inherent links to and alignment with traditional Aboriginal authority, culture and practice, to include the voices of all Clans, Traditional Owners, as well as non Traditional Owners, young, and all community and homeland members, at a local and regional level. This recognition needs to include:**
  - a) the direct inclusion and participation of East Arnhem and other regional Councils in the Northern Territory, with complementary representation of the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory, in significant reform processes including the Closing the Gap Northern Territory Implementation Plan, Northern Territory Government's Local Decision Making and the Australian Government's Local, Regional and National Indigenous Voice.**
  - b) The review of official guidelines of the Australian and Northern Territory Governments and agencies, to enable Aboriginal Community Controlled Local Government Councils to apply for and be provided funding to help address significant social, economic, environmental and cultural needs.**
- 3. This motion be put to the next General Meeting of the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory, for consideration and endorsement of fellow Councils, with an additional motion for the recognition of the Municipal Councils of the Northern Territory in significant reform processes including the Closing the Gap Northern Territory Implementation Plan, Local Decision Making**

**and the Federal Indigenous Voice, in acknowledgement of the significant number of Aboriginal people who live in the areas for which they have responsibility, and their role and capacity to support their well being.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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9 November 2021

Cr Kaye Thurlow  
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Dear President Thurlow

**ALGA 2021 National General Assembly motion 40**

Thank you for submitting the following motion to ALGA's 2021 National General Assembly.

*The National General Assembly calls on the Federal, State and Territory Governments to commit to nationally consistent recognition of Indigenous Local Government Councils as an Aboriginal controlled entity across Australia at all levels of Government. Indigenous Local Government Council being a Local Government Council with a majority representation of both Elected Officials and Constituency of Indigenous Australians.*

As previously advised, I wrote to the Minister for Indigenous Australians the Hon Ken Wyatt AM MP and Assistant Minister for Local Government the Hon Kevin Hogan MP regarding your motion and asked them to respond on behalf of the Federal Government.

Minister Wyatt has replied to my correspondence, and his response is below.

*The Commonwealth's recognition of a council as a local governing body is determined by its establishment by, or under law of, a state or territory and its declaration by the Minister on the advice of the relevant State Minister. To achieve a nationally harmonised approach to the recognition of Indigenous councils, Australian Local Government Association should seek to progress this matter through the National Federation Reform Council.*

The National Federation Reform Council (NFRC) is comprised of the Prime Minister, Federal Treasurer, State Premiers and Territory Chief Ministers, State and Territory Treasurers, and the Australian Local Government Association President.

The next NFRC meeting is scheduled for 10 December 2021, and we will take this opportunity to raise this issue on behalf of our sector.

ALGA is committed to working collaboratively with its member associations, as well as local, state, and federal governments on opportunities to Close the Gap between Indigenous Australians and the nation.

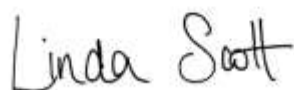
In the lead up to the next federal election we will be asking for \$100 million per year for four years to support the capabilities of Indigenous councils and implementation of the Closing the Gap local/regional voice.

Thank you once again for submitting this motion to our 2021 National General Assembly, and for bringing this important issue to the attention of all Australian local governments, as well as the Federal Government.

Our 2022 National General Assembly will be held from 19-22 June, and I would encourage you to once consider submitting a motion regarding an issue of strategic importance to local government and the communities we support and represent.

Should you have any questions regarding your motion or our 2022 National General Assembly, please don't hesitate to contact ALGA Executive Director Advocacy Darren Hunter at [darren.hunter@alga.asn.au](mailto:darren.hunter@alga.asn.au).

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Scott". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Cr Linda Scott  
ALGA President

cc Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis, President LGA Northern Territory



**TECHNICAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	7.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Draft By-Law Community Consultations
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1583034
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Natasha Jackson, Strategic Project Coordinator

**SUMMARY:**

This report is tabled to update Council members on the draft by-law community consultations days held late last year across all East Arnhem communities as an overview on community responses for consideration if any additions or changes be considered to the draft By-Law directions based on the responses.

**BACKGROUND**

Copies were provided of the Draft By-Laws and Information Brochures were distributed to the community for consultation on the below:

- Animal Control
- Littering
- Council & Local Authority Meetings

**GENERAL**

Surveys were designed to capture responses and comments for the questions below:



## Draft By Law Community Survey

### Draft By Law Community Consultation Survey

Hello and welcome to the East Arnhem Regional Council By Laws Community Survey

We appreciate your feedback

Date \*

Which Community do you live in? \*

1. Do you believe there should be Local Laws/By Laws in place to protect community? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

2. Do you believe community safety and health is important? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

3. Do you believe that looking after country and the environment is important? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

4. Do you believe Council and Local Authority meetings that make decisions and how they are run is important? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

### Animal By-Laws

5. Do you believe there should be Local Laws surrounding dogs and cats in community? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

6. Do you believe there should be Local Laws on the number of dogs each house can have in the community? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

7. Do you believe there should be Local Laws on cheeky or dangerous dog breeds in Community? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

8. Do you believe there should be Local Laws on dogs wandering around the community? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

9. Do you believe there should be Local Laws on sick / aggressive or badly injured dogs being put to sleep? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

10. Do you believe there should be Local Laws on the number of Cats each house has in community? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

11. Do you believe there should be Local Laws on keeping Cats from being outside of the House yard? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

12. Do you believe there should be Local Laws on not having Pigs, Buffalo, Cattle as pets in community? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

13. Do you believe there should be Local Laws on having animals Registered so people know who owns an animal? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

14. Do you believe there should be fines for people if they keep too many dogs or cats at a house and don't follow the local laws? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

Additional comments on Animal By Laws? (optional)

### Littering/Rubbish By-Laws

15. Do you think there is too much rubbish on the ground around the community? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

16. Do you believe there should be Local Laws for people who throw rubbish on the ground in community? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

17. Do you believe there should be Local Laws for people who throw or dump rubbish on the ground in the bush? \*

18. Do you believe there should be Local Laws for people where they can throw or dump rubbish? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

19. Do you believe there should be Local Laws for what sort of rubbish people can dump at Community Tips? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

20. Do you believe there should be Local Laws to fine people who litter or dump rubbish in community or in the bush? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

Additional comments Littering By Laws?(optional)

Angurugu

### Council & Local Authority Meeting By-Laws

21. Do you think Council and Local Authority meetings are important for Community? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

22. Do you think there should be Local laws on how these meetings are run? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

23. Do you think that people should not yell at each other in meetings? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

24. Do you think that people should not disrespect each other in meetings? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

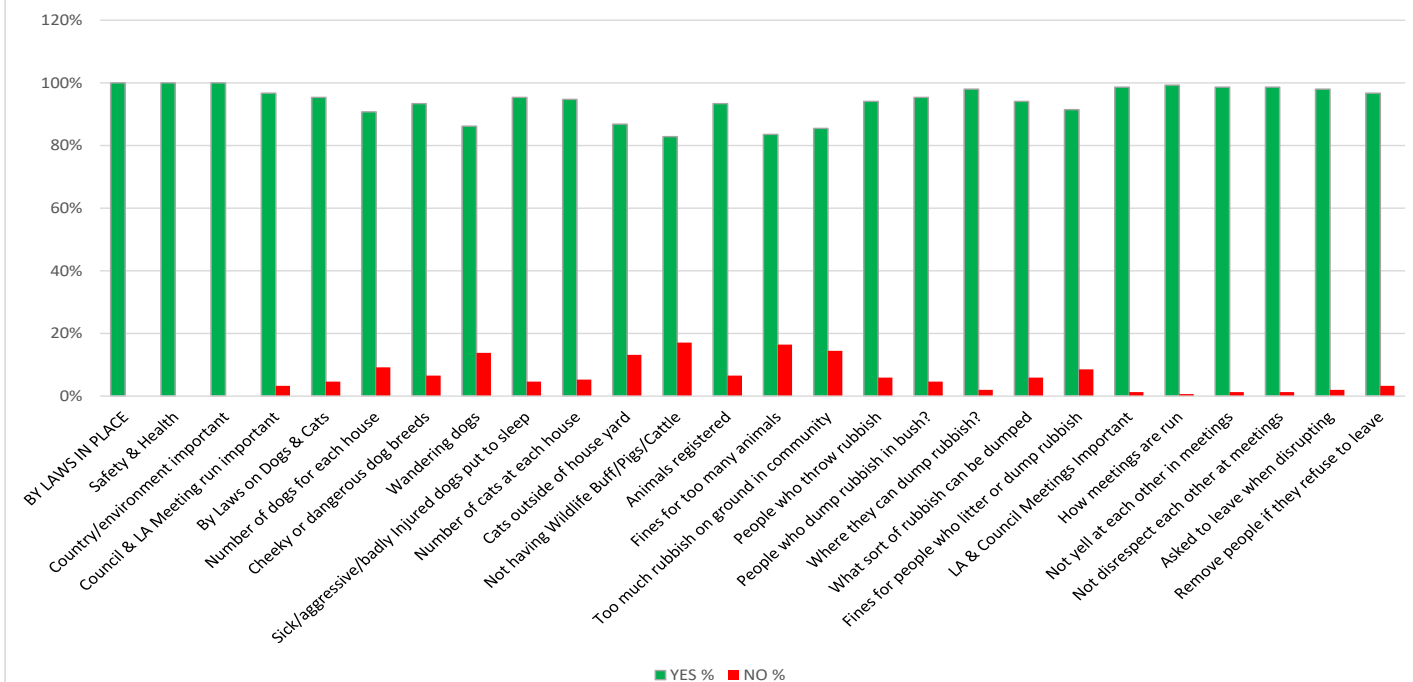
25. Do you think people yelling or disrespecting other members should be asked to leave? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

26. Do you think if people who refuse to leave should be removed? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No

Draft By Law Consultation Data





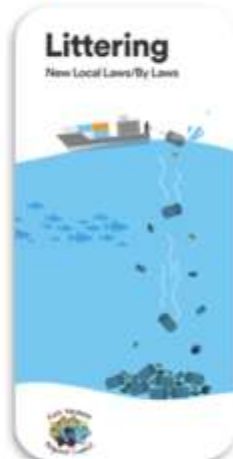
## Angurugu Draft By Law Comments



2 Dogs should be allowed per house

1 Cat should be allowed per house

We allow the 1 Pig - Chairman's Pet



Rubbish should go in the right place.

People need to do the right thing



Who are going to control these laws, heard it all before and still no change

Umbakumba

## Umbakumba Draft By Law Comments



No comments captured

## Milyakburra Draft By Law Comments



**Animal Control**  
New Local Laws/By Laws

We keep our community clean



**Littering**  
New Local Laws/By Laws

We keep our yard clean



**Council & Local Authority Meetings**  
New Local Laws/By Laws

We keep our community tidy.

Fines for people who keep too many animals? This question is a yes and no question. Yes it's good to have that type of law. But also I don't agree with it for it can cause community unrest

Community have always look after and keeping our community clean

We put our rubbish in the bin

Council keeps it community clean

People living here we keep our yard clean by picking rubbish putting it in the bin or if we have car we put it on trailer and take it to dump

Milyakburra community members and council have always worked to together to keep the community rubbish clean

Council doing good job for pick up rubbish

Community and council keep community clean by working together


Dog are part of our community

Community and council keep community clean by working together


Milyakburra is always clean. We clean our yard and take rubbish to the dump if council forget to pick it up.




## Milyakburra Draft By Law Comments #2



**Animal Control**  
New Local Laws/By Laws



**Littering**  
New Local Laws/By Laws



**Council & Local Authority Meetings**  
New Local Laws/By Laws

If community look after they pet . We don't need a law telling us

We try having a law about people throwing they rubbish in the bush but it was to hard to follow because we don't know who was throwing rubbish in the bush



It's important to police properly by following cultural protocol.

There should be one rule for everyone that are living in community

Maybe before meeting we can get our sitting fee so we can buy smoke and drink. Sometime we haven't had smoke and we starving for smoke and when no one help us with smoke we get upset very quickly during meeting.

We keep our community clean if someone does not follow the rules we ask them to pick they rubbish up

Fine people who throw rubbish? This would be hard to police. This type of law will or can create conflict



Ramingining

## Ramingining Draft By Law Comments

### Animal Control

New Local Laws/By Laws

**Comments:**

- Pigs are running everywhere in the communities
- Clothing is dumped in our water ways as this is a Yolngu law as if the clothing has human scent on it the water gets rid of it no bad magic can be done. Need a area or hole which is monitored and buried not burnt.
- No fine for the first time and teach community but if they keep doing it yes fine them
- 3 dogs and 2 cats ok - no buffalo etc. because they are dangerous
- 4 dogs max and zero cats
- Sick dogs Up to the owner
- Cats too hard to keep in yard
- Should be 2 dog per house and one cat only

### Littering

New Local Laws/By Laws

**Comments:**

- Businesses who dump in bush should pay fine and littering work with community members to understand not to drop rubbish
- People throw clothes in the water - should have rule on that
- Don't want to get fine for keeping many cats and dogs as long as they are not wild
- Cats would be too hard to keep inside but don't want them going to bush and becoming feral and breeding

### Council & Local Authority Meetings

New Local/By Laws

**Comments:**

- Has to be fines for people to be accountable
- LA members who are elected should provide clear information back to community
- Asked to be respectful again a second chance - if still angry yes remove
- New rules need to be educated with community as they happen and go along so people understand and don't get a shock about change and their responsibility
- People and community will be more safe if we bring these rules into action

Milingimbi

## Milingimbi Draft By Law Comments

### Animal Control

New Local Laws/By Laws

**Comments:**

- Should be up to the owners
- Cats are no problem

### Littering

New Local Laws/By Laws

**Comments:**

- Should be banned full stop - no cats at all in our lands and communities
- Wildlife should be able to keep in town they are not dangerous

### Council & Local Authority Meetings

New Local/By Laws

**Comments:**

- Fines but last resort
- Laws to educated well and not just flick a switch - people need to get used to it and understand it fully
- People should respect meetings for community and the people




Gapuwiyak

## Gapuwiyak Draft By Law Comments



How Council Meeting &  
LA Meeting run important?  
**YES - Yolngu law**

Galiwin'ku

## Galiwin'ku Draft By Law Comments



They protect people, but  
cheeky dogs should be  
locked up.

Animals are looking to find  
food / water and shelter

Be aware of actions

Animals looking for food  
cause people don't feed  
them / no cure

Up to the owner for  
sick/aggressive/badly  
injured dogs



## Yirrkala Draft By Law Comments

**Animal Control**  
New Local Laws/By Laws

- It's up to individuals and their emotions, you must apologise
- should have minimum 2 Dogs
- each animal is individual
- Hard to control on homelands but desexing important and removal of aggressive animals
- Only dangerous dogs
- A transition period to introduce by laws before fines are issued and secondly not housing and start fixing fences to contain animals
- Up to the majority of members of meeting and a discussion about why they yelling
- Yes and no, My people like dogs and how animal management would work

**Littering**  
New Local Laws/By Laws

- Warn them and then fine them if they don't listen
- NEED TO KEEP COMMUNITY SAFE AND CLEAN
- Council should put some signs and bins to tell people where to throw the rubbish

**Council & Local Authority Meetings**  
New Local/By Laws

- NOT IN THE FIRST INSTANCE BUT IF THEY DONT LISTEN ONGOING - YES
- To give Warning if they don't listen then apply fines
- It's hard for aboriginal people because they don't have fence at home
- Don't believe fines and Yolngu are not millionaires.
- People can't afford this as most of them are on Centrelink

Gunyaangara

## Gunyaangara Draft By Law Comments

**Animal Control**  
New Local Laws/By Laws

- By Laws for Cats outside of Yard? Would be too hard for the owners to do this
- Cats are too hard to keep in house or yard
- Wandering Dogs? Too hard to meet that rule - no good fencing to keep them home

**Littering**  
New Local Laws/By Laws

- By Laws for people who throw rubbish? Too hard to stop people
- Again to hard to keep cats in house or yard because they can jump
- Fines for keeping too many animals? Warn them first - then fine if they don't listen

**Council & Local Authority Meetings**  
New Local/By Laws

- No rubbish on country full stop - its our past and future we need to look after it.
- Should have as many dogs that you can care and provide for
- 2 dogs and one cat is enough
- Treat everyone the same and show respect
- Fines for keeping too many animals? Can't afford the money

## Website/LED Screens

Throughout the consultation period, the draft by-laws videos played in Plain English and respective languages of Yolngu Matha & Anindilyakwa on the LED screens in each community. The video links are available on our website along with the Draft By-Laws and associated Information brochures.



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## By Laws Consultation



### Draft By Laws

- Draft By Laws

#### Draft By Law Information Brochures

- Animal Control Draft
- Council & Local Authority Meetings Draft
- Littering Control Draft

#### SURVEY LINK

### Draft By Law Community Survey

Draft By Law Community Consultation Survey

Hello and welcome to the East Arnhem Regional Council By Laws Community Survey

We appreciate your feedback

Date \*

Which Community do you live in? \*

1. Do you believe there should be Local Laws/By Laws in place to protect community? \*

2. Do you believe community safety and health is important? \*

### Draft By Law Videos

#### BY LAWS

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council:**

- a) Notes the Draft By-Law Consultation process and comments.**
- b) Consider any of the associated community feedback for inclusion in the draft directions.**
- c) Approve the final directions and or inclusions post consultation to be presented to the Minister for consideration and approval.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1**  Animal Control Draft By-Law
- 2**  Council-LA Meetings Draft By-Law
- 3**  Littering Draft By-Law
- 4**  Draft By Law Community Consultation graphs FINAL 2 Pages

## **TAKING DOGS AND CATS AWAY**

### **? Can Council take my dog or cat?**

When Council workers see that your dog or cat is very sick or making trouble, then Council workers will try to talk with you about your animal.

If the Council workers cannot find you, then the Council workers can take your animal away. Then the Council must later find you and explain why they took your animal.

If Council experts take a dog or cat, they usually end its life. They do it in the proper way so that the animal does not feel any pain.



## **OFFENCES**

### **? What happens if I do not follow the Local Laws/By Laws?**

When you don't follow the local law/by law, Council workers will talk with you to find out how Council can help you to follow the law.

If you still don't follow the law, Council can give you a 'fine' and ask you for money. If there is a lot of trouble, then Council can take you to court.

Remember - when our animals are happy and healthy, then our communities will be happy and healthy.

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**Happy Healthy Pets =  
Happy Healthy  
Community**



**Strong, safe and clean  
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**Animal  
Control**  
New Local Laws/By Laws





### What is a By Law?

By laws are sometimes known as local laws and are rules for the community.

**East Arnhem Regional Council is making a new local law about dogs and cats. This local law will control how many animals live in our homes.**

The local law/by law will help everyone to keep our communities healthy and safe.

**These are the four main points in this local law/by law:**



**Keeping dogs and cats**



**Dangerous dogs**



**Taking dogs and cats away**



**Offences**

### KEEPING DOGS AND CATS

#### ? What is 'registration'?

The new local law/by law tells everyone who keeps a dog or cat to register their animals.

This means that everyone will give their animals' names and information to the Council. This is called 'animal registration'.

You can register your dogs and cats for free. You only register your dogs and cats once with the Council, then it is done!

When you come to register your dog, Council workers will give you a free collar and registration tag. Every dog must wear a collar and tag.

Council will hold a list of all the dogs and cats that live in the Council region. This is called a 'Register'.



#### ? How many dogs and cats can I keep?

This local law/by law says that you can only keep 1 or 2 dogs and 1 or 2 cats at your house. You must register all of the dogs and cats at your house with the Council.

When you want to keep more than 2 dogs and 2 cats at your house for more than 3 months, then you must first ask Council for permission to keep more animals.

#### ? What if I already have more than 2 dogs or 2 cats?

If you already keep more than 2 dogs and 2 cats at your house even before the new local law/by law starts, you can keep all the dogs and cats. But each animal must be registered with Council.

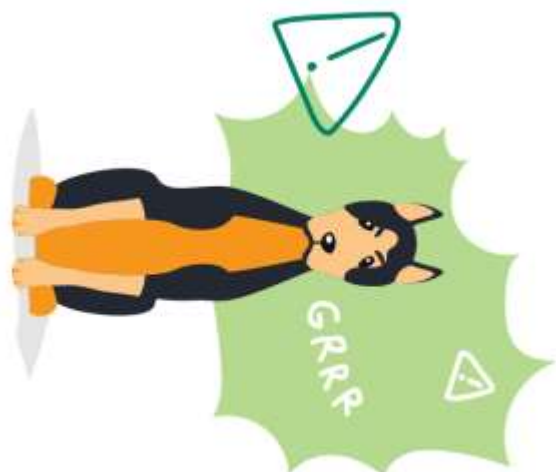
#### ? What is a dangerous dog and what happens to dangerous dogs?

Dogs that attack people or other animals are dangerous. Some dangerous dogs threaten people or are too cheeky.

Expert Council workers will decide when a dog is too dangerous. These are the special rules about dangerous dogs:


Owners must keep dangerous dogs locked up in the yard so the dangerous dog cannot escape or come out by itself.

When the owner wants to take a dangerous dog out of the yard, the owner must put the dog on a strong leash. The person must control the dog with the strong leash.



### DANGEROUS DOGS






Remember - when we meet together as Council and Local Authorities, we are deciding how we will look after our communities.

**Let's be careful how we behave when we meet together.**

**Let's respect each other.**




Meetings are an important local decision making tool. Respect them and each other.

**Strong, safe and clean communities helps make us healthy and proud.**

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**Council & Local Authority Meetings**

New Local/By Laws



**What is a By Law?**

By laws are sometimes known as local laws and are rules for the community.

**East Arnhem Regional Council is making a new local law/by law about Council meetings and Local Authority meetings.**

This local law/by law will explain how Councillors and Local Authority members can behave the right way in meetings.



**COUNCILLOR BEHAVIOUR AT MEETINGS**

**2 How should Councillors and Local Authority members behave in meetings?**

When Council and Local Authority members meet, everyone should: Use good language, Listen to other people, Ask the Chairperson to speak, then wait for the right time to speak. Respect the Chairperson and other people. Allow other people to speak. Behave in a way that makes everybody in Council and Local Authority feel proud.

**2 How should Members NOT act?**

These are the five main rules for all Council and Local Authority members:



Do not use bad language or swear words.



Do not use words that make other people feel angry or embarrassed



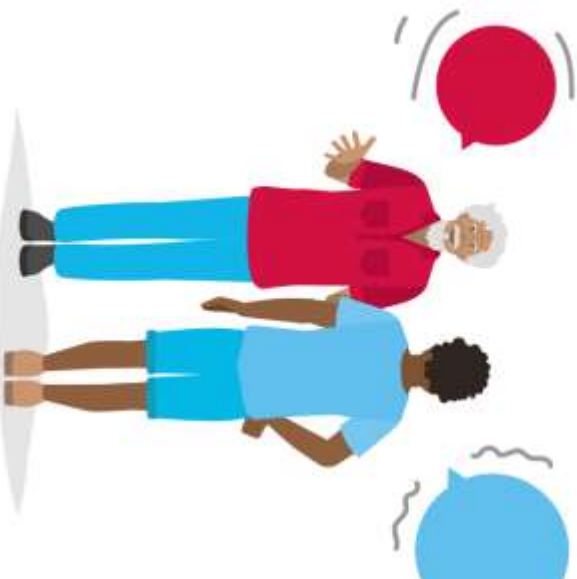
Do not interrupt another person who is talking.



Do not disrespect the Chairperson or other people.



Do not talk or behave in a way that makes other people think badly about Council or Local Authorities.



**OFFENCES**

**2 What happens if someone does not follow the Local Law/By Law?**

When a person doesn't follow the rules of the Council and Local Authority, the Chairperson will speak with them. When the person is not listening to the Chairperson, then the Chairperson can call the Police to take the person. Council can also give the person a 'fine' and ask for money.


If there is a lot of trouble, then Council can take the person to Court.

# Littering

New Local Laws/By Laws

**Remember — when our communities are clean and tidy, we all feel healthy and proud.**

**PICKING UP YOUR RUBBISH**



**OFFENCES**

**What happens if I do not follow the Local Laws/By Laws?**

When you don't follow the local laws/by laws, Council workers will talk with you to find out how Council can help you to follow the laws.


If you still don't follow the laws, Council can give you a 'fine' and ask you for money. If there is a lot of trouble, then Council can take you to court.

**Strong, safe and clean communities helps make us healthy and proud.**


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### What is a By Law?

By laws are sometimes known as local laws and are rules for the community.

**East Arnhem Regional Council is making a new local law/ by law about rubbish. This local law/by law will help us to control the rubbish in our communities. Council, visitors and everyone living here can work together to keep our region clean.**

#### RUBBISH IN OUR COMMUNITIES

### ? Why are we worrying about rubbish?

When people leave rubbish on the ground, our community looks messy and dirty. When people leave rubbish lying around just anywhere, the rubbish can injure people.

Rubbish can also make people, animals, the country and the waterways sick.



### ? What are the rules about rubbish?

- Do not leave rubbish lying just anywhere.
- Put your rubbish in a bin.

### ? What is a waste management facility?

A 'Waste Management Facility' is another word for the tip or rubbish dump. It is the place where the Council and everybody can collect all the rubbish safely in one place.

You are only allowed to go in to the tip when the tip is open. You are not allowed to go in to the tip when it is closed.

### ? What is Commercial Waste?

Rubbish that comes out of any business is called 'commercial waste'.

For example, rubbish that comes out of a shop is called 'commercial waste'. When a builder is working, the building rubbish is called 'commercial waste'.

Sometimes, commercial waste is dangerous or heavy. All commercial waste should go to the tip.

People are not allowed to leave rubbish from their work or business anywhere in the bush, beach, billabongs, rivers or sea.

### ? What happens when I leave my rubbish or commercial waste at the tip?

When you go to the tip, the Council worker will often ask to see your rubbish before you throw it away. You cannot stop the Council worker from seeing your rubbish before you throw it away.

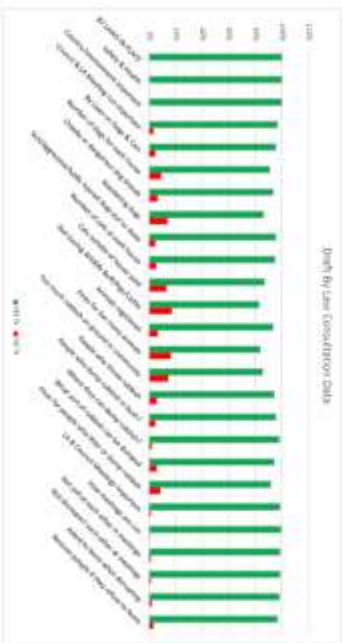
When you enter the tip area, listen to the Council workers. Follow the rules that are written on the signs.





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## TECHNICAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES



<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	7.2
<b>TITLE</b>	Waste and Environmental Services Update
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1586796
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Wesley Van Zanden, Waste & Environmental Manager

### SUMMARY:

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

### BACKGROUND

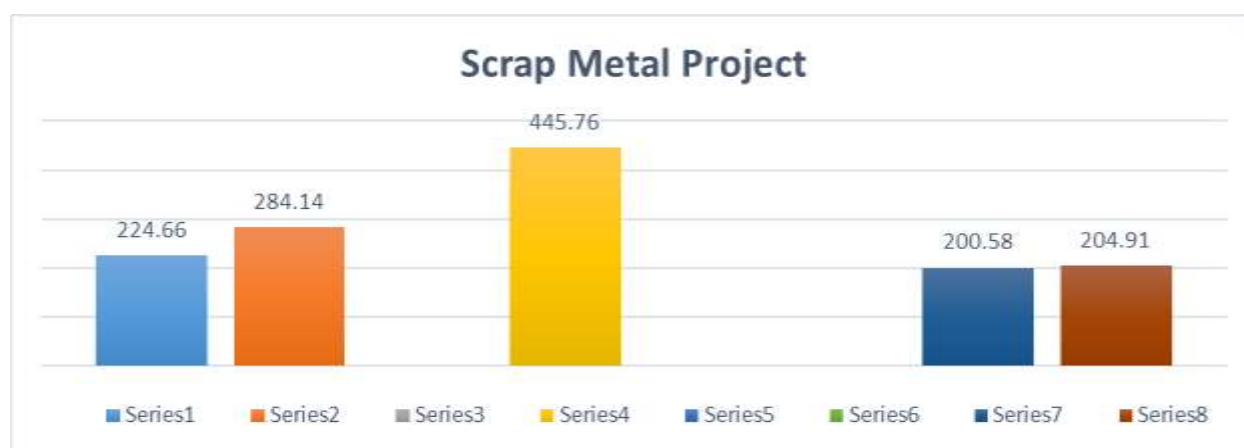
The Council has identified value in providing an update at each Ordinary Council Meeting of the wide range of work occurring through this service area.

### GENERAL

#### Scrap Metal Project Update

Waste services have been in regular contact with Sea Swift regarding the re-fit of their barge for continued use on Council's scrap metal project. Sea Swift have advised that they are on schedule to have the vessel fitted out by the end of February and should be available to being operations in mid-March 2022. Sell & Parker will mobilise immediately when advised the barge is available and either re-commence at Ramingining or move to Milingimbi, depending on weather conditions and access.

To date 1,360.05 tonnes of scrap has been removed from the region. See Figure 1, with materials still to be removed from Ramingining, Gapuwiyak, Milingimbi and Milyakburra.



**Figure 1. Scrap Metal Project Community Totals**

#### Container Deposit Scheme

The Cash for Containers Program was temporarily suspended from January to March to develop a clearer system for tracking and handling of money. New procedures have been rolled out with training provided to all Community Development Coordinators to reduce the risk of theft, cash variances and untracked cash requests.

Cash 4 Containers collection days are being planned now for March and April across all communities. COVID-19 restrictions may impact these days in some communities for the next few months but when possible we will be delivering this project on a regular basis again.

#### Asbestos Remediation Project – Galiwin'ku

As previously mentioned, we have hired a new employee to assist in overseeing the Asbestos Project on Galiwin'ku. Ben Jones will be starting on the 1 March 2022. This is a 12 month contract, so Ben will be working hard to ensure the remediation project is started in a timely manner.

The employment of someone to oversee this project is the first step, but it was a major one to show that all three levels of Government and the Northern Land Council can work together to resolve the asbestos issues at Galiwin'ku. This will be a long-term project, however the majority of the disruption to the community (earth works, temporary road closures etc) should only be in the next one to two years. After that, the works are expected to be non-intrusive environmental monitoring (eg. Walk overs of the heavily impacted areas etc), designed to ensure that the areas remain free of asbestos and any residual asbestos fragments are identified and removed.

#### Angurugu Transfer Station

The Angurugu Transfer Station at Lot 306, has had its scope reduced and has been sent out as a Request for Quote as a minor upgrades project rather than a demolition and rebuild. Quotes are expected back in early March, and works expected to proceed in April 2022.



**Figure 2. Proposed Angurugu Transfer Station**

#### Landfill Monitoring and Hydrological Studies

Within the Environmental Management Plans (EMP) developed for the landfills, hydrological studies were identified as being required for Galiwin'ku, Milingimbi and Umbakumba. The information from the EMP and these hydrological studies will inform the Council as to what landfill monitoring is required at the landfills. It is expected that groundwater monitoring bores will be required at Galiwin'ku and Milingimbi Landfills, while the rest of the landfills will require routine site inspections.

Environmental consultants CDM Smith have been engaged to conduct hydrological studies on Council's landfills with preliminary reports anticipated in March/April. Recommendations

from these reports will form the foundation of the Council's long-term environmental monitoring of its landfills to ensure environmental impacts of the surrounding ecosystems are kept to a minimum and environmental risks are controlled as much as possible.

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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council notes the Waste and Environmental Services report.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

**TECHNICAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	7.3
<b>TITLE</b>	Information, Communications and Technology Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1586824
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Jonathan Lora, ICT Manager

**SUMMARY:**

This report provides Council an update on current projects within the Information, Communications and Technology Department.

**GENERAL****Computer Refresh Project Update**

At the December 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council endorsed the Leasing of the 131 computers used by Council from the Telstra Corporation.

All computer hardware was available upon execution of the contract apart from Docking Stations and Monitors as there is currently a global shortage.

Deployment of the computers across all 11 locations/communities should happen around April/May 2022.

**Extension of the Gapuwiyak PA System**

In December 2021 Council also endorsed the extension of the Gapuwiyak Public Announcement (PA) System. The work is scheduled to happen around April 2022, as there have been delays in equipment and devices ordered for the PA system due to a global shortages.

**Public Infrastructure Project**

In early July 2020, NBN Co. reached out to a number of Councils around Australia to provide the NBN Sky Muster connectivity solution (free public WIFI), to support the communities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In joint partnership with NBN Co and Council, Gunyangara community was selected as the pilot site for providing free public WIFI at no cost. After the successful rollout of the Public WIFI, an additional 4 locations were agreed for Installation as per below:

- Site 1: Angurugu Main Council Office
- Site 2: Gapuwiyak Main Council Office
- Site 3: Ramingining Main Council Office
- Site 4: Umbakumba Main Council Office
- Site 5: Yirrkala Main Council Office (Approval Status from NBN Co)

The roll out is expected to commence from early March 2022.

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



**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council Notes the Information, Communications and Technology report.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

**TECHNICAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	7.4
<b>TITLE</b>	Animal Management Update
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1587017
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Shane Marshall, Director Technical & Infrastructure Services

**SUMMARY:**

This report is table for Council for an update on the Animal Program delivery and staffing changes.

**BACKGROUND**

The EARC animal program has continued to work very hard in 2021 and into 2022. All nine communities have received at least 3-4 veterinary visits throughout 2021. We aim to fulfil our commitment of promoting responsible pet ownership and providing consistent veterinary services across our communities.

**GENERAL****GROOTE EYLANDT EHRLICHIOSIS**

Ehrlichiosis is a tick-borne disease affecting dogs that was first recognised in the Kimberly region of Western Australia in May 2020. Since then it has spread across Northern Australia throughout many indigenous communities with reported losses of up to 60% of the dog population.

It is spread by the brown dog tick, which transmits the bacteria Ehrlichia canis upon biting the dog. Common symptoms include lethargy, loss of appetite, fever, weight loss, blue eyes from corneal oedema, and bleeding disorders. Treatment is often unsuccessful and it is currently unknown if dogs who have been treated and survive continue to be asymptomatic carriers.



Two cases of Ehrlichiosis in Angurugu were confirmed by Berrimah Veterinary Laboratories in early February 2022. The dogs belonged to the same lot. One of the dogs was clinically ill showing blue eyes and poor body condition, while the other dog appeared clinically well. Both dogs had a high tick burden.

The owners reported that no dogs in the household had been off island. Since then, positive results via snap test have also been obtained from a two dogs in neighbouring lot (with two further suspected cases untested), as well as two other lots in different locations, which demonstrates significant community transfer. Thus far, there have been no demonstrated or suspected cases in Umbakumba or Milyakburra.

### **APPROACH WITH ADDRESSING THE PROBLEM**

A coordinated campaign has been rapidly deployed to attempt to limit further spread of the disease.

#### **Tick prevention**

Tick collars are the most effective method of preventing Ehrlichiosis as they serve to both repel and kill ticks. Oral tick preventatives are an adjunctive treatment to help further reduce tick populations however these rely on the tick to bite the dog, which risks transmission. All dogs in the households of confirmed cases have received tick collars, oral tick preventatives, and long-acting oxytetracycline injection.

The Animal Management Team has also begun the roll-out of oral tick preventatives door-to-door in community while complying with COVID-safe practices. It is projected that each Lot in all three communities will have been visited by the end of February. I am also working with Anindilyakwa Housing Aboriginal Corporation (AHAC) to visit the homelands in March to deliver oral tick preventatives to these areas.

#### **Environmental tick control and containment of dogs.**

EARC have contacted AHAC to discuss the possibility of pesticide spraying of lots in Angurugu which is still in discussion. Containment of dogs is difficult due to cultural practices and lack of fencing. Moving dogs between communities has been strongly discouraged.


#### **Community education and awareness campaign.**

The following campaigns have been achieved:

- Community posters distributed around all communities in public spaces detailing disease, symptoms and prevention.
- Posters emailed to local business with a description of the disease background, for businesses to display within their premises and discuss with local staff. Information provided to contact the EARC vet if there are any suspected cases.
- Social media posts on the East Arnhem Regional Council page and local Groote Eylandt Facebook pages.
- Liaising with the Anindilyakwa Land and Sea Rangers and AMRRIC to promote the campaign on their respective social media platforms.
- Submission of information to the GEMCO Community Newsletter for distribution amongst employees.
- Local radio interviews.
- Discussion with community members in person about Ehrlichiosis when visiting lots and educating owners about not moving dogs between.



**Animal Management  
Program**



## TICK DISEASE IN ANGURUGU

The disease "**Ehrlichiosis**" has been found in dogs in Angurugu. It is spread by ticks. It makes dogs very sick and can kill them.

**Signs of sickness:**

- Sleepy	- Fever
- Skinny	- Blue eyes
- Stop eating	- Bleeding

Your dog **NEEDS** tick medicine.  
Call the Council Vet on **8986 8986**.

Do **NOT** move dogs between communities as this will spread the disease.



We wish good luck to Dr Maddie Kelso who has commenced her maternity leave with the anticipated arrival of a new family member. We as I'm sure Council do wish Maddie all the very best of health over this period and we thank Dr Maddie for all of her fantastic efforts towards EARC, the communities and households over the years and look forward to seeing her return later in the year.



The program will be headed up during this time by Dr Lauren Clarke based in Groote Eylandt, and Dr Tanya Mitchell who commences in April for 6 months who will be based periodically in Yirrkala and Galiwinku servicing thses and the surrounding communities on a rotation basis with the assistance of Sarah Carrell – the vet nurse based in Yirrkala.




Upcoming visit schedule is attached for Councils information.

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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council notes the report.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

1  Calendar Breakdown

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## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORTS

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ITEM NUMBER	8.1
TITLE	Community Development Update
REFERENCE	1586015
AUTHOR	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 and Local Commercial Opportunities, including the Territory Housing contract and Community Development Coordination through Council offices in the East Arnhem communities.

This report provides updates to the elected members and allows an opportunity for discussion and feedback at Ordinary Council Meetings.

### GENERAL



*Youth, Sport & Recreation Participants at the under 18s AFL Men's Grand Final*

Since the last Council meeting in December 2021, the Community Development Directorate has been constantly working to improve the delivery and overall standards of the essential services it provides in the East Arnhem communities. This period has brought challenges to the region with the arrival of COVID-19 in communities, but Community Development's strong partnerships and positioning among stakeholders has proved vital in the smooth delivery of services to the people of East Arnhem. Highlights for the period from the multiple services are mentioned in this report.



## Youth, Sport and Recreation – Skateboarding

Build Up Skateboarding (BUS) is an organisation that aims to empower young people through skateboarding engagement. BUS held workshops and sessions in October 2021 at Galiwin'ku promoting young participants to assemble and build their own skateboards and fabricate skate ramps. Youth were then taught the basics of skateboarding and how to drop in on the ramps they made.



*A participant in Galiwin'ku 'drops in on a ramp' at one of EARC's weekly YSR skateboarding program.*

Since the last engagement, all ramps and skateboards have been kept by the YSR team in Galiwin'ku. Following the visit from BUS, YSR continues to facilitate weekly skateboarding programs at the outdoor basketball courts. This has quickly proved to be a popular activity among the youth; including participants from formal Youth Diversion programs.

With the significant success in Galiwin'ku, EARC will be hosting BUS in Yirrkala and Gapuwiyak in April 2022. This is anticipated to become an ongoing feature of our YSR program in these locations.



*Excited skateboarding participants in Galiwin'ku.*

We are very proud to part of bringing skateboarding to East Arnhem. As well as the physical and mental skills, skateboarding programs can also help create opportunities for developing self-confidence as they provide teachable moments for positive interactions with others. It

has been well documented that skateboarding boosts the blood flow in your brain, which leads to an increase in decision-making, creativity and memory. On the mental health side, involvement in the sport releases endorphins in your brain, which leads to reduced stress and anxiety, as well as preventing depression symptoms.

### **Youth, Sport and Recreation – Children and Family Intensive Support (CaFIS)**

In late 2021, East Arnhem Regional Council entered into a strategic partnership with Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation (LHAC) to provide culturally responsive, trauma informed and child centred services to children and their families and respond to the needs of the people in communities of Yirrkala and Gapuwiyak.

One worker in each location will provide program leadership and will work towards increasing participation in community, supporting families, strengthening relationships and improving the wellbeing of children. The role in Yirrkala will have oversight from LHAC while the worker in Gapuwiyak will be overseen by EARC's Regional Manager for Youth, Sport and Recreation.

Council has identified 6 applicants for the Trauma Informed Care Coordinator position, including 4 expressing interest to work in Gapuwiyak, and is moving towards recruitment of the same. Housing for the position has been finalised and the program is expected to be in full swing by mid-March 2022.

Council has also advertised for the Yirrkala position on multiple employment portals, the Council website and on social media through a co-branded position description in a joint effort with LHAC to identify the most suitable applicant for the Yirrkala position.

### **Youth, Sport and Recreation – Youth Diversion (Gove Model Update)**

East Arnhem Regional Council deeply understands and has always been passionate about Youth Diversion – a critical and impactful service specifically for at-risk and disengaged youth. Council has provided coordinated Youth Diversion services in Nhulunbuy, Yirrkala and Gunyangara since 2020.

Following the successful application and funding of the 18-month trial by the NT Government, Council has now recruited Tia Roko as the Youth Diversion Case Manager. Tia is an experienced youth worker with significant experience in restorative practice, juvenile justice and policing. She will be working to establish the program that will direct young people from the formal youth justice system through restorative practices.

Tia has been busy in following up with clients and their families and establishing links and networks with local businesses and agencies for youth to commence community service work when referred and for other training opportunities. Tia is also supporting YSR services in Milngimbi, Ramingining, Galiwin'ku and Gapuwiyak providing training and direction to YSR coordinators to manage referrals in remote locations.



*A youth diversion participant engaged in restorative practice*

EARC holds this intensive model in high regard as it will give young people the opportunity to give back to their community and repair harm, receive and give healing in a culturally appropriate manner and will open future avenues to enhance positive life skills of the participants.

### Aged Care & Disability – Aged Care Data Capture System (ACDCS)

With the trial phase of the newly introduced Aged Care Data Capture System for Home Care Packages (HCP) now complete in Gapuwiyak and with the system more streamlined, it is now ready to be rolled out in other communities – Galiwin'ku, Mililingimbi, Yirrkala and Ramalinging.

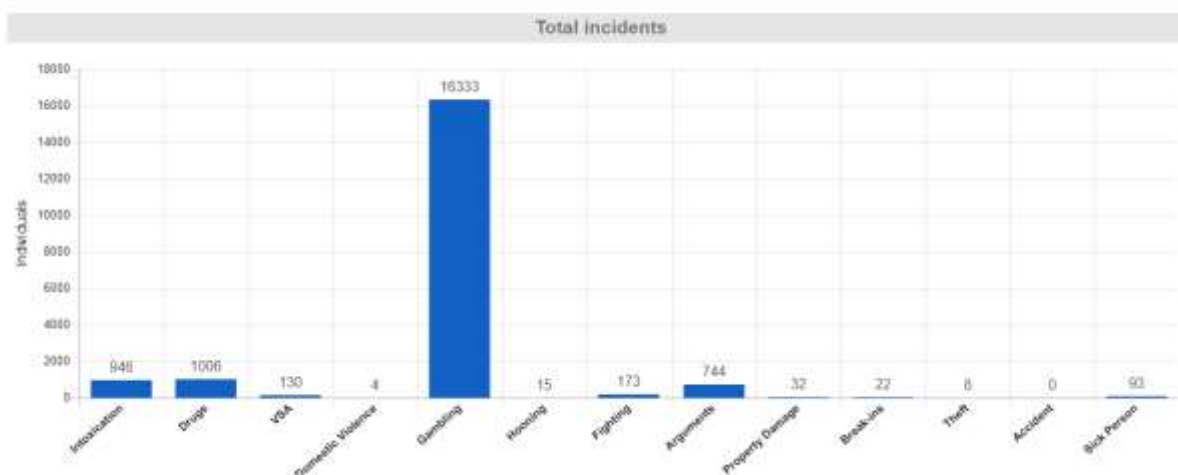
Reports from the Aged Care & Disability workers are that the system is easy to use and is very efficient compared to the previous everyday reporting. With everyday practice and usage the system will be well understood and easier to use. Training will be provided for the new communities as the system is rolled out.

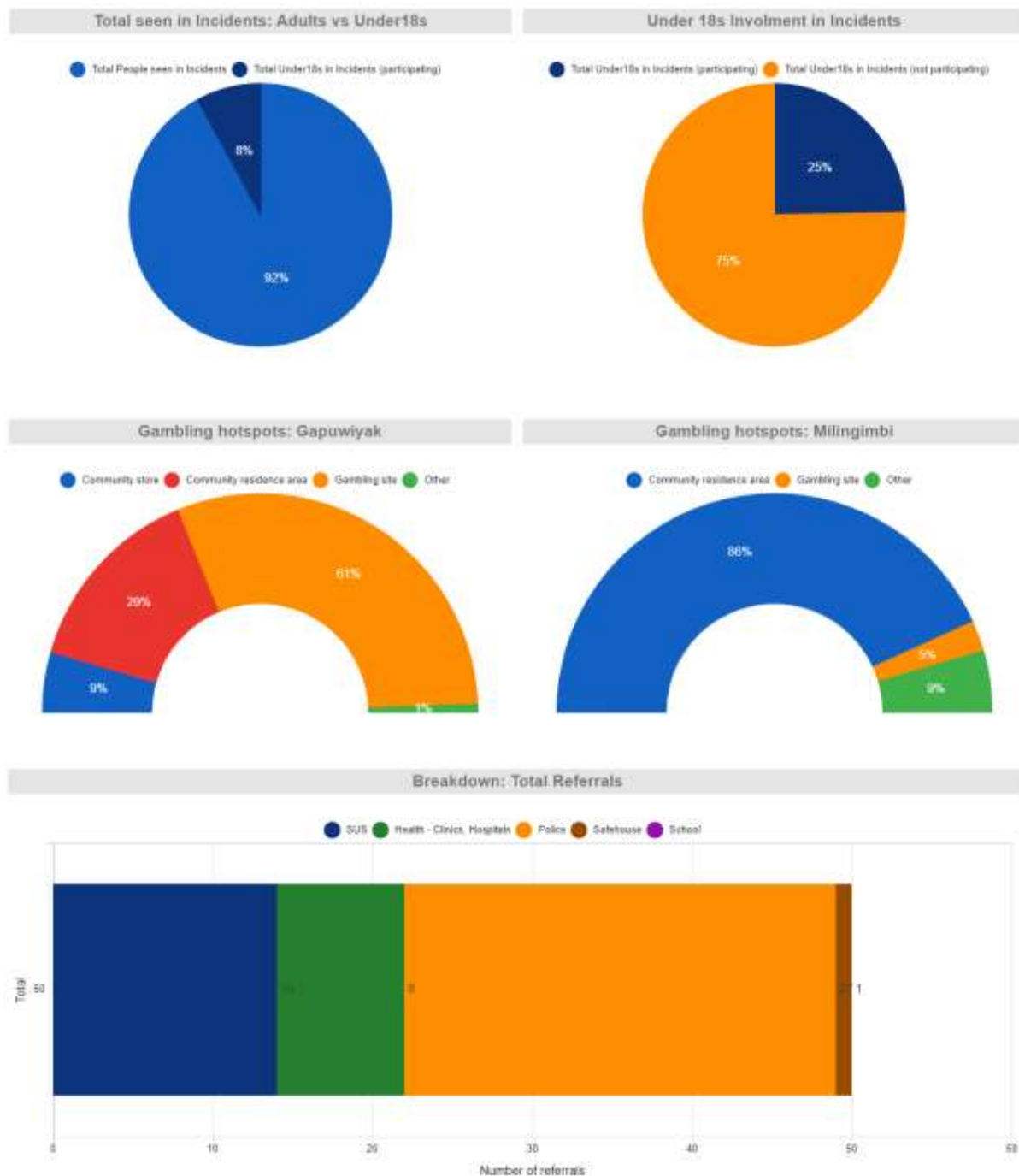
### Community Night Patrol

East Arnhem Regional Council's Community Night Patrol service is a flexible service that is dedicated to tailoring its service to the needs of each community; constantly improving standards of service and providing safety to at-risk and vulnerable people and those around them across East Arnhem Land.

From July 2021 to date, the current statistics are:

Reporting period & Communities	Total Assisted	Reporting period & Communities	Total People seen in Incidents
Angurugu	654	Angurugu	1155
Galiwin'ku	7859	Galiwin'ku	3310
Gapuwiyak	1288	Gapuwiyak	3073
Guruyangara	821	Guruyangara	369
Milingimbi	1280	Milingimbi	5565
Milyakburra	777	Milyakburra	406
Ramalinging	1137	Ramalinging	6231
Umbakumba	470	Umbakumba	154
Yirrkala	1062	Yirrkala	123
Nhulunbuy Transfer	815	Nhulunbuy Transfer	2884
<b>Total</b>	<b>16163</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>23270</b>





### Training

EARC has had a successful business case funded by the National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) for the training of all Community Night Patrol (CNP) staff – 32 in total. This will be a bespoke, 6-month certified course in Community Night Patrol that will be tailored according to the needs of the team.

### Adaptive Engagement

With the needs of the community changing due to cultural obligations, the need for patrols around the community reduced in Milyakburra. Driven by data captured through patrols, the CNP team then adapted to the needs through additional engagement with the community in activities such as fishing, assisting YSR activities and cultural events. This engagement has increased community's knowledge and respect towards CNP, its services and duties and



has also helped in reporting breaches of CHO directions in the waters surrounding the island to the appropriate authorities.

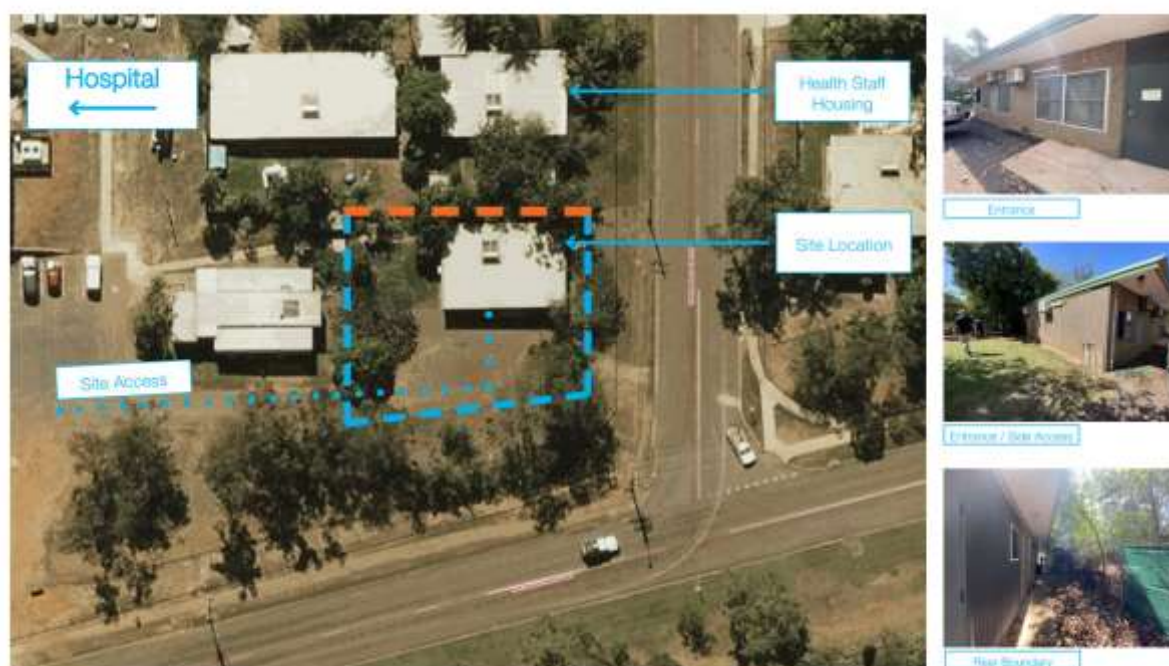
Engagement: Children	Engagement: Teenagers	Engagement: Adults (18+)
Sum <b>93</b>	Sum <b>145</b>	Sum <b>194</b>

*Engagement numbers across 2 months in Milyakburra through additional CNP engagement.*

In another instance the Galiwin'ku Community Night Patrol altered its service to aid authorities by reporting non-compliance during times of lockdown and times of isolation. In total, CNP reported 281 instances of non-compliance to the CHO direction in a span of two weeks.

### Sobering Up Shelter

As part of a trial working with NT Health, Council has identified a new location for its Sobering Up Shelter (SUS). The Centre for Disease Control (CDC) house in the Gove District Hospital grounds will be the new location with the aim to increase use of the service for the communities of Yirrkala and Gunyangara.



Currently, the house is undergoing minor modifications and the 3-month trial is expected to start hosting clients soon on a referral basis from the Hospital, the Police and Community Night Patrol.

EARC is currently looking for a fulltime Sobering Up Shelter (SUS) Coordinator and two SUS Care workers to join the team in Nhulunbuy.

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

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

**ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORTS



<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.2
<b>TITLE</b>	East Arnhem COVID - 19 Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1586291
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Andrew Walsh, Director Community Development

### SUMMARY:

This East Arnhem COVID – 19 Report is to update the Elected Members on the current COVID – 19 situation in East Arnhem and provide an opportunity for reflection and further discussion on the situation, and the work undertaken or assistance provided to the response by East Arnhem Regional Council.

### BACKGROUND

On Christmas day 2021, for the first time since the beginning of the Pandemic, COVID – 19 entered the East Arnhem region. From this initial case, COVID -19 has actively spread across the region impacting the majority of communities and homelands.

As of Monday 14 February 2022 the following case numbers have been reported in the East Arnhem region:

Location	Active Cases	Total Case Numbers	New cases 24HR reporting period	Cases of Concern
Nhulunbuy Region	<b>143</b>	<b>729</b>	28	31
Yirrkala	<b>3</b>	<b>166</b>	n/a	n/a
Gunyangara	<b>1</b>	<b>78</b>	n/a	n/a
Birritjimi	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	n/a	n/a
Galiwinku	<b>-</b>	<b>566</b>	7	n/a
Ramingining	<b>116</b>	<b>116</b>	n/a	n/a
Milingimbi	<b>-</b>	<b>177</b>	n/a	n/a
Gapuwiyak	<b>23</b>	<b>27</b>	4	n/a
Angurugu	<b>12</b>	<b>-</b>	9	n/a
Umbakumba	<b>8</b>	<b>-</b>		n/a
Milyakburra	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		n/a
Alyangula	<b>38</b>	<b>-</b>		n/a

Of the thousands of cases, many residents of East Arnhem have been flown to the Centre of National Resilience (Howard Springs), or moved to Gove District Hospital for monitoring due complications or additional health related issues. To date no residents of East Arnhem have died of COVID – 19. In the Northern Territory as of the date of writing this report, 10 people have died from COVID – 19 with 9 of the 10 being Indigenous.

Miwatj Health Data from 17 February 2022 is at Attachment 1.

### GENERAL

Now for what has been amazing, that is the staff, the capacity and the commitment from the East Arnhem Regional Council in dealing with the Covid-19 Pandemic in our region. Staff have embraced the situation, going above and beyond, working long hours and weeks on end. Staff have put their hands up to be in difficult situations and ultimately play their part in protecting the people of all communities.



*Milingimbi Aged & Disability Team*

East Arnhem Regional Council is no stranger now to constant adaptations and has amended, and adapted delivery to ensure stable services to the clients and people of East Arnhem. East Arnhem Regional Council's COVID management plans have been updated to align with best practice and a clear exit strategy so the Council can authentically have to plan to return to business as usual.

Council business units have also developed clear and precise operational procedures to ensure ongoing service delivery. In a time of limited and complex supply chains, East Arnhem Regional Council has managed to procure the necessary supplies to ensure compliance with all health directions and safe service delivery methods for clients and staff. Further to this the staff have actively embraced the measures to keep services running. This includes staff conducting environmental cleans after positive case interactions, to ensure that services closures and disruptions have been limited and donning and doffing personal protection equipment for client engagement services.



*Galiwinku Staff Daily Testing*



Council has played a pro-active and collaborative role on the many Local Emergency Management Committee (LEMC) meetings that have been held, and been able to offer staff, buildings, vehicles and communications by public announcements and our large electronic screens and TV monitors in Council offices and general logistics for the COVID response across the region.

Council and its staff provided the Gungaharra office to be pop vaccination clinic during this time, to protect community. Vehicles have been provided to the rapid response teams across the region, infrastructure and logistics support and translating services.



*Galiwinku Staff Preparing for Daily Meals and Medication Deliveries*

Council has also contributed essential regional and local management capacity and coordination support – to NT Health, Welfare and Police, Miwatj Health, and other Aboriginal organisations, so we can collectively provide the best response, and minimise the harm to community by COVID-19.

In doing this, Council has led the formation of the community response, creating a Host Agreement to be used by Northern Territory Health and welfare units and Miwatj Health to engage local stakeholders to assist in the response. The Host agreement was created to maximise community staff support, in a safe and professional manner.

The Host agreement is currently being introduced to all community stakeholders. East Arnhem Regional Council through the agreement is currently working on a mapping project for surge staff and community staff to provide a clear picture of what assistance can be provided. At the time of writing this report, thirty of East Arnhem Regional Council staff have signed up to be part of the response.



Galiwinku YSR Staff Member - Denholm Lappas with the Rapid Response Team

### Community Story by Denholm Lappas:

*Ordinarily working for the YSR program in Galiwin'ku I am currently redeployed to assist with the COVID-19 Rapid Response Team. Consisting of a small team of local staff from East Arnhem Regional Council, local Aboriginal health organisations Miwatj Health and Marthakal Homelands Health, combined with a transitional team of NTG health professionals.*

*As the COVID-19 virus has spread quickly throughout the community our focus has moved from containment and isolation to identification and in-home treatment of high risk and vulnerable community members. Our work involves at-home testing, progress tracking, and daily welfare checks of those most at risk from COVID-19, the work is important and rewarding. It is assuring to know the most vulnerable are being looked after by members of their own community and at each household we are usually greeted with a warm reception.*

*The combined efforts of local staff and health professionals from across the NT has been an inspiring effort and the community has been welcoming of the assistance. The team is working 7 days a week to provide care and support to the community of Galiwin'ku and help relieve the already stretched local health organisations. The NTG team has made local capacity building a priority and we are currently transitioning to a completely local team to manage the ongoing positive cases.*



Galiwinku COVID procedures





*Milingimbi Staff member preparing for an environmental clean after a positive case in the Milingimbi Council Office*

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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council notes the Covid-19 Report.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

1 [↓](#) Miwatj Health Reporting Notes 17.02.2022

## Reporting Notes

\*Galiwin'ku is still transitioning to Communicare; until the backlog of previous cases is recorded in Communicare, accurate data will not be available.

Request	Miwati COVID Data							
	Galiwin'ku 10/01/2022 to 16/02/2022	Gunyangara 13/01/2022 to 16/02/2022	Nhulunbuy 03/01/2022 to 16/02/2022	Wallaby Beach 25/01/2022 to 16/02/2022	Yirrkala 13/01/2022 to 16/02/2022	Milingimbi 21/01/2022 to 16/02/2022	Ramingining 17/01/2022 to 16/02/2022	Gapuwiyak 03/02/2022 to 16/02/2022
Number of cases in total	Min. 448*	82	131	16	179	184	156	40
Number of active cases	Min. 20*	24	59	2	66	43	139	39
Number of cases currently in community		24	51	2	58	38	139	36
Number of new cases in reporting period	3*	4	12	0	10	3	9	5
Number of positive cases evacuated today	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of cases in isolation in accommodation (SIA)		0	5	0	5	0	0	0
Number of cases in GDH / RDH		0	3	0	3	1	0	0
Number of cases in isolation at home		23	29	2	29	38	133	35
Number of cases fully vaccinated <i>(data not available for all patients)</i>	~62% of total cases*	60	77	10	122	112	112	27



**CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Finance and Corporate Services Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1581964
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager

**SUMMARY:**

This report is tabled to provide the Finance Report for the period ended the 31 January 2022 for its approval.

**BACKGROUND**

In accordance with section 17 of the Local Government (General) Regulations, the CEO must submit a finance report each month before a meeting of the Council. The Council has established a Finance Committee to consider this report in the months when council does not meet.

The finance information for the period ended 31 January 2022 is attached to the report for consideration and the following points are highlighted in the report:

- Financial Results – January 2022
- Income and Expense Statement – Actual vs Budget
- Rates and Waste Charges Collection
- Actual Received vs Expected Funding
- Capital Expenditure – Actual vs Budget
- Monthly Balance Sheet Report
- Income and Expense Statement - Each Reporting Location
- Cash and Equity Analysis
- Elected Members Allowances Report
- Replacement and Contingency Reserves
- Investments

The format of the report is as required by the new Regulations commencing 1 July 2021.

**GENERAL****Finance Section**

The CEO certifies that, to the best of his knowledge, information and belief:

- i) The internal controls implemented by the Council are appropriate; and
- ii) The Council's financial report best reflects the financial affairs of the Council.

Matters of Note:

The report includes a breakdown by community on the collection of rates and waste charges for 2021/22. Generally, the collection is very positive.

The Local Authority Project Funding is reported in detail.

The current budget includes the following sources of funds.

Carried Forward Unallocated Funding	1,003,082
Carried Forward Allocated Project Funding	2,557,090
2022 Unallocated Funding	1,242,200
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure	647,438
Election Pledge	500,000
Transfer from Reserves	5,922,987
<b>Total Funding Available</b>	<b>11,872,797</b>

The current approved projects are:

<b>Projects</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenditure</b>
288111 - Angurugu - Footpath installation	204,000
288411 - Angurugu waterline and taps installation	12,520
296011 - Angurugu Identify Gravesites/Purchase Materials	15,000
297811 - Angurugu - Public Toilets	350,000
297911 - Angurugu - Footbridge	480,000
298011 - Angurugu - Riverside Market Space	30,000
298111 - Angurugu - Seating Church Area	29,115
293712 - Umbakumba Playground Installations	60,000
293912 - Umbakumba Sporting Equipment	100,000
294012 - Umbakumba Installation of Priority Footpaths	181,332
298212 - Umbakumba - Footpaths PI	283,833
298312 - Umbakumba - Oval Improvements	180,000
298412 - Umbakumba - Floating pontoon/jetty	160,000
298512 - Umbakumba - Equipment for hall	30,000
298612 - Umbakumba - Solar lighting - Beach Front	90,000
298712 - Umbakumba - Trailer for music equipment	75,000
298813 - Milyakburra - Oval \$100k contribution	100,000
298913 - Milyakburra - Public Toilets	350,000
299013 - Milyakburra - Contribution for BMX track	30,000
299113 - Milyakburra - Jetty	160,000
299213 - Milyakburra - Shade structure (barge landing)	32,115
288314 - Ramingining - Oval Infrastructure	199,308
294214 - Ramingining Installation of Oval Lights	104,957
299314 - Ramingining - Oval Lights	850,000
299414 - Ramingining - Airport shelter upgrade	22,115
293415 - Milingimbi Installation of Footpaths	145,186
299515 - Milingimbi - Public toilets near the foreshore	300,000
299615 - Milingimbi - Water Park	580,000

299715 - Milingimbi - Ceremony area contribution	47,485
299815 - Milingimbi - Double-bin stands for each house	28,000
292416 - Gapuwiyak PA Upgrade	57,151
299916 - Gapuwiyak - Two Public Toilets	550,000
300016 - Gapuwiyak - Shade shelters at Wharf camp	80,000
300116 - Gapuwiyak - Two Playgrounds	160,000
300216 - Gapuwiyak - Solar Lighting PI	30,915
300316 - Gapuwiyak - Airport waiting area contribution	50,000
292817 - Galiwin'ku Sound Proofing of Meeting Room	11,870
292917 - Galiwin'ku Shelters at Barge Landing	40,000
300417 - Galiwinku - Outdoor Youth Recreation Facilities	830,000
300517 - Galiwinku - Public Toilets at Airport	360,000
300617 - Galiwinku - Additional Foothpath Stage 2	153,415
300717 - Galiwinku - Buthan Recreation Area	100,000
300817 - Galiwinku - Co-contribution to a ceremony area	40,000
294618 - Yirrkala Installation of Grandstands at Oval	145,566
294818 - Yirrkala Oval Sign	8,000
300918 - Yirrkala - Sport and Recreation Hall	400,000
301018 - Yirrkala - Public Toilets – Shady Beach	350,000
301118 - Yirrkala - Improvements to Ceremony Areas	22,215
301218 - Yirrkala - Improved Oval Lighting	300,000
295319 - Gunyangara Bus Shelters	30,000
301319 - Gunyangara - Multi-purpose Building at Oval	400,000
301419 - Gunyangara - Footpaths (school to Gumatj Office)	200,000
301519 - Gunyangara - Landscaping and beautification	78,415
<b>Total Project Expenditure</b>	<b>9,627,516</b>

The current funds that are not yet allocated to a project are:

Location	Unallocated LAPF - Current Year	Unallocated LAPF - Prior Year	Grand Total
Angurugu	150,200	85,503	235,703
Umbakumba	110,500	14,095	124,595
Milyakburra	30,100	15,636	45,736
Ramingining	135,400	3,534	138,934
Milingimbi	187,700	275,285	462,985
Gapuwiyak	140,300	221,830	362,130
Galiwinku	341,100	232,014	573,114
Yirrkala	113,300	143,285	256,585
Gunyangara	33,600	11,900	45,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,242,200</b>	<b>1,003,082</b>	<b>2,245,282</b>

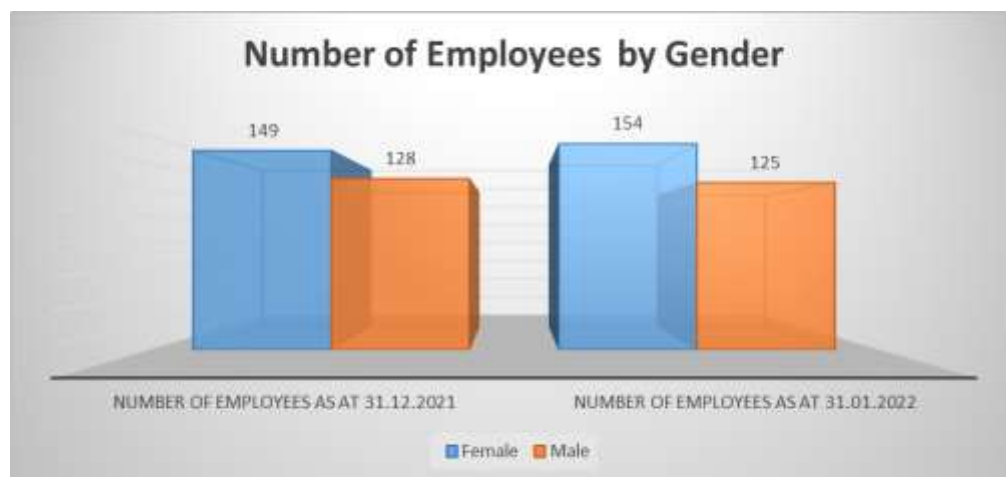
It is noted in the attachments and correspondence that two thirds of the current year LAPF funding allocations have not yet been paid by the Department. Correspondence on this matter is attached.

#### Budget Revision

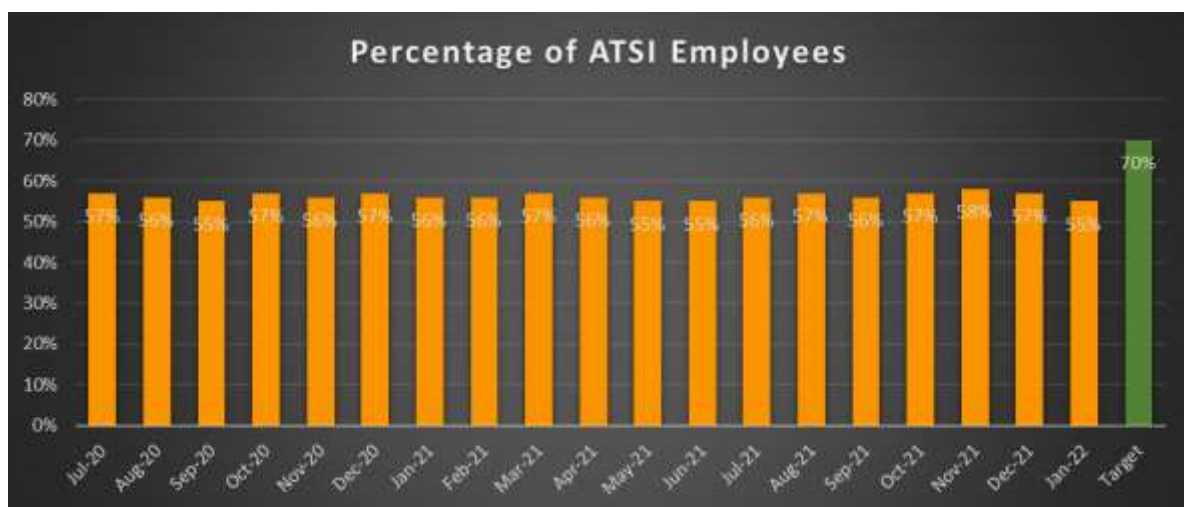
The second budget revision, required by 30 April 2022, is underway. The draft revision will be presented to the March Finance Committee and to the Local Authority meetings during March, to gather input for Council to consider in April 2022.

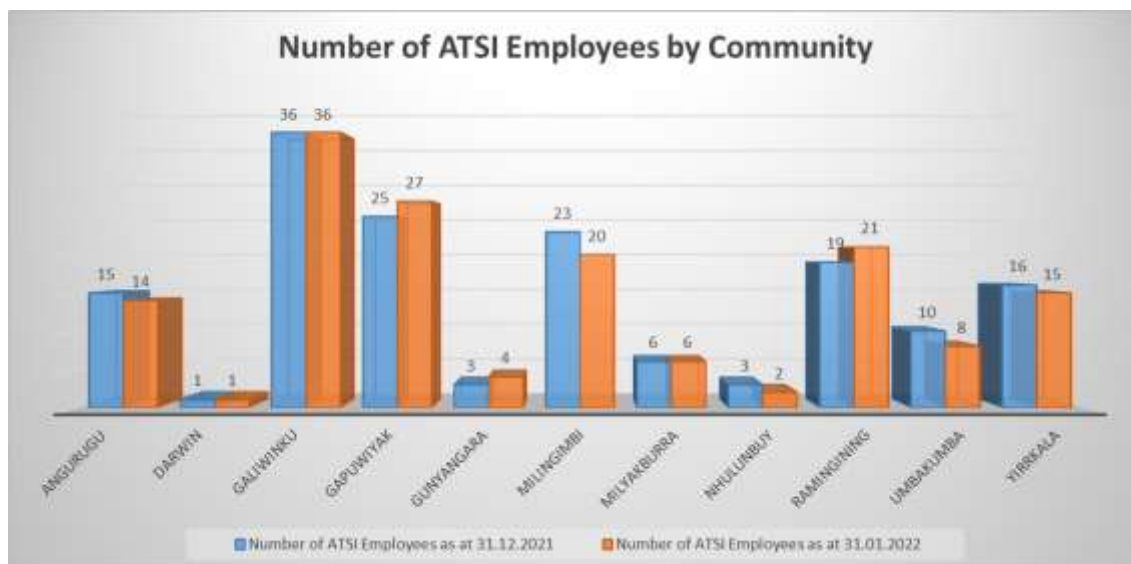
**Human Resources Section**

Total employees: 279









Attrition Rate:

Year	Employees Ceased	Total Employees	Attrition Rate
Feb 21-22	195	291	67%
Feb 20-21	177	314	56%
Feb 19-20	160	292	55%

#### VACANCIES AS AT 31.01.2022

Position	Level	Community
Veterinarian	Level 7	All communities
Community Patrol Officer	Level 1	Angurugu
Municipal Services Officer	Level 1	Angurugu
Technical Officer	Level 5	Darwin or Nhulunbuy
Executive Assistant to CEO	Level 6	Darwin or Nhulunbuy
Senior Finance Officer	Level 5	Darwin
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Level 1	Galiwinku
Child Care Project Officer	Level 2	Galiwinku
Child Care Worker	Level 1	Galiwinku
Community Media Officer	Level 1	Galiwinku
Community Patrol Officer	Level 1	Galiwinku
Community Patrol Officer	Level 1	Galiwinku
Community Media Officer	Level 1	Gapuwiyak
Aged Care and Disability Services Officer / Cook	Level 3	Gapuwiyak
Municipal Services Officer	Level 1	Gapuwiyak
Trauma Informed Care Coordinator	Level 7	Gapuwiyak
Youth Sports & Recreation Coordinator	Level 4	Gapuwiyak

<b>VACANCIES AS AT 31.01.2022</b>		
<b>Position</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Community</b>
Aged Care & Disability Services Operations Coordinator	Level 4	Milingimbi
Community Library Officer	Level 1	Milingimbi
Community Patrol Officer	Level 1	Milingimbi
Nutrition Officer	Level 1	Milingimbi
Youth, Sport and Recreation Coordinator	Level 4	Milingimbi
Aged Care and Disability Services Support Worker	Level 1	Nhulunbuy
Community Night Patrol Coordinator	Level 5	Nhulunbuy
Library Officer	Level 2	Nhulunbuy
Regional Manager - Children's and Library Services	Level 10	Nhulunbuy
Sobering Up Shelter Care Worker	Level 2	Nhulunbuy
Sobering Up Shelter Care Worker (Female)	Level 2	Nhulunbuy
Sobering Up Shelter Coordinator	Level 5	Nhulunbuy
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Level 1	Ramingining
Community Liaison Officer	Level 1	Ramingining
Children's Services Coordinator	Level 4	Umbakumba
Community Liaison Officer / Customer Service Officer	Level 1	Umbakumba
Community Patrol Officer	Level 1	Umbakumba
Municipal Services Officer	Level 1	Umbakumba
Municipal Services Supervisor	Level 6	Umbakumba
Community Patrol Officer	Level 2	Yirrkala
Municipal Services Officer	Level 1	Yirrkala
Regional Manager - Community Development	Level 10	Yirrkala
Senior Administration Officer	Level 4	Yirrkala
Youth Sports & Recreation Worker	Level 1	Yirrkala

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

## RECOMMENDATION

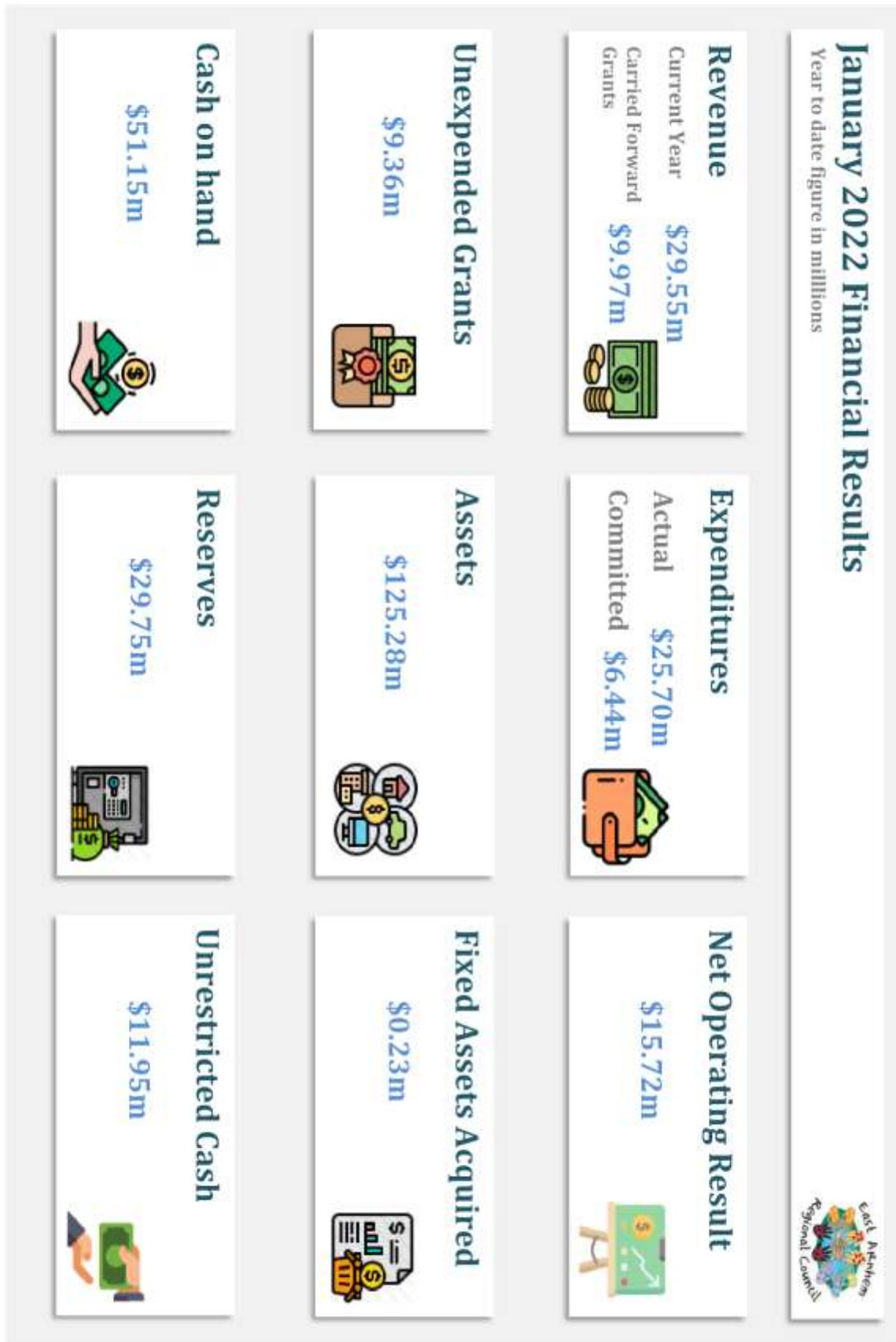
**That Council approves the Finance Report with Human Resources information for the period ending the 31 January 2022.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

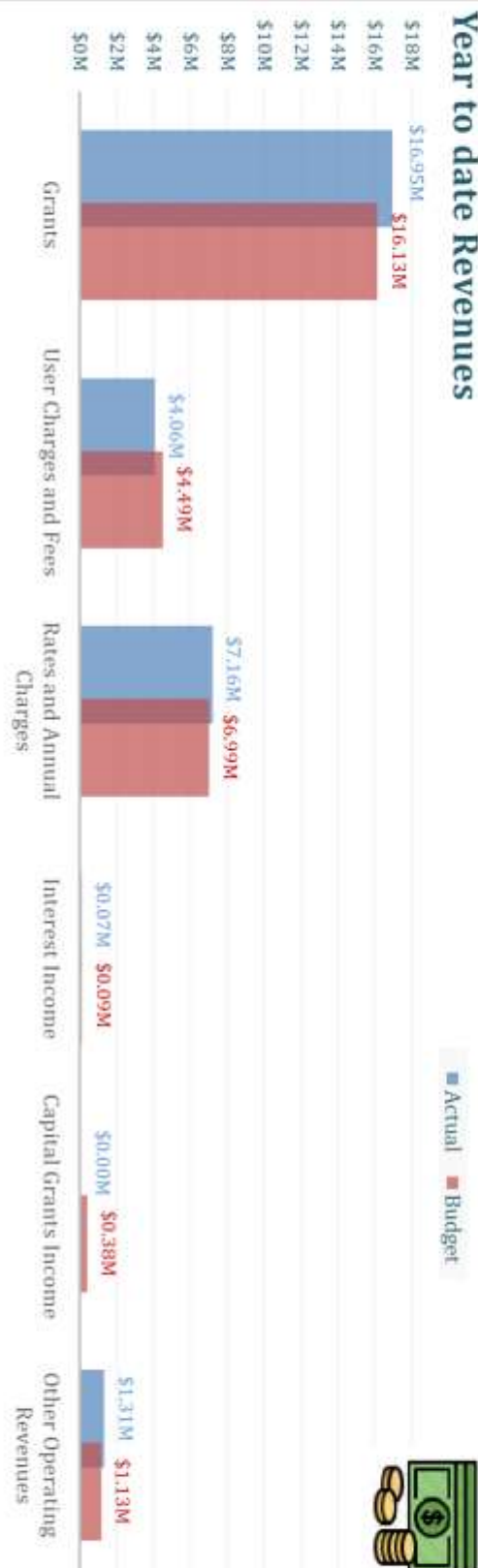
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- 11** [↓](#) Investment Report - Period 7 - January 2022
- 12** [↓](#) Grant 1688 - Dept CMC, Local Authority Project Funding 2021-2022 - Funding Advice Nov 2021
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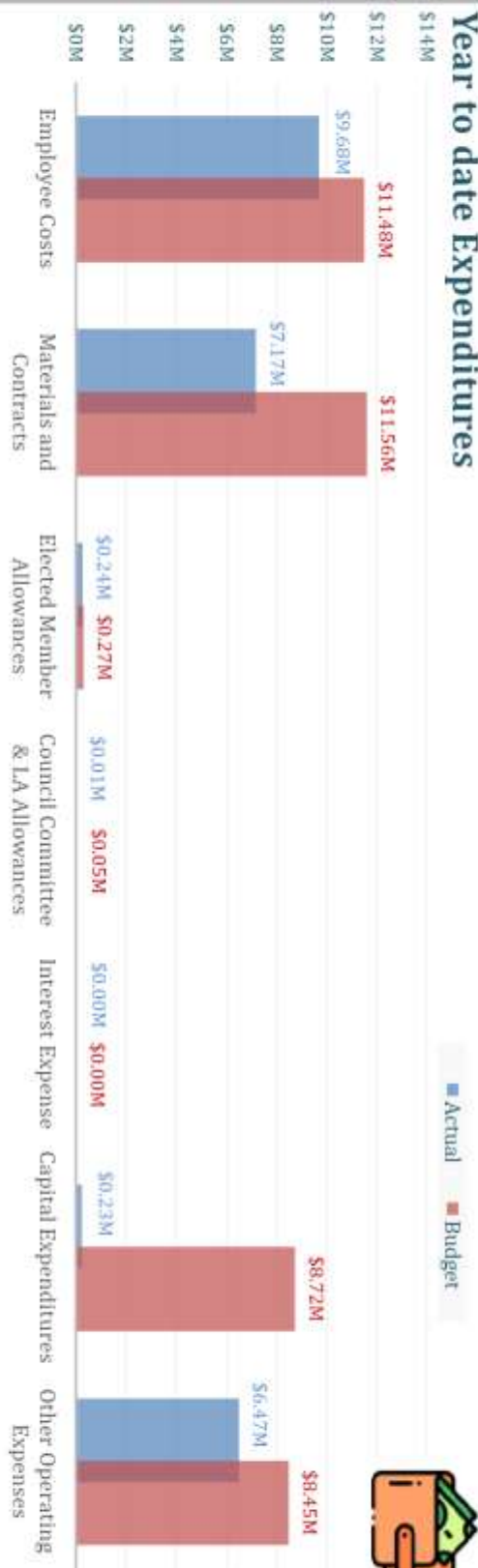


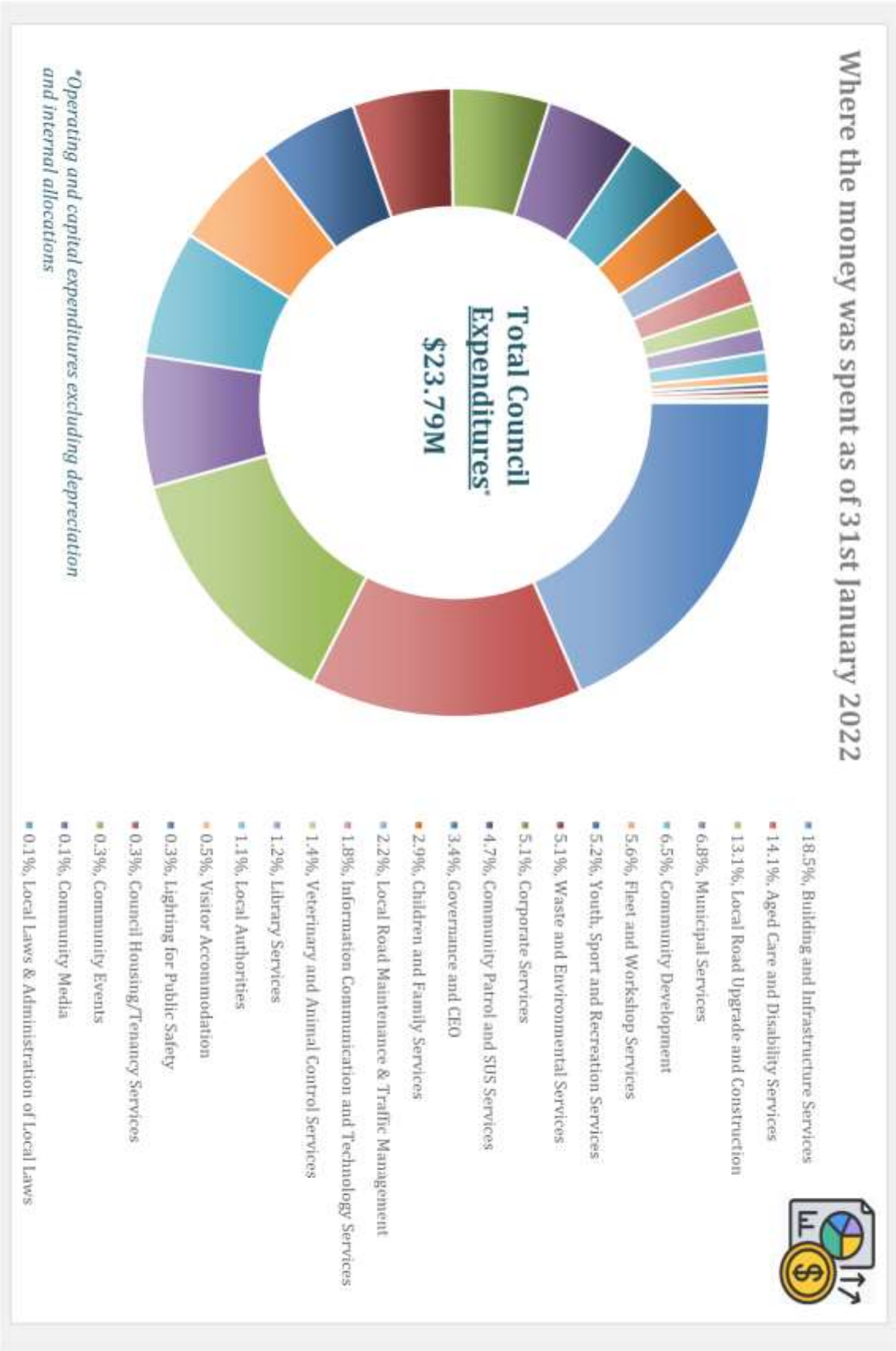


## Year to date Revenues



## Year to date Expenditures

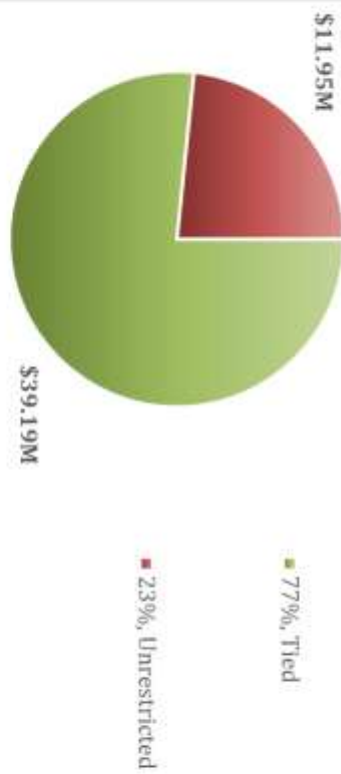




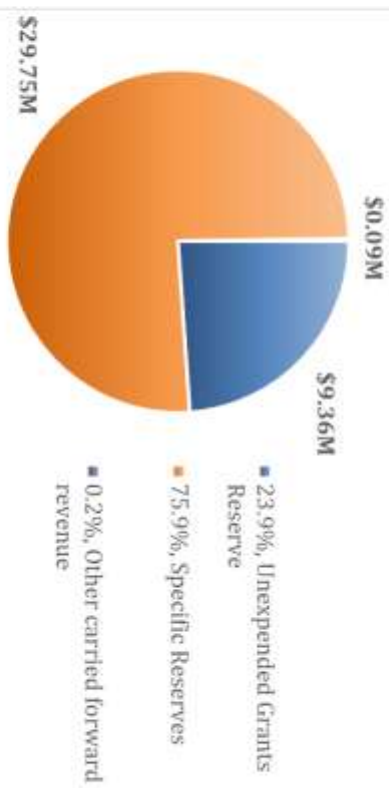
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## Tied and Unrestricted Cash

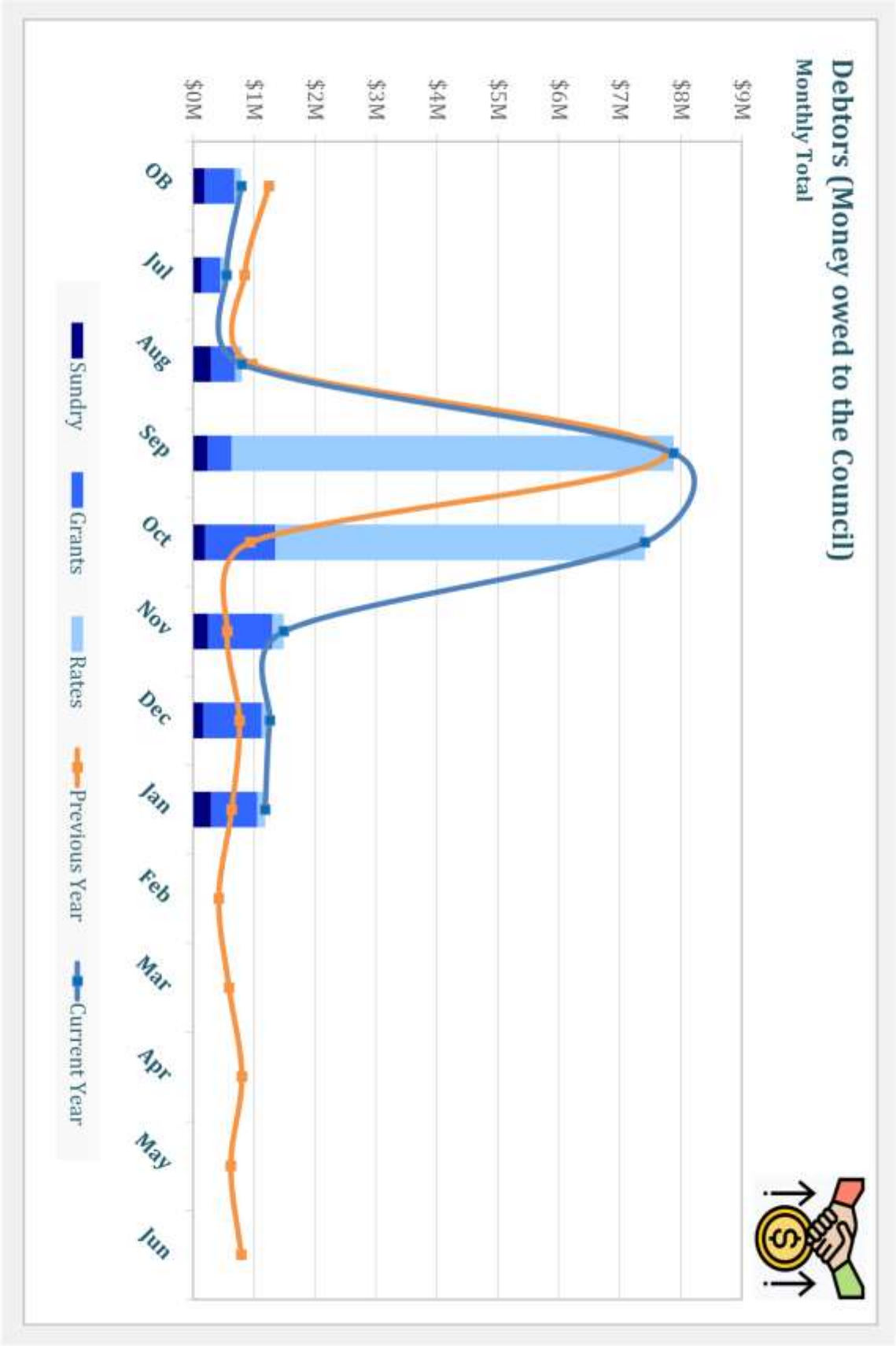


## Tied Cash Breakdown











### Income and Expense Statement – Actual vs Budget

Year to date 31st January 2022

	Note	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	YTD Variance %	Approved Annual Budget \$
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>						
Grants	A	16,949,288	16,126,560	822,727	5%	24,168,970
User Charges and Fees	B	4,059,206	4,490,048	(430,842)	(10%)	7,880,744
Rates and Annual Charges		7,158,729	6,991,866	166,863	2%	6,991,866
Interest Income		71,798	92,774	(20,976)	(23%)	157,500
Other Operating Revenues		1,309,190	1,126,925	182,264	16%	1,867,953
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>		<b>29,548,210</b>	<b>28,828,174</b>	<b>720,036</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>41,067,034</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>						
Employee Costs	C	9,680,294	11,477,749	(1,797,455)	(16%)	19,953,461
Materials and Contracts	D	7,168,418	11,560,732	(4,392,315)	(38%)	19,072,742
Elected Member Allowances		241,040	271,327	(30,287)	(11%)	465,132
Council Committee & LA Allowances		9,620	52,500	(42,880)	(82%)	81,000
Depreciation and Amortisation		2,135,121	2,135,138	(17)	(0%)	3,673,583
Interest Expense		487	487	-	0%	487
Other Operating Expenses	E	6,467,555	8,452,766	(1,985,211)	(23%)	13,529,652
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		<b>25,702,535</b>	<b>33,950,699</b>	<b>(8,248,164)</b>	<b>(24%)</b>	<b>56,776,058</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>		<b>3,845,675</b>	<b>(5,122,524)</b>	<b>8,968,200</b>	<b>(175%)</b>	<b>(15,709,024)</b>
Capital Grants Income		-	377,672	(377,672)	(100%)	647,437
<b>SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>		<b>3,845,675</b>	<b>(4,744,851)</b>	<b>8,590,528</b>	<b>(181%)</b>	<b>(15,061,586)</b>
Capital Expenditure	F	(226,515)	(8,718,546)	8,492,031	(97%)	(14,946,079)
Transfer to Reserves		(3,921)	(1,972,495)	1,968,574	(100%)	(3,431,419)
Add back Depreciation Expense		2,135,121	2,135,138	(17)	(0%)	3,673,583
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>		<b>5,750,361</b>	<b>(13,300,755)</b>	<b>19,051,116</b>	<b>(143%)</b>	<b>(29,765,501)</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue		9,967,661	10,121,611	(153,949)	(2%)	9,992,587
Transfer from General Equity		-	280,000	(280,000)	(100%)	280,000
Transfer from Reserves		-	11,510,921	(11,510,921)	(100%)	19,590,150
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>		<b>9,967,661</b>	<b>21,912,532</b>	<b>(11,944,870)</b>	<b>(55%)</b>	<b>29,862,737</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>		<b>15,718,023</b>	<b>8,611,776</b>	<b>7,106,246</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>97,236</b>

## NOTES

A - YTD actual higher than budget grants which is mainly attributed to a combination of unbudgeted funding for Waste management resource and Celebrating Aboriginal Culture, funding received in advance for LAPF and Remote Sport Program (timing difference) and higher than budget funding received for Regional Sobering Up Shelter.

B - Mainly NDIS revenue as of January is lower than budget.

C - YTD budgeted employee costs lower than actual.

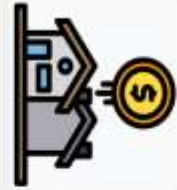
Services	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance
Aged Care and Disability Services	2,041,377	2,441,638	(400,261)
Youth, Sport and Recreation Services	749,204	1,098,020	(348,816)
Children and Family Services	494,032	805,050	(311,018)
Community Patrol and SUS Services	974,515	1,137,314	(162,799)
Library Services	229,054	364,283	(135,229)
Corporate Services	893,349	1,009,812	(116,464)
Community Development	1,234,393	1,344,315	(109,922)
Municipal Services	1,184,591	1,288,371	(103,780)
Waste and Environmental Services	288,402	325,819	(37,417)
Community Media	16,254	49,536	(33,282)
Governance and CEO	243,636	271,836	(28,200)
Building and Infrastructure Services	605,220	632,317	(27,097)
Visitor Accommodation	63,185	88,093	(24,908)
Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management	80,784	82,318	(1,535)
Veterinary and Animal Control Services	155,762	150,288	5,474
Fleet and Workshop Services	302,847	289,844	13,003
Information Communication and Technology Services	76,154	54,857	21,297
Other Services	47,535	44,038	3,497
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,680,294</b>	<b>11,477,749</b>	<b>(1,797,455)</b>

D - Works and new projects relating to road upgrades/construction are underway. Some delays due to covid 19 restrictions causing supply chain and labour issues.

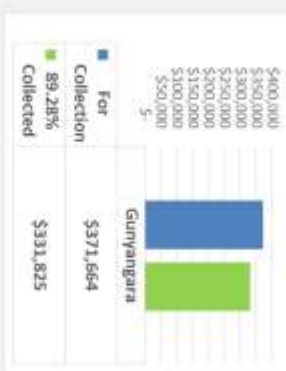
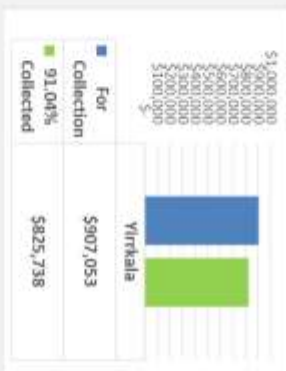
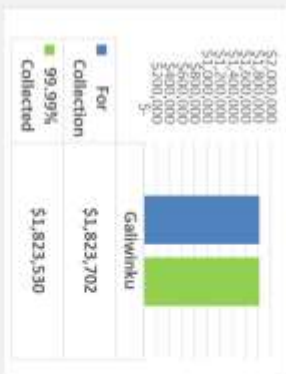
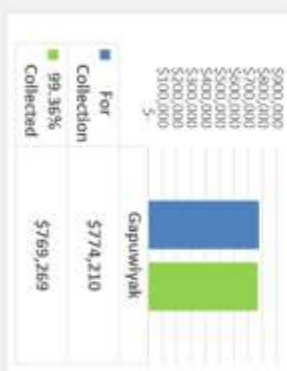
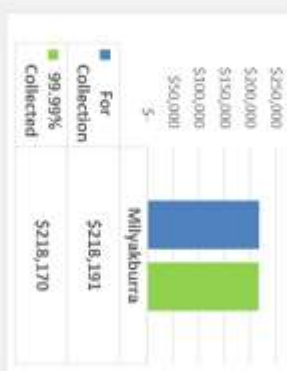
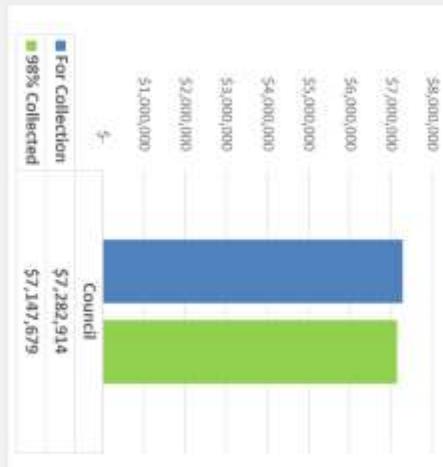
E - Lower than budget spending on training, client related expense, election and donation.

F - Actual YTD capital expenditures relate to motor vehicles, plant and equipment.





### Rates & Waste Charges Collection as of 31st January 2022



\*For Collection is rates outstanding from prior year plus billings during the current financial year 2022



**ACTUAL RECEIVED VS EXPECTED FUNDING**  
Year to date 31st January 2022

Funding Source	Actual Received	Expected Funding	To be Received	Comments
NT Operational Subsidy	6,500,000	6,500,000	-	Received in full
FAA General Purpose	902,776	1,805,553	902,777	Remaining 2 quarters yet to be received
FAA Roads	345,860	691,721	345,861	Remaining 2 quarters yet to be received
Local Authority Project Funding	405,127	1,242,200	837,073	\$1.24M budgeted but due to unspent funding in previous financial years, \$837,073 has been on hold. Submission has been lodged with the department for releasing the money.



### Capital Expenditure – Actual vs Budget

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE As at 31st January 2022					
	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	Approved Annual Budget \$	
Infrastructure	-	6,916,095	- 6,916,095	11,856,163	
Motor Vehicles	127,847	755,727	- 627,879	1,295,531	
Equipment	6,074	773,722	- 767,648	1,326,381	
Plant	92,594	273,003	- 180,409	468,005	
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>226,515</b>	<b>8,718,546</b>	<b>- 8,492,031</b>	<b>14,946,079</b>	



## Monthly Balance Sheet Report

As at 31st January 2022

	YTD Actuals \$	Note Reference
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash		
Tied Funds	39,194,781	
Untied Funds/Unrestricted Cash*	11,953,948	
<b>Total Cash</b>	<b>51,148,729</b>	<b>(1)</b>
Accounts Receivables		
Trade Debtors	296,940	<b>(2)</b>
Grant Debtors	750,000	<b>(2)</b>
Rates & Charges	135,236	<b>(2)</b>
Less: Provision for Doubtful Debts	(95,717)	
<b>Total Accounts Receivables</b>	<b>1,086,460</b>	
Other Current Assets	367,416	
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>52,602,605</b>	
Non-Current Assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment	58,267,960	
Right-of-Use Assets	11,579,146	
Landfill Airspace	2,611,877	
Security Deposit	200,000	<b>(1)</b>
Other Non-Current Assets	13,733	
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>72,672,716</b>	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>125,275,321</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	98,698	<b>(3)</b>
ATO & Payroll Liabilities	232,096	<b>(4)</b>
Current Provisions	2,506,659	
Lease Liabilities	337,470	
Other Current Liabilities	84,651	
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>3,259,574</b>	
Non-Current Liabilities		
Lease Liabilities	11,623,351	
Landfill Rehabilitation Provision	2,611,877	
Provisions for Employee Entitlements	159,506	
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>14,394,735</b>	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>17,654,309</b>	
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>107,621,012</b>	
<b>EQUITY</b>		
Unexpended Grants Reserve	9,362,496	
Replacement and Contingency Reserve	29,745,876	
Asset Revaluation Reserve	39,150,727	
Accumulated Surplus	29,361,913	
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>107,621,012</b>	

\* Refer to Cash & Equity Analysis "Cash Available before Liabilities"



## Note 1. Details of Cash and Investments Held

Accounts	Amount
Westpac Banking Corporation	19,268,434
Traditional Credit Union	1,259,049
Australia and New Zealand Bank	545,655
Members Equity Bank	11,000,000
People's Choice Credit Union	4,063,196
National Australia Bank	15,009,040
Total Banks	51,145,373
Petty Cash/Cash Float	3,356
<b>Total Cash</b>	<b>51,148,729</b>
Total Banks	51,145,373
Security Deposit under non-current assets (Westpac)	200,000
<b>Total Investment Funds*</b>	<b>51,345,373</b>

\* Refer to Monthly Investment Report

## Note 2. Statement on Debts Owed to Council (Accounts Receivable)

**AGE ANALYSIS - TRADE DEBTORS****DEBTORS**

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)  
 Arnhemland Progress Aboriginal Corporation  
 NT Department of Health  
 JC Smith & Associates NT Pty Ltd  
 Milway Health Aboriginal Corporation

**TOTAL TOP 5 DEBTORS**

Other Debtors

**TOTAL SUNDRY DEBTORS**

%	OUTSTANDING	CURRENT	> 30 DAYS	> 60 DAYS	> 90 DAYS
28%	82,479	46,560	-	3,650	32,270
13%	37,899	34,813	3,087	-	-
15%	44,808	44,808	-	-	-
10%	30,292	30,292	-	-	-
5%	13,869	13,869	-	-	-
<b>71%</b>	<b>209,348</b>	<b>170,342</b>	<b>3,087</b>	<b>3,650</b>	<b>32,270</b>
29%	87,592	72,698	12,624	1,056	1,214
<b>100%</b>	<b>296,940</b>	<b>243,040</b>	<b>15,710</b>	<b>4,706</b>	<b>33,485</b>

Reminder letters/emails sent for all overdue accounts and NDIS balance is to be drilled down by EARC staff through NDIS portal.

**DEBTORS**

Groote Eylandt Mining Company Proprietary Limited

**TOTAL GRANTS DEBTORS**

%	OUTSTANDING	CURRENT	> 30 DAYS	> 60 DAYS	> 90 DAYS
100%	750,000	-	-	750,000	-
<b>100%</b>	<b>750,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>750,000</b>	<b>-</b>

Follow-ups made to the above outstanding grant through coordination with EARC Responsible Officer (RO).  
 RO awaiting PO from GEMCO to lodge online claim.

**AGE ANALYSIS - RATES & CHARGES****RATE PAYERS**

Rate payer 1  
 Rate payer 2  
 Rate payer 3  
 Rate payer 4  
 Rate payer 5

**TOTAL TOP 5 RATE PAYERS**

Other Rate Payers

**TOTAL RATES & CHARGES**

%	OUTSTANDING	CURRENT	> 30 DAYS	> 60 DAYS	> 90 DAYS
36%	49,316	442	442	-	48,431
24%	31,999	323	323	-	31,353
22%	29,837	302	302	-	29,234
4%	4,934	49	49	-	4,837
4%	4,934	49	49	-	4,837
<b>89%</b>	<b>121,020</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>118,691</b>
11%	14,215	133	133	-	13,950
<b>100%</b>	<b>135,236</b>	<b>1,297</b>	<b>1,297</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>132,641</b>

Following up with rate payers and reminder emails sent.

## Note 3. Statement on Debts Owed by Council (Accounts Payable)

**AGE ANALYSIS - TRADE CREDITORS**

<b>CREDITORS</b>		<b>%</b>	<b>OUTSTANDING</b>	<b>CURRENT</b>	<b>&gt; 30 DAYS</b>	<b>&gt; 60 DAYS</b>	<b>&gt; 90 DAYS</b>
CHEVRON AUSTRALIA DOWNSTREAM FUELS PTY LTD		18%	17,723	17,723	-	-	-
HOLCO FINE MEAT SUPPLIES/THOMAS FOODS		5%	4,656	4,656	-	-	-
PFD FOOD SERVICES PTY LTD		8%	8,178	8,178	-	-	-
S-GIT-AUTOMOTIVE REPAIRS		5%	4,949	4,949	-	-	-
Territory Housing Rent		12%	12,198	12,198	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL TOP 5 CREDITORS</b>		<b>48%</b>	<b>47,705</b>	<b>47,705</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Creditors		52%	50,994	40,062	9,988	-	944
<b>TOTAL TRADE CREDITORS</b>		<b>100%</b>	<b>98,698</b>	<b>87,767</b>	<b>9,988</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>944</b>

## Note 4. Statement on Australian Tax Office (ATO) and Payroll Obligations

AGE ANALYSIS				
CREDITORS				
	OUTSTANDING	CURRENT	> 30 DAYS	> 60 DAYS
Australian Taxation Office (PAYG)	116,234	116,234	-	-
StatewideSuper-Trust The Local	115,862	115,862	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>232,096</b>	<b>232,096</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>



## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JANUARY 2022	Angurugu		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	1,417,296	1,609,096	(191,799)
User Charges and Fees	287,868	245,572	42,297
Rates and Annual Charges	1,072,592	1,059,031	13,562
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	14,262	2,567	11,695
Untied Revenue Allocation	569,848	569,848	-
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>3,361,867</b>	<b>3,486,113</b>	<b>(124,246)</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	663,954	901,144	(237,190)
Materials and Contracts	1,830,332	3,511,812	(1,681,480)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,007	4,500	(3,493)
Depreciation and Amortisation	20,034	12,401	7,633
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	610,651	527,443	83,208
Council Internal Costs Allocations	301,046	517,374	(216,328)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>3,427,024</b>	<b>5,474,674</b>	<b>(2,047,650)</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(65,157)</b>	<b>(1,988,561)</b>	<b>1,923,404</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	85,556	(85,556)
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(65,157)</b>	<b>(1,903,005)</b>	<b>1,837,849</b>
Capital Expenses	-	(747,964)	747,964
Transfer to Reserves	-	(97,877)	97,877
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	20,034	12,401	7,633
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(45,123)</b>	<b>(2,736,446)</b>	<b>2,691,323</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	804,824	1,288,994	(484,169)
Transfer from General Equity	-	80,000	(80,000)
Transfer from Reserves	-	1,682,003	(1,682,003)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>804,824</b>	<b>3,050,997</b>	<b>(2,246,172)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>759,702</b>	<b>314,551</b>	<b>445,151</b>
			(0)

## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JANUARY 2022	Galiwinku		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	1,666,283	1,333,894	332,389
User Charges and Fees	936,214	1,030,827	(94,613)
Rates and Annual Charges	1,816,032	1,790,252	25,780
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	198,191	278,809	(80,619)
Untied Revenue Allocation	279,424	281,476	(2,052)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>4,896,144</b>	<b>4,715,259</b>	<b>180,885</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	1,410,544	1,799,937	(389,393)
Materials and Contracts	515,255	689,540	(174,284)
Elected Member Allowances	119	-	119
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,262	6,000	(4,738)
Depreciation and Amortisation	55,747	51,995	3,751
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	988,109	785,458	202,651
Council Internal Costs Allocations	586,842	864,912	(278,071)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>3,557,877</b>	<b>4,197,843</b>	<b>(639,966)</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>1,338,266</b>	<b>517,416</b>	<b>820,851</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>1,338,266</b>	<b>517,416</b>	<b>820,851</b>
Capital Expenses	(6,074)	(1,141,309)	1,135,235
Transfer to Reserves	-	(475,366)	475,366
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	55,747	51,995	3,751
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>1,387,939</b>	<b>(1,047,263)</b>	<b>2,435,202</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	1,828,262	1,500,432	327,830
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	909,243	(909,243)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>1,828,262</b>	<b>2,409,675</b>	<b>(581,413)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>3,216,201</b>	<b>1,362,412</b>	<b>1,853,789</b>
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## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JANUARY 2022	Gapuwiyak		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	1,195,194	1,003,124	192,070
User Charges and Fees	809,681	682,236	127,444
Rates and Annual Charges	767,735	767,735	-
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	600,690	429,928	170,763
Untied Revenue Allocation	702,803	706,523	(3,721)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>4,076,103</b>	<b>3,589,547</b>	<b>486,557</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	1,103,364	1,211,943	(108,579)
Materials and Contracts	2,330,342	2,191,970	138,372
Elected Member Allowances	120	-	120
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,706	6,000	(4,294)
Depreciation and Amortisation	27,229	25,018	2,211
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	878,595	635,001	243,594
Council Internal Costs Allocations	456,073	664,896	(208,823)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>4,797,429</b>	<b>4,734,829</b>	<b>62,600</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(721,326)</b>	<b>(1,145,282)</b>	<b>423,956</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(721,326)</b>	<b>(1,145,282)</b>	<b>423,956</b>
Capital Expenses	-	(729,281)	729,281
Transfer to Reserves	-	(215,406)	215,406
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	27,229	25,018	2,211
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(694,096)</b>	<b>(2,064,951)</b>	<b>1,370,855</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	892,408	590,706	301,702
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	2,036,614	(2,036,614)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>892,408</b>	<b>2,627,320</b>	<b>(1,734,912)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>198,312</b>	<b>562,369</b>	<b>(364,057)</b>
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## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JANUARY 2022	Gunyangara		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	171,667	150,791	20,876
User Charges and Fees	17,803	16,535	1,268
Rates and Annual Charges	340,721	307,238	33,482
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	4,221	583	3,638
Untied Revenue Allocation	258,705	258,705	-
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>793,118</b>	<b>733,853</b>	<b>59,265</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	201,391	186,272	15,119
Materials and Contracts	71,915	320,299	(248,384)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	872	6,000	(5,128)
Depreciation and Amortisation	1,076	583	493
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	87,682	340,451	(252,769)
Council Internal Costs Allocations	57,914	81,491	(23,578)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>420,849</b>	<b>935,097</b>	<b>(514,248)</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>372,269</b>	<b>(201,244)</b>	<b>573,513</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>372,269</b>	<b>(201,244)</b>	<b>573,513</b>
Capital Expenses	-	(157,186)	157,186
Transfer to Reserves	-	(20,060)	20,060
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	1,076	583	493
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>373,345</b>	<b>(377,907)</b>	<b>751,252</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	98,631	149,345	(50,714)
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	456,531	(456,531)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>98,631</b>	<b>605,877</b>	<b>(507,246)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>471,976</b>	<b>227,969</b>	<b>244,007</b>
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## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JANUARY 2022	Milingimbi		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	809,944	710,967	98,977
User Charges and Fees	709,722	662,412	47,310
Rates and Annual Charges	761,626	761,626	-
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	92,064	45,192	46,872
Untied Revenue Allocation	455,834	457,381	(1,546)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>2,829,192</b>	<b>2,637,578</b>	<b>191,613</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	1,004,165	1,133,699	(129,534)
Materials and Contracts	368,063	537,146	(169,083)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,308	6,000	(4,692)
Depreciation and Amortisation	32,555	32,378	177
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	613,098	478,850	134,248
Council Internal Costs Allocations	253,136	461,951	(208,815)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>2,272,325</b>	<b>2,650,024</b>	<b>(377,699)</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>556,867</b>	<b>(12,446)</b>	<b>569,313</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>556,867</b>	<b>(12,446)</b>	<b>569,313</b>
Capital Expenses	(84,135)	(868,100)	783,965
Transfer to Reserves	-	(180,300)	180,300
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	32,555	32,378	177
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>505,286</b>	<b>(1,028,468)</b>	<b>1,533,754</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	1,107,152	915,054	192,098
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	741,104	(741,104)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>1,107,152</b>	<b>1,656,158</b>	<b>(549,006)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>1,612,438</b>	<b>627,690</b>	<b>984,748</b>
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## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JANUARY 2022	Milyakburra		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	141,338	112,244	29,094
User Charges and Fees	52,697	25,540	27,157
Rates and Annual Charges	217,914	216,050	1,864
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	6,689	1,517	5,173
Untied Revenue Allocation	236,570	236,570	-
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>655,207</b>	<b>591,921</b>	<b>63,287</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	189,488	232,016	(42,527)
Materials and Contracts	20,928	131,010	(110,082)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	851	6,000	(5,149)
Depreciation and Amortisation	10,258	10,158	99
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	127,111	144,113	(17,002)
Council Internal Costs Allocations	83,858	136,142	(52,283)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>432,494</b>	<b>659,439</b>	<b>(226,945)</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>222,713</b>	<b>(67,518)</b>	<b>290,232</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	56,810	(56,810)
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>222,713</b>	<b>(10,708)</b>	<b>233,421</b>
Capital Expenses	-	(342,913)	342,913
Transfer to Reserves	-	(16,650)	16,650
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	10,258	10,158	99
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>232,971</b>	<b>(360,112)</b>	<b>593,084</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	78,055	78,055	-
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	377,154	(377,154)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>78,055</b>	<b>455,209</b>	<b>(377,154)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>311,026</b>	<b>95,097</b>	<b>215,929</b>
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## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JANUARY 2022	Ramininging		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	678,672	575,878	102,794
User Charges and Fees	512,056	624,677	(112,621)
Rates and Annual Charges	756,052	744,084	11,968
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	66,544	22,209	44,336
Untied Revenue Allocation	695,621	697,215	(1,594)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>2,708,946</b>	<b>2,664,063</b>	<b>44,883</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	829,032	1,010,503	(181,472)
Materials and Contracts	327,298	739,376	(412,078)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,440	6,000	(4,560)
Depreciation and Amortisation	15,175	13,122	2,053
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	439,308	431,676	7,632
Council Internal Costs Allocations	415,857	662,135	(246,278)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>2,028,110</b>	<b>2,862,813</b>	<b>(834,702)</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>680,836</b>	<b>(198,749)</b>	<b>879,585</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	235,306	(235,306)
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>680,836</b>	<b>36,557</b>	<b>644,279</b>
Capital Expenses	-	(754,366)	754,366
Transfer to Reserves	-	(78,045)	78,045
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	15,175	13,122	2,053
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>696,011</b>	<b>(782,732)</b>	<b>1,478,743</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	766,114	817,303	(51,189)
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	535,800	(535,800)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>766,114</b>	<b>1,353,104</b>	<b>(586,990)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>1,462,125</b>	<b>570,372</b>	<b>891,753</b>
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## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JANUARY 2022	Umbakumba		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	628,287	691,293	(63,006)
User Charges and Fees	148,449	130,433	18,016
Rates and Annual Charges	533,128	532,590	538
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	3,389	2,567	822
Untied Revenue Allocation	370,992	370,992	-
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>1,684,245</b>	<b>1,727,875</b>	<b>(43,630)</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	504,118	707,156	(203,038)
Materials and Contracts	83,395	250,602	(167,207)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	434	6,000	(5,566)
Depreciation and Amortisation	18,153	10,342	7,811
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	317,844	363,590	(45,746)
Council Internal Costs Allocations	272,052	447,273	(175,221)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,195,997</b>	<b>1,784,963</b>	<b>(588,967)</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>488,248</b>	<b>(57,089)</b>	<b>545,337</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>488,248</b>	<b>(57,089)</b>	<b>545,337</b>
Capital Expenses	(31,605)	(644,444)	612,839
Transfer to Reserves	-	(73,961)	73,961
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	18,153	10,342	7,811
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>474,796</b>	<b>(765,152)</b>	<b>1,239,947</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	545,475	640,475	(95,000)
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	587,358	(587,358)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>545,475</b>	<b>1,227,834</b>	<b>(682,359)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>1,020,271</b>	<b>462,682</b>	<b>557,589</b>
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## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JANUARY 2022	Yirrkala		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	962,472	970,176	(7,704)
User Charges and Fees	349,000	612,474	(263,474)
Rates and Annual Charges	823,664	818,343	5,321
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	106,766	169,591	(62,825)
Untied Revenue Allocation	444,459	445,494	(1,035)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>2,686,360</b>	<b>3,016,077</b>	<b>(329,717)</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	915,694	1,262,173	(346,480)
Materials and Contracts	622,356	1,028,519	(406,163)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	740	6,000	(5,260)
Depreciation and Amortisation	7,249	18,082	(10,833)
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	721,850	546,140	175,710
Council Internal Costs Allocations	352,591	519,384	(166,793)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>2,620,479</b>	<b>3,380,298</b>	<b>(759,818)</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>65,881</b>	<b>(364,220)</b>	<b>430,102</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>65,881</b>	<b>(364,220)</b>	<b>430,102</b>
Capital Expenses	-	(618,421)	618,421
Transfer to Reserves	-	(83,517)	83,517
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	7,249	18,082	(10,833)
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>73,130</b>	<b>(1,048,077)</b>	<b>1,121,207</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	622,821	368,707	254,114
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	1,268,078	(1,268,078)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>622,821</b>	<b>1,636,785</b>	<b>(1,013,964)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>695,951</b>	<b>588,708</b>	<b>107,243</b>
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## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JANUARY 2022	Nhulunbuy & Darwin		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	9,278,134	8,969,098	309,036
User Charges and Fees	235,716	459,342	(223,626)
Rates and Annual Charges	69,265	(5,083)	74,348
Interest Income	71,798	92,774	(20,976)
Other Operating Revenues	216,374	173,963	42,411
Untied Revenue Allocation	(4,014,258)	(4,024,205)	9,947
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>5,857,029</b>	<b>5,665,888</b>	<b>191,140</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	2,858,545	3,032,905	(174,360)
Materials and Contracts	998,486	2,160,458	(1,161,972)
Elected Member Allowances	240,801	271,327	(30,526)
Council Committee & LA Allowances	-	-	-
Depreciation and Amortisation	1,947,645	1,961,058	(13,412)
Interest Expenses	487	487	-
Other Operating Expenses	1,683,354	4,200,042	(2,516,688)
Council Internal Costs Allocations	(2,779,368)	(4,355,558)	1,576,190
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>4,949,950</b>	<b>7,270,720</b>	<b>(2,320,769)</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>907,078</b>	<b>(1,604,831)</b>	<b>2,511,910</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>907,078</b>	<b>(1,604,831)</b>	<b>2,511,910</b>
Capital Expenses	(104,701)	(2,714,563)	2,609,862
Transfer to Reserves	(3,921)	(731,313)	727,392
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	1,947,645	1,961,058	(13,412)
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>2,746,102</b>	<b>(3,089,649)</b>	<b>5,835,751</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	3,223,919	3,772,541	(548,622)
Transfer from General Equity	-	200,000	(200,000)
Transfer from Reserves	-	2,917,034	(2,917,034)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>3,223,919</b>	<b>6,889,574</b>	<b>(3,665,656)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>5,970,021</b>	<b>3,799,925</b>	<b>2,170,096</b>
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## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JANUARY 2022	EARC TOTAL		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	16,949,288	16,126,560	822,727
User Charges and Fees	4,059,206	4,490,048	(430,842)
Rates and Annual Charges	7,158,729	6,991,866	166,863
Interest Income	71,798	92,774	(20,976)
Other Operating Revenues	1,309,190	1,126,925	182,264
Untied Revenue Allocation	-	0	(0)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>29,548,210</b>	<b>28,828,174</b>	<b>720,036</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	9,680,294	11,477,749	(1,797,455)
Materials and Contracts	7,168,371	11,560,732	(4,392,362)
Elected Member Allowances	241,040	271,327	(30,287)
Council Committee & LA Allowances	9,620	52,500	(42,880)
Depreciation and Amortisation	2,135,121	2,135,138	(17)
Interest Expenses	487	487	-
Other Operating Expenses	6,467,602	8,452,765	(1,985,164)
Council Internal Costs Allocations	(0)	1	(1)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>25,702,535</b>	<b>33,950,700</b>	<b>(8,248,165)</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>3,845,675</b>	<b>(5,122,525)</b>	<b>8,968,201</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	377,672	(377,672)
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>3,845,675</b>	<b>(4,744,853)</b>	<b>8,590,529</b>
Capital Expenses	(226,515)	(8,718,546)	8,492,031
Transfer to Reserves	(3,921)	(1,972,495)	1,968,574
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	2,135,121	2,135,138	(17)
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>5,750,361</b>	<b>(13,300,756)</b>	<b>19,051,117</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	9,967,661	10,121,611	(153,949)
Transfer from General Equity	-	280,000	(280,000)
Transfer from Reserves	-	11,510,921	(11,510,921)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>9,967,661</b>	<b>21,912,532</b>	<b>(11,944,870)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>15,718,023</b>	<b>8,611,775</b>	<b>7,106,247</b>
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## CASH & EQUITY ANALYSIS

	31-Jan-2022	30-Jun-2021
Cash	51,148,729	46,949,536
Less:		
Unexpended Grants Reserve	(9,362,496)	(7,526,605)
Specific Reserves	(29,745,876)	(27,381,613)
Income Received in Advance	-	(2,367,090)
Other carried forward revenue	(86,410)	(98,638)
<b>Cash Available before Liabilities</b>	<b>11,953,948</b>	<b>9,575,591</b>
<b>Other Current Assets &amp; Liabilities</b>		
Accounts Receivables & Other Current Assets	1,453,876	1,695,380
Less:		
Payables & other Liabilities	(415,445)	(1,733,360)
Bank Loan/Borrowing	-	(1,185,000)
Employee Provisions Current	(2,506,659)	(2,483,399)
Employee Provisions NonCurrent	(159,506)	(228,868)
<b>Net Other Current Liabilities</b>	<b>(1,627,735)</b>	<b>(3,935,247)</b>
<b>Net Cash Available</b>	<b>10,326,213</b>	<b>5,640,343</b>
<b>Noncurrent Assets</b>		
Noncurrent Assets - excluding Right of Use Assets and Landfill Airspace	58,481,693	61,142,723
Less Revaluation Reserves	(39,150,727)	(39,150,727)
<b>Noncurrent Assets Actual Carrying Value</b>	<b>19,330,966</b>	<b>21,991,997</b>
<b>Leases</b>		
Right of Use Assets	11,579,146	11,579,146
Less Lease Liabilities	(11,960,821)	(11,960,821)
<b>Net impact on Equity</b>	<b>(381,675)</b>	<b>(381,675)</b>
<b>Landfill Airspace</b>		
Landfill Airspace Asset	2,611,877	-
Provision for Landfill Rehabilitation	(2,611,877)	-
<b>Net impact on Equity</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Total Equity	107,621,012	103,775,337
Less:		
Revaluation Reserve	(39,150,727)	(39,150,727)
Unexpended Grants Reserve	(9,362,496)	(7,526,605)
Specific Reserves	(29,745,876)	(27,381,613)
Income Received in Advance	-	(2,367,090)
Other carried forward revenue	(86,410)	(98,638)
<b>Net Equity</b>	<b>29,275,503</b>	<b>27,250,664</b>
<b>Net Equity is made up of</b>		
Net Assets Carried	19,330,966	21,991,997
Net Impact of Leases	(381,675)	(381,675)
Net Cash Carried Forward	10,326,213	5,640,343
<b>Net Equity</b>	<b>29,275,503</b>	<b>27,250,664</b>





## Elected Members Allowances Report

As at 31 January 2022

Family Name	Given Name	YTD Councillor Allowance	YTD Councillor Meeting*
Thurlow	Kaye	8,861	6,840
Marika	D	7,427	2,880
Bara	Elliot	426	-
Djalangi	David	7,098	1,800
Dhamarrandji	Evelyna	7,098	1,440
Djakala	Joe	426	-
Marika	Yirmal	7,098	360
Mirritjaawuy	Jason	7,098	4,320
Mununggurr	Yananymul	426	-
Walsh	Gordon	12,036	720
Wunungmurra	Bobby	7,098	4,680
Wunungmurra	Wesley	426	-
Dhamarrandji	Lapulung	14,741	1,800
Mamarika	Constantine	6,743	2,880
Alimankinni	Gilbert	4,826	5,760
Butjala	Jason	4,826	4,320
Yawarngu	Robert	6,743	4,680
Wunungmurra	Banambi	25,557	1,080
<b>Total</b>		<b>128,952</b>	<b>43,560</b>

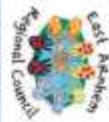
\*maximum extra meeting is \$9006.



## Replacement and Contingency Reserves

As at 31st January 2022

Reserves	1 July 2021 Beginning Balance	Transfers		31 January 2022 Ending Balance
		From Reserves	To Reserves	
Fleet Replacement	4,613,026	-	-	4,613,026
Waste Management	2,500,913	-	-	2,500,913
Roads Replacement	4,209,192	-	1,560,343	5,769,535
Cemeteries Management	532,556	-	-	532,556
Buildings Replacement	4,140,027	-	800,000	4,940,027
Elections	200,000	-	-	200,000
Disaster Recovery	500,000	-	-	500,000
Public Infrastructure	3,000,000	-	-	3,000,000
Aged and Disability	3,681,458	-	-	3,681,458
Lot 128 Gapuwiyak Insurance	944,550	-	-	944,550
Community Benefit	3,059,891	-	3,921	3,063,812
<b>Total Replacement and Contingency Reserves</b>	<b>27,381,612</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,364,264</b>	<b>29,745,876</b>

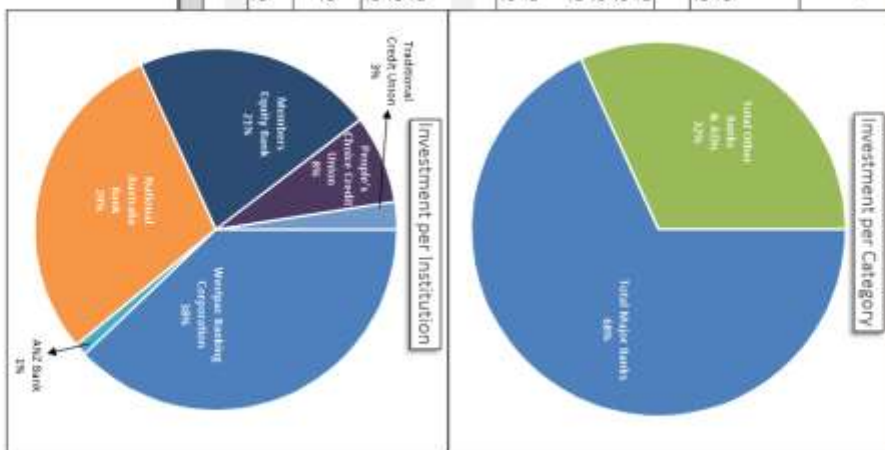


# East Arnhem Regional Council Monthly Investment Report As at January 31, 2022

## Investment Portfolio

Authorised Deposit Taking Institutions	Investment - \$	% of Total Investment	Within Diversification Limits	Type	Amount - \$	Rate - %	Term - days	Investment Date	Maturity Date
Westpac Banking Corporation	\$ 19,468,134	38%	✓	Operation fund	\$ 336,131	-	-	-	-
				Security TD (C)	\$ 16,932,303	0.25%	365	24/03/2021	24/03/2022
				Short Term TD	\$ 200,000	0.23%	273	18/09/2021	18/06/2022
Australia and New Zealand Bank	\$ 545,655	1%	✓	Operation fund	\$ 545,655	-	-	-	-
National Australia Bank	\$ 15,009,040	29%	✓	Short Term TD	\$ 1,000,000	0.37%	365	29/06/2021	29/06/2022
				Short Term TD	\$ 2,003,989	0.23%	90	17/10/2021	15/01/2022
				Short Term TD	\$ 2,000,000	0.25%	92	11/11/2021	11/02/2022
				Short Term TD	\$ 4,000,000	0.25%	121	29/12/2021	29/04/2022
				Short Term TD	\$ 2,000,000	0.30%	270	8/07/2021	4/04/2022
				Short Term TD	\$ 2,000,000	0.27%	179	29/11/2021	27/05/2022
				Short Term TD	\$ 2,005,050	0.30%	273	20/09/2021	20/06/2022
<b>TOTAL - Major Banks</b>	<b>\$ 35,023,129</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>✓</b>		<b>\$ 35,023,129</b>				
Members Equity Bank	\$ 11,000,000	21%	✓	Short Term TD	\$ 4,000,000	0.40%	272	21/09/2021	20/06/2022
				Short Term TD	\$ 3,000,000	0.35%	150	31/10/2021	30/03/2022
				Short Term TD	\$ 4,000,000	0.60%	162	19/01/2022	30/06/2022
People's Choice Credit Union	\$ 4,063,196	8%	✓	Operation fund	\$ 63,196	-	-	-	-
				Short Term TD	\$ 1,000,000	0.45%	120	20/11/2021	20/03/2022
				Short Term TD	\$ 3,000,000	0.45%	121	4/12/2021	4/04/2022
Traditional Credit Union	\$ 1,259,049	3%	✓	Operation fund	\$ 259,049	-	-	-	-
				Short Term TD	\$ 1,000,000	0.20%	365	13/12/2021	13/12/2022
<b>TOTAL - Other Banks &amp; ADI's</b>	<b>\$ 16,322,245</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>✓</b>		<b>\$ 16,322,245</b>				
<b>TOTAL Investment Funds</b>	<b>\$ 51,345,373</b>	<b>100%</b>			<b>\$ 51,345,373</b>				

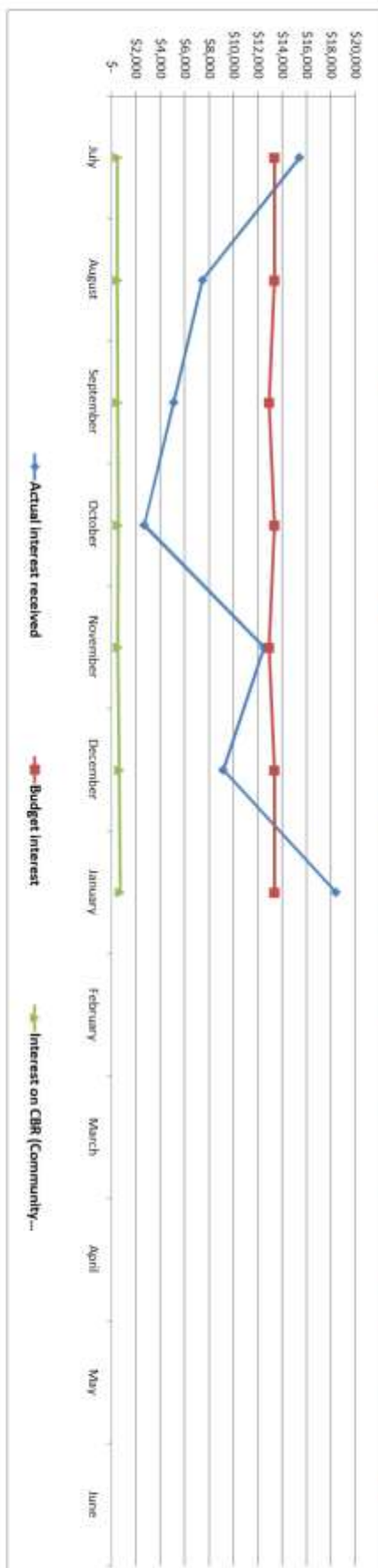
Category	Min	Max
Major Banks	15%	100%
Other banks & ADI's	0%	45%
Per institution	0%	40%





**East Arnhem Regional Council**  
Monthly Investment Report  
As at January 31, 2022

	Investment Performance												Average
	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	
<b>Actual Invested Funds</b>	<b>\$ 48,205,682</b>	<b>\$ 49,094,627</b>	<b>\$ 46,224,599</b>	<b>\$ 44,651,586</b>	<b>\$ 50,660,621</b>	<b>47,942,625</b>	<b>51,345,373</b>						<b>\$ 48,303,588</b>
Budget interest	\$ 13,377	\$ 13,377	\$ 12,945	\$ 13,377	\$ 12,945	\$ 13,377	\$ 13,377						<b>\$ 13,254</b>
Actual interest received	\$ 15,422	\$ 7,468	\$ 5,115	\$ 2,697	\$ 12,530	\$ 9,165	\$ 18,444						<b>\$ 10,120</b>
Interest on CBR (Community Benefit Reserve)	\$ 495	\$ 495	\$ 504	\$ 544	\$ 526	\$ 643	\$ 714						<b>\$ 560</b>
Actual v Budget	2,045	5,909	7,830	10,680	415	4,212	5,067						<b>\$ 3,133</b>







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Chief Executive Officer  
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Dear Mr Keehne

**RE: Local Authority Project Funding 2021-22**

Following receipt and review of the East Arnhem Regional Council's (Council) Local Authority Project Funding (LAPF) Certifications as at 30 June 2021, I am pleased to offer the actual amount payable under the LAPF program to your Council for 2021-22 as follows:

Local Authority	LAPF allocations 2021-22	Expired LAPF 2016-17, 2017-18 & 2018-19	Actual amount
Angurugu	\$150 200	\$165 954	0
Galiwin'ku	\$341 100	0	\$341 100
Gapuwiyak	\$140 300	\$137 911	\$2 389
Gunyangara	\$33 600	\$2 062	\$31 538
Milingimbi	\$187 700	\$231 702	0
Milyakburra	\$30 100	0	\$30 100
Ramingining	\$135 400	\$171 598	0
Umbakumba	\$ 110 500	\$244 317	0
Yirrkala	\$ 113 300	\$182 901	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1 242 200</b>	<b>\$1 136 444</b>	<b>\$405 127</b>

As indicated in the above table, Council's certifications have detailed unspent expired funds relating to the 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 financial years, totalling \$1 136 444. As such, payment of the 2021-22 allocation for the Angurugu, Gapuwiyak, Gunyangara, Milingimbi, Ramingining, Umbakumba and Yirrkala Local Authorities has been withheld at this stage with an approval given to Council for these expired funds to be rolled over and spent by 28 February 2022.

A certification for use of the expired funds is to be submitted by no later than 31 March 2022. If expired funds are fully spent a final offer and release of the withheld Local Authorities' 2021-22 funds will be made. However, should Council fail to finish and certify the completion of projects, the withheld component will be forfeited and not rolled over.

This offer of funding detailed in the table above is to be accepted on the conditions outlined in the attached acceptance form. The acceptance form should then be completed and returned to local government grants at [lg.grants@nt.gov.au](mailto:lg.grants@nt.gov.au) as soon as is practical.

All local government funding must be expended in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019, the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, Guidelines and the Northern Territory Government Buy Local Policy.

If you have any queries regarding the use of funds, please contact Mr Jim Rogers, Regional Executive Director, East Arnhem Region on 8987 0536.

If you have any questions regarding the grants administration, please contact Ms Donna Hadfield, Manager Grants Program on 8999 8820 or by email at [lg.grants@nt.gov.au](mailto:lg.grants@nt.gov.au)

Yours sincerely



MAREE DE LACEY  
Executive Director  
Local Government Regional Development



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### East Arnhem Regional Council

Manager Grants Program  
Local Government and Regional Development  
Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet  
GPO Box 4621  
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Dear Madam

#### RE: ACCEPTANCE OF LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING (LAPF) FOR 2021-22

On behalf of the East Arnhem Regional Council the offer of LAPF totalling \$405 127 is accepted under the following terms and conditions.

- (a) Comply with all the conditions of the LAPF funding guidelines.
- (b) Manage and expend the LAPF in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2019*, and the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*.
- (c) Purchase goods/services funded under this agreement on the requirements of the Northern Territory Government's Buy Local policy, unless it can be proven, through a competitive process that there is no suitable Territory enterprise able to supply the service.
- (d) Place the LAPF in a **trust account**, according to details in GrantsNT until such time it is to be expended.
- (e) Only use the LAPF for local authority prioritised community projects in the following communities;
 

• \$341 100	Galiwin'ku
• \$2 389	Gapuwiyak
• \$31 538	Gunyangara
• \$30 100	Milingimbi
- (f) Absorb any costs above \$405 127.
- (g) Expend the funds allocated to each local authority on project/s in that area.
- (h) No transfer of funds between communities.
- (i) Fully expend the LAPF within two years of receipt of the funding otherwise failure to do so may result in the Department withholding any future payments of LAPF funding or request for unspent funding to be repaid.
- (j) Submit the LAPF annual certification as issued (copy attached) to the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet for year ending 30 June each year by 31 August each year.
- (k) Lay the certification before a council meeting and provide a copy of the council minutes.

Yours faithfully

CEO

/ /2021

CFO

/ /2021

## LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING

### Certification of 2021/22 – East Arnhem Regional Council

Local Authority: XYZ Local Authority

Income and expenditure for the period ending 30 June 2022

LAPF Grant 2021-22	\$ _____
Other income/carried forward balance from 2020-21	\$ _____
Other income/carried forward balance from 2019-20	\$ _____
Total Income	\$ _____
Total Expenditure	\$ _____
Surplus/ (Deficit)	\$ _____

We certify that the LAPF was spent in accordance with,

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| • the projects submitted by the Local Authority;                                    | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • the LAPF funding guidelines;  | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • the Local Government Act 2019 and the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • the Northern Territory Government's Buy Local policy                              | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |

Certification report prepared by...../...../20\_\_

The local authority projects formed part of the agenda and minutes of Council's ordinary council meeting and local authority meeting.

Laid before the Council at a meeting (held/to be held on) ...../...../20.... Copy of minutes attached (Yes/TBA).

Laid before the LA at a meeting (held/to be held on) ...../...../20.... Copy of minutes attached (Yes/TBA).

CEO or CFO ...../...../20\_\_

### Departmental use only

Grant amount correct: Yes ☐ No ☐

Balance of funds to be spent \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date next certification ...../...../20\_\_

Certification accepted Yes ☐ No ☐

Comments

Grants Officer ...../...../20\_\_

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**Re: Local Authority Project Funding**

Dear Maree,

Thank you for the letter of 29 November 2021 outlining the highly valued 2021/22 Local Authority Project Fund allocations. These funds are essential to realise a wide range of priority community infrastructure projects across all nine communities in East Arnhem Land.

These priority projects were determined through an extensive series of workshops with the Local Authority of each community, on the range of particular needs and interests of their community, local decisions on their small, medium and large project priorities, and later referral to and endorsement at an Essential Community Infrastructure Workshop of Council and Ordinary Council Meeting held in February 2021. The range of projects and total commitment from LAPF and additional Council funds to each community is detailed in the attached 'Stage 1, Local Authority Community Projects'.

The Stage 2 Projects are also listed that capture the next round of projects as decided by each Local Authority and endorsed by the Regional Council, which supports the role of Council in seeking additional necessary funds over time from the Northern Territory Government, Australian Government and other organisations.

This process of facilitating local based consultation, prioritisation, decision making and endorsement by the regional Council, and the addition of Council funds, has enabled LAP Funds accumulated over previous years to be spent on projects of greater scope and strategic significance, for the development of each community.

The number and range of concurrent community projects has, however, brought its own challenges in the timeframe required to complete them, particularly given the concurrent impact of Covid-19.



With most of the projects one of the key steps is seeking a range of staged approvals with the initial approval required by the associated Land Councils, or 99 year lease holder.

To date we have been able to secure approvals for a majority of the projects for the three communities of the Groote Archipelago through the Office of Township Leasing.

For the six Yolngu communities only the Traditional Owners of Yirrkala have been consulted to date. Further consultations are required in Yirrkala and Milingimbi, due to applications being either not supported or deferred, and Council awaiting executed documents for the Milingimbi projects.

The balance of the communities with extensive applications lodged since March/April 2021 remain unconcluded due to limitations on travel by Northern Land Council (NLC) officers into and across the region associated with Covid-19, and the availability of Northern Land Council officers.

Without these approvals we cannot progress to the next stage of approvals with Power and Water in addition to Northern Territory Government Lands and Planning. A schedule for the resumption of the consultations by the NLC is expected in February, as detailed in the advice to Shane Marshall, the EARC Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services below, received on the 8 December 2021. This is having a significant impact on progression of the majority of projects.

*Dear Shane,*

*As a stakeholder in the East Arnhem region with a number of Expression of Interest (EOI's) for tenure in various communities, I just wanted to update you in regards to the NLC's consultation plan for the New Year.*

*As all people in the Northern Territory would be aware, there have been a number restrictions placed on individuals and organisations in regards to movements because of the COVID19 pandemic.*

*These restrictions have been based on NTG CHO directions to limit the spread of COVID 19, particularly in regards to remote Indigenous communities.*

*This makes it difficult to carry out the statutory functions of the NLC in regards to consultation with Traditional Owners.*

*As the vaccinations rates increase in these areas and based on NTG health advice, the NLC envisages that community consultations may be able to be carried out in the New Year.*

*We will be holding an internal scheduling meeting in February to discuss priority meetings and how we can carry out our statutory function in a safe and appropriate manner.*

*Please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss further.*

*Regards*

*Project Coordinator*

*Regional Development*

*Northern Land Council*



Covid-19 has had a further impact on the capacity of Council to implement the range of Local Authority Projects, due to the impact on our ability to recruit an additional staff project management position. The approval of the range of projects by Council included approval to resource an additional staff member to assist the current technical and strategic project staff with planning and delivery of the projects.

The position was advertised initially in the March period with little or no appropriate candidates, given a major reduction in applicants linked to travel restrictions and a willingness to relocate, due to the range of Covid-19 restrictions. This negative impact of workforce availability has unfortunately been experienced generally, of course, across a range of organisations and industry sectors.

Council has been updated on this and were advised that if there is no improved interest in the recruitment evident by early January, a tender for project management assistance will be prepared over the break period and be released in the first week of the January period, for endorsement at either the finance committee (Delegation Manual Amendment) or a special council meeting late January.

In relation to acknowledgement of unspent funds of the previous funding years allocation outlined, a number of the funds can be actioned and for the most part are associated with project commitments already. However, some projects will require a time frame beyond the 28 February 2022. Due to timing of approvals and a need for a collective procurement approach for two of the main community priority one projects of water parks and toilet blocks, to release these on a singular market opportunity tender per location would raise a range of issues from standardisation of product and outcome, singular engineering applications which would for economies of scale be best to be released as a package opportunity.

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The below are the communities that can have the allocated LAP Funds expended by the nominated date, with existing stage projects and current engagements.

#### **Angurugu**

This can be expended as the current expired funding is associated with a large scale footpath project with invoicing on completion active.

This funding and the completion of the Angurugu internal roads project has seen considerable delays due to an extended duration / completion of the Power and water sewerage upgrades.

#### **Gapuwiyak**

This can be expended as the current expired funding is associated with smaller priority projects with invoicing on completion awarded and active.

#### **Gunyangara**

This can be expended by the nominated date.

#### **Milingimbi**

This funding will need consideration for an extension until the 30 July for expenditure due to approval delays and a collective procurement approach.

#### **Ramingining**

This funding will need consideration for an extension until the 30 June as this is their primary project with allocated funding for the most part being committed to this project. Poles can be purchased by EARC as a supply exclusion element within the tender documentation.

#### **Umbakumba**

This funding will need consideration for an extension until 30 April as this is their primary project with a report and re-allocation of funds due to oval and selected township bores sustaining ground water pollution – with a report tabled to 24 November 2021 Local Authority meeting to re-allocate funds towards the priority footpaths stage one and two and a subsequent report to Council for the award of extended funding to the values of the below recommendation inclusive of LAPF allocations.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **That Council:**

- a) Endorse the recommendation to award T21-203412.1 – Umbakumba New Pedestrian Pathways and Crossings – 2<sup>nd</sup> Round to the recommended Contractor Betapave for \$701,452.00 (including GST) – this is for Stages 1 and 2 ONLY.





### Yirrkala

This funding will need consideration for an extension until 30 June as the dates need to be confirmed for next consultations by the Northern Land Council, which is yet to be confirmed as per the NLC advice.

Poles can be purchased by EARC as a supply exclusion element within the tender documentation to reduce the expired financial total, but this would need a consideration extension to the end of April.

Shane Marshall, our Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services and I are happy to provide further information or meet to discuss this response, as you wish.

Regards,

Dale Keehne  
Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council



## Local Authority Projects

Year to date 31st January 2022

	Actual YTD	Annual Budget
<b>11 - Angurugu</b>		
Local Authority Project Funding	(467,224)	(617,424)
Transfer from Reserves	-	(592,249)
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure	-	(146,667)
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>(467,224)</b>	<b>(1,356,339)</b>
<b>Projects</b>		
288111 - Angurugu - Footpath installation	-	204,000
288411 - Angurugu waterline and taps installation	-	12,520
296011 - Angurugu Identify Gravesites/Purchase Materials	-	15,000
297811 - Angurugu - Public Toilets	-	350,000
297911 - Angurugu - Footbridge	-	480,000
298011 - Angurugu - Riverside Market Space	-	30,000
298111 - Angurugu - Seating Church Area	-	29,115
<b>Spent Funding</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,120,635</b>
<b>Unspent Funding</b>	<b>(467,224)</b>	<b>(235,703)</b>
<b>12 - Umbakumba</b>		
Local Authority Project Funding	(465,927)	(576,427)
Transfer from Reserves	-	(708,333)
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>(465,927)</b>	<b>(1,284,761)</b>
<b>Projects</b>		
293712 - Umbakumba Playground Installations	-	60,000
293912 - Umbakumba Sporting Equipment	-	100,000
294012 - Umbakumba Installation of Priority Footpaths	168	181,332
298212 - Umbakumba - Footpaths PI	-	283,833
298312 - Umbakumba - Oval Improvements	-	180,000
298412 - Umbakumba - Floating pontoon/jetty	-	160,000
298512 - Umbakumba - Equipment for hall	7,499	30,000
298612 - Umbakumba - Solar lighting - Beach Front	-	90,000
298712 - Umbakumba - Trailer for music equipment	35,543	75,000
<b>Spent Funding</b>	<b>43,210</b>	<b>1,160,166</b>
<b>Unspent Funding</b>	<b>(422,718)</b>	<b>(124,595)</b>
<b>13 - Milyakburra</b>		
Local Authority Project Funding	(75,836)	(75,836)
Transfer from Reserves	-	(544,626)
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure	-	(97,389)
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>(75,836)</b>	<b>(717,851)</b>
<b>Projects</b>		
298813 - Milyakburra - Oval \$100k contribution	-	100,000
298913 - Milyakburra - Public Toilets	-	350,000
299013 - Milyakburra - Contribution for BMX track	-	30,000
299113 - Milyakburra - Jetty	-	160,000
299213 - Milyakburra - Shade structure (barge landing)	2,080	32,115
<b>Spent Funding</b>	<b>2,080</b>	<b>672,115</b>
<b>Unspent Funding</b>	<b>(73,756)</b>	<b>(45,736)</b>
<b>14 - Ramingining</b>		
Local Authority Project Funding	(443,199)	(578,599)
Transfer from Reserves	-	(333,333)
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure	-	(403,382)
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>(443,199)</b>	<b>(1,315,314)</b>



## Local Authority Projects

Year to date 31st January 2022

	Actual YTD	Annual Budget
<b>Projects</b>		
288314 - Ramingining - Oval Infrastructure	1,567	199,308
294214 - Ramingining Installation of Oval Lights	-	104,957
299314 - Ramingining - Oval Lights	-	850,000
299414 - Ramingining - Airport shelter upgrade	-	22,115
<b>Spent Funding</b>	<b>1,567</b>	<b>1,176,380</b>
<b>Unspent Funding</b>	<b>(441,631)</b>	<b>(138,934)</b>
<b>15 - Milingimbi</b>		
Local Authority Project Funding	(608,172)	(795,872)
Transfer from Reserves	-	(767,785)
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>(608,172)</b>	<b>(1,563,656)</b>
<b>Projects</b>		
293415 - Milingimbi Installation of Footpaths	-	145,186
299515 - Milingimbi - Public toilets near the foreshore	-	300,000
299615 - Milingimbi - Water Park	-	580,000
299715 - Milingimbi - Ceremony area contribution	-	47,485
299815 - Milingimbi - Double-bin stands for each house	25,555	28,000
<b>Spent Funding</b>	<b>25,555</b>	<b>1,100,671</b>
<b>Unspent Funding</b>	<b>(582,616)</b>	<b>(462,985)</b>
<b>16 - Gapuwiyak</b>		
Local Authority Project Funding	(421,670)	(559,581)
Transfer from Reserves	-	(730,615)
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>(421,670)</b>	<b>(1,290,196)</b>
<b>Projects</b>		
292416 - Gapuwiyak PA Upgrade	-	57,151
299916 - Gapuwiyak - Two Public Toilets	-	550,000
300016 - Gapuwiyak - Shade shelters at Wharf camp	12,975	80,000
300116 - Gapuwiyak - Two Playgrounds	-	160,000
300216 - Gapuwiyak - Solar Lighting PI	-	30,915
300316 - Gapuwiyak - Airport waiting area contribution	-	50,000
<b>Spent Funding</b>	<b>12,975</b>	<b>928,066</b>
<b>Unspent Funding</b>	<b>(408,695)</b>	<b>(362,130)</b>
<b>17 - Galiwinku</b>		
Local Authority Project Funding	(966,084)	(966,084)
Transfer from Reserves	-	(892,315)
Election Pledge	-	(250,000)
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>(966,084)</b>	<b>(2,108,399)</b>
<b>Projects</b>		
292817 - Galiwin'ku Sound Proofing of Meeting Room	11,870	11,870
292917 - Galiwin'ku Shelters at Barge Landing	-	40,000
300417 - Galiwinku - Outdoor Youth Recreation Facilities	-	830,000
300517 - Galiwinku - Public Toilets at Airport	-	360,000
300617 - Galiwinku - Additional Footpath Stage 2	555	153,415
300717 - Galiwinku - Buthan Recreation Area	-	100,000
300817 - Galiwinku - Co-contribution to a ceremony area	-	40,000
<b>Spent Funding</b>	<b>12,425</b>	<b>1,535,285</b>
<b>Unspent Funding</b>	<b>(953,659)</b>	<b>(573,114)</b>





## Local Authority Projects

Year to date 31st January 2022

	Actual YTD	Annual Budget
<b>18 - Yirrkala</b>		
Local Authority Project Funding	(410,151)	(523,451)
Transfer from Reserves	-	(708,915)
Election Pledge	-	(250,000)
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>(410,151)</b>	<b>(1,482,366)</b>
<b>Projects</b>		
294618 - Yirrkala Installation of Grandstands at Oval	145,566	145,566
294818 - Yirrkala Oval Sign	-	8,000
300918 - Yirrkala - Sport and Recreation Hall	-	400,000
301018 - Yirrkala - Public Toilets - Shady Beach	-	350,000
301118 - Yirrkala - Improvements to Ceremony Areas	-	22,215
301218 - Yirrkala - Improved Oval Lighting	-	300,000
<b>Spent Funding</b>	<b>145,566</b>	<b>1,225,781</b>
<b>Unspent Funding</b>	<b>(264,585)</b>	<b>(256,585)</b>
<b>19 - Gunyangara</b>		
Local Authority Project Funding	(101,000)	(109,100)
Transfer from Reserves	-	(644,815)
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>(101,000)</b>	<b>(753,915)</b>
<b>Projects</b>		
295319 - Gunyangara Bus Shelters	-	30,000
301319 - Gunyangara - Multi-purpose Building at Oval	-	400,000
301419 - Gunyangara - Footpaths (school to Gumatj Office)	168	200,000
301519 - Gunyangara - Landscaping and beautification	-	78,415
<b>Spent Funding</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>708,415</b>
<b>Unspent Funding</b>	<b>(100,832)</b>	<b>(45,500)</b>
<b>COUNCIL TOTAL</b>		
Local Authority Project Funding	(3,959,261)	(4,802,372)
Transfer from Reserves	-	(5,922,987)
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure	-	(647,438)
Election Pledge	-	(500,000)
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>(3,959,261)</b>	<b>(11,872,797)</b>
<b>Spending on Projects Per Community</b>		
11 - Angurugu	-	1,120,635
12 - Umbakumba	43,210	1,160,166
13 - Milyakburra	2,080	672,115
14 - Ramingining	1,567	1,176,380
15 - Milingimbi	25,555	1,100,671
16 - Gapuwiyak	12,975	928,066
17 - Galiwinku	12,425	1,535,285
18 - Yirrkala	145,566	1,225,781
19 - Gunyangara	168	708,415
<b>Spent Funding</b>	<b>243,545</b>	<b>9,627,516</b>
<b>Unspent Funding</b>	<b>(3,715,716)</b>	<b>(2,245,282)</b>

**Local Authority Project Funding** is unspent LAPF funding in prior years plus funding during the current financial year.

**Transfer from Reserves** are transfers from Public Area Infrastructure and Community Benefit Reserves. The actual transfers journal is yet to be done as per approved budget.

**LRCI and election pledge** - expected money of \$647,438 coming from Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) grants and \$500,000 from election pledge during the current financial year.



## CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.2
<b>TITLE</b>	New Policies - Professional Development Allowance Policy, Allowance and Any Other Benefits Policy (CEO), Accountable Forms (Members & CEO) Policy and Gifts and Benefits Policy (CEO)
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1586160
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager

### SUMMARY:

The Local Government Act requires the Council to maintain policies on Professional Development Allowance Policy, Allowance and Any Other Benefits Policy (CEO), Use of Accountable Forms (all Members) Policy and Gifts and Benefits Policy.

### BACKGROUND

#### Professional Development Allowance Policy

Regulation 68 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 requires that a Council must, by resolution, adopt a policy that identifies the types of conferences or training that may be attended or undertaken by a member using the professional development allowance.

Attached is the draft policy.

#### Allowance and Any Other Benefits Policy (CEO)

Section 174(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 states that a Council must, by resolution, adopt a policy in relation to allowances and any other benefits for the CEO.

The purpose of this policy is to set out CEO allowances and other benefits which forms part of the CEO total remuneration package, including allowances, vehicle and accommodation.

Attached is the draft policy.

#### Accountable forms (members and CEO) Policy

Regulation 6(d)(iii) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 requires a Council to maintain a policy, adopted by resolution, for the use of accountable forms by members and the CEO. An example of an accountable form is a taxi voucher.

The purpose of the policy is to ensure the proper use and management of accountable forms issued to members and the CEO for the purposes of conducting Council business.

Attached is the draft policy.

#### Gifts and benefits policy (CEO)

Regulation 6(d)(iii) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 requires a Council to maintain a policy, adopted by resolution, in relation to relevant gifts or benefits (including entertainment and hospitality) received by the CEO.

The purpose of this policy is to set out the requirements for Council CEO receiving gifts or benefits and disclosing relevant gifts or benefits.

Attached is the draft policy.

## **GENERAL**

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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council approves the:**

- a) Professional Development Allowance Policy**
- b) Allowance and Any Other Benefits Policy (CEO)**
- c) Accountable Forms (Members & CEO) Policy; and**
- d) Gifts and Benefits Policy**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1** [↓](#) DRAFT Professional development allowance policy
- 2** [↓](#) DRAFT - Allowances and other benefits policies (CEO)
- 3** [↓](#) DRAFT - Accountable forms policy (members and CEO)
- 4** [↓](#) DRAFT Gifts and benefits (CEO)

# Professional development allowance policy



<b>Policy Number</b>	GOV/006
<b>Policy Category</b>	Governance
<b>Responsibility</b>	Corporate Services Manager
<b>Council decision (reference):</b>	Council
<b>Date to take effect:</b>	24 February 2022
<b>Legislative reference:</b>	Regulation 68(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021
<b>Policy reference:</b>	LGR3.6.2
<b>Next Review date:</b>	23 February 2026

## 1. Purpose

To identify the types of training or conferences that may be attended or undertaken by a council member using the professional development allowance.

## 2. Principle

Council is committed to recognising the most appropriate types of conferences and training opportunities that enable a council member to develop capabilities in the member's role.

### 2.1 Regulation

Regulation 68 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 describes:

(1) The professional development allowance is set for a member to attend conferences or training courses that enable the member to develop the member's capabilities in the member's role.

(2) A Council must, by resolution, adopt a policy that identifies the types of conferences or training that may be attended or undertaken by a member using the professional development allowance.

(3) A member may claim a portion of the member's professional development allowance for the costs (including travel, accommodation and meals) in attending any training, mediation or counselling recommended by the Council, a Council panel, a prescribed corporation panel or as ordered by NTCAT as a result of a complaint of a contravention of the code of conduct.

(4) A member may claim a portion of the member's professional development allowance to claim the costs (including travel, accommodation and meals) in attending a training course approved under section 45(1) of the Act.

(5) The professional development allowance is paid by a Council in relation to a member as follows:

(a) by deducting from the member's unclaimed allowance entitlement the amount paid directly by the Council for costs of any conference, training, mediation or counselling attended or undertaken by the member;

(b) reimbursing a member for the costs in attending any conference, training, mediation or counselling attended or undertaken by the member.

(6) The claim must be made in a form approved by the Council.

(7) If a member is not paid the member's professional development allowance in a financial year, the allowance or the remainder of the allowance does not carry forward for the following financial year.

(8) A Council may, by resolution, adopt a policy for the reimbursement of attendance at a training course in a previous financial year within the term of the Council.

### Professional development allowance policy

(9) Subject to any policy under sub-regulation (8), if a member has been partially reimbursed for attendance at a training course in a previous financial year within the term of the Council, the remaining cost of the course may be reimbursed by deducting from the member's unclaimed allowance for the current financial year.

## 3. Application of policy

### 3.1 Types of conference and training

The professional development allowance may be expended in relation to attending or undertaking the following types of conference and training within the Northern Territory or facilitated online:

- (a) Mandatory training relevant to being a Council member;
- (b) Course of study or other training course relevant to performance as a Council member;
- (c) Training, mediation or counselling recommended or ordered as part of a decision relating to a Code of Conduct complaint;
- (d) Training, mediation or counselling recommended by the President or CEO; or
- (e) A conference, seminar, symposium, expo or other similar event on a topic or function related to local government

All trainings and conferences must be pre-approved by a Council resolution.

### 3.2 High-cost training courses

If a Council member is attending a training course that exceeds the professional development allowance available in the current financial year:

- (a) Any remaining professional development allowance in the current financial year is to be expended to partially pay for the training course; and
- (b) The outstanding cost of the training course may be expended against the professional development allowance of the Council member in future financial years (only within the term of the Council).

Expenditure of the professional development allowance in future financial years will only be done on a reimbursement basis to a Council member who has personally paid the remaining cost of the training course.

Access to reimbursement is subject to:

- (a) The Council member remaining to be a council member in the future financial year(s) when a claim for reimbursement is made; and
- (b) Any changes in the maximum amount of professional development allowance available in the future financial year(s) (which may reduce the reimbursement amount available).

### 3.3 Travel costs

Costs for travel, accommodation and meals that are claimed in relation to use of the professional development allowance are to be paid from the Council member's professional development allowance.

## 4. Version

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# Allowances and other benefits policies (CEO)



<b>Policy Number</b>	GOV/018
<b>Policy Category</b>	Governance
<b>Responsibility</b>	Corporate Services Manager
<b>Council decision (reference):</b>	Council
<b>Date to take effect:</b>	24 February 2022
<b>Legislative reference:</b>	Section 174(1) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i>
<b>Policy reference:</b>	LGA9.3.3
<b>Next Review date:</b>	Change of CEO/Review or renewal of contract

## 1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set out CEO allowances and other benefits which forms part of the CEO total remuneration package, including allowances, vehicle and accommodation.

## 2. Principle

Council is committed to providing payment or reimbursement of reasonable expenses and the provision of non-monetary benefits to support the CEO to carry out their official duties in accordance and consistent with the terms of contract of employment.

The Guideline 2, Recruiting a CEO, also states:

6.1 A recruitment process, approved by council resolution, must be followed in relation to appointments to the office of CEO before the vacancy is advertised.

6.2 The Council must consider the use of a professional recruitment agency when appointing a CEO and must make this decision by Council resolution.

6.3 As a minimum, the recruitment process must address:

- (a) reviewing the CEO's job description – including desired and essential skills, abilities, knowledge and qualifications; and
- (b) approving the proposed CEO contract that contains an agreed remuneration package covering cash and non-cash benefits and any limitations or entitlements over private use of council assets; and
- (c) the composition of the recruitment panel.

6.4 The remuneration package, as approved by council resolution under clause 6.3(b) and subsequently advertised, must not be increased when offering a contract.

6.5 Where a recruitment panel is used, the panel is to provide a confidential report to the council, including a list of all applicants and access to all applicant documents.

## 3. Application of policy

### 3.1 General expenses and benefits

The CEO is entitled to reasonable cost incurred in the performance of the role including:

- a) Uniforms
- b) Portable Computer Device including data sim and any software required for the role
- c) Mobile Phone and Hands-Free Motor Vehicle Kit
- d) Subscriptions to professional membership associations to a value of \$1,500 per annum

If an expense is proposed to be incurred by the CEO that is in excess of what this policy or the CEO contract of employment provides for, the CEO is to seek a resolution of the Council before incurring the expense.

### Allowances and other benefits policies (CEO)

#### 3.2 Superannuation

The CEO is entitled to superannuation at the prescribed minimum rate.

#### 3.3 Vehicle

The CEO is entitled to private use of a fully maintained Council Vehicle. The usage of this vehicle for both private and Council purpose must be in accordance with the Motor Plant and Vehicle Policy.

Private use means within the Northern Territory, the vehicle is not to be used for travel outside the Northern Territory without prior approval from the President, which includes a requirement that the CEO pay running costs during any such travel.

#### 3.4 Accommodation

Council will provide suitable accommodation in Nhulunbuy at a rental of \$75 per week.

#### 3.5 Relocation and Repatriation

Council will provide or pay for reasonable expenses to a maximum of \$15,000 for relocation to Nhulunbuy and reasonable expenses to a maximum of \$15,000 for repatriation at the completion of employment.

### 4. Version

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# Accountable forms policy (members and CEO)



<b>Policy Number:</b>	FIN/006
<b>Policy Category:</b>	Finance
<b>Responsibility:</b>	Corporate Services Manager
<b>Council decision:</b>	Council
<b>Date to take effect:</b>	24 February 2022
<b>Legislative reference:</b>	Regulation 6(d)(iii) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i>
<b>Policy reference:</b>	LGR 2.2/3
<b>Next Review date:</b>	23 February 2026

## 1. Purpose

To ensure the proper use and management of accountable forms issued to members and the CEO for the purposes of conducting council business.

## 2. Definitions

For the purposes of this policy:

**Authorised delegate** means any staff member within Council who has been delegated appropriate authority by the CEO to undertake the specified function on the CEO's behalf.

**Member** includes council members, committee members and local authority members.

## 3. Principle

Council is committed to the safe custody, provision and proper use of accountable forms by members and the CEO whilst conducting council business.

Members and the CEO are required to apply good judgement for all expenditure incurred whilst conducting council business.

## 4. Application of policy

### 4.1 Accountable forms

Accountable forms are readily negotiable financial instruments, other than cash, that can be used as a method of payment for expenditure (e.g. cheques, taxi vouchers, travel vouchers, sport vouchers or meal vouchers).

All accountable forms need to be carefully monitored and safeguarded due to their inherent risk of theft, fraud, loss or misuse.

### 4.2 Responsibilities of members and the CEO

All members and the CEO are responsible for ensuring that accountable forms are only used in the course of conducting official council business. Accountable forms must not be used for private purposes.

In the event an accountable form is inadvertently used for private purposes, the full value of the transaction must be reimbursed to Council within fourteen business days.

Accountable forms may only be used by the individual member or CEO who has been issued with the accountable form. A member or the CEO must not pass the accountable form to any other individual for use.

Once an accountable form has been used, the member must keep a copy of the receipt and invoice and submit this to the CEO (or the authorised delegate). Details of the nature of council business, date and time of use of the accountable form should also be provided.



### Accountable forms policy (members and CEO)

When an accountable form is used by the CEO, the CEO must also retain a copy of the receipt and invoice and submit this to the delegated officer along with details of the nature of council business, date and time of use of the accountable form.

#### 4.3 Safeguarding of accountable forms

It is the responsibility of individual members and the CEO to ensure all accountable forms issued by Council for conducting council business are kept in a safe and secure place to minimise the risk of theft or unauthorised transactions.

Unused or expired accountable forms must not be destroyed by a member or the CEO. Unused or expired accountable forms must be returned to the authorised delegate responsible for issuing the accountable form.

## 5. Version

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# Gifts and benefits (CEO)



<b>Policy Number</b>	GOV/017
<b>Policy Category</b>	Governance
<b>Responsibility</b>	Corporate Services Manager
<b>Council decision (reference):</b>	Council
<b>Date to take effect:</b>	24 February 2022
<b>Legislative reference:</b>	Regulation 6(1)(g) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021
<b>Policy reference:</b>	LGR2.2.9
<b>Next Review date:</b>	23 February 2026

## 1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set out the requirements for Council CEO receiving gifts or benefits and disclosing relevant gifts or benefits.

## 2. Principle

The CEO must, at all times, discharge official duties, responsibilities and obligations impartially and with integrity in relation to receiving, accepting and disclosing gifts or benefits. The CEO must not solicit or accept gifts and/or benefits above the nominal value of \$50.00. The CEO must not accept a gift or benefit from any person or organisation, which may be perceived by a reasonable person to influence the CEO's performance of official duties, responsibilities and obligations. A benefit includes entertainment or hospitality.

## 3. Application of policy

### 3.1 Scope

This policy applies to the CEO.

### 3.2 Relevant gifts or benefits

A relevant gift or benefit is a gift or benefit that exceeds the nominal value of \$50.00 and includes:

- (a) a gift or benefit offered to the CEO for the Council; or
- (b) a gift or benefit offered to the CEO for the CEO or another person.

### 3.3 Exemptions from disclosure

The following gifts or benefits are exempted from a Council's CEO gifts and benefits policy:

- (a) a gift or benefit given to the CEO in a private capacity for personal use by the CEO or another person – unless the gift or benefit may be perceived by a reasonable person to improperly influence the performance of official duties, responsibilities or obligations;
- (b) a gift or benefit given to the CEO by the Council;
- (c) a protocol gift (gift or benefit that is primarily for diplomatic, ceremonial or symbolic purposes and are not be sold or otherwise transferred, unless in diplomatic, ceremonial or symbolic circumstances) given to the CEO for the Council;
- (d) a gift or benefit given to the CEO for the Council in relation to its status as a body corporate where no single individual is considered to be the recipient of the gift or benefit; or
- (e) food, hospitality or accommodation included in the attendance of meetings, conferences, training courses, functions or other events that have been paid for by the Council, and are directly relevant to the performance of the CEO's official duties, responsibilities or obligations.

### 3.4 Rejecting gifts or benefits

If the CEO receives any gift or benefit that breaches the principles of this policy, the CEO must reject the gift or benefit by returning it to the donor and respectfully explaining to the donor that acceptance of the gift or benefit would breach this policy.

### Gifts and benefits (CEO)

#### 3.5 Disclosure of relevant gifts or benefits

- (a) The CEO must notify the President if the CEO is offered any gift or benefit that is not exempt, including in circumstances where the CEO reject the gift or benefit.
- (b) The CEO is to notify the President of with the following details:
  - the name of the donor (person or organisation) offering the gift or benefit;
  - the date the gift or benefit was offered;
  - a description of the gift or benefit;
  - the value (or estimated value) of the gift or benefit;
  - whether the gift or benefit is for the CEO or another person (including the full name and relationship of the person to the CEO, if applicable);
  - the reason for the gift or benefit;
  - whether the CEO rejected or proposes to accept the gift or benefit; and
  - any other relevant details.
- (c) Where the value of a gift or benefit is estimated, a description of the basis of the estimate should also be included (e.g. website search term or website link to the gift or a similar gift). If it is difficult to accurately estimate the value, this should also be mentioned.
- (d) After notifying the President, the CEO is to record the information in a register for gifts and benefits, including specifying whether the gift was in fact rejected or accepted by the CEO. This register should only relate to gifts and benefits offered to the CEO and be accessible to council members at all times.
- (e) Council must be informed of gifts and benefits that have been offered to the CEO annually, with the Council to receive and note the information contained in the register.

#### 4. Version

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## LOCAL AUTHORITIES

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	10.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Local Authority Actions - Council Review and Endorsement
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1582462
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

### 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 1 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.

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

### 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](#) LA Action Register\_Angurugu - Jan 22
- [2](#) LA Action Register\_Galiwinku - Jan 22
- [3](#) LA Action Register\_Gapuwiyak - Jan 22
- [4](#) LA Action Register\_Gunyangara - Jan 22
- [5](#) LA Action Register\_Milingimbi - Jan 22
- [6](#) LA Action Register\_Milyakburra - Jan 22
- [7](#) LA Action Register\_Ramingining - Jan 22
- [8](#) LA Action Register\_Umbakumba - Jan 22
- [9](#) LA Action Register\_Yirrkala - Jan 22

## ANGURUGU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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.	12.05.2021 – Ongoing 25.05.2021 – Local Authority have decided on the Map of Groote Eylandt, Artistic map representing the Groote archipelago. 11/10/2021 - Ongoing and will await the other localities preferred options - LA to suggest artist direction to put the draft concept for review - under a fee for service arrangement.
001/2020 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.	29.11.2021 – Angurugu Local Authority in line with the views of other two Anindilyakwa Local Authorities interpretation of the Groote Archipelago and the significance of, as part of the series of Murals. Report submitted in Local Authority for ideas on map design 12.05.2021 – Placed out for quotation, no submission have been received to this date. Will be placed out for submission in next round. 12/10/2021 - Ongoing with RFQ to be re-released 12.01.2022 – RFQ will be released end of January – limited trades due to break
Angurugu Local Area Management Plan and Street Names	That the Local Authority: (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. (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.	12/10/2021 – Ongoing will revisit with the next OTL meeting - missed the October meeting. 12.01.2022 – Ongoing action item and will go to the next OTL meeting.



## ANGURUGU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Water line to the cemetery \$20,000		12/10/2021 – Ongoing - RFQ to be release November <b>12.01.2022 – Approval granted, project moving forward. RFQ will be sent out end of January due to leave and extended commitments</b>
130/2020 – Chief Executive Officer Report	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.	02.02.2021 – To invite the Community Night Patrol Coordinator to present to the Local Authority. 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. 12.05.2021 – Will report at next Council meeting 25.05.2021 – Updated provided to LA members – Ongoing 29.11.2021 – Ongoing. Item progressed to HR. Committed to HR Fundamental videos as part of Stage One – Stage One is ready for employees to view when they on board, videos are available in language. Videos will be used for training and development of employees as well. Stage Two of the project is updating/changing other documents. <b>13.01.2021 – ARDS have been contacted for engagement to create HR fundamental videos in language.</b> HR continue to source viable Cultural inductions for incoming staff.

## ANGURUGU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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>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.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Further consultations need to be completed. Ongoing</p> <p>25.05.2021- Updated provided to LA members – Ongoing</p> <p>29.11.2021 – To project this project LA members are recommended to allocate 80k to project from unallocated equity, later in this LA meeting under the budget review item.</p> <p><b>13.01.2022 – Council approved budget of 80k in December 2021.</b>  <b>Formal expression of interest for project will be released in Feb 2022.</b></p>

## ANGURUGU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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>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.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Works still to be completed.</p> <p>12/10/2021 – Update provided to LA members – ongoing and to be finalised with the kerb connection points with Roads contractor - ETA end of November.</p> <p>12.01.2022 – Subject to further discussion with Power and Water and contractors involved in the project. Updates provided in the next LA meeting and will form part of an update to Council in Dec – ongoing when works resume after the break, variation for changes to scope to be actioned via way of variation for width increase of standard NT spec to 1200mm – which can be done under existing program budget.</p>

## 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.  <b>18.11.2021 – Interview was done on 17 Nov. A draft employment contract will be finalised and probable start would be January 2022.</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.	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  <b>18.11.2021 – Ongoing awaiting design from LA</b>
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  <b>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.</b>



## GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
001/2020 RESOLVED	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <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>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><b>17.12.2021 – A separate report on this will be presented by the CEO in the meeting.</b></p>

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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><b>18.11.2021 – a budget has been allocated and CDC to organise a trip early new year.</b></p>

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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><b>18.11.2021 – Ongoing - will be in the new year around Jan / Feb</b></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 &amp; Burial Policy.</p> <p>18.11.2020 – The Director of Technical &amp; 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><b>18.11.2021 - Grave digger will be discussion in the December council meeting.</b></p>

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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 &amp; 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><b>18.11.2021 – Ongoing.</b></p>
Cluster One		<p>24/09/2020 – The Director of Technical &amp; 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**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
		<b>18.11.2021</b> – awaiting consultation as part of the broad project NLC community discussion.
<b>FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
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 <b>18.11.2021</b> – Ongoing and keep looking for additional fund.

## GAPUWIYAK ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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.	19.03.2021 – Awaiting on suggestions, LA members still to speak to families seeking permission.  12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Still waiting on suggestions from LA Members.  12/10/2021 – LA members have gathered a list of names for the murals and are waiting for family to approve the inclusion in the murals.  19.11.2021 – Consultation with community members and Traditional Owners continuing.  <b>21.01.2022 – Ongoing further consultation and discussion with the Local Authority.</b>  A potential idea was to have the School logo referencing tribes in the community. The Director Technical and Infrastructure services to develop a concept design for consultation with community, Traditional Owners and Milintji Corporation.  19.03.2021 – LA members request Director of Community Development to follow up on progress from NT Health and Miwatj Health  12/10/2021 – Ongoing – No Progress to advise.  19.11.2021 – Ongoing. Director Community Development will follow up again.  <b>21.01.2022 - Ongoing</b>
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.	

## GAPUWIYAK 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>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.</p>	<p>12.05.2021 – Email was received, stating that there is no action regarding the Kava Pilot - Ongoing</p> <p>12/10/2021 – Update provided to LA Members - ongoing</p> <p>17.12.2021 – A separate report will be presented by the CEO in the meeting.</p> <p><b>21.01.2022 – CEO is having meetings about consultation on 8 Feb 2022.</b></p>

**GAPUWIYAK ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
121/2020 Gapuwiyak Community Footpath Installation	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>18/01/2021 – Tender awarded to YBE 2 Pty Ltd – construction to commence after the wet season.</p> <p>29/01/2021 – The Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services provided an update on the contract with YBE and expected start time, March 2021.</p> <p>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</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Work to be started in 2 Weeks</p> <p>21.05.2021 – Update given to LA Members.</p> <p><b>21.01.2022 – The footpath has been completed. Work is ongoing for pedestrian cross over for disable access. Update will be provided in March meeting.</b></p>



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ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
PA System Upgrades to the PA system \$43,000	The Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services to provide an update on the upgrade to the PA system at next meeting.	<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>29.01.2021 – Jonathan Lora sent a revised action for commencement. The work to produce a revised design and costing is underway.</p> <p>19.03.2021 – Installation to commence in four weeks. Speakers to cover across the whole community</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Revised price for installation will be taken to next LA, \$63,000 pricing.</p> <p>21.05.2021 – Needs more funding to go towards project, update will be provided at next LA. – Funding options to be further discussed</p> <p>19.11.2021 – Additional fund is required for the project. LA approves an additional \$20,000 for a full upgrade of the PA system based on the quotation received.</p> <p><b>21.01.2022 – funds approved at Council meeting in December – project to start February</b></p>

**GAPUWIYAK ACTIONS**

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Community Entrance Signage Project – Gapuwiyak	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 Gapuwiyak community entrance.	<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>29.01.2021 – Awaiting advice. The Local Authority to check with TOs to decide what they want on the entrance signs.</p> <p>19.03.2021 – Awaiting advice. The Local Authority still to check with TOs and decide on the entrance signs for Gapuwiyak Community</p> <p>12.05.2021 – No feedback has been provided – Ongoing</p> <p>21.05.2021 – LA members have sought approval regarding sign, has been advised to send design to Natasha for next stage. – Ongoing</p> <p><b>21.01.2022 – Ongoing. The design has been approved by LA and sent to Natasha. Director Technical and infrastructure services to follow up on that – ongoing</b></p>

**GAPUWIYAK ACTIONS**

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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>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.</p> <p>19.03.2021 – Council have put \$50 aside to work with NT Government to help with costs on the upgrade of the airport area</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Funding opportunity will be advised</p> <p>21.05.2021 – Advocacy has been sought for funding, next round has been open and funding options will be available at next LA meeting.</p> <p><b>21/01/2022 - Ongoing</b></p>

## GAPUWIYAK ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Church Repairs		<p>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 &amp; Infrastructure Services to check if the building is heritage listed and if so, investigate options for funding for repairs and maintenance.</p> <p>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. (Completed)</p> <p>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.</p> <p>19/03/2021 – No update has been received as yet from Uniting Church</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Update at next LA – Ongoing</p> <p>21.05.2021 – will update at next LA meeting – Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services will advise of visit to CDC. - Ongoing</p> <p>19.11.2021 – No feedback received from the church on visit dates no change due to holiday period.</p> <p><b>21.01.2022 – No update.</b></p>



## GAPUWIYAK ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Infrastructure for Youth to hang out		<p>22.05.2020 – The Local Authority requests the Director of Technical &amp; 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 &amp; Recreation Hall as a major project that Council can seek to identify funding to implement.</p> <p>29.01.2021 – Part of Approved Army project to commence in 2021/2022 financial year.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Andrew met the Army and discussed training and also the infrastructure.</p> <p>12/10/2021 – Update provided to LA members- ongoing process up to the dry season in 2022 - meeting with ACCAP held and design is progressing - Report update at October meeting.</p> <p>21.01.2022 – ACAAP project as per previous reports – to commence in 2022 after the wet season – additional reports in the next meeting.</p>

## GAPUWIYAK ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Shelter for Fuel Bowers		<p>22.05.2020 – The Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to investigate the Shelter for Fuel Bowers as part of broader bowser update.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>19.03.2021 – Units arrived in Darwin and installation will commence 2nd week of April 202112.05.2021 – New Fuel bowsters have been finished – Update will be provided at next LA meeting.</p> <p>12/10/2021 - Ongoing - other projects being completed will progress around Jan/Feb</p> <p><b>21.01.2022 - Ongoing. And to be actioned in the Dry Season – capacity and extended priorities being addressed prior.</b></p>
Street Naming for Gapuwiyak Subdivision Stage 2 & Stage 3	<p>The Local Authority recommends the following street names to submit to the NT Place names Committee for consideration:</p> <p>a) Road 1 – Dhurrbinda (meaning - a bush plum)</p> <p>b) Road 2 – Dhayarrmirri (meaning – a small river for locals to swim)</p>	

## GUNYANGARA ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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.	12/10/2021 - still under discussions – Gumatj has contributed some money – Ongoing with design direction from Gumatj under review <b>26.11.2021 – Awaiting advice from NAC Board. By the end of the year there will be an agreement.</b>
Questions from members	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.	12/10/2021 - will be considered on the November By-Law presentation. <b>26.11.2021 - will be considered at the December Council Meeting.</b>
Bus Shelter		12/10/2021 – Ongoing – Contractor issued Purchase order - installation due the end of November <b>26.11.2021 – Installations are happening currently.</b>

FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD	ACTIONS	STATUS
Questions from members	That the Local Authority c) Request the Director of Technical and Infrastructure regarding the reinstatement of the bay linkage of the causeway/ bay waters way with Rio Tinto.	12/10/2021 - C to form part of ongoing advocacy with Gumatj <b>26.11.2021 – Was moved to Future action/project</b>

## MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
141/2021 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) Start gathering together photos of possible candidates, to be given to the Community Development Coordinator.	12.05.2021 – Ongoing  12/10/2021 – LA are still deciding what way they would like to proceed with. 12/01/2022 – Ongoing.  18.01.2022 – CDC to with the President & Local Authority Members to have campfire with local TOS to gather ideas for discussion at next Local Authority. Gather Photos of missionary days similar to Project of Galiwinku – Vision of old to the New”
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.	12.05.2021 – Email was received, stating that there is no action regarding the Kava Pilot – Ongoing  18.05.2021 – Update provided to LA, EARC will provided update from government once received.  12.01.2022 – A separate report was presented on this by the CEO – ongoing.



## MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
09/7/2020 Community Development Coordinator Report	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.	<p>17.11.2020 - Letter written – Local Authority members to meet with police about joint action to address crime in community.</p> <p>EARC CEO to call Senior Police official to advice of local action and seek local action from Police. 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>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. The Local Authority to support calling and facilitating community meetings with Police on how to work together to improve community safety.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – ongoing</p> <p>18.05.2021 – Investigating trial run of housing for the police in Milingimbi. 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>10/11/2021 – Still pending and will be looked at in January 2022.</p> <p><b>12.01.2022 – Housing has been provided to Police – remove from Action List.</b></p>

## MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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>27.01.2021 – ongoing at this stage – CDP and Contractors still to recommence respective services in Community at this stage.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Will bring information to next LA meeting.</p> <p>18.05.2021 – Will update at next LA meeting</p> <p>16.11.2021 – Update progress in January/late January about the project</p> <p><b>12.01.2022 - Project still pending tender re-release to test market pricing which exceeded all similar works of this type conducted to date – release at end of January.</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> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Awaiting response from Power and Water.</p> <p>12/10/2021 – Ongoing – Still waiting for response from Power and Water.</p> <p><b>12.01.2022 – Ongoing with no approval from power and water obtained to date.</b></p>

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ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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> <p>12.05.2021 – Bollards are located in Milingimbi and will be placed into the right spots by Monday Morning.</p> <p>12/10/2021 – Ongoing – is on work list to be installed by MS crew.</p> <p><b>12.01.2021 – Ongoing and will be addressed in January due to teams capacity and current commitments.</b></p>
Makarata Field		<p>27.01.2021 - NLC consultations were held the week of the 2nd 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>18.01.2021 – Director Technical &amp; Infrastructure 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.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Has trust approval, have the paperwork to be signed off. Awaiting for licence and approval for land. Ongoing.</p> <p>12/10/2021 – Ongoing final concept to be agreed and grant funding sought in 2022.</p> <p><b>12.01.2022 – Ongoing with concept workshop to be conducted in relation to the layout in readiness for Grant funding opportunity, basic layout developed but to be refined as final draft direction.</b></p>

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ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
YSR – New commercial stove for YSR centre		<p>19.05.2020 – YSR Regional Manager is following up with Department of Health for approval, which is needed, before purchase of the oven. 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>18.01.2021 – to be actioned in February when trades are available in Community.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Stove is located in community, awaiting for installation. – Ongoing</p> <p>18.05.2021 – Ongoing – Electrician will be out shortly to install the stove</p> <p><b>12.01.2022– Ongoing – will be actioned next trades grouped works visit – end of January start of February dependant on trade movement restrictions.</b></p>



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ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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>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.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Signs are in community and awaiting for installations.</p> <p>12/10/2021 - Signs are in community and awaiting for installations, will be completed shortly.</p> <p>16.11.2021 – Destroyed in fire. New signage is in the process of installing. Ongoing.</p> <p><b>12.01.2022 – Municipal services scheduled to install next week as all materials now arrived in community.</b></p>

## MILYAKBURRA ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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.	12.05.2021 – Ongoing  24.05.2021 – Update provided to LA members, Members have decided that they would like to use the elders and young people. Timeline agreed that Cr Elliot to consult with community members within 14 days, to advise council at next council meeting.  22.11.2021 – Ongoing. Some concerns were raised to have paintings of Anindilyakwa leaders on the outside of the building, but ok to have them inside. Will discuss this point with Umbakumba and Angurugu Local Authorities.  <b>18.01.2022 – Suggestive option for the Groote Archipelago – which is tabled for this meeting is the recognition on the EARC Head office based in Nhulunbuy - a map to be the fixture for the acknowledgement of associated history of the Groote Area as part of the Regional history and long standing association.</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.	Completed.  12.05.2021 – To be removed  24.05.2021 – LA members are not happy with wording on the sign. Cr Elliot to advise CDC of what word is incorrect and to be brought to the Director of Infrastructure and Technical Services and Director of Community Development Services about the error to be corrected on both welcome signs.  <b>22.11.2021 – Change the first word from Kaningaba to Naningaba, subject to confirmation from Groote linguist.</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.  1.02.21 - Completed – additional lighting to be reviewed in the February period.  12.05.2021 – 3 or 4 light still out, will finalise by June 30 – Ongoing

## MILYAKBURRA ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>24.05.2021 – Ongoing – There is 5 lights currently out and 1 at the barge landing that is solar to be fix, Director of Infrastructure and Technical Services will be finalised by 30 June.</p> <p><b>22.11.2021 – Couple of street lights are still not working and need to be fixed as well as the solar light at the barge landing.</b></p>
Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government.		<p>25.05.2020 - Executive team and President had meeting with ALC just prior to COVID-19 – unable to hold community consultations.</p> <p>01.02.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>24.05.2021 - Ongoing, updated will be provided at next meeting.</p> <p><b>18.01.2020 – Remove from Action and move to general updates / future actions – as this will have a recurrent report every meeting</b></p>
Health Worker		<p>24.05.2021 – See about having a nurse come to Milyakburra for a permanent time, as they have the facilities for one.</p> <p>Dale Keehne, CEO has written to Health Minister regarding this concern, response has been received and they have advised that this will not be possible.</p> <p>Boarding school is going to be opening soon, will need to advocate for this happening.</p> <p><b>22.11.2021 – Ongoing.</b></p>

**MILYAKBURRA ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
<b>FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
Australia Post Services (Meeting – 27 July 2020)	That the Local Authority:  (a) Provide direction to the Director Community Development that there is community interest in Council providing Australia Post services in their community. (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. An expression of interest has been sent.	24.05.2021 – Ongoing  <b>22.11.2021 – Waiting to see when the option is available.</b>  <b>13.01.2021 – ITEM TO BE REMOVED AND ACTION WHEN REQUIRED</b>
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.	24.05.2021 – Ongoing.  <b>18.01.2022 – Ongoing no confirmation to date received.</b>
Barge road and Barge Landing		25.05.2020 – A costing outline has been provided to Local Authority for noting. The Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services to provide advice from ALC on options for funding the barge landing once received. To be incorporated in final proposal with ALC if approved. 24.05.2021 – Ongoing  <b>22.11.2021 – Waiting confirmation from ALC as part of new college project – Budget forecast presented earlier in 2021 – to form part of the boarding project requirements – remove from Action List.</b>



## RAMINGINING ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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.	12.05.2021 – Ongoing  12/10/2021 – LA are still deciding what way they would like to proceed with.
01/2020 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.	<b>17.01.2022 – The CDC to work with the members and provide update (list of items) on the next LA meeting.</b>  25.01.21 – The Local Authorities resolution has been shared with the Department of Chief Minister.  12.05.2021 – Email was received, stating that there is no action regarding the Kava Pilot – Ongoing  19.05.2021 – Updated has been provided to the Local Authority Members, with further updates to come.  15.11.2021 – A separate report was presented by the CEO in the meeting.  <b>17.01.2022 – The CEO will provide further updates in the next meeting. The LA will continue to discuss Kava with the community.</b>
Community Oval Stage	Extend the Community Oval Stage and construct a stage at the Church grounds. \$200,000	18.01.2021 Design and engineering being finalised for market release – release due end of November with Construction anticipated February – March 2021  12.05.2021 – Ongoing  19.05.2021 – Project update will be provided at next Local Authority Meeting. Design stage is currently in the process.

## RAMINGINING ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>15.11.2021 – Construction of lights will begin in January. Ongoing. Quotation will go out in a few weeks. Local authority to put LA money of \$138,934.00 to the community oval stage project.</p> <p><b>17.01.2022 - Request for Tender (RFT) for Lighting to be released in two weeks due to capacity and staff leave over the Christmas period.</b></p> <p><b>Request For Tender (RFT) documents for the stage to be released to market end of February.</b></p>
Landfill Trench for Clothing		<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Awaiting calendar schedule from YBE/NEAL – Ongoing</p> <p>19.05.2021 – Calendar will be provided at next Local Authority Meeting.</p> <p>15.11.2021 – Ongoing. An update will be provided in the next Council meeting.</p> <p><b>17.01.2022 – Contractor to return with heavy equipment at the end of the wet season – ETA around March dependant on the season duration.</b></p>

**RAMINGINING ACTIONS**

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
White Line Markings on Bitumen Roads		<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>25.01.21 – CDC to provide an update to the Local Authority about when the equipment will be in Raminingining.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Unit still at Gapuwiyak – ongoing 12/05/2021 – Still awaiting MS Gapuwiyak to finalise works – overdue.</p> <p>15.11.2021 – The machine will reach Raminingining in the next two weeks. All other material and equipment are ready. The job should take two weeks to finish.</p> <p>17.01.2022 – Line marking still not completed in Galiwinku by local MS staff, waiting on break in weather to finish– unit will be relocated to Raminingining once completed.</p>

**RAMINGINING ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
Community Entrance Signage Project	<p>The Local Authority has approved:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>c) That both signs will have 'Welcome to Ramingining' with the artwork being the prominent feature of the sign.</p> <p>d) For the population of the community to be incorporated into the sign design.</p>	<p>18.01.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Design has been given to sign writers – Awaiting final scan design – Ongoing</p> <p>12/10/2021 – Design is currently in Darwin awaiting printing.</p> <p><b>17.01.2022 – Sign has arrived in the community. The location needs to be approved by the Traditional Owners.</b></p> <p><b>CDC and Cr Jason to consult with Traditional Owners for location and seek approval for installation in the approved area from the Director of Technical and Infrastructure services.</b></p>
Street Naming for New Subdivision	That the Ramingining Local Authority Members consult further with Traditional Owners and the wider community and provide a list to the Director Technical and Infrastructure services through the Community Development Coordinator for tabling in the next LA meeting.	



## UMBAKUMBA ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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.	12.05.2021 - two stages of the footpaths, stage 1 has been completed and awaiting for the commencement of stage 2 - Ongoing  30.06.2021 - Stages 1, 2, 3 currently out to tender - Ongoing  19.06.2021 - Tender released to the market for the 3 stages or locations approved - pricing was outside with no local submissions received - tender re advertised.  <b>24.11.2021 – Local Authority made resolution today to go to the December Council meeting.</b>
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 join Anindilyakwa Regional Local Government Authority meeting and end of year event to be held in Nhulunbuy and a biannual meeting for the Anindilyakwa Local Authorities.	12.05.2021 - Ongoing  12/10/2021 – Ongoing  30.06.2021 – Ongoing  <b>24.11.2021 – Ongoing. Some concerns were raised by Milyakburra and Umbakumba to have paintings of Anindilyakwa leaders on the outside of the building, but ok to have them all paintings/artworks inside. Will discuss this point with Angurugu Local Authority.</b>
146/2020 Questions from Members	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 & Disability Services to provide and update to the Local Authority.	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.  12.05.2021 - Ongoing  30.06.2021 - Ongoing - Update provided to Council.  <b>24.11.2021 – Director Community Development to arrange for next LA in January.</b>

## UMBAKUMBA ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Community Entrance Signage Project - Umbakumba	That Local Authority members review the tablet Community Entry signs and provide feedback on the structure of the informal and design of the sign specific for the Umbakumba community entrance following this meeting.	18.01.2021 - Drone photos taken of Umbakumba for the signage - Local Authority members to choose picture and advise Community Development Coordinator. 12/10/2021 - Ongoing - design confirmed and being manufactured. <b>24.11.2021 – Awaiting response on final design.</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. 12.05.2021 - Director of Community Development to provided update at next meeting. 30.06.2021 - Ongoing - Update provided to Council <b>24.11.2021 – Awaiting appointment of replacement principal.</b>
FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD	ACTIONS	STATUS
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. 30.06.2021 - Ongoing - Update provided to Council. <b>24.11.2021 – Ongoing.</b>

**UMBAKUMBA ACTIONS**

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Widen Cemetery Road		<p>27.05.2020 - The Director of Technical &amp; 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.</p> <p>18.01.2021 - Future 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.</p> <p><b>24.11.2021 – Ongoing. To be finalised between ALC and NTG.</b></p>

## YIRRKALA ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
163/2021 Corporate Services Report	That the Local Authority: Requests the Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to have discussions with Rirratjingu on options to improve the public announcement system coverage in Yirrkala.	12.05.2021 – Ongoing. <b>25.11.2021 – Ongoing. Gained permission from Rirratjingu to place speaker on their office building. Quotation being sourced.</b>
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.	12.05.2021 – Ongoing. <b>25.11.2021 – Ongoing.</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.	12.05.2021 – Email was received, stating that there is no action regarding the Kava Pilot – Ongoing <b>25.11.2021 – A separate report on this topic will be presented by the CEO in the meeting.</b>



**YIRRKALA ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
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 all Local Authorities. c) Requests that the CEO investigates more flexibility in payment of Local Authority sitting fees.	12.05.2021 – Ongoing  <b>25.11.2021 – Sitting fees are paid by the next day of the meeting or the second day for people who bank with a minor bank. Will continue to raise in discussion with NT Government on the important role Local Authority plays, and advocate for consistent payments across all board of EARC.</b>
139/2020 Technical and Infrastructure Report	That the Local Authority reviews and advises the design for the sports oval signage at the next Local Authority meeting.- no options have been communicated at this stage.	12.05.2021 – Ongoing  <b>25.11.2021 –To be discussed in the January meeting.</b>
Children's Playground \$60,000		18.01.2021 – application lodged with the NLC for approval to construct – awaiting consultative forum. 12.05.2021 – Ongoing <b>25.11.2021 – Was not approved. Will be discussed again in six month time.</b>

YIRRKALA ACTIONS		
ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Church Lawn Lights Church Security		<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>01.10.2020 – 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> <p>12.05.2021 – out for pricing at the moment – Ongoing.</p> <p><b>25.11.2021 – Electrical work completed, quotes are finalised for carpentry work which will commence before Christmas and paintings will be done after Christmas.</b></p>

**YIRRKALA ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
<b>FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
Yirrkalā Future Actions/ Advocacy	Marine Navigation Lights at Yirrkalā 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  12.05.2021 – Ongoing  <b>25.11.2021 - Ongoing</b>

**Yirrkalā Public Infrastructure Projects**

(as proposed by the Local Authority at its meeting of 3 December 2020)		
<b>Medium to Large Scale Priorities</b>	<b>Smaller Scale Priorities</b>	
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	Local Authority request attendance in the next Rirraringu board meeting to discuss priority projects and need for approval at the second round of NLC board meeting.

**LOCAL AUTHORITIES**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	10.2
<b>TITLE</b>	Unconfirmed Minutes from Local Authority and Committee Meetings and Membership and Resignation of Local Authority
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1582960
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

**SUMMARY:**

This report provides to Council copies of minutes from Local Authority and Committee meetings and also lists the membership and resignation in each of the East Arnhem Regional Council communities.

**BACKGROUND**

In accordance with item 13 of Guideline 1, 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**

Local Authority Meetings were scheduled at the following communities in January 2022:

**Angurugu –**

25 January 2022	Postponed and then Cancelled due to Covid-19	-
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**Galiwin'ku –**

20 January 2022	Postponed and then Cancelled due to Covid-19	-
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**Gapuwiyak –**

21 January 2022	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Gunyangara –**

28 January 2022	Postponed and then Cancelled due to Covid-19	-
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**Milingimbi –**

18 January 2022	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Milyakburra –**

24 January 2022	Postponed and then Cancelled due to Covid-19	-
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**Ramingining –**

17 January 2022	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Umbakumba –**

31 January 2022	Postponed and then Cancelled due to Covid-19	-
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**Yirrkala –**

27 January 2022	Postponed and then Cancelled due to Covid-19	-
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The Finance Committee meeting was held on 19 January 2022.

Unconfirmed minutes for the Finance Committee meeting are attached.

**Local Authority Membership:****Gapuwiyak Local Authority:**

The following resignation was received:

**Local Authority member Michael Wunungmurra.**

**Milyakburra Local Authority:**

The following nominations were received:

1. **Elvis Bara**
2. **Steven Lalara**
3. **Tasma Lalara**
4. **Conroy Mamarika**
5. **Ainsley Wurramara**
6. **Lucille Wurramara**

These nominations will be considered at the Local Authority meetings in March 2022 and will then endorsed nominations will be presented to Council at the April 2022 Council meeting for approval.

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council:**

- a) **Notes the unconfirmed minutes from the Local Authority and Committee meetings.**
- b) **Accepts the resignation of the Gapuwiyak Local Authority member Michael Wunungmurra.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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- 4 [!\[\]\(92c0229b1b18d695c62b7ee87076b02f\_img.jpg\)](#) Finance Committee 2022-01-19 [1749] Minutes.DOCX
- 5 [!\[\]\(ee9978c30678ad4e518b00a570930ae0\_img.jpg\)](#) Gapuwiyak - LA Resignation 20.01.2022.pdf



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

**21 January 2022**

MINUTES OF GAPUWIYAK LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD VIA VIDEO  
CONFERENCE ON FRIDAY, 21 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Trudy Wunungmurra, Local Authority Members, Maymuru Ricky Guyula, Ivan Wanambi, Jessica Wunungmurra, Thomas Guyula, Freddie Ganambarr and Councillor Bobby Wunungmurra.

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Andrew Walsh – Acting CEO & Director Community Development  
Natasha Jackson - Acting Director Technical and Infrastructure Services  
Anesuishe Hector – Community Development Coordinator

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:17AM and welcomed all members and guests.

**PRAYER**

Prayer was performed by Trudy Wunungmurra

**Apologies**

**3.1 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 Local Authority gives permission for.

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

219/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jessica Wunungmurra/Thomas Guyula)

That Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the absence of Simon Gawirrin and Michael Wunungmurra.
- (b) Notes the apology received from Simon Gawirrin.
- (c) Notes Simon Gawirrin and Michael Wunungmurra are absent with permission of the Local Authority.

**3.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP**

**SUMMARY:**

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

220/2022 **RESOLVED** (Ivan Wanambi/Ricky Guyula)

The Local Authority:

- a) Notes the member list and calls for new members to fill up existing vacancies.

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- b) Notes the resignation of Michael Wunungmurra.

**Conflict of Interest**

**4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

221/2022 **RESOLVED** (Ivan Wanambi/Jessica Wunungmurra)

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

**Previous Minutes**

**5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

222/2022 **RESOLVED** (Ricky Guyula/Thomas Guyula)

That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the meeting of 19 November 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.

**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.

223/2022 **RESOLVED** (Ricky Guyula/Thomas Guyula)

That the Local Authority:

- a) 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) Request the Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to assess the Gapuwiyak basketball court lights timing schedule and confirm with the LA members appropriate scheduling.



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**Guest Speakers**

**7.1 GUEST SPEAKERS**

**SUMMARY:**

Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) presents a brief on the upcoming Federal Election and the Importance of Community participation in this. There are also discussions on multiple Temporary Election Work Opportunities.

224/2022 **RESOLVED** (Ivan Wanambi/Thomas Guyula)

**The Local Authority:**

- (a) Thanks the guest speakers for their presentation.
- (b) Encourages AEC to explore partnerships with other stakeholders in Gapuwiyak.
- (c) Supports the Director – Community Development to enter into further discussion with AEC around solutions and/or partnerships to facilitate the federal election.

**General Business**

Cr Trudy Wunungmurra left the meeting, the time being 11:50 AM

Cr Trudy Wunungmurra returned to the meeting, the time being 11:56 AM

**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.

225/2022 **RESOLVED** (Thomas Guyula/Jessica Wunungmurra)

**The Local Authority notes the CEO report.**

**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.

226/2022 **RESOLVED** (Ivan Wanambi/Thomas Guyula)

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

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**8.3 STREET NAMING FOR GAPUWIYAK SUBDIVISION STAGE 2 & STAGE 3**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is for discussion on suggested road names for Stage 2 & 3 subdivision in Gapuwiyak to submit to the NT Place Names Committee for consideration.

**227/2022 RESOLVED (Thomas Guyula/Jessica Wunungmurra)**

The Local Authority recommends the following street names to submit to the NT Place names Committee for consideration:

- a) Road 1 – Dhurrbinda (meaning - a bush plum)
- b) Road 2 – Dhayarmirri (meaning – a small river for locals to swim)

Cr Freddie Ganambarr left the meeting, the time being 12:19 PM

Cr Freddie Ganambarr returned to the meeting, the time being 12:20 PM

**8.4 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**228/2022 RESOLVED (Thomas Guyula/Ivan Wanambi)**

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

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

18 March 2022

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting ended at 12:26PM.

This page and the preceding 4 pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Meeting held on Friday, 21 January 2022.



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

**18 January 2022**

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD VIA VIDEO  
CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY, 18 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair, Robert Yirapawanga, Local Authority Members Rosetta Wayatja, Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, and President Lapulung Dhamarrandji

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Andrew Walsh – Acting CEO & Director Community Development  
Natasha Jackson - Acting Director Technical and Infrastructure Services  
Hannah Siberstein – Community Development Coordinator  
Jennifer Newton – Community Development Coordinator

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**MEETING OPENING**

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

**PRAYER**

Prayer was performed by Cr Lapulung Dhamarrandji.

**Apologies**

**3.1 APOLOGIES AND ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**168/2022 RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Rosetta Wayatja)**

**That Local Authority:**

- (a) Notes the absence of Joanne Baker and Rowena Gaykamangu.**
- (b) Notes the apology received from Joanne Baker.**
- (c) Notes Joanne Baker is absent with permission of the Local Authority.**
- (d) Determines Rowena Gaykamangu absent without permission of the Local Authority.**

**3.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**169/2022 RESOLVED (Arthur Murrupu/Boaz Baker)**

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



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CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY, 18 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

Conflict of Interest

**4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**170/2022 RESOLVED (Rosetta Wayatja/Robert Yirapawanga)**

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

Previous Minutes

**5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**171/2022 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Arthur Murrupu)**

**That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the meeting of 16 November 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.**

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.

**172/2022 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Robert Yirapawanga)**

**That the Local Authority note the progress of actions from the previous meetings, new actions and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.**

**MEETING BREAKS AT 11:15AM**

**173/2022 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Robert Yirapawanga)**

**MEETING RESUMES AT 11:50AM**

**174/2022 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Robert Yirapawanga)**

Arthur Murrupu left the room at 11:50am

Arthur Murrupu returned to the room at 12:08pm

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD VIA VIDEO  
CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY, 18 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**Guest Speakers**

**7.1 GUEST SPEAKERS**

**SUMMARY:**

Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) presents a brief on the upcoming Federal Election and the Importance of Community participation in this. There are also discussions on multiple Temporary Election Work Opportunities.

**175/2022 RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Arthur Murrupu)**

**The Local Authority:**

- (a) Thanks the guest speakers for their presentations.
- (b) Encourages AEC to explore partnerships with the CDP provider ALPA.
- (c) Supports the Director – Community Development to enter into further discussion with AEC around solutions and/or partnerships to facilitate the federal election on going.

**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.

**176/2022 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Arthur Murrupu)**

**The Local Authority notes the CEO report.**

**8.2 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.

**177/2022 RESOLVED (Arthur Murrupu/Rosetta Wayatja)**

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

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD VIA VIDEO  
CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY, 18 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

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**8.3 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

178/2022 **RESOLVED** (Arthur Murrupu/Robert Yirapawanga)

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

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

15 March 2022

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting ended at 12:32pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 18 January 2022.



## Mission

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### Core Values

Respect  
Professionalism  
Human Dignity  
Organisational Growth  
Equity  
Community

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

**17 January 2022**



MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD VIA VIDEO  
CONFERENCE ON MONDAY, 17 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair, Councillor Jason Mirritjawuy and Local Authority Members John Djoma, Gilbert Walku, Lizzy Mindhili, Judith Dhuru, Daphne Malibirr and Councillor Robert Yawarngu

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Andrew Walsh – Acting CEO & Director Community Development  
Natasha Jackson - Acting Director Technical and Infrastructure Services

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:08AM and welcomed all members and guests.

**PRAYER**

**Apologies**

**3.1 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCE 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 Local Authority gives permission for.

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

**210/2022 RESOLVED (Judith Dhuru/John Djoma)**

**That Local Authority:**

- (a) Notes the absence of Dorothy Wiliyawuy and Lloyd Garrawurra.
- (b) Notes the apology received from Lloyd Garrawurra.
- (c) Notes Dorothy Wiliyawuy and Lloyd Garrawurra are absent with permission of the Local Authority.
- (d) Requests the Community Development Coordinator to follow up with Dorothy Wiliyawuy regarding her resignation.

**3.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**211/2022 RESOLVED (Gilbert Walkuli/Lizzy Mindhili)**

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

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD VIA VIDEO  
CONFERENCE ON MONDAY, 17 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**Conflict of Interest**

**4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

212/2022 **RESOLVED** (Robert Yawarngu/John Djoma)

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

**Previous Minutes**

**5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

213/2022 **RESOLVED** (Robert Yawarngu/Gilbert Walkuli)

That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the meeting of 15 November 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.

**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.

214/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jason Mirritjawuy/John Djoma)

That the Local Authority note the progress of actions from the previous meetings, new actions and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.

**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.

215/2022 **RESOLVED** (Lizzy Mindhili/Daphne Malibirr)

The Local Authority notes the CEO report

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD VIA VIDEO  
CONFERENCE ON MONDAY, 17 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

## **8.2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

### **SUMMARY:**

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

216/2022 **RESOLVED** (Judith Dhuru/Gilbert Walkuli)

That Local Authority notes the report.

### **BREAK AT 11:AM**

217/2022 **RESOLVED** (Judith Dhuru/Gilbert Walkuli)

### **MEETING RESUMES AT 11:14AM**

218/2022 **RESOLVED** (Judith Dhuru/Gilbert Walkuli)

### **Guest Speakers**

## **7.1 GUEST SPEAKERS**

### **SUMMARY:**

Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) presents a brief on the upcoming Federal Election and the Importance of Community participation in this. There are also discussions on multiple Temporary Election Work Opportunities.

219/2022 **RESOLVED** (Robert Yawarngu/Gilbert Walkuli)

The Local Authority:

- a) Thanks the guest speakers for their presentations.
- b) Recognises the importance of indigenous voice and voting. And supports the Director of Community Development to hold further discussion with the AEC around possible solution and partnership to facilitate the federal election.

## **8.3 STREET NAMING FOR NEW SUBDIVISION - RAMINGINING**

### **SUMMARY:**

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

220/2022 **RESOLVED** (John Djoma/Lizzy Mindhili)

That the Ramingining Local Authority Members consult further with Traditional Owners and the wider community and provide a list to the Director Technical and Infrastructure services through the Community Development Coordinator for tabling in the next LA meeting.

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD VIA VIDEO  
CONFERENCE ON MONDAY, 17 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

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**8.4 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

221/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jason Mirritjawuy/John Djoma)

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

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

14 March 2022

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting ended at 11:56AM.

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## **MINUTES FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**19 January 2022**

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE  
ON WEDNESDAY, 19 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**MEETING OPENING – 10:18AM**

**ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

**Attendance:**

In the Chair President Lapulung Dhamarrandji, Deputy President Gordon Walsh, Councillors Bobby M Wunungmurra, Robert Yawarngu and Kaye Thurlow.

**East Arnhem Regional Council Officers:**

Andrew Walsh – Acting CEO & Director Community Development  
Michael Freeman – Corporate Services Manager  
Ritesh Parikh – Finance Manager

Minute Taker: Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**Apologies:**

The Committee notes that Cr Constantine Mamarika sent an apology.

**Declaration of Interest**

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

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**5.1 FINANCE REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**RESOLVED (Bobby M Wunungmurra/Kaye Thurlow)**

**That the Finance Committee:**

- a) Approves the Finance Report for the period ended on 31 December 2021.
- b) Requested the presence of Directors in the Council meeting so that they can talk in more details regarding variances in the finance reports.

The meeting closed at 10:39AM.

This page is the minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 19 January 2022.



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### Local Authority Resignation Letter

I, Michael Wunungmurra

Wish to resign from my position as an East Arnhem Regional Council Local Authority Member at Gapuwiyak Community.

Regards

Signature: Michael

Date: 20/01/2022

Please send signed copy to [EARGovernance@eastarnhem.nt.gov.au](mailto:EARGovernance@eastarnhem.nt.gov.au)

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☒ Yes. Date: 21/01/2022

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☐ Yes. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ Yes. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**ITEM NUMBER** 16.1  
**TITLE** Correspondence Register  
**REFERENCE** 1569065  
**AUTHOR** Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning & Policy Officer

**DOCUMENT DETAILS REPORT****Incoming Correspondence**

Document ID	Document Name
1569064	2021-12-23 Re Correspondence from Councillor Yirmal Marika
1577148	Dept of Environment Parks and Water Security - Consultation on NTSWP - 18.01.2022.pdf
1568450	Electoral Commissioner - Re Resignations and Filling of Two Councillors - 20.12.2021.pdf.pdf
1569097	Minister for Local Government - Congratulations on Tidy Town Awards 2021 -23.12.2021.pdf
1579005	Selena Uiibo MLA - Congratulation to Lapulung Dhamarrandji - 12.01.2022.pdf
1579004	Selena Uiibo MLA - Thank You Letter to Banambi Wunungmurra - 12.01.2022.pdf

**Outgoing Correspondence**

Document ID	Document Name
1569062	Attendance in Council Meeting in December 2021 – Yirmal Marika
1569063	Attendance in Council Meeting in December 2021 – Evelynna Dhamarrandji
1574692	Letter of Support for NintiOne 13 Jan 21 .pdf
1566412	Letter to Electoral Commissioner - Notice of Casual Vacancies - 15.12.2021.pdf

**Funding Correspondence**

Document ID	Document Name
1573220	Minister for Local Government - Approval of LG Immediate Priority Grant - 11.01.2022.pdf
1578339	Minister for Women - Successful Application of International Women's Day Grant -19.01.2022.pdf
1579010	The Chief Minister an Cabinet - IPG Offer for Galiwinku-Buthan Priority Link Footpath -12.01.2022.pdf
1567313	Grant 1688 - Dept CMC, Local Authority Project Funding 2021-2022 - Acceptance Signed
1567314	Grant 1688 - Dept CMC, Local Authority Project Funding 2021-2022 - Funding Advice Nov 2021
1569164	Letter to Maree DeLacey Re LAP Funds 23 Dec 21.pdf

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council note the ingoing and outgoing correspondence register.**



**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 [↓](#) Minister for Local Government - Approval of LG Immediate Priority Grant - 11.01.2022.pdf
- 2 [↓](#) Dept of Environment Parks and Water Security - Consultation on NTSWP - 18.01.2022
- 3 [↓](#) Electoral Commissioner - Re Resignations and Filling of Two Councilors - 20.12.2021.pdf
- 4 [↓](#) Minister for Local Government - Congratulations on Tidy Town Awards 2021 - 23.12.2021
- 5 [↓](#) Minister for Women - Successful Application of International Womens Day Grant - 19.01.2022
- 6 [↓](#) Selena Uibo MLA - Congratulation to Lapulung Dhamarrandji - 12.01.2022
- 7 [↓](#) Selena Uibo MLA - Thank You Letter to Banambi Wunungmurra - 12.01.2022
- 8 [↓](#) The Chief Minister and Cabinet - IPG Offer for Galiwinku-Buthan Priority Link Footpath - 12.01.2022
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RECEIVED  
11 JAN 2022

Mr Dale Keehne  
Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council  
PO Box 1060  
NHULUNBUY NT 0881

Dear Mr Keehne

*Dale*

Thank you for the funding application submitted for the Local Government Immediate Priority Grants for 2021-22.

I am pleased to advise that I have approved the following Local Government Immediate Priority Grant to your council:

- \$470 000 – towards the construction of a Galiwinku-Buthan Priority Link Footpath.

Your council will receive further correspondence from the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet regarding payment of this grant.

Yours sincerely

CHANSEY PAECH





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18 January 2022

Dale Keehne  
CEO  
East Arnhem Regional Council  
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Dear Dale

**Re: Consultation on Northern Territory Strategic Water Plan Directions Paper closing 4 February 2022**

As an organisation with an interest in water security for the Territory, I would like to encourage East Arnhem Regional Council to provide feedback on the Northern Territory Strategic Water Plan Directions Paper.

The Northern Territory Government has committed to developing the Territory's first, comprehensive Strategic Water Plan and we want to ensure that as many people and organisations as possible contribute to this significant policy.

Submissions on the directions paper will close on **Friday 4 February 2022**.

You can download and read the directions paper, and complete the feedback survey by going to [haveyoursay.nt.gov.au/directionspaper](https://haveyoursay.nt.gov.au/directionspaper). Alternatively, you can provide a written response by email to: [watersecurity.ntg@nt.gov.au](mailto:watersecurity.ntg@nt.gov.au).

If you require more time for your submission or would like to discuss the directions paper you can contact the Office of Water Security on 08 8924 4164.

I look forward to hearing your views on how we can ensure a secure water future for the Territory.

Yours sincerely

**Simon Cruickshank**

A/Executive Director, Water Resources Division



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Dale Keehne  
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Via Email: [Dale.keehne@eastarnhem@nt.gov.au](mailto:Dale.keehne@eastarnhem@nt.gov.au)

Dear Dale

***Notification of resignation and filling casual vacancies – East Arnhem Regional Council***

Thank you for your letter of 15 December 2021 advising of the resignation (effective immediately) of two Councillors, Mr Gilbert Alimankinni (Gumurr Gattjirr Ward) and Mr Jason Butjala (Gumurr Miyarrka Ward).

Section 54(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act (NT)* (Act) requires a by-election to be held where a casual vacancy occurs 18 months or more before the next general election. The by-election must be held within four months from notification of the vacancy. A by-election is required for each ward.

Under Section 137(7) of the Act council may appoint the CEO or another person (other than the electoral commissioner) to be the returning officer for the by-election, the process to be followed including passing the resolution and notifying the electoral commissioner is set out in section 136 of the Act. If a person is not appointed the by-election is to be conducted as decided by the electoral commissioner.

The NT Electoral Commission will be in contact with your office from 17 January 2022 to confirm arrangements and to discuss the timing of the by-elections.

Yours sincerely

Iain Loganathan

Electoral Commissioner 20 December 2021

Copy:

Maree DeLacey, Executive Director, Local Government and Regional Development

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Mr Dale Keehne  
Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council

Via email: [dale.keehne@eastarnhem.nt.gov.au](mailto:dale.keehne@eastarnhem.nt.gov.au)

Dear Mr Keehne *Dale,*

I am writing to congratulate East Arnhem Regional Council on its receipt of the Resource Recovery Award at the 2021 Territory Sustainable Community Tidy Towns (SCTT) Awards.

The SCTT Award recognises outstanding efforts towards the achievement of sustainable development outcomes. As an award winner, East Arnhem Regional Council has been recognised for its contribution to positive outcomes in the East Arnhem region.

The Resource Recovery Award acknowledges the significant work undertaken by East Arnhem Regional Council to promote sustainability in the East Arnhem region through waste management practices.

I extend a sincere congratulations to the East Arnhem Regional Council on this fantastic achievement.

Yours sincerely

CHANSEY PAECH

*23/12/2021*





## MINISTER FOR WOMEN

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Mr Michael Freeman  
East Arnhem Regional Council  
PO Box 1060  
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Dear Mr Freeman

Thank you for your application for an International Women's Day Grant for 2022. I am pleased to advise that your application has been successful.

The 2022 International Women's Day grants program was very competitive and funding applications received far exceeded the total funding available. The Northern Territory Government are funding a range of events that encourage women's participation, celebrate women's diversity and achievement, and encourage reflection and discussion on a range of women's issues.

I am pleased to be able to offer congratulations on obtaining \$3,000 to assist with your 2022 International Women's Day events at Galiwinku, Gapuwiyak, Millingimbi and Ramingining.

A representative from the Office of Gender Equity and Diversity will be in touch with you shortly to make arrangements for you to receive this grant. I wish you every success with your event.

Yours sincerely

LAUREN MOSS

19 JAN 2022



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Lapulung Dhamarrandji  
President East Arnhem Regional Council  
Po Box 1060  
Nhulunbuy NT 0881

12 January 2022

*Lapulung*  
Dear Mr Dhamarrandji,

Congratulations on your election as the new President of the East Arnhem Regional Council. Community members are fortunate to have a well-known and respected leader with a deep understanding of East Arnhem in such an important role.

My hope is to establish a close working relationship with you and your colleagues in supporting the constituents of the Arnhem electorate especially in Gapuwiyak, Donydji Homelands, Raymangirr Homelands, Groote Eylandt and Bickerton Island.

With uncertain times during the COVID-19 pandemic for many of our shared constituents (and family relatives) it will be great to have direct contact with you as President for any urgent matters.

Please feel free to contact my Electorate Officer, Melina Davidson on (08) 8973 8780 or [electorate.arnhem@nt.gov.au](mailto:electorate.arnhem@nt.gov.au) with any further information.

Yours sincerely,

*Selena Uibo*

Selena Uibo MLA  
Member for Arnhem

*Looking forward to  
working together.*



Banambi Wunungmurra  
East Arnhem Regional Council  
Po Box 1060  
Nhulunbuy NT 0881

12 January 2022

Dear Mr *Banambi* Wunungmurra,

I would like to express my sincere appreciation for all the hard work you have contributed as the President of the East Arnhem Regional Council.

Your decade long service and leadership for the people in East Arnhem is admirable. From the amalgamation of the community councils East Arnhem Shire Council, then transitioning to East Arnhem Regional Council, you have advocated for the delivery and access to services for community members.

Please feel free to contact my Electorate Officer, Melina Davidson on (08) 8973 8780 or [electorate.arnhem@nt.gov.au](mailto:electorate.arnhem@nt.gov.au) with any further information.

Wishing you all the best in retirement.

Yours sincerely,

Selena Uiibo MLA  
Member for Arnhem

*Best wishes!*





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Mr Dale Keehne  
Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council  
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File reference: HCD2017/00200

Dear Mr Keehne

**RE: Local Government Immediate Priority Grant Offer 2021-22**

The Minister for Local Government, the Honourable Chansey Paech MLA has approved a Local Government Immediate Priority Grant totalling \$470 000 towards the construction of a Galiwinku-Buthan Priority Link Footpath.

This letter is formally offering a grant for the approved project. The grant is to be spent for the specific purpose approved by the Minister as per the scope of the project submitted in the funding application, and in accordance with the grant funding guidelines.

It is a condition of this grant that goods/services must be procured with this funding from a Territory enterprise, unless it can be proven through a competitive process that there are no suitable Territory enterprises able to supply the good or service. Details of this policy can be found at <http://buylocal.nt.gov.au>.

From 25 December 2021 vaccination requirements have also come into effect and apply to all Northern Territory Government grant recipients, requiring that recipients are double vaccinated. It is a condition of this grant that your Council must declare it is meeting the Northern Territory Government's vaccination requirements and must provide evidence if requested to do so.

This offer is to be accepted on the conditions outlined in the attached acceptance form. The acceptance form should be completed and returned to Ms Donna Hadfield, Manager Grants Program, at [lg.grants@nt.gov.au](mailto:lg.grants@nt.gov.au).

The approved grant is to be fully expended by 31 January 2023 with a project status report to be submitted by no later than 31 August 2022. The final grant acquittal is due by no later than 28 February 2023. Attached is an acquittal form for this purpose.

I extend my congratulations to the council on its successful participation in this grant program.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Maree de Lacey".  
MAREE DE LACEY  
Executive Director  
Local Government and Regional Development



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THE CHIEF MINISTER AND  
CABINET

East Arnhem Regional Council

Manager Grants Program  
Local Government and Regional Development  
Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet  
GPO Box 4621  
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Sir/Madam

**RE: ACCEPTANCE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMMEDIATE PRIORITY GRANT (IPG) FOR  
2021-22**

On behalf of the East Arnhem Regional Council the offer of an IPG for \$470 000 (Excl. GST) is accepted under the following terms and conditions.

- (a) Comply with all the conditions of the IPG grant funding guidelines.
- (b) Manage and expend the IPG in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2019* and the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*.
- (c) Purchase goods/services funded under this agreement on the requirements of the Northern Territory Government's Buy Local policy, unless it can be proven, through a competitive process that there is no suitable Territory enterprise able to supply the service.
- (d) Place the IPG in a **trust account**, according to details in GrantsNT.
- (e) Only use the IPG towards the construction of a Galiwinku-Buthan Priority Link Footpath; and in accordance with the scope and purpose of the project detailed in application number IPG2100031.
- (f) Absorb any costs above \$470 000 (Excl. GST).
- (g) Provide a project status report to the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet (the Department) by no later than 31 August 2022.
- (h) Acquit the grant as at 31 January 2023 using a statement titled "Local Government Immediate Priority Grant Acquittal" as issued on or before 28 February 2023.
- (i) Lay the acquittal before a council meeting and provide a copy of the meeting minutes.
- (j) Fully expend the IPG by 31 January 2023.
- (k) A breach in any of the terms and conditions may result in the Department, at its discretion, requesting funds to be repaid.

**NTG COVID-19 conditions of contract**

(a) In this section clause;

- i. "the contract" means the documents that constitute the final agreement between the parties, including this clause;

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ii. "exemption" means a certificate issued by the Commonwealth that certifies the person has a permanent or temporary contraindication to all approved COVID-19 vaccines (or such other certificate as is accepted by us from time to time);

iii. "fully vaccinated" means receiving two doses of an approved COVID-19 vaccine and includes a third or subsequent dose as recommended from time to time; and

iv. "personnel" includes all your officers (including board members and committee members), whether paid or unpaid, an incorporated association of volunteers, and your workers (as defined in s7 of the Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation Act 2011);

v. "we" and its other grammatical forms means the party to the contract that is the Northern Territory of Australia; and

vi. "you" and "your" means the party or parties to the contract that are not us.

(b) You acknowledge it is our policy that, from 25 December 2021, it is a prerequisite to entering into any contract with us that you and your personnel are fully vaccinated for COVID-19 or have an exemption.

(c) It is an essential term of the contract that:

i. you and your personnel who are located in the Northern Territory are fully vaccinated for COVID-19 or have evidence of an exemption;

ii. you maintain processes, systems and records (including a register if required) of your personnel's vaccination status and exemptions, and you promptly permit us to sight those processes, systems or records on our request; and

iii. you include in any subcontracts arising out of the contract substantially the same rights and obligations as this clause.

(d) Despite any other provision of the contract, in the event of your failure to comply with this clause, we may, at our discretion, do one or more of the following by written notice:

i. immediately suspend or reduce any payment to be made by us to you;

ii. recover from you a payment (or part of a payment) applicable to a period during which you failed to fully comply with this clause;

iii. immediately suspend or terminate the contract.

We will not be liable for, and you will not be entitled to, further payments, damages, compensation, or any other remedy, whether in contract, tort or equity, in connection with us having taken action under this sub-clause (d).

Yours faithfully

CEO  
/ /2022

CFO  
/ /2022



# East Arnhem Regional Council

## Acquittal of Local Government Immediate Priority Grant 2021-22

File Number: HCD2017/00200

Purpose of Grant: towards the construction of a Galiwinku-Buthan Priority Link Footpath.

Application Number: IPG2100031

Purchases were in accordance with the Northern Territory Buy Local Plan:

☐ Yes ☐ No

The NT Government's COVID19 Conditions of Contract were met:

☐ Yes ☐ No

(If no to either question above please provide a written explanation with this acquittal)

### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACQUITTAL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31 JANUARY 2023

Local Government Immediate Priority Grant \$470 000 (ex GST)

Other income \_\_\_\_\_

Total income \_\_\_\_\_

Expenditure (Specify accounts and attach copies of ledger entries)

An 'administration fee' is not to be apportioned to the grant for acquittal purposes.

Total Expenditure \_\_\_\_\_

Surplus/(Deficit) \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE PROJECT COMPLETED AS APPROVED BY THE MINISTER: ☐ Yes ☐ No

We certify, in accordance with all the conditions under which this grant was accepted, that the expenditure shown in this acquittal has been actually incurred and reports required to be submitted are in accordance with the stated purpose of this grant.

Acquittal prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_

Laid before the Council at a meeting held on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Copy of minutes attached.

CEO or CFO: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_

### DEPARTMENTAL USE ONLY

Grant amount correct: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Expenditure conforms to purpose: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Procurement - Bought from Territory Enterprise: ☐ Yes ☐ No

NTG COVID19 Conditions met: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Minutes checked: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Balance of funds to be acquitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Date next acquittal due: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

ACQUITTAL ACCEPTED: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Acquittal checked by: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_

Comments:

Donna Hadfield, Manager Grants Program \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_

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13 January 2022

Ethics Administrator Officer  
Menzies School of Health Research  
c/- [kate.wilson@nintione.com.au](mailto:kate.wilson@nintione.com.au)

Cc:

Jim Rogers  
Executive Director – East Arnhem  
Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet  
[Jim.rogers@nt.gov.au](mailto:Jim.rogers@nt.gov.au)

**Re: Confirmation of Support for the Monitoring and Evaluation of the  
Kava Importation Pilot**

Dear Sir or Madam,


East Arnhem Regional Council is the elected Aboriginal Community Controlled Local Government Organisation across the East Arnhem Region.

Council has been very aware and focused on the re-introduction of the legal sale of kava in the East Arnhem Region since the prospect of this was first raised over a year ago.

At its last meeting of Council on 16 December 2021 it was resolved:

That Council, given the now current legal importation of Kava into Australia strongly supports:

- a) The call by the Northern Territory Government for:
  1. Resources to support comprehensive and culturally sensitive community engagement, including to determine the benefits and risks of a reintroduction of regulated/controlled kava trading, and to ensure comprehensive education for consumers in relevant languages.
  2. Resources to support increased compliance in the Northern Territory, including increased policing and/or licensing and regulatory capacity to assist with regulated kava trade and/or to manage expected increased illicit supply.
  3. Increased and dedicated research into the health and socio-economic impacts of kava on vulnerable communities, families and individuals.

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4. A comprehensive and culturally sensitive monitoring and evaluation framework to understand any benefits, risks and impacts of the commercial kava pilot.
  - b) That all Yolngu and Anindilyakwa people of our communities and homelands have a strong voice and are heard on the important issue of the possible legal sale of kava in East Arnhem Land, through our Yolngu and Anindilyakwa Local Authorities, Aboriginal Community Controlled Local Government Council, and our engagement and partnership with other Aboriginal organisations, and Traditional Owners and Leaders, as an important matter for Local Decision Making.

I can confirm the support of Council for the Monitoring and Evaluation of the Kava Importation Pilot being led by the National Drug & Alcohol Research Centre (NDARC) and Ninti One Limited to proceed to full implementation, in line with the above resolution of Council.

Council has significant capacity to help support meaningful and thorough consultation in terms of indoor and outdoor meeting facilities, communication channels (radio, PA systems and large electronic screens), and Aboriginal Liaison and other local based staff and functioning Local Authorities in each community across the region.

We note the current priority to manage and mitigate the effect of the current spread of Covid-19, which may well require the monitoring and evaluation pilot to be delayed.

Council looks forward to the commencement of meaningful and thorough consultation, when possible. Please feel free to contact me to discuss how Council can collaborate to plan and support this very important initiative.

Yours sincerely,



Dale Keehne  
East Arnhem Regional Council

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15 December 2021

Iain Loganathan  
Electoral Commissioner  
GPO Box 2419  
Darwin, NT 0801

Dear Iain,

I am writing to inform of two casual vacancies at East Arnhem Regional Council.

In the Gumurr Gattjirrk Ward Mr Gilbert Alimankinni has resigned, effective 15 December 2021.

In the Gumurr Miyarrka Ward Mr Jason Butjala has resigned, effective 15 December 2021.

As per the Local Government Act section 53(c) I attach the two resignation notices.

As per the Local Government Act section 54(c) I understand that a by-election must be held in each ward. Council requests this be conducted as soon as practicable in 2022.

Yours sincerely,

Dale Keehne  
Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council

Cc  
Ms Maree De Lacey  
Executive Director  
Local Government and Regional Development  
Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet  
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Banambi Wunungmurra  
President  
East Arnhem Regional Council

Dale Keehne  
Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council

**Letter of Resignation**

Dear Banambi and Dale,

I wish to resign from my role as a Councillor for the Gumurr Gattjirrk Ward of East Arnhem Regional Council effective immediately.

Yours sincerely,

Gilbert Alimachinni  
  
Date: 15 DEC 2021



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Banambi Wunungmurra  
President  
East Arnhem Regional Council

Dale Keehne  
Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council

**Letter of Resignation**

Dear Banambi and Dale,

I wish to resign from my role as a Councillor for the Gumurr Miyarrka Ward of East Arnhem Regional Council effective immediately.

Yours sincerely,

Jason Butjala



Date: 15 Dec 2021



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**Re: Local Authority Project Funding**

Dear Maree,

Thank you for the letter of 29 November 2021 outlining the highly valued 2021/22 Local Authority Project Fund allocations. These funds are essential to realise a wide range of priority community infrastructure projects across all nine communities in East Arnhem Land.

These priority projects were determined through an extensive series of workshops with the Local Authority of each community, on the range of particular needs and interests of their community, local decisions on their small, medium and large project priorities, and later referral to and endorsement at an Essential Community Infrastructure Workshop of Council and Ordinary Council Meeting held in February 2021. The range of projects and total commitment from LAPF and additional Council funds to each community is detailed in the attached 'Stage 1, Local Authority Community Projects'.

The Stage 2 Projects are also listed that capture the next round of projects as decided by each Local Authority and endorsed by the Regional Council, which supports the role of Council in seeking additional necessary funds over time from the Northern Territory Government, Australian Government and other organisations.

This process of facilitating local based consultation, prioritisation, decision making and endorsement by the regional Council, and the addition of Council funds, has enabled LAP Funds accumulated over previous years to be spent on projects of greater scope and strategic significance, for the development of each community.

The number and range of concurrent community projects has, however, brought its own challenges in the timeframe required to complete them, particularly given the concurrent impact of Covid-19.



With most of the projects one of the key steps is seeking a range of staged approvals with the initial approval required by the associated Land Councils, or 99 year lease holder.

To date we have been able to secure approvals for a majority of the projects for the three communities of the Groote Archipelago through the Office of Township Leasing.

For the six Yolngu communities only the Traditional Owners of Yirrkala have been consulted to date. Further consultations are required in Yirrkala and Milingimbi, due to applications being either not supported or deferred, and Council awaiting executed documents for the Milingimbi projects.

The balance of the communities with extensive applications lodged since March/April 2021 remain unconcluded due to limitations on travel by Northern Land Council (NLC) officers into and across the region associated with Covid-19, and the availability of Northern Land Council officers.

Without these approvals we cannot progress to the next stage of approvals with Power and Water in addition to Northern Territory Government Lands and Planning. A schedule for the resumption of the consultations by the NLC is expected in February, as detailed in the advice to Shane Marshall, the EARC Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services below, received on the 8 December 2021. This is having a significant impact on progression of the majority of projects.

*Dear Shane,*

*As a stakeholder in the East Arnhem region with a number of Expression of Interest (EOI's) for tenure in various communities, I just wanted to update you in regards to the NLC's consultation plan for the New Year.*

*As all people in the Northern Territory would be aware, there have been a number restrictions placed on individuals and organisations in regards to movements because of the COVID19 pandemic.*

*These restrictions have been based on NTG CHO directions to limit the spread of COVID 19, particularly in regards to remote Indigenous communities.*

*This makes it difficult to carry out the statutory functions of the NLC in regards to consultation with Traditional Owners.*

*As the vaccinations rates increase in these areas and based on NTG health advice, the NLC envisages that community consultations may be able to be carried out in the New Year.*

*We will be holding an internal scheduling meeting in February to discuss priority meetings and how we can carry out our statutory function in a safe and appropriate manner.*

*Please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss further.*

*Regards*

*Project Coordinator*

*Regional Development*

*Northern Land Council*



Covid-19 has had a further impact on the capacity of Council to implement the range of Local Authority Projects, due to the impact on our ability to recruit an additional staff project management position. The approval of the range of projects by Council included approval to resource an additional staff member to assist the current technical and strategic project staff with planning and delivery of the projects.

The position was advertised initially in the March period with little or no appropriate candidates, given a major reduction in applicants linked to travel restrictions and a willingness to relocate, due to the range of Covid-19 restrictions. This negative impact of workforce availability has unfortunately been experienced generally, of course, across a range of organisations and industry sectors.

Council has been updated on this and were advised that if there is no improved interest in the recruitment evident by early January, a tender for project management assistance will be prepared over the break period and be released in the first week of the January period, for endorsement at either the finance committee (Delegation Manual Amendment) or a special council meeting late January.

In relation to acknowledgement of unspent funds of the previous funding years allocation outlined, a number of the funds can be actioned and for the most part are associated with project commitments already. However, some projects will require a time frame beyond the 28 February 2022. Due to timing of approvals and a need for a collective procurement approach for two of the main community priority one projects of water parks and toilet blocks, to release these on a singular market opportunity tender per location would raise a range of issues from standardisation of product and outcome, singular engineering applications which would for economies of scale be best to be released as a package opportunity.

Local Authority	LAPF allocations 2021-22	Expired LAPF 2016-17, 2017-18 & 2018-19	Actual amount
Angurugu	\$150 200	\$165 954	0
Galiwin'ku	\$341 100	0	\$341 100
Gapuwiyak	\$140 300	\$137 911	\$2 389
Gunyangara	\$33 600	\$2 062	\$31 538
Milingimbi	\$187 700	\$231 702	0
Milyakburra	\$30 100	0	\$30 100
Ramingining	\$135 400	\$171 598	0
Umbakumba	\$ 110 500	\$244 317	0
Yirrkala	\$ 113 300	\$182 901	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1 242 200</b>	<b>\$1 136 444</b>	<b>\$405 127</b>





The below are the communities that can have the allocated LAP Funds expended by the nominated date, with existing stage projects and current engagements.

#### **Angurugu**

This can be expended as the current expired funding is associated with a large scale footpath project with invoicing on completion active.

This funding and the completion of the Angurugu internal roads project has seen considerable delays due to an extended duration / completion of the Power and water sewerage upgrades.

#### **Gapuwiyak**

This can be expended as the current expired funding is associated with smaller priority projects with invoicing on completion awarded and active.

#### **Gunyangara**

This can be expended by the nominated date.

#### **Milingimbi**

This funding will need consideration for an extension until the 30 July for expenditure due to approval delays and a collective procurement approach.

#### **Ramingining**

This funding will need consideration for an extension until the 30 June as this is their primary project with allocated funding for the most part being committed to this project. Poles can be purchased by EARC as a supply exclusion element within the tender documentation.

#### **Umbakumba**

This funding will need consideration for an extension until 30 April as this is their primary project with a report and re-allocation of funds due to oval and selected township bores sustaining ground water pollution – with a report tabled to 24 November 2021 Local Authority meeting to re-allocate funds towards the priority footpaths stage one and two and a subsequent report to Council for the award of extended funding to the values of the below recommendation inclusive of LAPF allocations.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **That Council:**

- a) Endorse the recommendation to award T21-203412.1 – Umbakumba New Pedestrian Pathways and Crossings – 2<sup>nd</sup> Round to the recommended Contractor Betapave for \$701,452.00 (including GST) – this is for Stages 1 and 2 ONLY.



### Yirrkala

This funding will need consideration for an extension until 30 June as the dates need to be confirmed for next consultations by the Northern Land Council, which is yet to be confirmed as per the NLC advice.

Poles can be purchased by EARC as a supply exclusion element within the tender documentation to reduce the expired financial total, but this would need a consideration extension to the end of April.

Shane Marshall, our Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services and I are happy to provide further information or meet to discuss this response, as you wish.

Regards,

Dale Keehne  
Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council



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East Arnhem Regional Council

Manager Grants Program  
Local Government and Regional Development  
Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet  
GPO Box 4621  
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Madam

**RE: ACCEPTANCE OF LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING (LAPF) FOR 2021-22**

On behalf of the East Arnhem Regional Council the offer of LAPF totalling \$405 127 is accepted under the following terms and conditions.

- (a) Comply with all the conditions of the LAPF funding guidelines.
- (b) Manage and expend the LAPF in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2019*, and the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*.
- (c) Purchase goods/services funded under this agreement on the requirements of the Northern Territory Government's Buy Local policy, unless it can be proven, through a competitive process that there is no suitable Territory enterprise able to supply the service.
- (d) Place the LAPF in a **trust account**, according to details in GrantsNT until such time it is to be expended.
- (e) Only use the LAPF for local authority prioritised community projects in the following communities;
  - \$341 100 Galiwin'ku
  - \$2 389 Gapuwiyak
  - \$31 538 Gunyangara
  - \$30 100 Milingimbi
- (f) Absorb any costs above \$405 127.
- (g) Expend the funds allocated to each local authority on project/s in that area.
- (h) No transferal of funds between communities.
- (i) Fully expend the LAPF within two years of receipt of the funding otherwise failure to do so may result in the Department withholding any future payments of LAPF funding or request for unspent funding to be repaid.
- (j) Submit the LAPF annual certification as issued (copy attached) to the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet for year ending 30 June each year by 31 August each year.
- (k) Lay the certification before a council meeting and provide a copy of the council minutes.

Yours faithfully

CEO

A stylized black ink signature of the CEO.

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16/12/2021

CFO

*Michael Freeman*

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Chief Executive Officer  
East Arnhem Regional Council  
PO Box 1060  
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BY: .....

File reference HCD2017/00200-198

Dear Mr Keehne

**RE: Local Authority Project Funding 2021-22**

Following receipt and review of the East Arnhem Regional Council's (Council) Local Authority Project Funding (LAPF) Certifications as at 30 June 2021, I am pleased to offer the actual amount payable under the LAPF program to your Council for 2021-22 as follows:

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As indicated in the above table, Council's certifications have detailed unspent expired funds relating to the 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 financial years, totalling \$1 136 444. As such, payment of the 2021-22 allocation for the Angurugu, Gapuwiyak, Gunyangara, Milingimbi, Ramingining, Umbakumba and Yirrkala Local Authorities has been withheld at this stage with an approval given to Council for these expired funds to be rolled over and spent by 28 February 2022.



A certification for use of the expired funds is to be submitted by no later than 31 March 2022. If expired funds are fully spent a final offer and release of the withheld Local Authorities' 2021-22 funds will be made. However, should Council fail to finish and certify the completion of projects, the withheld component will be forfeited and not rolled over.

This offer of funding detailed in the table above is to be accepted on the conditions outlined in the attached acceptance form. The acceptance form should then be completed and returned to local government grants at [lg.grants@nt.gov.au](mailto:lg.grants@nt.gov.au) as soon as is practical.

All local government funding must be expended in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019, the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, Guidelines and the Northern Territory Government Buy Local Policy.

If you have any queries regarding the use of funds, please contact Mr Jim Rogers, Regional Executive Director, East Arnhem Region on 8987 0536.

If you have any questions regarding the grants administration, please contact Ms Donna Hadfield, Manager Grants Program on 8999 8820 or by email at [lg.grants@nt.gov.au](mailto:lg.grants@nt.gov.au)

Yours sincerely



MAREE DE LACEY  
Executive Director  
Local Government Regional Development



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Yours faithfully

CEO

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## LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING

### Certification of 2021/22 – East Arnhem Regional Council

Local Authority: XYZ Local Authority

Income and expenditure for the period ending 30 June 2022

LAPF Grant 2021-22	\$ _____
Other income/carried forward balance from 2020-21	\$ _____
Other income/carried forward balance from 2019-20	\$ _____
Total Income	\$ _____
Total Expenditure	\$ _____
Surplus/ (Deficit)	\$ _____

We certify that the LAPF was spent in accordance with,

- the projects submitted by the Local Authority; Yes ☐ No ☐
- the LAPF funding guidelines; Yes ☐ No ☐
- the Local Government Act 2019 and the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 Yes ☐ No ☐
- the Northern Territory Government's Buy Local policy Yes ☐ No ☐

Certification report prepared by...../...../20\_\_

The local authority projects formed part of the agenda and minutes of Council's ordinary council meeting and local authority meeting.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Laid before the Council at a meeting (held/to be held on) ...../...../20.... Copy of minutes attached

(Yes/TBA).

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(Yes/TBA).

CEO or CFO ...../...../20\_\_

### Departmental use only

Grant amount correct: Yes ☐ No ☐

Balance of funds to be spent \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date next certification ...../...../20\_\_

Certification accepted Yes ☐ No ☐

Comments

Grants Officer ...../...../20\_\_

Manager Grants Program ...../...../20\_\_