

**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>	1622338
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO

**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 line 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 March 2022:

**Angurugu**

24 May 2022	Proceeded as a Provisional Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Galiwin'ku**

19 May 2022	Proceeded as a Provisional Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Gapuwiyak**

20 May 2022	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Gunyangara**

03 June 2022	Cancelled due to sorry business	-
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**Milingimbi**

17 May 2022	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Milyakburra**

23 May 2022	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Ramingining**

02 June 2022	Proceeded as a Quorum Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Umbakumba**

25 May 2022	Proceeded as a Provisional Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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**Yirrkala**

26 May 2022	Proceeded as a Provisional Meeting	Unconfirmed Minutes Attached
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The Finance Committee meeting was held on 18 May 2022.

Unconfirmed minutes for the committee meetings are attached.

**The following nominations were received from the Local Authority:****Galiwinku**

Cyril Bukulatjri  
Jermaine Campbell

**Gapuwiyak**

Merril Guyula  
Alice Wanambi

**Milyakburra**

Nathaniel Murrungun  
Elliot Bara

**The following resignations were submitted from the Local Authority:****Angurugu**

Ronald Wurrawilya

**Milyakburra**

Lawrence Yantarranga  
Violet Huddleston

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 following nominations as members of their respective Local Authorities:
  - i. Cyril Bukulatjri
  - ii. Jermaine Campbell
  - iii. Merril Guyula
  - iv. Alice Wanambi
  - v. Nathaniel Murrungun
  - vi. Elliot Bara
- c) Accepts the resignation of:
  - i. Ronald Wurrawilya
  - ii. Lawrence Yantarranga
  - iii. Violet Huddleston

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- [1](#) [↓](#) Local Authority - Angurugu 2022-05-24 Minutes
- [2](#) [↓](#) Local Authority - Galiwinku 2022-05-19 Minutes
- [3](#) [↓](#) Local Authority - Gapuwiyak 2022-05-20 Minutes
- [4](#) [↓](#) Local Authority - Milingimbi 2022-05-17 Minutes
- [5](#) [↓](#) Local Authority - Milyakburra 2022-05-23 Minutes
- [6](#) [↓](#) Local Authority - Ramingining 2022-05-16 Minutes.
- [7](#) [↓](#) Local Authority - Umbakumba 2022-05-25 Minutes
- [8](#) [↓](#) Local Authority - Yirrkala 2022-05-26 Minutes
- [9](#) [↓](#) Finance Committee 2022-05-18 Minutes
- [10](#) [↓](#) Galiwinku Nominations - Cyril Bukulatjri and Jermaine Campbell
- [11](#) [↓](#) Gapuwiyak Nomination - Alice Wanambi
- [12](#) [↓](#) Gapuwiyak Nomination - Merril Guyula
- [13](#) [↓](#) Milyakburra Nomination - Nathaniel. Murrungun
- [14](#) [↓](#) Milyakburra Nomination - Elliot Barra
- [15](#) [↓](#) Angurugu Resignation - Ronald Wurrawilya



## Mission

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Professionalism  
Human Dignity  
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## **MINUTES FOR THE ANGURUGU LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISIONAL MEETING**

**24 May 2022**



MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISIONAL MEETING HELD IN THE  
ANGURUGU COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 24 MAY 2022 AT 9:00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Cr Gordon Walsh, Local Authority Member Gregory Mamarika, Jonathan Nunggumajbarr and Mathew Wurrawilyam.

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji.

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Dale Keehne – CEO

Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services

Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development

Divyan Ahimaz - A/Community Development Coordinator Angurugu & Umbakumba

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 9:34AM and welcomed all members and guests.

**Apologies**

**2.1 APOLOGIES AND ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**185/2022 RESOLVED (Gregory Mamarika/Mathew Wurrawilya)**

**That Local Authority:**

- (a) Notes the absence of Local Authority Member Marianne Walsh, Geraldine Amagula, Dorothea Lalara and Cr Constantine Mamarika.
- (b) Notes the apology received from Local Authority Member Marianne Walsh.
- (c) Notes Local Authority Member Marianne Walsh is absent with permission of the Local Authority.
- (d) Determines Local Authority Member Geraldine Amagula, Dorothea Lalara and Cr Constantine Mamarika are absent without permission of the Local.

**2.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**186/2022 RESOLVED (Gregory Mamarika/Mathew Wurrawilya)**

**The Local Authority:**

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- a) Notes the member list and calls for new members to fill up existing vacancies.
- b) Notes the verbal resignation received from Ronald Wurrawilya.
- c) Requests to check the attendance history of Member Geraldine Amagula and Dorothea Lalara.

Conflict of Interest

**3.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**187/2022 RESOLVED (Gregory Mamarika/Jonathan Nunggumajbarr)**

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

Previous Minutes

**4.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**UMMARY:**

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

**188/2022 RESOLVED (Jonathan Nunggumajbarr/Gregory Mamarika)**

**That the Local Authority defers this report until the next Ordinary Local Authority meeting of Angurugu.**

Local Authorities

**5.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**189/2022 RESOLVED (Gregory Mamarika/Jonathan Nunggumajbarr)**

**That the Local Authority note the progress of actions from the previous meetings and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.**

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**General Business**

**7.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT.**

**SUMMARY:**

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

190/2022 **RESOLVED** (Mathew Wurrawilya/Jonathan Nunggumajbarr)

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

**BREAKS FOR MORNING TEA AT 10:23AM**

191/2022 **RESOLVED** (Mathew Wurrawilya/Jonathan Nunggumajbarr)

**RESUMES AT 10:37AM**

192/2022 **RESOLVED** (Mathew Wurrawilya/Jonathan Nunggumajbarr)

**7.2 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 30 April 2022 within the Local Authority area.

193/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jonathan Nunggumajbarr/Mathew Wurrawilya)

**That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 30 April 2022.**

**7.3 DRAFT REGIONAL PLAN**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is to progress the Regional Plan.

194/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jonathan Nunggumajbarr/Gregory Mamarika)

**The Local Authority notes the proposed draft Annual Plan.**

**BREAKS AT 11:05AM**

195/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jonathan Nunggumajbarr/Gregory Mamarika)

**RESUMES AT 11:19AM**

196/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jonathan Nunggumajbarr/Gregory Mamarika)



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**MOVES TO CONFIDENTIAL AGENDA AT 11:19AM**

197/2022 **RESOLVED** (Gregory Mamarika/Mathew Wurrawilya)

**MOVES BACK TO OPEN AGENDA AT 11:44AM**

198/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jonathan Nunggumajbarr/Gregory Mamarika)

**7.5 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.

199/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jonathan Nunggumajbarr/Mathew Wurrawilya)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the CEO report.
- b) Does not support the pathway forward for Local Decision Making planned by the ARDS Aboriginal Corporation as advised on 29 April 2022.
- c) Supports the:

**Call for Recognition – Local & Regional Indigenous Voice and Decision Making**

We the Yolngu and Anindilyakwa people of East Arnhem Land call on the two Balanda (non-Indigenous) levels of Government of the Northern Territory and the Commonwealth of Australia, to recognise the authority of our First Nations peoples which we have had for millennia and was never extinguished.

Our community and homelands people are intertwined and deeply connected through the two pillars (moieties) of Dhuwa and Yirritja, our Bapurru (Clans), our Ringitj (Clan Alliances), our Land, our Song Lines, which extend and connect to Anindilyakwa.

We need a real heart to heart connection and partnership, and know we are stronger when we are united together – Yolngu to Yolngu and Yolngu to Balanda.

We recognise the role and authority of the two Balanda controlled governments, and you need to recognise the role and authority of our governance.

Our East Arnhem Regional Local Government Council is governed by up to 126 Members across 9 Local Authorities, which include 14 Councillors elected from 6 cultural based electoral wards, that are all connected through our clans, song lines, bloodlines, ceremony and family, to represent over 10,000 people, with an Aboriginal population over 90 per cent.

Our East Arnhem Regional (Land) Council, part of the broader Northern Land Council, is governed in North East Arnhem Land by 15 elected Members from 8 areas of across the Yolngu lands. Our Anindilyakwa Land Council has 23 elected Board Members from 14 Clans and 3 communities across the Anindilyakwa lands of the

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**Groote Archipelago.**

We also have many Aboriginal Corporations governed by Directors from across the Yolngu communities and areas outside of East Arnhem Land, like the Arnhem Land Progress Association, to Corporations with Directors across the whole East Arnhem Region like Miwatj Health, to Aboriginal Corporations with Directors based on areas within the region, like the Laynhapuy, Marthakal and Milingimbi Homelands to Clan based corporations like Gumatj, and Rirratjingu, and the Yothu Yindi Foundation, or linked to communities like Yalu in Galiwinku, Gongdal in Gapuwiyak or Aminjarrindja at Umbakumba. Each of our organisations (listed below) has its own special purpose and role and should be listened to.

Our Aboriginal Controlled Local Authorities and Regional Government Council, offers a bridge of commonality between our Yolngu and Anindilyakwa people and the Balanda (non-Indigenous) governments. A bridge to make sure the voices of our Land Councils and other Aboriginal organisations – our Traditional Owners, our Bapurru (Clan) Leaders, our young, and all our community and homeland members - are heard, and acted on.

We look forward to thorough and genuine engagement with the Australian Government's Local, Regional and National Indigenous Voice process across East Arnhem Land, and the accompanying opportunities of Closing the Gap. We also look forward to the review and updating of the Northern Territory Government's Local Decision Making policy and processes – to be properly aligned, and to allow for coordinated and practical engagement with both Balanda levels of government across East Arnhem Land.

We support a genuine partnership of Balanda government with our Aboriginal Community Controlled Government in unity with the Land Councils and all other Aboriginal organisations, with our shared sacred bond to respect and protect our Land, Traditional Owners, Clan Leaders and Culture.

Our strength of culture, capacity and unity will ensure different government plans and processes like the Federal Government's Indigenous Voice and Closing the Gap and NT Government's Local Decision Making – lead to real outcomes, led by the people, in the many different communities and homelands across East Arnhem Land.

The Makarrata ceremony comes from the traditional Yolngu Rom (law) of East Arnhem Land and we invite the Balanda (non-Indigenous) Federal and Northern Territory Governments to join us on country together, to overcome the divisions between us through real reconciliation, and start genuine truth telling, dialogue and understanding, to build a better future and nation for us all.

**East Arnhem Regional Alliance**

**Government**

**East Arnhem Regional Council**

**Land**

**East Arnhem Regional Council - Northern Land Council  
Anindilyakwa Land Council**



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<b>Aboriginal Corporations</b>	<b>Miwatj Health Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Arnhem Land Progress Association</b>
	<b>North East Arnhem Land Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Layhnapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Marthakal Homelands Resource Centre Aboriginal</b>
	<b>Corporation</b>
	<b>Milingimbi and Outstations Progress and Resource</b>
	<b>Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Gumatj Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Rirratjingu Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Yothu Yindi Foundation Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Lirrwi Yolngu Tourism Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Gong-Dal Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Yalu Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Aboriginal and Resource Development Services</b>
	<b>Groote Eylandt Aboriginal Trust</b>
	<b>Groote Eylandt and Bickerton Island Indigenous</b>
	<b>Enterprises</b>
	<b>Aminjarringa Aboriginal Corporation</b>
	<b>Lagulalya Aboriginal Corporation</b>

**QUESTIONS FROM MEMBER**

Can a meeting be arranged with NT Police to raise concerns about the treatment of community members.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

26 July 2022

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 12:12PM.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Provisional Meeting held on 24 May 2022 are to be confirmed on the Local Authority Ordinary meeting on 26 July 2022.



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

**19 May 2022**

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GALIWINKU COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY, 19 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the chair Councillors Kaye Thurlow, Local Authority Members Don Wininba, Virginia Ripa, Nancy Gudaltji.

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer.

Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services.

Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development.

Melissa Jones – Community Development Coordinator.

Ben Jones - Environmental Projects and Communication Officer (For Waste Services report - update on asbestos projects)

Ritesh Parikh – Finance Manager (For Corporate Services and Draft Regional Plan reports)

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**

Nancy Gudaltji opened the meeting with a prayer.

**Apologies**

**4.1 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).

209/2022 **RESOLVED** (Virginia Ripa/Nancy Gudaltji)

**That Local Authority:**

- (a) Notes the absence of Local Authority members Terry Walunba, Melissa Campbell, Gaylene Gurruwiwi, Bobby Nyikamula, Cr Evelynna Dhamarrandji and Cr David Djalangi.
- (b) Notes the apology received from Cr David Djalangi.
- (c) Notes Local Authority member Gaylene Gurruwiwi and Cr David Djalangi are absent with permission of the Local Authority.
- (d) Determines that Councillor Evelynna Dhamarrandji, Local Authority members Terry Walunba, Bobby Nyikamula and Melissa Campbell are absent without permission of the Local Authority.



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#### **4.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP**

##### **SUMMARY:**

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

210/2022 **RESOLVED** (Don Wininba/Virginia Rripa)

The Local Authority:

- a) Notes the member list and calls for new members to fill existing vacancies.
- b) Notes the nominations received from,
  - i) Cyril Bukulatjri
  - ii) Jermaine Campbell
- c) Recommends the nominations to be presented for Council approval.

##### **Conflict of Interest**

#### **5.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

##### **SUMMARY:**

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

211/2022 **RESOLVED** (Nancy Gudaltji/Virginia Rripa)

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

##### **Previous Minutes**

#### **6.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

##### **SUMMARY:**

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

212/2022 **RESOLVED** (Don Wininba/Kaye Thurlow)

That the Local Authority defers this item until next Ordinary Meeting of the Local Authority.

##### **General Business**

#### **10.2 WASTE SERVICES UPDATE**

##### **SUMMARY:**

This report is to provide a summary update of asbestos project being implemented by the Waste Services Department

213/2022 **RESOLVED** (Nancy Gudaltji/Don Wininba)

That the Local Authority notes the report from Waste Services.

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**Guest Speakers**

**9.2 GALIWINKU CLUSTER ACCOMODATION FACILITIES**

**SUMMARY:**

This report and guest speaker attendance is associated with the Cluster accommodation blocks situated within Galiwinku.

214/2022 **RESOLVED** (Nancy Gudaltji/Virginia Rripa)

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) **Notes the presentation.**
- b) **Thanks Kylie Field for her attendance at the Local Authority Meeting.**

**9.1 GUEST SPEAKERS - SHEPHERDSON COLLEGE – LEARNING ON COUNTRY PROGRAM**

**SUMMARY:**

Isaac Jansens, Learning on Country (LOC Coordinator) will inform the Local Authority of the Bible Camp Revitalisation project being conducted by senior secondary VET students at Shepherdson College and Marthakal Rangers, with the goal of improving public recreation facilities at Wadanga'yu (Bible Camp).

215/2022 **RESOLVED** (Nancy Gudaltji/Kaye Thurlow)

**The Local Authority:**

- a) **Thanks the guest speakers for their presentations.**
- b) **Requests to write a letter from the Local Authority for the support of grant opportunities to reestablish the Wadanga'yu (Bible Camp) and for the access road.**

**Local Authorities**

**8.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER**

**SUMMARY:**

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

216/2022 **RESOLVED** (Don Wininba/Kaye Thurlow)

**That the Local Authority note the progress of actions from the previous meetings and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.**

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**BREAK OF LUNCH AT 12:27PM**

217/2022 **RESOLVED** (Don Wininba/Kaye Thurlow)

**RESUMES AT 1:00PM**

218/2022 **RESOLVED** (Don Wininba/Kaye Thurlow)

**General Business**

**10.6 DRAFT REGIONAL PLAN**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is to progress the Regional Plan.

219/2022 **RESOLVED** (Don Wininba/Nancy Gudaltji)

**The Local Authority notes the proposed draft Annual Plan.**

**10.5 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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220/2022 **RESOLVED** (Virginia Rripa/Nancy Gudaltji)

**That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 30 April 2022.**

**MOVED TO CONFIDENTIAL AT 1:40PM**

221/2022 **RESOLVED** (Virginia Rripa/Nancy Gudaltji)

**GETS BACK TO OPEN AGENDA AT 2:12PM**

222/2022 **RESOLVED** (Don Wininba/Nancy Gudaltji)



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**10.4 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR - REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

**223/2022 RESOLVED (Don Wininba/Virginia Ripa)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) Notes the Community Development Coordinator report.**
- b) Request the Community Development Coordinator to facilitate consultation with Local Authority members on how to improve the management and use of the cemetery.**

**10.1 CEO REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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**224/2022 RESOLVED (Don Wininba/Kaye Thurlow)**

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### **East Arnhem Regional Alliance**

<b>Government</b>	<b>East Arnhem Regional Council</b>
<b>Land</b>	<b>East Arnhem Regional Council - Northern Land Council Anindikyakwa Land Council</b>
<b>Aboriginal Corporations</b>	<b>Miwatj Health Aboriginal Corporation Arnhem Land Progress Association North East Arnhem Land Aboriginal Corporation Layhnapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation Marthakal Homelands Resource Centre Aboriginal Corporation Milingimbi and Outstations Progress and Resource Aboriginal Corporation Gumatj Aboriginal Corporation Rirratjingu Aboriginal Corporation Yothu Yindi Foundation Aboriginal Corporation Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation Lirrwil Yolngu Tourism Aboriginal Corporation Gong-Dal Aboriginal Corporation Yalu Aboriginal Corporation Aboriginal and Resource Development Services Groote Eylandt Aboriginal Trust Groote Eylandt and Bickerton Island Indigenous Enterprises Aminjarringa Aboriginal Corporation Lagulalya Aboriginal Corporation</b>

#### **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

1. Councillor Kaye Thurlow raised concern about the pig running around loose in the community. This is a safety concern for the other animals as well as the children in the community. She has requested an action to address the matter.
2. Councillor Kaye Thurlow proposed an idea on how a Community Support Centre should be arranged so that community members can go there for support related to bank assistance, travel assistance etc.

#### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

21 July 2022

#### **MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting ended at 3:06PM.

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GALIWINKU COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY, 19 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

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Unconfirmed



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

**20 May 2022**



MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE GAPUWIYAK  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON FRIDAY, 20 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

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

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer.

Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services.

Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development.

Anesuishe Hector – Community Development Coordinator.

Ritesh Parikh – Finance Manager (For the Draft Regional Plan report)

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:03AM and welcomed all members and guests.

**PRAYER**

Trudy Wunungmurra opened the meeting with a prayer.

**Apologies**

**3.1 APOLOGIES AND ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE**

**SUMMARY:**

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229/2022 **RESOLVED** (Simon Maymuru/Ivan Wanambi)

That Local Authority notes no absences.

**3.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP**

**SUMMARY:**

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

230/2022 **RESOLVED** (Ivan Wanambi/Thomas Guyula)

**The Local Authority:**

- a) Notes the member list and calls for new members to fill up existing vacancies.
- b) Notes the nominations received from,

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- i) Merrill Guyula
- ii) Alice Wanambi

c) Recommends the nominations to be presented to the Council for approval.

Jessica Wunungmurra left the meeting, the time being 10:17 AM

Conflict of Interest

**4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

231/2022 **RESOLVED** (Ivan Wanambi/Thomas Guyula)

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.

232/2022 **RESOLVED** (Simon Maymuru/Ivan Wanambi)

That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the meeting of 18 March 2022 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.

233/2022 **RESOLVED** (Ivan Wanambi/Simon Maymuru)

That the Local Authority note the progress of actions from the previous meetings and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE GAPUWIYAK  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON FRIDAY, 20 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**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.

**234/2022 RESOLVED (Ivan Wanambi/Ricky Guyula)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the CEO report.
- b) Does not support the pathway forward for Local Decision Making planned by the ARDS Aboriginal Corporation as advised on 29 April 2022.
- c) Supports the:

**Call for Recognition – Local & Regional Indigenous Voice and Decision Making**

We the Yolngu and Anindilyakwa people of East Arnhem Land call on the two Balanda (non-Indigenous) levels of Government of the Northern Territory and the Commonwealth of Australia, to recognise the authority of our First Nations peoples which we have had for millennia and was never extinguished.

Our community and homelands people are intertwined and deeply connected through the two pillars (moiety) of Dhuwa and Yirritja, our Bapurru (Clans), our Ringitj (Clan Alliances), our Land, our Song Lines, which extend and connect to Anindilyakwa.

We need a real heart to heart connection and partnership, and know we are stronger when we are united together – Yolngu to Yolngu and Yolngu to Balanda.

We recognise the role and authority of the two Balanda controlled governments, and you need to recognise the role and authority of our governance.

Our East Arnhem Regional Local Government Council is governed by up to 126 Members across 9 Local Authorities, which include 14 Councillors elected from 6 cultural based electoral wards, that are all connected through our clans, song lines, bloodlines, ceremony and family, to represent over 10,000 people, with an Aboriginal population over 90 per cent.

Our East Arnhem Regional (Land) Council, part of the broader Northern Land Council, is governed in North East Arnhem Land by 15 elected Members from 8 areas of across the Yolngu lands. Our Anindilyakwa Land Council has 23 elected Board Members from 14 Clans and 3 communities across the Anindilyakwa lands of the Groote Archipelago.

We also have many Aboriginal Corporations governed by Directors from across the Yolngu communities and areas outside of East Arnhem Land, like the Arnhem Land Progress Association, to Corporations with Directors across the whole East Arnhem



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Region like Miwatj Health, to Aboriginal Corporations with Directors based on areas within the region, like the Laynhapuy, Marthakal and Milingimbi Homelands to Clan based corporations like Gumatj, and Rirratjingu, and the Yothu Yindi Foundation, or linked to communities like Yalu in Galiwinku, Gongdal in Gapuwiyak or Aminjarrindja at Umbakumba. Each of our organisations (listed below) has its own special purpose and role and should be listened to.

Our Aboriginal Controlled Local Authorities and Regional Government Council, offers a bridge of commonality between our Yolngu and Anindilyakwa people and the Balanda (non-Indigenous) governments. A bridge to make sure the voices of our Land Councils and other Aboriginal organisations – our Traditional Owners, our Bapurru (Clan) Leaders, our young, and all our community and homeland members - are heard, and acted on.

We look forward to thorough and genuine engagement with the Australian Government's Local, Regional and National Indigenous Voice process across East Arnhem Land, and the accompanying opportunities of Closing the Gap. We also look forward to the review and updating of the Northern Territory Government's Local Decision Making policy and processes – to be properly aligned, and to allow for coordinated and practical engagement with both Balanda levels of government across East Arnhem Land.

We support a genuine partnership of Balanda government with our Aboriginal Community Controlled Government in unity with the Land Councils and all other Aboriginal organisations, with our shared sacred bond to respect and protect our Land, Traditional Owners, Clan Leaders and Culture.

Our strength of culture, capacity and unity will ensure different government plans and processes like the Federal Government's Indigenous Voice and Closing the Gap and NT Government's Local Decision Making – lead to real outcomes, led by the people, in the many different communities and homelands across East Arnhem Land.

The Makarrata ceremony comes from the traditional Yolngu Rom (law) of East Arnhem Land and we invite the Balanda (non-Indigenous) Federal and Northern Territory Governments to join us on country together, to overcome the divisions between us through real reconciliation, and start genuine truth telling, dialogue and understanding, to build a better future and nation for us all.

### East Arnhem Regional Alliance

<b>Government</b>	<b>East Arnhem Regional Council</b>
<b>Land</b>	<b>East Arnhem Regional Council - Northern Land Council Anindilyakwa Land Council</b>
<b>Aboriginal Corporations</b>	<b>Miwatj Health Aboriginal Corporation Arnhem Land Progress Association North East Arnhem Land Aboriginal Corporation</b>

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Layhnapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation  
Marthakal Homelands Resource Centre Aboriginal Corporation  
Milingimbi and Outstations Progress and Resource Aboriginal Corporation  
Gumatj Aboriginal Corporation  
Rirratjingu Aboriginal Corporation  
Yothu Yindi Foundation Aboriginal Corporation  
Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation  
Lirrwi Yolngu Tourism Aboriginal Corporation  
Gong-Dal Aboriginal Corporation  
Yalu Aboriginal Corporation  
Aboriginal and Resource Development Services  
Groote Eylandt Aboriginal Trust  
Groote Eylandt and Bickerton Island Indigenous Enterprises  
Aminjarringa Aboriginal Corporation  
Lagulalya Aboriginal Corporation

**Guest Speakers**

**7.1 GAPUWIYAK BARGE LANDING UPGRADE PROPOSAL**

**SUMMARY:**

This report and guest speaker attendance is associated with proposed capital upgrades to her Gapuwiyak Barge landing area.

235/2022 **RESOLVED** (Ivan Wanambi/Simon Maymuru)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the presentation.
- b) Supports the proposed upgrade of Barge landing area.
- c) Thanks Kylie Field for her attendance at the Local Authority Meeting.

**General Business**

**8.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

236/2022 **RESOLVED** (Thomas Guyula/Ivan Wanambi)

That the Local Authority notes the Community Development Coordinator Report.



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#### **8.4 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

##### **SUMMARY:**

This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 30 April 2022 within the Local Authority area.

237/2022 **RESOLVED** (Simon Maymuru/Ivan Wanambi)

**That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 30 April 2022.**

**BREAKS FOR LUNCH AT 11:56AM**

238/2022 **RESOLVED** (Simon Maymuru/Ivan Wanambi)

Thomas Guyula left the meeting, the time being 12:37 PM

**MEETING RESUMES AT 12:37PM**

239/2022 **RESOLVED** (Simon Maymuru/Ivan Wanambi)

#### **8.5 DRAFT REGIONAL PLAN**

##### **SUMMARY:**

This report is to progress the Regional Plan.

240/2022 **RESOLVED** (Simon Maymuru/Ivan Wanambi)

**The Local Authority notes the proposed draft Annual Plan.**

**MOVED TO CONFIDENTIAL AT 12:53PM**

241/2022 **RESOLVED** (Ivan Wanambi/Simon Maymuru)

**RETURN TO OPEN AGENDA AT 1:20PM**

242/2022 **RESOLVED** (Simon Maymuru/Ricky Guyula)

##### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

22 July 2022

##### **MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting ended at 1:21PM.

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

**17 May 2022**

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILINGIMBI  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 17 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the chair, President Lapulung Dhamarrandji, Local Authority members Boaz Baker, Arthur Murrupu, Joanne Baker and Cr Joe Djakala.

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Dale Keehne – CEO.  
Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development.  
Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services.  
Hannah Silberstein - Community Development Coordinator Milingimbi.  
Ritesh Parikh – Finance Manager (from 2:02PM to 2:43PM).

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

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:25AM and welcomed all members and guests.

**PRAYER**

Prayer by President Lapulung Dhamarrandji.

**Apologies**

**3.1 APOLOGIES AND ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE**

**SUMMARY:**

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**194/2022 RESOLVED (Boaz Baker/Joe Djakala)**

**That Council:**

- (a) Notes the absence of Local Authority members Rosetta Wayatja, Rowena Gaykamangu and Robert Yirapawanga.**
- (b) Notes no apologies were received.**
- (c) Determines Local Authority members Rosetta Wayatja, Rowena Gaykamangu and Robert Yirapawanga are 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.

**195/2022 RESOLVED (Joanne Baker/Arthur Murrupu)**

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



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COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 17 MAY 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.

196/2022 **RESOLVED** (Joanne Baker/Joe Djakala)

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.

197/2022 **RESOLVED** (Boaz Baker/Arthur Murrupu)

That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the meeting of 15 March 2022 to be a true record of the meeting.

Guest Speakers

**7.1 MILINGIMBI POWER AND WATER UPDATE**

**SUMMARY:**

This report and guest speaker attendance is associated with an update on the current and future water availability and security with Milingimbi.

198/2022 **RESOLVED** (Joanne Baker/Joe Djakala)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the presentation.
- b) Thanks the Power and Water representatives' attendance at the Local Authority Meeting.
- c) Requests information on additional availability of water within public areas.
- d) Support an additional Power and Water presentation in community and Local Authority meetings within the next month.

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COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 17 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**7.2 MILINGIMBI PROPOSED SUBDIVISION UPDATE**

**SUMMARY:**

This report and guest speaker attendance is associated with proposed new Milingimbi housing subdivision capital program.

199/2022 **RESOLVED** (Boaz Baker/Arthur Murrupu)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the presentation.
- b) Thanks Kylie Field for her attendance at the Local Authority Meeting.
- c) Supports the location of the construction camp for the Social Housing Capital Project.

**MEETING BREAKS AT 11:32AM**

200/2022 **RESOLVED** (Boaz Baker/Joe Djakala)

**RESUMES AT 12:56PM**

201/2022 **RESOLVED** (Boaz Baker/Joe Djakala)

**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.

202/2022 **RESOLVED** (Arthur Murrupu/Joe Djakala)

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.

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COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 17 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**General Business**

**8.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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

203/2022 **RESOLVED** (Boaz Baker/Arthur Murrupu)

That Local Authority:

- a) **Notes the Community Development Coordinator Report.**
- b) **Requests a letter to be written by the Director Community Development to the Department of Education regarding the maintenance of the lawns and yards of education staff housing.**
- c) **Requests that the area between the shops and the church be cleared and maintained.**
- d) **Requests more Municipal Services positions to meet the expectations of the Local Authority and community.**

**8.4 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

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204/2022 **RESOLVED** (Arthur Murrupu/Joe Djakala)

**That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 30 April 2022.**

**8.5 DRAFT REGIONAL PLAN**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is to progress the Regional Plan.

205/2022 **RESOLVED** (Joe Djakala/Arthur Murrupu)

**The Local Authority notes the proposed draft Annual Plan.**

**MEETING MOVED TO CONFIDENTIAL AT 3:14PM**

206/2022 **RESOLVED** (Boaz Baker/Arthur Murrupu)

**MEETING RETURNED TO OPEN AGENDA AT 3:50PM**

207/2022 **RESOLVED** (Arthur Murrupu/Joe Djakala)



MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILINGIMBI  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 17 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

## 8.1 CEO REPORT

### SUMMARY:

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#### 208/2022 RESOLVED (Arthur Murrupu/Boaz Baker)

That Local Authority:

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Aminjarrindja at Umbakumba. Each of our organisations (listed below) has its own special purpose and role and should be listened to.

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Aboriginal Corporation  
Gumatj Aboriginal Corporation  
Rirratjingu Aboriginal Corporation  
Yothu Yindi Foundation Aboriginal Corporation  
Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation  
Lirrwil Yolngu Tourism Aboriginal Corporation  
Gong-Dal Aboriginal Corporation  
Yalu Aboriginal Corporation  
Aboriginal and Resource Development Services  
Groote Eylandt Aboriginal Trust  
Groote Eylandt and Bickerton Island Indigenous  
Enterprises  
Aminjarringa Aboriginal Corporation  
Lagulalya Aboriginal Corporation

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

19 July 2022

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting ended at 4:30 pm.

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

**23 May 2022**

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILYAKBURRA  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON MONDAY, 23 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Janice Wurramarra, Local Authority Members Eric Wurramarra, Vail Wurramarra, Lucinda Bara, Terrance Wurramarra, Lucille Wurramara, Victor Wurramarra, and Cr Gordon Walsh.

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji.

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Dale Keehne – CEO

Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services

Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development

Ulaiasi Nawaqa – Community Development Coordinator

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**

The meeting started with a prayer by President Lapulung Dhamarrandji.

**Apologies**

**2.1 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.

219/2022 **RESOLVED** (Eric Wurramara/Vail Wurramara)

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) **Notes the absence of Councillor Constantine Mamarika.**
- b) **Notes no apologies received from Councillor Constantine Mamarika.**
- c) **Determines Councillor Constantine Mamarika is absent without permission of the Local Authority.**
- d) **Requests that both Elected Members attend the Local Authority meetings in person.**



MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILYAKBURRA  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON MONDAY, 23 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

## 2.2 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 (Eric Wurramara/Lucinda Bara)

The Local Authority:

- a) Notes the member list and calls for new members to fill up existing vacancies.
- b) Notes the nominations received from,
  - i. Elvis Bara
  - ii. Steven Lalara
  - iii. Tasma Lalara
  - iv. Conroy Mamarika
  - v. Ainsley Wurramara
  - vi. Lucille Wurramara
  - vii. Nathaniel Murrungun
  - viii. Elliot Bara
- c) Consider the nominations of the following in the next Local Authority meeting,
  - i. Tasma Lalara
  - ii. Conroy Mamarika
  - iii. Ainsley Wurramara
- d) Recommends the following nominations to be presented to the Council for approval,
  - i. Nathaniel Murrungun
  - ii. Elliot Bara
- e) Notes the resignations received from,
  - i. Lawrence Yantarranga
  - ii. Violet Huddleston

BREAKS FOR MORNING TEA AT 10:46AM

221/2022 RESOLVED (Eric Wurramara/Lucinda Bara)

RESUMES AT 11:17AM

222/2022 RESOLVED (Eric Wurramara/Vail Wurramara)

### Conflict of Interest

## 3.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

### SUMMARY:

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

223/2022 RESOLVED (Lucinda Bara/Eric Wurramara)

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

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILYAKBURRA  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON MONDAY, 23 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

Previous Minutes

**4.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION**

**SUMMARY:**

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

224/2022 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Janice Wurramarra)

That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the meeting of 22 November 2021 to be a true record of the meeting.

**7.2 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.

225/2022 **RESOLVED** (Eric Wurramara/Janice Wurramarra)

That Council notes the Community Development Coordinator report.

**7.3 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 30 April 2022 within the Local Authority area.

226/2022 **RESOLVED** (Janice Wurramarra/Lucinda Bara)

That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 30 April 2022.

Local Authorities

**5.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER**

**SUMMARY:**

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

227/2022 **RESOLVED** (Janice Wurramarra/Vail Wurramara)

That the Local Authority note the progress of actions from the previous meetings and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.

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**BREAKS FOR LUNCH AT 12:57PM**

228/2022 **RESOLVED** (Janice Wurramarra/Vail Wurramara)

**RESUMES AT 1:47PM**

229/2022 **RESOLVED** (Eric Wurramara/Vail Wurramara)

Janice Wurramarra left the meeting, the time being 01:47 PM

Eric Wurramara to chair the rest of the meeting.

**7.4 DRAFT REGIONAL PLAN**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is to progress the Regional Plan.

230/2022 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Vail Wurramara)

The Local Authority:

- a) Notes the proposed draft Annual Plan.
- b) Requests a 1000 litre water trailer for firefighting and dust suppression for Milyakburra.

**MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL AT 2:21PM**

231/2022 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Terrance Wurramarra)

**RETURNS TO OPEN AGENDA AT 2:49PM**

232/2022 **RESOLVED** (Vail Wurramara/Victor Wurramara)

**7.5 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.

233/2022 **RESOLVED** (Eric Wurramara/Lucinda Bara)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the CEO report.
- b) Does not support the pathway forward for Local Decision Making planned by the ARDS Aboriginal Corporation as advised on 29 April 2022.



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**c) Supports the:**

**Call for Recognition – Local & Regional Indigenous Voice and Decision Making**

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We need a real heart to heart connection and partnership, and know we are stronger when we are united together – Yolngu to Yolngu and Yolngu to Balanda.

We recognise the role and authority of the two Balanda controlled governments, and you need to recognise the role and authority of our governance.

Our East Arnhem Regional Local Government Council is governed by up to 126 Members across 9 Local Authorities, which include 14 Councillors elected from 6 cultural based electoral wards, that are all connected through our clans, song lines, bloodlines, ceremony and family, to represent over 10,000 people, with an Aboriginal population over 90 per cent.

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Decision Making policy and processes – to be properly aligned, and to allow for coordinated and practical engagement with both Balanda levels of government across East Arnhem Land.

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The Makarrata ceremony comes from the traditional Yolngu Rom (law) of East Arnhem Land and we invite the Balanda (non-Indigenous) Federal and Northern Territory Governments to join us on country together, to overcome the divisions between us through real reconciliation, and start genuine truth telling, dialogue and understanding, to build a better future and nation for us all.

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**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

25 July 2022

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting closed at 3:30PM.

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Respect  
Professionalism  
Human Dignity  
Organisational Growth  
Equity  
Community

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

**2 June 2022**

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE RAMINGINING  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY, 2 JUNE 2022 AT 10:00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair, Councillor Jason Mirritjawuy, Councillor Robert Yawarngu and Local Authority Members John Djoma, Gilbert Walkuli, Daphne Malibirr, Judith Dhuru and Lloyd Garrawurra.

**PRESIDENT**

Lapulung Dhamarrandji

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Dale Keehne – CEO,  
Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development.  
Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services.  
Jennifer Newton – Community Development Coordinator.

Minute Taker – Anesuishe Hector

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:12am and welcomed all members and guests.

**PRAYER**

Meeting started with a 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).

238/2022 **RESOLVED** (John Djoma/Robert Yawarngu)

**That Council:**

- (a) Notes the absence of Local Authority member Lizzy Mindhili
- (b) Notes the apology received from Local Authority Lizzy Mindhili
- (c) Notes Local Authority member Lizzy Mindhili is absent with permission of the Local Authority.

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### 3.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

#### SUMMARY:

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

239/2022 **RESOLVED** (Lloyd Garrawurra/Daphne Malibirr)

The Local Authority notes

- a) Member list and calls for new members to fill up existing vacancies.
- b) The nomination received from Fabian Garawirritja
- c) Accepts the nomination

#### Conflict of Interest

### 4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

#### SUMMARY:

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

240/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jason Mirritjawuy/Gilbert Walkuli)

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.

241/2022 **RESOLVED** (Robert Yawarngu/Lloyd Garrawurra)

That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the meeting of 14 March 2022 to be a true record of the meeting.



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### 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.

**242/2022 RESOLVED (Robert Yawarngu/Gilbert Walkuli)**

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.

**243/2022 RESOLVED (Jason Mirritjawuy/John Djoma)**

**That Local Authority:**

- a) Notes the CEO report.
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- c) Supports the:

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### East Arnhem Regional Alliance

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- d) Call on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to work with the Local Authorities and Regional Council to ensure genuine and thorough consultation and engagement with and understanding of all communities and homelands of East Arnhem Land, on the important and pressing issues of the possible introduction of the legal sale of kava and alcohol and support the leadership of the President on this issue.

### 8.3 RAMINGINING LOCAL AUTHORITY KEY PROJECT UPDATES

#### SUMMARY:

This report is tabled for the Local Authority in relation to current capital project updates for Ramingining.

244/2022 **RESOLVED** (Lloyd Garrawurra/Judith Dhuru)

That the Local Authority notes

- Priorities the available Ramingining funds to the Oval lighting project priority 1
- Support the oval stage progressing at a later date when sufficient funds are available.



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#### **8.4 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

##### **SUMMARY:**

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

245/2022 **RESOLVED** (John Djoma/Robert Yawarngu)

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

#### **8.5 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

##### **SUMMARY**

This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 30 April 2022 within the Local Authority area.

246/2022 **RESOLVED** (John Djoma/Daphne Malibirr)

**That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 30 April 2022.**

**BREAK FOR LUNCH AT 12:17pm**

**MEETING RESUMES AT 1:36pm**

**Lloyd Garrawurra left the meeting and did not return after the lunch break that began at 12:17 PM**

**Judith Dhuru left the meeting and did not return after the lunch break that began at 12:17 PM**

#### **8.6 DRAFT REGIONAL PLAN**

##### **SUMMARY:**

This report is to progress the Regional Plan

247/2022 **RESOLVED** (Robert Yawarngu/John Djoma)

**The Local Authority notes the proposed draft Annual Plan.**

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**MOVED TO CONFIDENTIAL AT 1:56 PM**

248/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jason Mirritjawuy/Gilbert Walkuli)

**RETURN TO OPEN AGENDA AT 2:15PM**

249/2022 **RESOLVED** (Robert Yawarngu/Gilbert Walkuli)

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 18 July 2022

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 2:16 pm.

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

**25 May 2022**



MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISIONAL MEETING HELD IN THE  
UMBAKUMBA COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 25 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair, Jennifer Yantarrnga, Deputy President Gordon Walsh (on phone) and Local Authority Member Phillip Mamarika.

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer  
Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services  
Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development  
Divyan Ahimaz - A/Community Development Coordinator Angurugu & Umbakumba

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:16AM and welcomed all members and guests.

**PRAYER**

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji opened the meeting with a prayer.

**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.

201/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jennifer Yantarrnga/Phillip Mamarika)

That Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the absence of Cr Constantine Mamarika, Local Authority Members Anson Wurrawilya, Judy Hunter and Terrence Mamarika.
- (b) Notes the apology received from Anson Wurrawilya.
- (c) Notes Cr Constantine Mamarika, Local Authority Members Anson Wurrawilya, Judy Hunter and Terrence Mamarika 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.

202/2022 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Phillip Mamarika)

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

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Conflict of Interest

**4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**SUMMARY:**

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

203/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jennifer Yantarrnga/Gordon Walsh)

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.

204/2022 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Jennifer Yantarrnga)

That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the provisional meeting of 23 March 2022 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.

205/2022 **RESOLVED** (Phillip Mamarika/Jennifer Yantarrnga)

That the Local Authority note the progress of actions from the previous meetings and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.

General Business

**8.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT.**

**SUMMARY:**

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206/2022 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Phillip Mamarika)

That the Local Authority notes the Community Development Coordinator Report.

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207/2022 **RESOLVED** (Phillip Mamarika/Gordon Walsh)

That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information to 30 April 2022.

## 8.3 DRAFT REGIONAL PLAN

### SUMMARY:

This report is to progress the Regional Plan.

208/2022 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Jennifer Yantarrnga)

The Local Authority notes the proposed draft Annual Plan.

### MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL AT 11:22AM

209/2022 **RESOLVED** (Gordon Walsh/Phillip Mamarika)

### MOVE BACK TO OPEN AGENDA AT 11:41AM

210/2022 **RESOLVED** (Jennifer Yantarrnga/Phillip Mamarika)

## 8.5 CEO REPORT

### SUMMARY:

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211/2022 **RESOLVED** (Phillip Mamarika/Gordon Walsh)

That the Local Authority:

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- b) Does not support the pathway forward for Local Decision Making planned by the ARDS Aboriginal Corporation as advised on 29 April 2022.
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**Traditional Owners, Clan Leaders and Culture.**

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**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

27 July 2022

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting terminated at 12:01PM.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Provisional Meeting held on Wednesday, 25 May 2022 are to be confirmed in the Local Authority Ordinary Meeting on 27 July 2022.

Unconfirmed





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Human Dignity  
Organisational Growth  
Equity  
Community

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

**26 May 2022**

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE YIRRKALA  
COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY, 26 MAY 2022 AT 10:00AM

**ATTENDANCE**

In the Chair Graham Mungurrapin Maymuru, Adrian Gurruwiwi, Dhangatji Mununggurr (joined at 1:18PM) and Cr Banambi Wunungmurra.

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Dale Keehne – CEO

Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services

Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development

Signe Balodis - Regional Manager - Community Development

Divyan Ahimaz - A/Community Development Coordinator Angurugu & Umbakumba

Minute Taker – Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**OBSERVER**

Councillor Bobby Wunungmurra.

**MEETING OPENING**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:19AM and welcomed all members and guests.

**PRAYER**

The meeting started with a prayer by the Chair.

**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 Council gives permission for.

211/2022 **RESOLVED** (Banambi Wunungmurra/Munungurrapin Graham Maymuru)

**That Local Authority:**

- (a) Notes the absence of Lirrpiya Mununggurr, Timmy Djawa Burrawanga, Djapirri Mununggirritj and Dipilinga Marika.
- (b) Notes the apology received from Lirrpiya Mununggurr and Timmy Djawa Burrawanga.
- (c) Notes Lirrpiya Mununggurr and Timmy Djawa Burrawanga are absent with permission of the Local Authority.
- (d) Determines Djapirri Mununggirritj and Dipilinga Marika are absent without permission of the Local Authority.
- (e) Requests to check the attendance records of members and present a report in the next meeting.

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### 3.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

#### SUMMARY:

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

212/2022 **RESOLVED** (Munungurrapin Graham Maymuru/Banambi Wunungmurra)

#### The Local Authority notes:

- a) The member list and calls for new members to fill up existing vacancies.
- b) Requests to check the attendance records of members, and advise the members who have been absent for three and more meetings in the last year that they are no longer in the Local Authority.
- c) Invites the Rirratjingu, Gumatj and other emerging leaders to attend the next meeting.

#### Conflict of Interest

### 5.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

#### SUMMARY:

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

213/2022 **RESOLVED** (Banambi Wunungmurra/Adrian Gurruwiwi)

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

#### Previous Minutes

### 6.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION

#### SUMMARY:

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

214/2022 **RESOLVED** (Munungurrapin Graham Maymuru/Adrian Gurruwiwi)

That the Local Authority defers this report until the next Local Authority Meeting.

#### Local Authorities

### 7.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

#### SUMMARY:

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



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215/2022 **RESOLVED** (Munungurrapin Graham Maymuru/Adrian Gurruwiwi)

That the Local Authority notes the progress of actions from the previous meetings, the addition of new actions and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.

#### 8.1 GUEST SPEAKER

##### SUMMARY:

NBN Representative Amanda Jackes to update the LA on the NBN roll out in Yirrkala, scope, commencement and anticipated completion and the benefits to the community. This project is part of a consortium grant application for which EARC committed \$200,000.000 towards the project as a cash contribution.

216/2022 **RESOLVED** (Munungurrapin Graham Maymuru/Banambi Wunungmurra)

The Local Authority thanks the guest speaker.

##### MEETING BREAKS FOR LUNCH AT 11:49AM

217/2022 **RESOLVED** (Munungurrapin Graham Maymuru/Banambi Wunungmurra)

##### MEETING RESUMES AT 2:06PM

218/2022 **RESOLVED** (Munungurrapin Graham Maymuru/Banambi Wunungmurra)

#### 9.4 DRAFT REGIONAL PLAN

##### SUMMARY:

This report is to progress the Regional Plan.

219/2022 **RESOLVED** (Dhanagtji Mununggurr/Adrian Gurruwiwi)

The Local Authority notes the proposed draft Annual Plan.

##### MEETING MOVED TO CONFIDENTIAL AGENDA AT 2:35PM

220/2022 **RESOLVED** (Banambi Wunungmurra/Adrian Gurruwiwi)

##### MEETING RETURN TO OPEN AGENDA AT 3:04PM

221/2022 **RESOLVED** (Adrian Gurruwiwi/Dhanagtji Mununggurr)

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**General Business**

**9.5 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.

**222/2022 RESOLVED (Dhanagtji Mununggurr/Adrian Gurruwiwi)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) **Notes the CEO report.**
- b) **Does not support the pathway forward for Local Decision Making planned by the ARDS Aboriginal Corporation as advised on 29 April 2022.**
- c) **Supports the:**

**Call for Recognition – Local & Regional Indigenous Voice and Decision Making**

We the Yolngu and Anindilyakwa people of East Arnhem Land call on the two Balanda (non-Indigenous) levels of Government of the Northern Territory and the Commonwealth of Australia, to recognise the authority of our First Nations peoples which we have had for millennia and was never extinguished.

Our community and homelands people are intertwined and deeply connected through the two pillars (moieties) of Dhuwa and Yirritja, our Bapurru (Clans), our Ringitj (Clan Alliances), our Land, our Song Lines, which extend and connect to Anindilyakwa.

We need a real heart to heart connection and partnership, and know we are stronger when we are united together – Yolngu to Yolngu and Yolngu to Balanda.

We recognise the role and authority of the two Balanda controlled governments, and you need to recognise the role and authority of our governance.

Our East Arnhem Regional Local Government Council is governed by up to 126 Members across 9 Local Authorities, which include 14 Councillors elected from 6 cultural based electoral wards, that are all connected through our clans, song lines, bloodlines, ceremony and family, to represent over 10,000 people, with an Aboriginal population over 90 per cent.

Our East Arnhem Regional (Land) Council, part of the broader Northern Land Council, is governed in North East Arnhem Land by 15 elected Members from 8 areas of across the Yolngu lands. Our Anindilyakwa Land Council has 23 elected Board Members from 14 Clans and 3 communities across the Anindilyakwa lands of the Groote Archipelago.

We also have many Aboriginal Corporations governed by Directors from across the Yolngu communities and areas outside of East Arnhem Land, like the Arnhem Land Progress Association, to Corporations with Directors across the whole East Arnhem Region like Miwatj Health, to Aboriginal Corporations with Directors based on areas within the region, like the Laynhapuy, Marthakal and Milingimbi Homelands to Clan



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based corporations like Gumatj, and Rirratjingu, and the Yothu Yindi Foundation, or linked to communities like Yalu in Galiwinku, Gongdal in Gapuwiyak or Aminjarrindja at Umbakumba. Each of our organisations (listed below) has its own special purpose and role and should be listened to.

Our Aboriginal Controlled Local Authorities and Regional Government Council, offers a bridge of commonality between our Yolngu and Anindilyakwa people and the Balanda (non-Indigenous) governments. A bridge to make sure the voices of our Land Councils and other Aboriginal organisations – our Traditional Owners, our Bapurr (Clan) Leaders, our young, and all our community and homeland members - are heard, and acted on.

We look forward to thorough and genuine engagement with the Australian Government's Local, Regional and National Indigenous Voice process across East Arnhem Land, and the accompanying opportunities of Closing the Gap. We also look forward to the review and updating of the Northern Territory Government's Local Decision Making policy and processes – to be properly aligned, and to allow for coordinated and practical engagement with both Balanda levels of government across East Arnhem Land.

We support a genuine partnership of Balanda government with our Aboriginal Community Controlled Government in unity with the Land Councils and all other Aboriginal organisations, with our shared sacred bond to respect and protect our Land, Traditional Owners, Clan Leaders and Culture.

Our strength of culture, capacity and unity will ensure different government plans and processes like the Federal Government's Indigenous Voice and Closing the Gap and NT Government's Local Decision Making – lead to real outcomes, led by the people, in the many different communities and homelands across East Arnhem Land.

The Makarrata ceremony comes from the traditional Yolngu Rom (law) of East Arnhem Land and we invite the Balanda (non-Indigenous) Federal and Northern Territory Governments to join us on country together, to overcome the divisions between us through real reconciliation, and start genuine truth telling, dialogue and understanding, to build a better future and nation for us all.

### East Arnhem Regional Alliance

<b>Government</b>	<b>East Arnhem Regional Council</b>
<b>Land</b>	<b>East Arnhem Regional Council - Northern Land Council Anindilyakwa Land Council</b>
<b>Aboriginal Corporations</b>	<b>Miwatj Health Aboriginal Corporation Arnhem Land Progress Association North East Arnhem Land Aboriginal Corporation Layhnapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation Marthakal Homelands Resource Centre Aboriginal</b>



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**Corporation**

**Milingimbi and Outstations Progress and Resource  
Aboriginal Corporation**

**Gumatj Aboriginal Corporation**

**Rirratjingu Aboriginal Corporation**

**Yothu Yindi Foundation Aboriginal Corporation**

**Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation**

**Lirrwi Yolngu Tourism Aboriginal Corporation**

**Gong-Dal Aboriginal Corporation**

**Yalu Aboriginal Corporation**

**Aboriginal and Resource Development Services**

**Groote Eylandt Aboriginal Trust**

**Groote Eylandt and Bickerton Island Indigenous  
Enterprises**

**Aminjarringa Aboriginal Corporation**

**Lagulalya Aboriginal Corporation**

- d) As requested by Laynhapuy homelands leaders, calls on the East Arnhem Regional Council to invite all key organisations to meet, over time, locally and regionally, to unite to support 'no more violence' and 'our youth to be healthy and strong', across all communities and homelands.

### 9.3 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

#### SUMMARY:

This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 30 April 2022 within the Local Authority area.

**223/2022 RESOLVED (Munungurrabin Graham Maymuru/Dhanagtji Mununggurr)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) **Receives the Financial and Employment information to 30 April 2022.**
- b) **Invites other Local Aboriginal organisations to attend the Local Authority.**

### 9.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT

#### SUMMARY:

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

**224/2022 RESOLVED (Adrian Gurruwiwi/Dhanagtji Mununggurr)**

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

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**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

28 July 2022

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting ended at 4:08PM.

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## **MINUTES FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**18 May 2022**



MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING VIA VIDEO ON  
WEDNESDAY, 18 MAY 2022 AT 10AM

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**MEETING OPENING**

**ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

**Attendance:**

In the chair, Councillors Jason Mirritjawuy, Councillors Kaye Thurlow, Bandi Bandi Wunungmurra and Joe Djakala.

**East Arnhem Regional Council Officers:**

Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer, Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development, Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services, Michael Freeman – Corporate Services Manager, Ritesh Parikh – Finance Manager.

Minute Taker: Nawshaba Razzak, Corporate Planning and Policy Officer

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**FINANCE REPORT**

**SUMMARY:**

This report is tabled to the Finance Committee to provide the Finance Report for the period ended the 30 April 2022 for its approval.

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

**That the Finance Committee approves the Finance Report for the period ended on 30 April 2022.**

The meeting closed at 10:36AM.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 18 May 2022.

## NOMINATION FORM

FIRST NAME: Jermaine  
 FAMILY NAME: Campbell  
 CLAN NAME: Burarrwanga  
 COMMUNITY: Galiwin'ku  
 PHONE NUMBER: 0484961276  
 EMAIL: campbelljermaine851@gmail.com  
 PROPOSER NAME: Vetty Burarrwanga  
 PROPOSER SIGNATURE: Vetty Burarrwanga  
 SECONDER NAME: Alice McCarthy  
 SECONDER SIGNATURE: AL

Brief outline of why you should be considered as a Local Authority

Member:

I would like to become Local Authority because I'm passionate about my peoples problem and passionate about addressing them.

I, Jermaine C, accept being Nominated into the Galiwin'ku Local Authority.

Signed: [Signature]

(\*\*MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE NOMINATED PERSON.

NOMINATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED IF NOT ACCEPTED)

After completing this nomination form please email to:

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## NOMINATION FORM

FIRST NAME: CYRIL  
 FAMILY NAME: BUKULATJRI  
 CLAN NAME: WARRAMIRI  
 COMMUNITY: GALIWINKU  
 PHONE NUMBER: 0867617217  
 EMAIL: medra@yale.org.au  
 PROPOSER NAME: Venty Baramalanga  
 PROPOSER SIGNATURE: Venty Baramalanga  
 SECONDER NAME: Alice McCarthy  
 SECONDER SIGNATURE: Alice

Brief outline of why you should be considered as a Local Authority

Member: I want to follow the right

way what does the code of conduct  
says to be unbiased to everyone, do  
what is wrong or right.

I, Cyril Bukulatjri, accept being

Nominated into the GALIWINKU

Local Authority.

Signed: [Signature]

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## NOMINATION FORM

First Name: Alice  
 Family Name: Wanambi  
 Clan Name: Marrangu  
 Community: Gapuwiyak  
 Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposer Name: Jessica Wunungmulu  
 Proposer Signature: Jessica Wunungmulu

I, Alice Wanambi  
 accept being nominated into the \_\_\_\_\_  
 Local Authority: Gapuwiyak

Signature: Alice Wanambi

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Nomination Received: \_\_\_\_\_

LA Consultation: \_\_\_\_\_

Council Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

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## NOMINATION FORM

First Name: MERRIL  
 Family Name: GUYULA  
 Clan Name: DJAMBARRPUNGU  
 Community: GAPUWIYAK  
 Phone No.: 0448551535  
 E-mail:

Proposer Name: JESSICA.WUNUNGMYLA  
 Proposer Signature: JESSICA.WUNUNGMYLA

I, MERRIL GUYULA  
 accept being nominated into the  
 Local Authority: GAPUWIYAK

Signature: *[Handwritten Signature]*

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Council Approval:

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## NOMINATION FORM

First Name: Nathaniel.  
 Family Name: Murrungun.  
 Clan Name: Murrumera.  
 Community: Milyakburra.  
 Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Proposer Name: Vail. Murrumera.  
 Proposer Signature: Vail Murrumera  
 I, Nathaniel. Murrungun.  
 accept being nominated into the Milyakburra.  
 Local Authority.  
 Signature: N. Murrungun

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# NOMINATION FORM

First Name: Elliot

Family Name: Barra

Clan Name: Barra

Community: Milyakburra

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposer Name: Eric Murtanara

Proposer Signature: Eric Murtanara

I, Elliot Barra

accept being nominated into the Milyakburra

Local Authority. \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: [Signature]

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Nomination Received: \_\_\_\_\_

LA Consultation: \_\_\_\_\_

Council Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ronald Wurrawilya

Lot 628

Angurugu

NT 0822

CEO

EARC

Nhulunbuy

**Resignation Letter – Angurugu LA Member**

I hereby tender my resignation effective 10/05/22 as I am unable to carryout duties as a LA Member of Angurugu.

I have asked my Chairperson Marianne Walsh to write this letter on behalf of me and I am unable to sign as well.

Thank you

Ronald Wurrawilya

## LOCAL AUTHORITIES

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	10.3
<b>TITLE</b>	Local Authority Actions - Council Review and Endorsement
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1611057
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO

### 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](#) Local Authority - Angurugu June 2022.docx
- [2](#) Local Authority - Galiwin'ku June 2022.docx
- [3](#) Local Authority - Gapuwiyak June 2022.docx
- [4](#) Local Authority - Gunyangara June 2022 (2).docx
- [5](#) Local Authority - Milingimbi June 2022.docx
- [6](#) Local Authority - Milyakburra June 2022.docx
- [7](#) Local Authority - Ramingining June 2022.docx
- [8](#) Local Authority Umbakumba June 2022.docx
- [9](#) Local Authority - Yirrkala June 2022.docx



**ANGURUGU ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
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.  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.  22.03.2022 – Option 1. And each local authority to provide names and possibly images to be included for their community and homelands. (Reference Milyakburra agenda )  24.05.2022 - Ongoing
Legal Sale of Kava		24.05.2022 - Call on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to work with the Local Authorities and Regional Council to ensure genuine and thorough consultation and engagement with and understanding of all communities and homelands of East Arnhem Land, on the important and pressing issues of the possible introduction of the legal sale of kava and alcohol and support the leadership of the President on this issue.  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.
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.	

**ANGURUGU ACTIONS**

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>22.03.2022 – To be actioned under an exemption by the Contractor this week.</p> <p>24.05.2022 – Has not started as yet. Will be addressed with priority.</p> <p>22.06.2022 – To be actioned under an exemption with interested contractors – low response to RFQs and Tenders due to back log and larger scale available works on Eylandt.</p>
Angurugu Local Area Management Plan and Street Names	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing will revisit with the next OTL meeting - missed the October meeting.</p> <p>12.01.2022 – Ongoing action item and will go to the next OTL meeting.</p> <p>22.03.2022 – As above</p> <p>24.05.2022 – Will be taken to the new authority post transition after July 2022.</p> <p>22/06/2022 – will be sent to ALC entity with the transition of the town lease July 1<sup>st</sup> from the OTL for consideration</p>
Water line to the cemetery \$20,000		<p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing - RFQ to be release November</p> <p>12.01.2022 – Approval granted, project moving forward. RFQ will be sent out end of January due to leave and extended commitments.</p> <p>22.3.2022 – Ongoing being followed up today.</p> <p>24.05.2022 – An update will be provided by the end of the week. Will be addressed with priority.</p> <p>22/06/2022 – still awaiting progress due to trade availability and staffing issues</p>

**ANGURUGU ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</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.	<p>02.02.2021 – To invite the Community Night Patrol Coordinator to present to the Local Authority.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Will report at next Council meeting</p> <p>25.05.2021 – Updated provided to LA members – Ongoing</p> <p>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.</p> <p>13.01.2021 – ARDS have been contacted for engagement to create HR fundamental videos in language. HR continue to source viable Cultural Inductions for incoming staff.</p> <p>22.03.2022 – Ongoing</p> <p>24.05.2021 – Recommend to mark as complete and remove from Action list. Start a separate action for the request for a new coordinator to present to the LA.</p>



**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>22.03.2022 – Council approved budget of 80k in December 2021. Formal expression of interest for project will be released in April 2022.</p> <p>24.05.2022 – Engagement of consultant being negotiated.</p> <p>22.06.2022 Funds allocation in draft 22-23 budget to initiate.</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 to Council in December.</p> <p>– 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> <p>22.03.2022 – Ongoing</p> <p>24.05.2022 – Power and Water has finished the work. Additional workers will be moved from Umbakumba for this footpath work. Anticipated completion by June or first half of July 2022.</p> <p>22.06.2022 – Ongoing – with contractor still to complete – staff on island today and update will be provided to LA</p>

## GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
<p>149/2021</p> <p>Community Asbestos Update</p>	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>(a) Notes the Community Asbestos Update, particularly the initial recommendations with regard to the asbestos in Galiwin'ku.</p> <p>(b) Supports a temporary licenced storage area at the current land fill site.</p> <p>(c) Support Indigenous employment and training for the asbestos removal project.</p> <p>(d) Will provide the Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services with a map that identifies priority areas.</p>	<p>12.05.2021 – Will update further prior to next Local Authority meeting.</p> <p>20.05.2021 – Update provided to Local Authority, Budget was submit to the NTG and EARC 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.</p> <p>12.10.2021 - position advertised for the project and communications officer - position should be filled November - more update provided in future reports.</p> <p>18.11.2021 – Interview was done on 17 Nov. A draft employment contract will be finalised and probable start would be January 2022.</p> <p>10.03.2022 – Employment contract counter signed – commencement February 2022 – attendance by the Waste Team and Ben for an introduction and finalised project direction is scheduled for this meeting.</p> <p>17.03.2022 – A report and presentation will be tabled in the May meeting</p> <p><b>19.05.2022 – An update was provided by Ben Jones - Environmental Projects and Communication Officer.</b></p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>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</p> <p>12.10.2021 - Ongoing awaiting designs from LA</p> <p>18.11.2021 – Ongoing awaiting design from LA</p> <p>12.01.2022 – Ongoing</p>
<p>152/2021</p> <p>Series of Murals (re-tabled)</p>	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>(a) Continues to consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.</p> <p>(b) Start gathering together photos of possible candidates, to be given to the Community Development Coordinator.</p>	



## GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS

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		<p>17.03.2022 – Discussions will continue with the community about finalising photos and get back to the CDC.</p> <p><b>19.05.2022 – Discussions will continue with the community about finalising photos/maps and get back to the CDC.</b></p>
<p>155/2021</p> <p>Questions from Members</p>	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing - awaiting NLC consultations - Shelter to be installed Nov/ Dec.</p> <p>18.11.2021 – The volume of the PA system is not loud enough and will be assessed.</p> <p>12.01.2022 NLC consultation has not happened for Galiwinku yet surrounding priority projects with the approval process is still ongoing.</p> <p>10.03.2022 – Still no outline for project application consultations dates – EARC have approached the NLC again with an offer for the usage of video conferencing from the Darwin office into Community meeting rooms to facilitate these consultations as they are not extensive to that of say consultations for new businesses or land mineral extractions such as mining etc.</p> <p>8.05.2022 – Consultation date has been suggested for July by the NLC.</p> <p><b>19.05.2022 – PA system action will be removed. The NLC consultation is scheduled end of June or start of July for Galiwinku.</b></p>

**GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</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.  20.05.2021 – Still unsure when this will be happening, Update has been provided to LA, will update up at next LA meeting – Ongoing.  17.12.2021 – A separate report on this will be presented by the CEO in the meeting.  12.01.2022 – Ongoing.  17.03.2022 – Discussion on Kava will continue with the community.  19.05.2022 – Call on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to work with the Local Authorities and Regional Council to ensure genuine and thorough consultation and engagement with all communities and homelands of East Arnhem Land, on the important and pressing issues of the possible introduction of the legal sale of kava and alcohol.

**GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS**

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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>18.11.2021 – a budget has been allocated and CDC to organise a trip early new year.</p> <p>12.01.2022 – Contacted the Women's centre, have confirmed approval visit, discussion on purpose of visit have been confirmed, initial planning for trip is January – pending due to COVID – 19.</p> <p>08.05.2022 - Have proposed 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> June for visit to Maningrida to visit Women's Centre. Melissa, Kaye, Nancy &amp; Gaylene will attend for a one day visit. Spend the afternoon with the Women's Centre ladies and organise catering. Melissa &amp; Kaye will look into other activities we can do in the morning, such as touring the town, visiting Council departments etc.</p> <p><b>19.05.2022 – The visit will be delayed.</b></p>



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Cemetery Fencing		<p>18.01.2021 – Quotations ready for release to the market end of January 2021.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – All materials have been provided, Still waiting for ARPA Approvals – Ongoing</p> <p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing - will be in the new year around Jan / Feb</p> <p>18.11.2021 – Ongoing - will be in the new year around Jan / Feb</p> <p>10.03.2022 – As per the above - materials on site – localised capacity with trades has been an issue, end of march commencement for the project.</p> <p>17.03.2022 – Engagement with traders has taken place.</p> <p><b>19.05.2022 - Engagement with traders has taken place and site preparations have begun on the area will be completed prior to June 30<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>22.06.2022 - Engagement with traders has taken place and site preparations have begun on the area – contractor is delayed due to completing prior commitments with security upgrades on facilities</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</p>

**GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
		<p>the Galiwin'ku LA support the mini excavator for burials and other requirements within Galiwin'ku pending council approval – Ongoing.</p> <p>18.11.2021 - Grave digger will be discussed in the December council meeting.</p> <p>12.01.2022 – discussed with the delays fleet capital outline – will be actioned by the end of January – but delivery may be March dependent on ETA of imports.</p> <p>10.03.2022 – Ongoing. Based on availability and capacity. Estimated finalisation is May 22, but still have machinery to facilitate any burial needs in the interim.</p> <p><b>19.05.2022 - delays fleet capital purchases availability – July / August ETA but still have machinery to facilitate any burial needs in the interim.</b></p>
<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.	<p>12.05.2021 – Grants are been sourced – Ongoing</p> <p>20.05.2021 – Another round has been realised, Update will be provided at next LA meeting. – Ongoing</p> <p>18.11.2021 – Ongoing and will keep looking for additional fund.</p> <p>12.01.2022 – As per the above and will keep searching for available funding especially coming out of the wet season.</p> <p>10.03.2022 – a new natural account has been created in the budget revision for allocations towards this need, the LA are to confirm to the DTSI what tracks will be the focus of the initial grading / opening up attention prior to April Contractor arrival.</p> <p>11.04.2022 Remove Action from Action List</p>

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		<p>19.05.2022 - Budget allocation in the revised and the new 22-23 for additional focus on the tracks - Remove Action from Action List</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>2023.17.7203 - Culture Track Access Maintenance</th><th>Active</th><th>0.00</th><th>0.00</th><th>0.00</th><th>18,000.00</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="6">22.06.2022 - works have begun in a stage approach with the bible camp area and access being completed</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	2023.17.7203 - Culture Track Access Maintenance	Active	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,000.00	22.06.2022 - works have begun in a stage approach with the bible camp area and access being completed					
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<p>175/2021</p> <p>Series of Murals (re-tabled)</p>	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>(a) Continue to consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.</p> <p>(b) Speak to family members, and start gathering together photos, of possible candidates, to be given to the Community Development Coordinator.</p>	<p>19.03.2021 – Awaiting on suggestions, LA members still to speak to families seeking permission.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Still waiting on suggestions from LA Members.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>19.11.2021 – Consultation with community members and Traditional Owners continuing.</p> <p>21.01.2022 – Further consultation and discussion with the Local Authority is ongoing. 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.</p> <p>18.03.2022 – The CDC to work with the LA members and the community to agree on the Murals.</p> <p>09.05.2022 – CDC has scheduled meeting 10.05.2022 with LA members to agree on murals. Update to be given in next LA Meeting 20.05.2022</p> <p><b>20.05.2022 – Community elders have requested the presence of the Elected Members to consult with regarding the selection of founders of Gapuwiyak for inclusion in the murals.</b></p> <p>19.03.2021 – LA members request Director of Community Development to follow up on progress from NT Health and Miwatj Health</p> <p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing – No Progress to advise.</p> <p>19.11.2021 – Ongoing. Director Community Development will follow up again.</p>
<p>178/2021</p> <p>Questions from Members</p>	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>a) Notes the question from members.</p> <p>b) Requests a letter be written from the Local Authority to NT Health and Miwatj Health requesting the provision of a</p>	

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	morgue service in Gapuwiyak, as in Galiwin'ku, as it is an essential and very important need for the community.	<p>21.01.2022 – Ongoing</p> <p>18.03.2022 – CEO to approach the new Miwajj CEO regarding the issue.</p> <p>08.05.2022 – Ongoing. The need has been raised and will continue to be advocated for on behalf of the community.</p> <p><b>20.05.2022 – A morgue facility will be included in the new Miwajj Health Clinic.</b></p>
<p>001/2020</p> <p>Resolved</p>	<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>21.01.2022 – CEO is having meetings about consultation on 8 Feb 2022.</p> <p>18.03.2022 – Cr Bandi Wunungmurra and the Director Community Development to attend the regional Children and Families Meeting on the 5 April to advocate Council's position on this.</p> <p>09.05.2022 - Dale Keehne and President Lapulung Dhamarrandji attended the RFC and will provide updates to the Local Authority.</p> <p><b>20.05.2022 - Call on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to work with the Local Authorities and Regional Council to ensure genuine and thorough consultation and engagement with all communities and homelands of East Arnhem Land, on the important and pressing issues of the possible introduction of the legal sale of kava and alcohol.</b></p>

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<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>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.</p> <p>20.05.2022 – Anticipated July completion based on Batching plant availability.</p> <p>22.06.2022 – Anticipated July completion WTD issued order for works.</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>21.01.2022 – funds approved at Council meeting in December – project to start in February.</p> <p>28.05.2022 - Telstra and Wyatt Broadcast and Media Solutions P/L have been engaged - a tentative start date for the 25th of April 2022 and a completion date for the 29th of June 2022.</p> <p>There has been a delay due to additional requirements with a clearance mounting pole and costs, all pricing received for additions and will be actioned.</p> <p>22.06.2022 – as above – no action until new ICT Manager starts July 12.</p>

**GAPUWIYAK ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
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>21.01.2022 – The design has been approved by LA and sent to Natasha. Director Technical and infrastructure services to follow up on that – ongoing</p> <p><b>20.05.2022 concept finalised for Manufacture – installation within 2 weeks</b></p> <div data-bbox="347 1153 762 1877">  <p>2400mm x 1200mm</p> </div> <p><b>22.06.2022 – Completed - remove from actions.</b></p>

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<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
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>21.01.2022 – Ongoing</p> <p><b>20.05.2022 – no change – seeking additional funding.</b></p>



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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>20.05.2022 – No further update on dates – ongoing</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> <p>18.03.2022 – ACAAP visits planned for the 28 March 2022.</p> <p><b>20.05.2022 – ongoing and progressing to commencement of project.</b></p>

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ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Shelter for Fuel Browsers		<p>22.05.2020 – The Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to investigate the Shelter for Fuel Browsers as part of broader browser update.</p> <p>29.01.2021 - This project is still pending. EARC is awaiting a replacement browser 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 2021. 12.05.2021 – New Fuel browsers 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>20.05.2022 - Ongoing. And to be actioned in the Dry Season, probably end of August – 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>	<p>10.03.2022 – Names suggested going to next Council for support approval at the next meeting then will be placed in front of the Place name committee.</p> <p>11.04.2022 – Recommendation that Council support the names proposed by the Local Authority and Community members for application to the Place Names Committee</p> <p><b>20.05.2022 – ongoing with application being lodged</b></p>



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<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
Purchase of a four wheel drive equipped Coaster bus, as offered by the Federal Government Opposition	The Gapuwiyak Local Authority supports the purchase a four wheel drive equipped Coaster bus, as offered by the Federal Government Opposition ahead of the next election, and requests Council management to work with the school, and possibly other organisations on how to ensure the most effective use of the bus, and funding for its repair and maintenance.	20.05.2022 – Partnership has been offered to cover the ongoing running costs and ensure community benefit of the buses with Department of Education and ALPA. Department of Education have rejected the offer to partner, ALPA decision on the partnership is pending.

## 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. 26.11.2021 – Awaiting advice from NAC Board. By the end of the year there will be an agreement. <b>11/4/2022 – EARC will make a cash contribution towards Gumatj for their sign project to the value of on sign based of other Community installations.</b> <b>Recommendation –</b> <b>a) That Council approve the contribution based on other installation costs for one Community sign</b> <b>b) Approve the removal of this Action item.</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. 26.11.2021 - Will be considered at the December Council Meeting. <b>11/4/2022 – Remove action – Gumatj to address as the 99 year lease holder.</b>
Bus Shelter		12.10.2021 – Ongoing – Contractor issued Purchase order - Installation due the end of November. 26.11.2021 – Installations are happening currently. <b>11/4/2022 – Completed and remove from Action List</b>

GUNYANGARA ACTIONS



**MILINGIMBI ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
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 – Community Development Coordinator to with the President & Local Authority Members to have campfire with local TO'S to gather ideas for discussion at next Local Authority meeting. Gather Photos of missionary days similar to Project of Galiwinku – Vision of Old to the New.  15.03.2022 - Ongoing  <b>17.05.2022 – Local Authority members with the Community Development Coordinator and Designer to hold campfire meeting to turn ideas into action.</b>

**MILINGIMBI ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</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  18.05.2021 – Update provided to LA, EARC will provide update from government once received.  12.01.2022 – A separate report was presented on this by the CEO – ongoing.  15.03.2022 – A detail discussion took place with the members, President and the CEO.  <b>17.05.2022 - Call on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to work with the Local Authorities and Regional Council to ensure genuine and thorough consultation and engagement with all communities and homelands of East Arnhem Land, on the important and pressing issues of the possible introduction of the legal sale of kava and alcohol'.</b>
Priority footpaths		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.  27.01.2021 – ongoing at this stage – CDP and Contractors still to recommence respective services in Community at this stage.  12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Will bring information to next LA meeting.  18.05.2021 – Will update at next LA meeting.

**MILONGIMBI ACTIONS**

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>16.11.2021 – Update progress in January/late January about the project.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>15.03.2022 – Tender will be re-released by the end of April 2022</p> <p>17.05.2022 – Tender will be re-released by end of May 2022.</p> <p>22.06.2022 – Tender currently out to the market and will await any submission when closed to consider.</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>12.01.2022 – Ongoing with no approval from power and water obtained to date.</p> <p>15.03.2022 – no update after previous report.</p> <p>17.05.2022 – Power and Water will come back to us with requested information as per the agreement at the Guest speaker delivery at the LA on the Milongimbi water story.</p>



**MILINGIMBI ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
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 Milongimbi 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>12.01.2021 – Ongoing and will be addressed in January due to teams capacity and current commitments.</p> <p>15.03.2022 – within the next three weeks work will start after two vacant positions are filled.</p> <p>17.05.2022 – Ongoing</p> <p>22.06.2022 – Ongoing and is on the works list – program busy with grass reductions and other works at this stage.</p> <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>
Makarata Field		

**MILINGIMBI ACTIONS**

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>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.</p> <p>15.03.2022 – Pending</p> <p>17.05.2022 – Ongoing and pending design meeting to take place.</p>
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.</p> <p>The Local Authority requests the item 'YSR – New commercial stove for YSR center' be placed on hold due to committing funds to other projects.</p> <p>10.11.2020 – The Local Authority requests Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services to provide a satisfactory stove option for the Youth, Sport &amp; Recreation Hall that the Local Authority is happy to fund – yet to be actioned.</p> <p>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>12.01.2022 – Ongoing – will be actioned next trades grouped works visit – end of January start of February dependant on trade movement restrictions.</p> <p>15.03.2022 – The new stove will be coming at the next barge. Will not need any electricity installation. It is a plug in bench top model.</p> <p>11.04.2022 – Unit arrived – Remove from Action List</p>

**MILONGIMBI ACTIONS**

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>12.01.2022 – Municipal services scheduled to install next week as all materials now arrived in community.</p> <p>15.03.2022 – Position has been identified. Material is on the barge.</p> <p>17.05.2022 – Installation still pending till end of May 2022.</p> <p>22.06.2022 sign installed remove from action list.</p>



**MILYAKBURRA ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
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.  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>23.05.2022 - Ongoing</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.  22.11.2021 – Change the first word from Kaningaba to Naningaba, subject to confirmation from Groote linguist.  10.03.2022 – No change as yet  <b>23.05.2022 – Expect progress within the next week.</b>

## MILYAKBURRA ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		22.06.2022 – completed – remove from Action List
The legal sale of Kava		23.05.2022 - Call on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to work with the Local Authorities and Regional Council to ensure genuine and thorough consultation and engagement with all communities and homelands of East Arnhem Land, on the important and pressing issues of the possible introduction of the legal sale of kava and alcohol.
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 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. 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. 10.03.2022 – will be actioned in April with regional annual repair rounds by contractor. 23.05.2022 – 120 lights in stock, waiting for another 80. Request for Quotation will be closing in two weeks. Work should be done by June 2022. The solar lights at the barge landing will be repaired. 22.06.2022 – Lighting has arrived in Community – electricians have inspected solar lighting and parts on order.
Health Worker		24.05.2021 – See about having a nurse come to Milyakburra for a permanent time, as they have the facilities for one.

**MILYAKBURRA ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
		<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>22.11.2021 – Ongoing.</p> <p>23.05.2022 – Ongoing.</p>
<b>FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</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 ALC recommence consultations – No update provided by the department to date and consultations still pending.	<p>24.05.2021 – Ongoing.</p> <p>10.03.2022 – Ongoing no confirmation to date received.</p> <p>23.05.2022 – No finalisation on this one yet.</p>



## 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.	<p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>12.10.2021 – LA are still deciding what way they would like to proceed with.</p> <p><b>17.01.2022 – The CDC to work with the members and provide update (list of items) on the next LA meeting.</b></p> <p>14.03.2022 – ongoing discussion.</p> <p>02.06.2022 - LA supports the murals to be based on a map of Ramingining and its homelands.</p>
01/2020 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>25.01.21 – The Local Authorities resolution has been shared with the Department of Chief Minister.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Email was received, stating that there is no action regarding the Kava Pilot – Ongoing</p> <p>19.05.2021 – Updated has been provided to the Local Authority Members, with further updates to come.</p> <p>15.11.2021 – A separate report was presented by the CEO in the meeting.</p> <p>17.01.2022 – The CEO will provide further updates in the next meeting. The LA will continue to discuss Kava with the community.</p> <p>02.06.2022 - Call on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to work with the Local Authorities and Regional Council to ensure genuine and thorough consultation and engagement with and understanding of all communities and homelands of East Arnhem Land, on the important and pressing issues of the possible</p>

**RAMINGINING ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
Community Oval Stage	Extend the Community Oval Stage and construct a stage at the Church grounds. \$200,000	<p>Introduction of the legal sale of kava and alcohol and support the leadership of the President on this issue.</p> <p>18.01.2021 Design and engineering being finalised for market release – release due end of November with Construction anticipated February – March 2021</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>19.05.2021 – Project update will be provided at next Local Authority Meeting. Design stage is currently in the process.</p> <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>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. Request For Tender (RFT) documents for the stage to be released to market end of February.</p>

**RAMINGINING ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
Landfill Trench for Clothing		<p>14.03.2022 – will go to the market this Friday</p> <p>02.06.2022 – To be dealt with in a separate pool</p> <p>22.06.2022 – tender evaluated – pricing beyond available funds – report in this Council meeting.</p> <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>17.01.2022 – Contractor to return with heavy equipment at the end of the wet season – ETA around March dependant on the season duration.</p> <p>14.03.2022 – depends on the duration of the wet season</p>



**RAMINGINING ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
		<p><b>02.06.2022</b> – Interim measure in place to dispose of clothing while awaiting full upgrade</p>
<p>White Line Markings on Bitumen Roads</p>		<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 Gapuwyak 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 Ramingining.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Unit still at Gapuwyak – ongoing 12/05/2021 – Still awaiting MS Gapuwyak to finalise works – overdue.</p>

## RAMINGINING ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>15.11.2021 – The machine will reach Raminging 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 Raminging once completed.</p> <p>14.03.2022 – Galiwinku's one is done. Will be moved to Raminging soon</p> <p>02.06.2022 – Awaiting the completion of Galiwin'ku</p>
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 Raminging' 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>17.01.2022 – Sign has arrived in the community. The location needs to be approved by the Traditional Owners.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>14.03.2022 – will be put in the coming week.</p> <p>02.06.2022 – the sign has been installed at the airport and an additional sign to be ordered to be installed at the approved location.</p> <p>22.06.2022 – completed remove from Action List.</p>

**RAMINGINING ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
Street Naming for New Subdivision	001/2022 <b>RESOLVED</b> That the Raminging 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.	14.03.2022 - There will be a separate report on Street naming in this meeting. 02.06.2022 – Ongoing confirmation and consultation still required.
Oval lighting		14.03.2022 – The lights to be ordered this week and a ten week wait time for manufacturing. The tender will be released in two weeks. Expects to be installed by end of May. 02.06.2022 – Update provided in item 8.3 in the agenda. 22.06.2022 – Tender awarded to NT Electrical Pty Ltd.,



**UMBAKUMBA ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
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.  24.11.2021 - Local Authority made resolution today to go to the December Council meeting.  23.03.2021 - Change to Construction underway with Contractor. <b>25.05.2022 – Footpath Completed – remove from Action Listing</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  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.  23.03.2022 – Option 1. And each local authority to provide names and possibly images of totems to be included for their community and homelands. (Reference Milyakburra agenda )  <b>25.05.2022 – Ongoing</b>

## UMBAKUMBA ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
14/6/2020 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.	<p>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.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>30.06.2021 - Ongoing - Update provided to Council.</p> <p>24.11.2021 – Director Community Development to arrange for next LA in January.</p> <p>13.01.2022 – Regional Manager Aged &amp; Disability attendance at the January 2022 Local Authority to discuss Aged &amp; Disability services in Umbakumba.</p> <p>23.03.2022 - Regional Manager Aged &amp; Disability attendance at the May 2022 Local Authority to discuss Aged &amp; Disability services in Umbakumba.</p> <p><b>25.05.2022 – Regional Manager is not available for the May meeting due to personal reasons, will be added to the next scheduled LA meeting.</b></p> <p>18.01.2021 - Drone photos taken of Umbakumba for the signage - Local Authority members to choose picture and advise Community Development Coordinator.</p> <p>12.10.2021 - Ongoing - design confirmed and being manufactured.</p> <p>24.11.2021 – Awaiting response on final design.</p> <p><b>23.03.2022 – ordered and awaiting arrival for installation.</b></p>
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:	

**UMBAKUMBA ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
		<b>25.05.2022 – Ordered and awaiting arrival for installation.</b>
<b>FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
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>24.11.2021 – Ongoing. To be finalised between ALC and NTG.</p> <p>23.03.2022 - Ongoing</p> <p><b>25.05.2022 – Ongoing – will action some initial area works for access prior to June 30.</b></p>



**YIRRKALA ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
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. 25.11.2021 – Ongoing. Gained permission from Rirratjingu to place speaker on their office building. Quotation being sourced. 24.03.2022 – Permission has been granted, however obtaining trades to complete work.
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.	<b>26.05.2022 - Ongoing</b> 12.05.2021 – Ongoing. 25.11.2021 – Ongoing. 24.03.2022 – Further discussion to occur. <b>26.05.2022 – Support one design being developed in consultation with all Local Authorities.</b>

**YIRRKALA ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
001/2020 RESOLVED	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>a) Notes the report on the Kava Pilot: Allowing the commercial importation of kava.</p> <p>b) Supports comprehensive community consultation as highlighted in the Northern Territory Government's submission to the Australian Government's Kava Pilot Phase 2: Allowing the Commercial Importation of Kava consultation paper, and the call for Commonwealth funding to support either:</p> <p>1) Increased compliance and policing for the increase in the illicit kava trade, or</p> <p>2) effective and informed local decision making about kava management to minimise potential harms.</p> <p>c) Supports the Northern Territory Government's request for funding to support research into the health and social impacts from increased kava availability.</p>	<p>12.05.2021 – Email was received, stating that there is no action regarding the Kava Pilot – Ongoing</p> <p>25.11.2021 – A separate report on this topic will be presented by the CEO in the meeting.</p> <p>24.03.2022 – Proper consultation to take place with Community and Homelands.</p> <p><b>26.05.2022 - Call on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to work with the Local Authorities and Regional Council to ensure genuine and thorough consultation and engagement with the understanding of all communities and homelands of East Arnhem Land, on the important and pressing issues of the possible introduction of the legal sale of kava and alcohol and support the leadership of the President on this issue.</b></p>
002/2020 RESOLVED	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>a) Notes the questions from members about whether sitting fees can be increased to respect the significant contribution of the Local Authority to community.</p> <p>b) Request that the CEO writes a letter to the NT Government to advocate for an increase in fees for all Local Authorities.</p> <p>c) Requests that the CEO investigates more flexibility in payment of Local Authority sitting fees.</p>	<p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>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 representative boards in East Arnhem Land.</p> <p>24.03.2022 – Ongoing</p> <p><b>26.05.2022 - Ongoing</b></p>
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.	<p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p><b>26.05.2022 - Ongoing</b></p> <p>25.11.2021 – To be discussed in the January meeting.</p>

## YIRRKALA ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Children's Playground \$60,000		<p>24.03.2022 – No design direction has been supplied by the LA</p> <p><b>26.05.2022 - No design direction has been supplied by the LA</b></p> <p>18.01.2021 – application lodged with the NLC for approval to construct – awaiting consultative forum.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>25.11.2021 – Was not approved. Will be discussed again in six month time.</p> <p>24.03.2021 – purchasing the kit - to be installed undercover - waiting on approval.</p> <p>26.05.2022 – Waiting on approval.</p> <p>22.06.2022 – Unit has been purchased – will await consultation on location</p>
East Arnhem Council meeting room		<p><b>24.03.2021 – Council calls for the Yirrkalá East Arnhem Regional Council room to be named after the late Mr. D. Marika, as a mark of respect and acknowledgement of his massive contribution and legacy to the Yolngu of Yirrkalá and East Arnhem Land, and this to be marked by a plaque.</b></p>
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>



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		<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>25.11.2021 – Electrical work completed, quotes are finalised for carpentry work which will commence before Christmas and paintings will be done after Christmas.</p> <p>24.03.2022 – Foundation and stumps need replacing to make building safe. Money to be put towards new stumps etc., starting in 3 weeks.</p> <p><b>26.05.2022 - Ongoing</b></p>
201/2022	Local authority supports council providing in kind support to the coming launch of the Gumatj language bible	
FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD	ACTIONS	STATUS

**YIRRKALA ACTIONS**

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Yirrkalā Future Actions/ Advocacy	Marine Navigation Lights at Yirrkalā Ramp	<p>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 &amp; Infrastructure Services and the CEO of Council.</p> <p>18.01.2021 – Issue for Advocacy ongoing</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>25.11.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>24.03.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p><b>26.05.2022 - Ongoing</b></p>

**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>	
<p>1) Sport and Recreation Hall (cyclone shelter)</p> <p>2) Two Public Toilets – Shady Beach (plus water supply) and near Oval</p> <p>3) Waterpark</p> <p>4) Improved Oval Lighting</p> <p>5) Fencing around Oval</p>	<p>1) Playgrounds</p> <p>2) Improvements to Ceremony Areas</p> <p>3) Solar Lights at Beach Areas</p> <p>4) Fencing For Sacred Sites</p>	<p>Local Authority request attendance in the next Rirratjingu board meeting to discuss priority projects and need for approval at the second round of NLC board meeting.</p> <p><b>24.03.2022 – More to come on Sport and Recreation Hall. Ongoing for public toilets and cyclone shelter. Following up \$250,000 Grant for Sport &amp; Recreation.</b></p> <p><b>Supports the provision of \$5million funding from the Federal Labour Party towards the provision of a cyclone shelter/multipurpose hall at Yirrkalā and supports an application to the ABA Fund for this project.</b></p>

YIRRKALA ACTIONS



**CORRESPONDENCE**

**ITEM NUMBER** 16.1  
**TITLE** Correspondence Register  
**REFERENCE** 1622358  
**AUTHOR** Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO

**DOCUMENT DETAILS REPORT****Incoming Correspondence**

Document ID	Document Name
1632507	Minister for Local Government – Local Authority Project Funding Extension – 2022.
1626615	Advice to CEO East Arnhem Gumurr Gattjirrka ward - 17.02.2022.
1626614	Advice to CEO East Arnhem Gumurr Miyarrka ward - 17.02.2022.
1609517	Minister for Indigenous Australians - Condolences Mr D Marika - 31.03.2022.

**Outgoing Correspondence**

Document ID	Document Name
1632519	Electoral Service Agreement – Mitwatji ward June 2022
1626137	Letter to Hon Minister of Health – Potential Exposure to Manganese on Groote Eylandt – 03.06.2022
1624934	Letter from President Lapulung Dhamarrandji East Arnhem Regional Council to Hon Minister Linda Burney 1 June 2022
1630042	Letter to Electoral Commission – Casual Vacancy of Anindilyakwa Ward – 14.06.2022
1632687	NT Chief Minister – Thank you letter from President Lapulung 09.06.2022

**CEO Correspondence**

Document ID	Document Name
1630313	Letter to Members Absent from Council Meeting in April – Bobby – 01.05.2022
1630312	Letter to Members Absent from Council Meeting in April – Constantine – 01.05.2022
1632508	Letter to Members Absent from Council Meeting in April – E Dhamarrandji
1632709	Email to NLC – Call for Recognition – 22.04.2022

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

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1 May 2022

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Yours sincerely,

Dale Keehne  
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3 June 2022

**Hon Natasha Fyles**  
Minister of Health  
Email: [minister.fyles@nt.gov.au](mailto:minister.fyles@nt.gov.au)

Dear Hon Minister,

**Potential Exposure to Manganese on Groote Eylandt**

At a recent Local Authority meeting in Angurugu a question was asked around whether any potential health concerns exist concerning the airborne disbursement of manganese dust from mining operations located on Groote Eylandt.

Council has an interest in the answer to this question as both a major employer of staff, and on behalf of the residents who reside within the council area.

This matter has received previous publicity on ABC radio on 7th December 2021, as shown in this article 'Concerning' levels of heavy metals found in people living near the world's biggest manganese mine - ABC News. At the time the article quotes 'The Northern Territory Health Department told the ABC it was not aware of the manganese exposure issue.'

Given the passage of time, and the article bringing to the notice of Health officials of the concerns, can your office please advise on whether any health issues do exist that should be of concern to Council in the protection of its workforce and wider community.

Yours sincerely,

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1 June 2022

Honourable Linda Burney  
Minister for Indigenous Australians  
[Linda.Burney.MP@aph.gov.au](mailto:Linda.Burney.MP@aph.gov.au)

Dear Minister,

I am Lapulung Dhamarrandji, a Yolngu Dharaymirr Yulnguny Gunggayunamirr (Yolngu caretaker to guide and help), and President of East Arnhem Regional Council.


Our Aboriginal Community Controlled Regional Government Council has up to 126 Members across 9 Local Authorities, which include 14 Councillors elected from 6 cultural based electoral wards, across the communities and homelands of the Yolngu and Anindilyakwa peoples. Our community and homelands people are intertwined and deeply connected through the two pillars (moieties) of Dhuwa and Yirritja, our Bapurr (Clans), our Ringitj (Song Lines), our Rom (Lore) and our Yirralka (Land), which extend and connect to Anindilyakwa.

I would like to congratulate you my yapa (sister) on your appointment as our new Minister for Indigenous Australians, as a key Minister of the new Labor Federal Government. I look forward to working with you in unity for our peoples, and to build a better nation for Yolngu and all Australians.

I will be leading our Council delegation to Canberra to participate in the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association from 19 to 21 June. East Arnhem Regional Council was the local government that put forward the motion to the ALGA NGA last year for the recognition of Indigenous controlled councils, that gained unanimous support. Our Council has put forward some further resolutions to this year's NGA to continue progress on this important issue.

We wholeheartedly welcome the election of the Labor Government and your commitment to implement in full the Uluru Statement from the Heart. We are intertwined and stronger when we are united together, Yolngu to Yolngu and Yolngu to Balanda (non-Indigenous) people.


Our Aboriginal Controlled Local Authorities and Regional Government Council, offers a bridge of commonality between our Yolngu and Anindilyakwa people and the Balanda (non-Indigenous) governments. A bridge to make sure the voices of our Land Councils and other Aboriginal organisations – our Traditional Owners, our Bapurr (Clan) Leaders, our young, and all our community and homeland members - are heard, and acted on.



I would like to formally request to meet with you during our visit to Canberra, with myself and Councillor Bandi Bandi Wunungmurra of the Gumurr Miyarrka Ward, accompanied by our Chief Executive Officer Dale Keehne, and Director Community Development Andrew Walsh.

Nhokiyngalanha Dharanganaminyaraw Ngayangu Nherrpanminyaraw

(Yours in building unity),



Lapulung Dhamarrandji  
President  
East Arnhem Regional Council



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14 June 2022

Iain Loganathan  
Electoral Commissioner  
GPO Box 2419  
Darwin, NT 0801

Dear Iain,

I am writing to inform you of a casual vacancy in East Arnhem Regional Council. In the Anindilyakwa Ward Mr Gordon Walsh has resigned effective 10 June 2022.

As a casual vacancy now exists under section 50(c) of the Local Government Act, as per section 54(c) I understand that a by-election must be held in the 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  
Level 1, RCG Centre, 47 Mitchell St,  
Darwin GPO Box 4621, Darwin NT 0801

10 June 2022

CEO  
East Arnhem Regional Council

Dear Dale,

In accordance with section 51(1) of the Local Government Act I hereby submit my resignation, effective the date of this letter, as an elected member of East Arnhem Regional Council, on the basis I am disqualified by section 47(1)(d) of the Act.

Yours

*Gordon I. Wahl.*  
12.10. PM QLD  
10-06-2022.



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9 June 2022

Hon Natasha Fyles  
Chief Minister  
[chief.minister@nt.gov.au](mailto:chief.minister@nt.gov.au)

Dear Chief Minister,

I write to thank you for meeting with me in Nhulunbuy on 31 May.

I also thank you for accepting my invitation to join the Makarrata ceremony, known as the Ralmanapanmirr ga Ngayanguwangnganythirr ceremony, on country in Milingimbi.

This ceremony, part of our sacred and unchanging Rom (Lore), is the foundation to overcome the divisions between Yolngu and Balanda (non-Indigenous) Government, to develop understanding and real reconciliation and build unity and a better nation for us all.

You advised you would be able to join the ceremony sometime in August or September, with August probably better for your schedule.

CEO, Dale Keehne, is available to liaise with your office about confirming an exact date that suits your schedule, at [dale.keehne@eastarnhem.nt.gov.au](mailto:dale.keehne@eastarnhem.nt.gov.au) or 0458 039 348.

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