



# **Agenda**

## **Milingimbi**

### **LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING**

On  
**19 July 2022**

**EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Notice is hereby given that an Local Authority Meeting of the East Arnhem Regional Council will be held at the Milingimbi Council Office on Tuesday, 19 July 2022 at 10.00AM.

Dale Keehne  
**Chief Executive Officer**

DIAL IN DETAILS:

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**APOLOGIES**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 3.1  
**TITLE** Apologies and Absent Without Notice  
**REFERENCE** 1639379  
**AUTHOR** Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO

**SUMMARY**

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

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council:**

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

**ATTACHMENTS:**

This report does not have any attachments.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	4.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Conflict of Interest
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1639380
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO

**SUMMARY:**

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

**BACKGROUND**

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

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

**GENERAL**

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

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

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

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

**OR**

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

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	5.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Previous Minutes for Ratification
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1639381
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO

**SUMMARY**

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

**BACKGROUND**

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

According to the *Local Authority Guideline 1* (Part 12, Section 12.4), Members at a provisional meeting can confirm the minutes of a previous provisional meeting. However, members at a provisional meeting cannot confirm the minutes of a previous Local Authority meeting.

**GENERAL**

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

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the meeting of 17 May 2022 to be a true record of the meeting.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1 [↓](#) Local Authority - Milingimbi 2022-05-17 [1817] Minutes.DOCX



## Mission

East Arnhem Regional Council is dedicated to promoting the power of people, protection of community and respect for cultural diversity in the East Arnhem Regional Council. It does this by forming partnerships, building community capacity, advocating for regional and local issues, maximising service effectiveness and linking people with information.

### Core Values

Respect  
Professionalism  
Human Dignity  
Organisational Growth  
Equity  
Community

## **MINUTES FOR THE 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:**

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.

**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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**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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**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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**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:**

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

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)



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**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.

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

That 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 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 Rirrattjingu, and the Yothu Yindi Foundation, or linked to communities like Yalu in Galiwinku, Gongdal in Gapuwiyak or

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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.

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 Corporation Milingimbi and Outstations Progress and Resource</b>

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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

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

19 July 2022

**MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting ended at 4:30 pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 17 May 2022 and are to be confirmed on the next Local Authority Meeting on 19 July 2022.

**LOCAL AUTHORITIES**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 6.1  
**TITLE** Local Authority Action Register  
**REFERENCE** 1639394  
**AUTHOR** Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO

**SUMMARY**

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

**BACKGROUND**

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

**GENERAL**

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

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

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority notes 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.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1 [↓](#) Local Authority - Milingimbi June 2022.docx



**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.

**MILINGIMBI ACTIONS**

<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
		<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> <p><b>30.06.2022 – Out to tender – closes in 1 week.</b></p>
Water to be installed at the oval		<p>19.05.2020 – Director of Technical &amp; Infrastructure Services to follow up with Power &amp; Water regarding current status of water sources, and when extra water may become available. To also investigate the use of brackish water for the Oval and report back to the LA.</p> <p>18.01.2021 - Email and discussion are underway with Power and Water surrounding supply options – Brackish Test bore was not approved but other options have been suggested as possibilities – awaiting official Power and Water response.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Awaiting response from Power and Water.</p> <p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing – Still waiting for response from Power and Water.</p> <p>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><b>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 Milingimbi water story.</b></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 Milingimbi and will be placed into the right spots by Monday Morning.</p> <p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing – is on work list to be installed by MS crew.</p> <p>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><b>30.06.2022 – ongoing</b></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>
Makarata Field		

**MILINGIMBI ACTIONS**

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing final concept to be agreed and grant funding sought in 2022.</p> <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> <p><b>30.06.2022 – Ongoing.</b></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>

MILINGIMBI ACTIONS		
ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		11.04.2022 – Unit arrived – Remove from Action List 30.6.2022 Remove from list



**MILINGIMBI 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><b>22.06.2022 sign installed remove from action list.</b></p>

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.1
<b>TITLE</b>	CEO Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1643186
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer

**SUMMARY**

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

**GENERAL****Councillors**

The official Memorial Service for former Councillor for the Gumurr Miwatj Ward and Deputy President Mr. Marika has been arranged for Friday 15 July at the Yirrkala Community Church. Councillors from across the region participated in this important event, and President Dhamarrandji and myself addressed the service with our recognition and respect of his significant contribution and legacy as a Yolngu Leaders.

We welcome the election of Marpulawuy Marika as a new Gumurr Miwatj Councillor, who will be able to help continue Mr. Marika's legacy, and provide leadership as a strong Yolngu woman for the communities and homelands of the region.

Marpulawuy is also joined by Wesley Dhamarrandji to fill the second vacancy for the Gumurr Miwatj Ward. We look forward to their contributions and governance locally and across the region.

**Possible Legal Sale of Alcohol and Kava**

The resolutions from the last round of Local Authorities regarding this issue were tabled and considered when Council met on 30 June.

Based on these resolutions and the strong opposition shown across all the Local Authority meetings, Council made a clear resolution, as included in the attached letter to Chief Minister Natasha Fyles and Federal Minister for Indigenous Australians Linda Burney (Attachment A).

**Position on Local Decision Making and Call for Recognition**

Council also considered the resolutions made by Local Authorities in the last round of meetings on this issue.

Council resolved that it:

- a) *Notes the CEO Report.*
- b) *Endorses the resolutions of the Local Authorities of East Arnhem Land to not support the pathway forward for Local Decision Making planned by the ARDS Aboriginal Corporation as advised on 29 April 2022.*
- b) *Supports the East Arnhem Land First Nations Call for Recognition.*



The current draft of the Call for Recognition includes some improvements based on further contemplation by President Dhamarrandji and feedback from consultation from other Aboriginal organisations to date.

President Lapulung has issued a Media Release and social media posts on about the Call for Recognition (See Attachment 2).

The President and myself have also begun the process of reaching out to meet directly with the Chairpersons and boards of the many Aboriginal Corporations and the two Land Councils, to discuss and see if they wish to support the Call for Recognition, or not.

As President Lapulung has stated in one social media post:

*Council has announced the East Arnhem Land First Nations Call for Recognition – but the Road to Recognition will be a long one.*

*We must talk together Yolngu way, with unhurried time.*

*I look forward to meeting with the Boards of the many different Aboriginal Corporations and the two Land Councils that work across East Arnhem Land.*

*The Local Authorities and Regional Council have endorsed the Call for Recognition.*

*We must now spend much time talking about the Call, heart to heart, with all the other Aboriginal organisations listed in it, listen to their views, and see if they too wish to endorse it.*

*We look forward to working even more closely together, in genuine respect and unity across East Arnhem Land, to build a better life for our people.*

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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council notes the CEO Report.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 [↓](#) Impact of Legal Sale Of Alcohol and Kava (003).pdf
- 2 [↓](#) Media Release - The Road to Recognition - First Nations Regional Government 29 Jun 22.docx



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11 July 2022

**Hon Natasha Fyles**  
 Chief Minister  
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**Hon Linda Burney**  
 Minister for Indigenous Australians  
[Minister.Burney@aph.gov.au](mailto:Minister.Burney@aph.gov.au)

Dear Chief Minister and Minister,

The nine Local Authorities and Regional Council of East Arnhem Land have been considering the impact of the legal sale of kava for over a year and half, and in recent months the possible legal sale of alcohol across the communities and homelands of the region.

Council President Lapulung Dhamarrandji has led the participation of Council in meetings of the Regional Children and Families Committee, convened by the regional office of the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet, that has been discussing these issues, and appreciates the opportunity to do so. Regional representatives of the National Indigenous Advancement Agency have also attended these meetings.

I write to advise of the most recent resolution of the East Arnhem Regional Council, at its most recent Ordinary Council Meeting on 30 June;

*That Council:*

*Calls on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to;*

- a) *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.*
- b) *Advise the Northern Territory and Australian Governments of the very strong position across Local Authorities and Council to oppose the introduction of the legal sale of alcohol to prevent the massive social and health affects it will bring; and*
- c) *There is a need to focus on the issue of kava and consideration across the many communities and homelands across East Arnhem whether to approve it's legal sale, where, and if so, how that would be managed to properly deal with the health and social impacts on families and work, and that any profits go to the benefit of communities and homelands.*

Council understands and acknowledges these are complex and difficult issues, but re-iterates the need to move to genuine action to ensure the protection and empowerment of the people, and seeks your support to achieve this.

Yours sincerely,

Dale Keehne  
 Chief Executive Officer



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## MEDIA RELEASE

### The Road to Recognition – First Nations Regional Government

East Arnhem Regional Council President, Lapulung Dhamarrandji welcomes the recognition of the National Indigenous Australians Agency CEO, Jody Broun, in her address to the ALGA National General Assembly in Canberra last week of "Indigenous led Local Government" and its important role in gaining real progress in Closing the Gap.

This acknowledgement followed the resounding endorsement of motions put forward by East Arnhem Regional Council at the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association – in support of the formal recognition of Aboriginal Community Controlled Governments across the nation.

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji went on from the National General Assembly to meet with the new Minister for Indigenous Australians, Linda Burney at Parliament House, and Assistant Minister Malarndirri McCarthy, who joined from the Northern Territory. He welcomed their appointment as Ministers and the Indigenous leaders spoke with agreement about how real change and improvement in the lives and future of Indigenous people depends on true ground up leadership and capacity.

President Dhamarrandji and CEO, Dale Keehne, talked through how the First Nations East Arnhem Regional Council has up to 126 Indigenous representatives, including 14 elected Councillors across 6 cultural based areas, elected by over 10,000 community and homeland members across the Yolngu and Anindilyakwa peoples.

The President then moved to present Minister Burney with the 'East Arnhem First Nations Call for Recognition'. He talked through the Call and how it affirms that the Aboriginal Controlled Local Authorities and Regional Government in the remote Northern Territory, offer a 'bridge' between Traditional Owners, Clans, Indigenous community and homeland members, Land Councils and other Aboriginal organisations - with the two other levels of Balanda (non-Indigenous) government, to work in unity to Close the Gap.

In line with the Call for Recognition, President Dhamarrandji invited Minister Burney to join him on country to join in the Makarrata ceremony, known as the Ralmanapanmirr ga Ngayanguwanganythirr ceremony. As the Call for Recognition states "this ceremony, part of our sacred and unchanging Rom (Law), is the foundation to overcome the divisions between us, to allow for genuine truth telling, to develop understanding and real reconciliation and build unity and a better nation for us all."

Council is pleased Chief Minister Natasha Fyles has accepted the invitation to join the important Makarrata ceremony and is currently liaising with the offices of the Chief Minister, Northern Territory Ministers Selena Uibo and Chansey Paech, Minister Linda Burney, Senator Malarndirri McCarthy and Pat Dodson, Special Envoy for Constitutional Recognition and Implementation of the Uluru Statement – to confirm a date when all these important Ministers can join the important ceremony, most likely in September this year.

The full East Arnhem First Nations Call for Recognition is included below.

Contact: Dale Keehne, CEO, East Arnhem Regional Council, 0458 039 348.



## GENERAL BUSINESS



<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.2
<b>TITLE</b>	Council Plan
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1642223
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer

### SUMMARY

This report updates on major matters.

### GENERAL

The Council Regional Plan was adopted 30 June 2022 following workshops by Council and consultations with each Local Authority, and then the public. The Plan is available on the Council website.

Some of the highlights are below. These all link to the planned Internal Audit for this year on major projects as a significant area of Council delivery.

### Employee Benefits

Employee costs of \$21.44 million includes direct employee related salary expenditure and other indirect costs such as superannuation, workers compensation insurance and staff training. The staff costs reflect employee certified agreement increases of 1.5, superannuation increase of 0.5%, workers compensation premium increases, and the inclusion of optimal operating staffing structures aligned with revenue for the various programs of council and the project funding agreements.

### Materials and Services

Materials and services are a significant component of Council's expenditure budget at \$18.62 million.

Significant areas of material and service expenditure that assist with the delivery of services to the community include \$5.1M million in maintenance and operational costs for roads, \$6.6M for Building and Infrastructure Services, waste management costs of \$1.88 million relating primarily to waste collection, processing and recycling, and disposal.

Other significant expense items included in the budget are shown in the table below:

Service Area	Employees	Materials And Services
100 - Local Authorities	0	533,496
107 - Community Development	2,667,326	287,005
108 - Veterinary and Animal Control Services	410,456	130,054
112 - Fleet and Workshop Services	610,261	117,713
114 - Information Communication and Technology Services	138,336	451,074
115 - Library Services	572,121	16,326
116 - Lighting for Public Safety	0	237,333
118 - Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management	148,225	992,265
119 - Local Road Upgrade and Construction	0	4,134,296
122 - Building and Infrastructure Services	1,276,008	6,663,992
129 - Waste and Environmental Services	744,481	1,884,069

139 - Visitor Accommodation	112,657	46,341
141 - Aged Care and Disability Services	4,100,898	698,107
145 - Children and Family Services	1,298,361	114,679
146 - Community Media	88,018	648
147 - Community Patrol and SUS Services	2,025,243	119,353
152 - Youth, Sport and Recreation Services	2,354,351	172,619
156 - Community Events	0	119,450
157 - Local Commercial Opportunities	0	1,500
167 - Corporate Services	1,898,068	984,560
168 - Governance and CEO	481,142	259,640
169 - Municipal Services	2,516,118	654,972
	<b>21,442,071</b>	<b>18,619,494</b>

## Depreciation

The budget includes depreciation of \$3.52M. This is not funded.

## Capital Plan

The capital budget of \$14.76M includes \$3.5M for aged care \$3.5M for Aged Care Capital Program that has been budgeted funded through Aged and Disability Reserve.

Aged care capital program included the following:

- ✓ \$2m for the replacement of Yirrkala Aged & Disability Centre (Lot 143)
- ✓ \$0.7M for Ramingining Aged and Disability Centre Refurbishment and Extensions
- ✓ \$118,000 for Lot 255 Milingimbi Aged & Disability Centre for Power upgrades, laundry upgrades & Roof Repairs
- ✓ \$420,000 for Aged & Disability Services replacement fleet

## Service Highlights

### Roading

- ✓ \$96k allocated for grading of Yanbukawa Road at Angurugu community in addition to guide post and sign replacements due to damage within the town.
- ✓ \$35K for Umbakumba 4 Mile road grading shoulder reconstruction
- ✓ \$45K for Umbakumba Sign replacement and gravel purchases
- ✓ \$20K for Milyakburra barge road and networked grading as per LAC engagement
- ✓ \$120K for Ramingining bi-annual grading of town and remote network
- ✓ \$46K for Milingimbi Bi-Annual grading
- ✓ \$254K for Gapuwiyak Bi-Annual network grade
- ✓ \$150K for Galiwinku Bi-Annual Grading
- ✓ 15K for Galiwinku clearing and base works on hunting and significant area tracks
- ✓ 15k for shoulder reinstatement with in the Gunyangara town roads
- ✓ 100K for additional allocation from surplus for Regional Road Safety Audit
- ✓ \$450K for Gapuwiyak local roads additional allocation from surplus for rural network upgrade on Balma-Numbawar link road
- ✓ \$800k for Galiwinku new curbing and drainage installation on Wakirana street- Colledge

Road/Gakuda Street and Dhorunhdu Street to mitigate run off.

- ✓ \$800k for Yirrkala reconstruction and seal inclusive of kerbing to reduce downhill flow rates into properties on Balnama Street and Gumatj Road
- ✓ \$450k for Gunyangara curbing of Yunupingu Drive
- ✓ \$2K for Gapuwiyak cultural tracks
- ✓ Roads to Recovery Programme Capital Grant Funding of \$500,000 will be used for kerbing and storm water works at Galiwinku.
- ✓ Another \$400,000 will be used from reserves to deliver new curbing and drainage installation on Wakirana street - College Road / Gakuda Street and Dhorunhdhu Street to mitigate run off
- ✓ \$800,000 will be used from reserves for Reconstruction and seal inclusive of kerbing to reduce downhill flow rates into properties on Balnama Street and Gumatj Road
- ✓ \$4.37M are planned for Road Expenditure in total that will be funded with \$3M grant funding and use of reserve funding for \$1.43M.

### **Building & Infrastructure**

- ✓ \$10.26M will be spent on Building and Infrastructure
- ✓ \$900K will be used to build Milingimbi Shed damaged due to fire, funded through insurance recovery.
- ✓ \$234K has been allocated for staff housing Furniture
- ✓ \$120K allocated for Lot 306 MS Shed roofing Iron Replacement Structural repairs at Angurugu
- ✓ \$70K allocated for Lot450 Staff Housing Kitchen Replacement at Angurugu
- ✓ \$7K allocated for Galiwinku quarterly backup generator servicing and cyclone prep maintenance
- ✓ \$3K allocated for charter/airfare costs for technicians to carry out repairs at Galiwinku Hall
- ✓ \$150K allocated for Lot 97A and B staff housing boundary fence installation at Galiwinku
- ✓ \$150K allocated to carry out structural works for Lot 85 staff housing at Galiwinku
- ✓ \$100k allocated to carry out structural works and install boundary fencing for Lot 95 staff housing at Galiwinku
- ✓ Planning is underway for Lot 348 Galiwinku Child Care Centre – Re roofing/ guttering replacement
- ✓ \$100k allocated for Galiwinku Basket Ball Court Storage building – Demolition of existing building due to safety concerns and install shade structure
- ✓ \$65K allocated Lot 332 BRACS – Demolition of building due to safety concerns and new security fencing
- ✓ \$30K allocated for floating flooring installation and painting to Office and Lunch room at Galiwinku
- ✓ \$115K allocated for general safety provision of assets at Galiwinku
- ✓ \$140k allocated for electric compliance works for all Galiwinku lots
- ✓ \$35K allocated for reactive maintenance for Galiwinku Hall
- ✓ \$85k allocated for Gapuwiyk Lot 51 Staff housing roofing iron replacement and boundary fence replacement

- ✓ \$130K allocated for Gapuwiyak Lot 93 Council Office roofing iron replacement , external wall lining panel repairs
- ✓ \$120K allocated for Gapuwiyak Lot 130 Mechanical Shed
- ✓ \$80K allocated for Gapuwiyak Lot 83 Staff Housing kitchen replacement, stair and deck structural works and new internal floating floor or vinyl
- ✓ \$100k allocated for Gapuwiyak Child Care fencing
- ✓ \$45K for Lot 204 toilets
- ✓ \$120K allocated for Gunyangara Staff Housing Lot84 boundary fence replacement
- ✓ \$120K allocated for Milingimbi Lot 169 staff housing structural repair works
- ✓ \$150K allocated for Milingimbi Lot 170 staff housing structural repair works
- ✓ \$150K allocated for Milingimbi Lot 128 staff housing structural repair works
- ✓ \$120K allocated for Milingimbi Lot 245/1-2 staff housing for reroofing, replacing ceiling lining
- ✓ \$50K allocated for Milingimbi Lot 243 MS shed refit
- ✓ \$120K allocated for Milingimbi multiple lot security provision
- ✓ \$48K allocated for Milyakburra Lot 21 staff housing internal painting
- ✓ \$48K allocated for Milyakburra Lot 24 council office kitchenette replacement and internal painting
- ✓ \$32K allocated for Ramingining airport shelter reconditioning and oval light installation
- ✓ \$120K allocated for Ramingining all lots electrical compliance
- ✓ \$120K allocated for Ramingining Lot 111 staff housing boundary fencing, roofing iron and external painting
- ✓ \$60K allocated for Ramingining Lot 123 council office fencing, veranda fit and TCU service area works
- ✓ \$150K allocated for Ramingining Lot 96 MS Shed Re roofing and damaged wall lining panel repairs
- ✓ \$80K allocated for Umbakumba Lot 201 staff housing boundary fence replacement and mesh security screen installation for additional security
- ✓ \$80K allocated for Umbakumba Lot 204 staff housing boundary fence replacement and structural repairs
- ✓ \$680K allocated for Yirrkala Lot 122 staff housing demolition and capital rebuild
- ✓ \$120K allocated for Yirrkala Lot 195 internal renovations and ceilings painting
- ✓ \$19K allocated for Yirrkala Lot268 staff housing privacy screening and boundary fence replacement
- ✓ \$70K allocated for Yirrkala all lots electrical compliance

**Waste Management**

- ✓ \$4.6M has been planned for Waste Management that will utilise waste management reserve by \$1.83M.
- ✓ \$1.M for Landfill facilities, \$1.9M for Waste Management and \$0.86M for Scrap Metal Recovery Project has been budgeted.

**Community**

- ✓ Community Development Coordinators Budgets has been increased by \$45k

- ✓ \$100k for Child Care Perimeter Fencing at Gapuwiyak
- ✓ 40K for LED Trailer screen maintenance
- ✓ 30K cleaning budget for heavy cleans of Council offices that are well over due in locations where cleaners cannot be sourced.

**Veterinary and Animal Control Services**

- ✓ 10K allocated for Locum Veterinarian surgery
- ✓ \$40K allocated for rebuild of MS shed adjoining Vet Area

**Fleet & Workshop**

- ✓ \$934K to replace existing Fleet.

**Governance and Corporate**

- ✓ \$510K for Elected Member allowances
- ✓ \$192K for meeting expenses, including travel and accommodation
- ✓ \$75K for membership of industry associations
- ✓ \$50K for election provisions
- ✓ \$500K for organisational wide staff training
- ✓ \$350K for software applications
- ✓ \$910k for IT Services – CouncilBIZ and communication networks



	Budget 2023 \$
<b>Operating Revenue</b>	
Grants	① 22,293,297
User Charges and Fees	8,076,883
Rates and Annual Charges	7,356,919
Other Operating Revenue	2,719,250
Interest Income	379,166
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE</b>	<b>40,825,515</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>	
Employee Costs	21,468,071
Materials and Contracts	18,600,044
Elected Member Allowances	509,673
Council Committee & LA Allowances	87,966
Depreciation and Amortisation	3,521,018
Other Operating Expenses	14,608,399
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>58,795,172</b>
<b>OPERATING DEFICIT</b>	<b>(17,969,656)</b>
Capital Grants Income	① 1,132,580
<b>DEFICIT AFTER CAPITAL GRANTS INCOME</b>	<b>(16,837,076)</b>
Capital Expenditure	(14,764,124)
Transfer to Reserves	(3,552,846)
Add back Depreciation Expense	3,521,018
<b>NET BUDGET DEFICIT</b>	<b>(31,633,027)</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	② 11,662,290
Transfer from General Equity	50,000
Transfer from Reserves	19,969,050
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>31,681,340</b>
<b>NET BUDGETED OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>48,312</b>
<b>Notes:</b>	
① Grants plus capital grants income include Tied funding of \$16,178,929 and Untied funding of \$7,246,948.	
② <i>Carried Forward Revenue</i> is revenue that has been received and recognised in a previous year in Council's Financial Statement as required by Accounting Standards. It is included in the Council budget in the year it is expected to be spent as this allows Council to set a budget that matches its revenue with the related expenditure, ignoring timing differences between financial years.	

	Forecast 2023 \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	24,856,773
Trade and Other Receivables	839,083
Other Current Assets	1,451,160
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>27,147,016</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
Property, Plant and Equipment	81,766,893
Other Assets	213,734
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>81,980,627</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>109,127,643</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	
Trade and Other Payables	1,957,699
Other Liabilities	516,870
Lease Liabilities	223,182
Provisions	2,784,472
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>5,482,223</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	
Lease Liabilities	11,185,166
Provisions	3,374,365
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>14,559,531</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>20,041,754</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>89,085,890</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>	
Accumulated Surplus	34,961,752
Asset Revaluation Reserve	39,150,727
Replacement/Development Reserves*	14,973,411
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>89,085,890</b>
<b>*Replacement/Development Reserves</b>	
Fleet Replacement	4,967,779
Waste Management	1,249,694
Roads Replacement	5,313,866
Cemeteries Management	159,556
Buildings Replacement	1,141,367
Public Area Infrastructure	257,013
Disaster Recovery	500,000
Community Benefit	275,504
Aged and Disability	883,634
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14,973,411</b>

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority notes the update.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

THERE ARE NO ATTACHMENTS FOR THIS REPORT

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.3
<b>TITLE</b>	Pacific Australia Labour Mobility Scheme
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1642803
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer

**SUMMARY:**

This report is to provide information to the Local Authority of the Pacific Australia Labour Mobility (PALM) scheme from the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs Tourism & Trade (DFAT).

**BACKGROUND**

The Pacific Australia Labour Mobility (PALM) scheme is built on strong partnerships between Australia, Pacific island nations and Timor-Leste and is the primary temporary migration program to address unskilled, low-skilled, and semi-skilled workforce shortages in remote, rural and regional Australia.

Our Aged & Disability department and our services in community need workers, families, clients and residents need reliable services, workers need further support mechanisms, and Pacific island nations need income.

The PALM scheme delivers on all of these and has the potential to support the programs of Council in the short and medium term to ensure greater levels of staff support and the levels of service being delivered meet community expectations and needs.

The Pacific Australia Labour Mobility scheme provides Northern Territory employers with a stable and reliable workforce from Pacific Island countries and Timor-Leste when they cannot source labour locally. These programs also contribute to the economic development of the participating countries.

Employees can be source for fixed term engagements of between 1 and 3 years. Employees can work in a range of industries including, housekeeping (accommodation), municipal services, aged and disability services and entry level administration. East Arnhem Regional Council meets the eligibility criteria to take part in the scheme to address our workforce challenges.

**GENERAL**

East Arnhem Regional Council has faced a challenge with meeting its targeted employment outcomes which poses a direct impact on outcomes and service delivery outputs of Council programs.

Aged & Disability is currently undergoing significant reforms which will result in all delivery of Aged & Disability services moving to a fee for service model. Without regular attendance and required levels of delivery this will put the service at risk of no longer being viable with a direct impact on East Arnhem lands levels of well-being of aged and disabled community members throughout the region.

The Pacific Australia Labour Mobility scheme offers an opportunity to increase our levels of paired working arrangements, support and mentoring and upskilling of indigenous staff in

entry level roles across the organization. The scheme also provides opportunity to ensure service level standards during times of aboriginal cultural practice.

The scheme has been widely accepted by Aged & Disability providers across the Territory including remote aboriginal service providers.

The table below in this report is data that shows the levels of employee costs surplus compared to East Arnhem Regional Councils staffing plan per year.

The data highlights that average underspend is approximately \$1.5M per year which has increased to \$2.5M in the 20/21FY and a prediction of \$2.9M in the 21/22FY.

The information shows that the challenge in attendance and delivery is increasing due to various contributing factors.

Council is currently undertaking many initiatives to address the attendance and delivery challenges including true commitment to job design and training however Council needs to explore and consider all available options.

Service - Underspend By Year	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22
141 - Aged and Disability Service	576,973	678,476	645,586	1,091,920	175,359	320,137	679,613
145 - Children and Family Services	-41,507	123,456	-89,386	-5,583	31,528	140,029	542,554
152 - Youth, Sport and Recreation Services	-48,148	1,437	-51,642	-41,694	44,454	411,852	450,796
107 - Community Management - Support	329,526	561,779	362,686	117,032	310,126	329,190	286,539
147 - Community Safety	204,951	132,916	66,105	-76,331	120,379	457,471	202,527
115 - Library and Cultural Heritage	107,601	140,997	58,944	-15,745	-12,587	-6,700	190,752
169 - Municipal Services	43,423	163,545	202,645	284,557	349,542	412,204	185,625
167 - Financial & Operating Services - Support	35,087	-45,858	132,527	313,038	92,440	33,332	148,775
129 - Waste and Environmental Services	-48,450	-22,403	41,094	10,503	38,419	100,976	83,853
146 - Community Media	82,741	44,258	70,525	20,629	-22,845	68,278	64,369
139 - Visitor Accommodation	23,836	-19,860	-56,249	-17,791	1,793	1,510	44,894
168 - Governance and CEO	-998	21,433	48,163	-100,324	69,128	50,260	44,636
122 - Council Buildings, Facilities and Fixed Assets - Support	448,401	130,318	-62,582	29,433	79,716	59,041	37,502
164 - Executive Leadership Agency & Commercial Services - Support	-9,058	5,771	-29,528	40,594	12,651	0	0
156 - Community Events	0	0	-27,772	21,205	0	0	0
155 - Fuel Distribution Services	-788	0	0	0	0	0	0
119 - Local Road Upgrade and Construction	0	0	0	-9,095	0	0	0
157 - Local Commercial Opportunities	2,643	1,633	7,499	0	0	0	0
134 - Mechanical Workshops	99,654	-14,514	135,736	-28,965	-24,903	239,872	0
101 - Local Laws & Administration of Local Laws	0	0	0	-48,349	-12,630	0	0
999 - Balance Sheet	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
136 - Post Office Agency	0	0	-11,655	17,363	53,527	21,602	0
100 - Local Authorities	11,032	5,214	-2,004	-4,159	12,891	0	0
118 - Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management	-38,141	-26,591	17,305	-11,537	3,049	16,764	-426
112 - Fleet and Workshop Services Support	12,432	-20,878	2,497	-15,597	87	-244,093	-3,661
138 - Territory Housing Management	0	-167,089	-37,274	11,782	57,840	65,967	-5,695
114 - Information Technology & Communications - Support	-5,329	3,241	-3,134	-14,918	-15,761	-9,825	-6,427
108 - Veterinary and Animal Control Services	214,917	167,549	201,000	14,568	48,300	91,134	-9,071
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2,000,798</b>	<b>1,864,830</b>	<b>1,621,086</b>	<b>1,582,535</b>	<b>1,412,503</b>	<b>2,559,000</b>	<b>2,937,155</b>

Additional data in the HR Report within this agenda shows the current level of vacancies for the East Arnhem Regional Council staffing plan including positions that have been vacant since August 2020 which has significant impact on delivery and outcomes.

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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority:**

- (a) Notes the report.**
- (b) Notes the presentation provided by the Department of Foreign Affairs Tourism & Trade.**
- (c) Considers the Pacific Australia Labour Mobility scheme and implementation at a future Local Authority meeting.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments to this report.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 8.4  
**TITLE** Proposed Approach to Deal With Law and Order  
**REFERENCE** 1643191  
**AUTHOR** Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer

**SUMMARY**

The views and recommendations of the Local Authority are sought on how to tackle growing law and order concerns, to be raised directly with the Chief Minister.

**GENERAL**

The Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT), on behalf of all Councils in the Northern Territory, has raised the problem of escalating crime with the Chief Minister, Natasha Fyles.

In East Arnhem we have seen significant break-ins to houses, public buildings and vehicles, as well as threats and attacks on people.

Examples include extensive damage and then burning of the Milingimbi Community School, the burning down of the Council Municipal Services Facility and all vehicles and equipment, and repeated costly break-ins to the ALPA Store. Galiwinku has had an ongoing series of attacks by young people on people and property across the community which has led to a series of stakeholder and community meetings to try and deal with it.

The Chief Minister has agreed to meet all Presidents, Mayors and CEOs on Wednesday 27 July at Parliament House to listen to the concerns of Councils and recommendations on how to address increasing crime and anti-social behavior.

President Dhamarrandji and I will attend this meeting with the Chief Minister. The views and resolutions from each Local Authority will form the basis of what we raise with the Chief Minister to action.

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority:**

(a) <.....>

(b) <.....>

**ATTACHMENTS:**

THERE ARE NO ATTACHMENTS FOR THIS REPORT

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.5
<b>TITLE</b>	Animal Management Program Update
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1643173
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Shane Marshall, Director Technical & Infrastructure Services

**SUMMARY**

This report is tabled for the Local Authority to provide updates on the community delivery of the Animal management program.

**BACKGROUND**

The below represents a delivery outline of recent visits within Gapuwiyak.

**GENERAL****Animal Management Program report: Gapuwiyak 20-24th June 2022**

## Recent visit treatments

- 32 animals desexed (including 2 private clients)
- 60 parasite treatments given (including 17 Seresto tick collars applied and 38 Bravecto spot on treatments donated by AACAP)
- 2 euthanasias (stray cats)
- Parasite treatment for 1 piglet (balanda), 1 other piglet seen in community
- 1 healthy cow roaming
- Surgery and treatment for a large facial abscess (suspect fight wound)
- 1 old dog with cherry eye but not suitable for surgery (suspect chronic E.canis)
- Treated 3 dogs for suspected E.canis
- Treated 3 cases ringworm cats (including 1 private client)

This visit was assisted by the AACAP army group, providing us with one veterinarian, one vet nurse and a handful of helpers. They will be present in Gapuwiyak for 5 months so will assist with our next visit in August also. The extra help greatly improved our efficiency and is very much appreciated by the team and broader community..

General feel for Gapuwiyak is that the community is looking good although there are lot of new puppies after noting at least 9 pregnant dogs last visit - we targeted these female dogs for desexing this visit and managed to desex a number of young puppies and kittens that were big enough for surgery. Most dogs appear healthy and fat, there are a few dogs with moderate to severe sarcoptic mange but it appears mostly under control. Several dogs that have been repeatedly treated with Bravecto for severe mange are recovered and looking healthy (examples used on the Bravecto results poster). No severely 'sick' looking dogs seen this visit.

Houses appear to have reasonable fencing and most keep their gates closed which is likely contributing to seeing minimal free-roaming dogs. A handful of dogs hang around the Alpa Store, Council office or school but appear to be following their owners. A few houses have 'dangerous dog' signage.

We were informed by the police that a dog has bitten multiple people but only been reported to Health so no follow up has been possible. We spoke to the owner of the dog who admitted the dog has bitten one person after being provoked. The owner declined euthanasia but is happy for us to castrate the dog which could not be achieved this time but will be targeted at next visit.





*Upgraded Facility at Gapuwiyak*





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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority notes the report.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

## GENERAL BUSINESS



<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.6
<b>TITLE</b>	Technical and Infrastructure Program and Capital Project Updates
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1629432
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Shane Marshall, Director Technical & Infrastructure Services

### SUMMARY:

This report is tabled for the Local Authority to provide program updates within the Technical and Infrastructure directorate in addition to progress updates associated with capital projects and initiatives associated with the 2022-2023 Annual Plan.

### BACKGROUND

Council has identified value in providing an update of current projects from the Building and Infrastructure area at each Ordinary Council Meeting to outline the works progression within this area, with the main listed priority projects for Ramingining being outlined below.

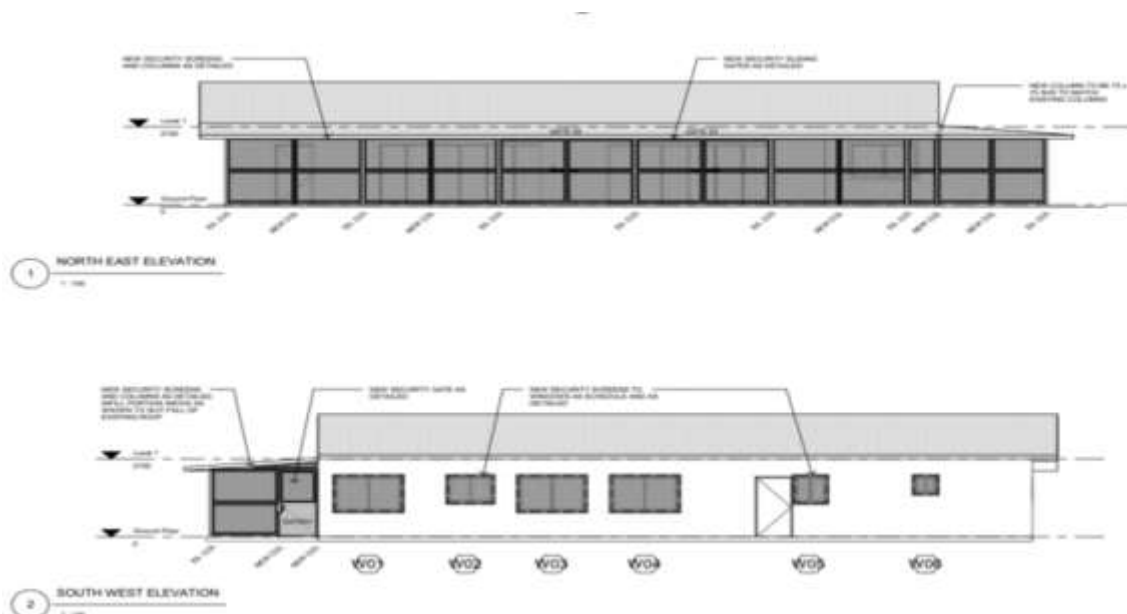
### GENERAL

#### RFT15168-2205

#### Lot 168CC Milingimbi – Supply and Installation of New Security Screens

Due to the continual vandalism at this building, new fabricated galvanised mesh screens will be installed to the surround of the veranda and all external rear facing windows.

Included in the scope are two large slide gates that will open at the center of the veranda and two single entry gates for ease of access to the building and fire egress provisions. This contract has been awarded and will start in the near future.



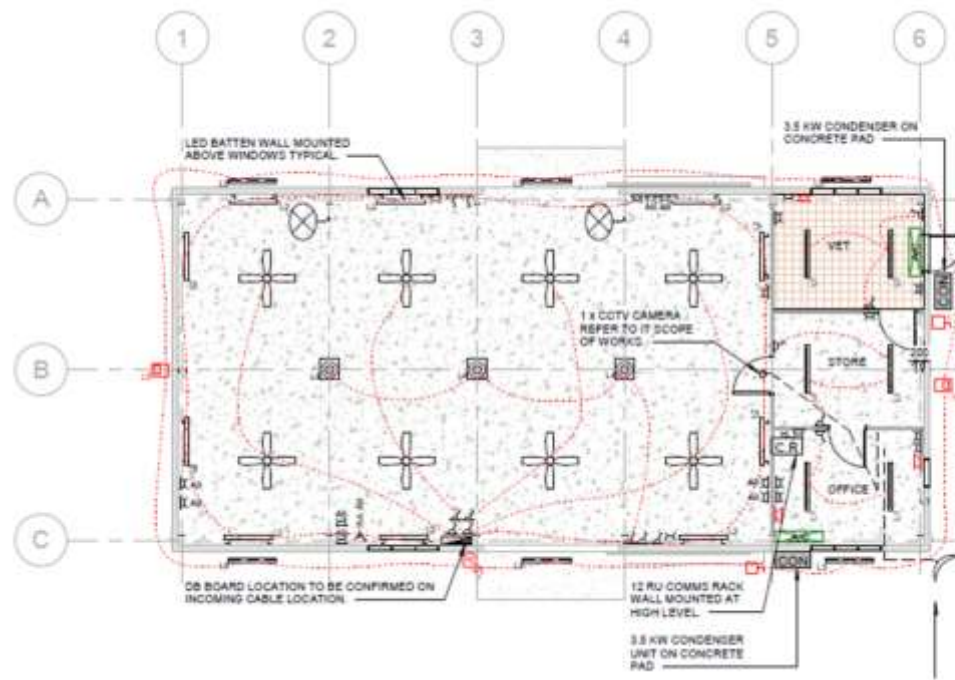




### **Municipal Services Shed – Lot 243**

Documentation, approvals and structural design certification for the Request for Tender package is nearing completion, ready for release to the market on the 22nd August. Geo Technical Investigations are complete and Power and Water Site Servicing Plans are due for receipt in the near future.





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

## RECOMMENDATION

**That the Local Authority note the report**

## ATTACHMENTS:

THERE ARE NO ATTACHMENTS FOR THIS REPORT.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.7
<b>TITLE</b>	Waste and Environmental Services
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1640269
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Wesley Van Zanden, Waste & Environmental Manager

**SUMMARY**

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

**BACKGROUND**

General information regarding the Waste Services departments Waste Education Program

**GENERAL**Container Deposit Scheme

The Cash for Containers program is back up and running in all communities. We are planning to have regular monthly collection days.

If you haven't already, tell family and head down to the council office to pick up a bag and start putting all plastic bottles, glass bottles and aluminum cans in the bag.

At the end of each month our team will call by to pick up the bag and pay you ten cents per container. We encourage residents in all communities to get involved to help reduce the amount of plastic going into our landfills. The May 2022 results are in for Cash for Containers with Milngimbi collecting 40,671 containers.

Don't forget that mobile phones and phone accessories can also be recycled and we pay a cash rebate. Get 50c a phone or 10c for chargers or other accessories dropped off for recycling during a Cash 4 Container day.

Please see some images below of the recent Cash for Containers day in Milngimbi:







Cash 4 Trash

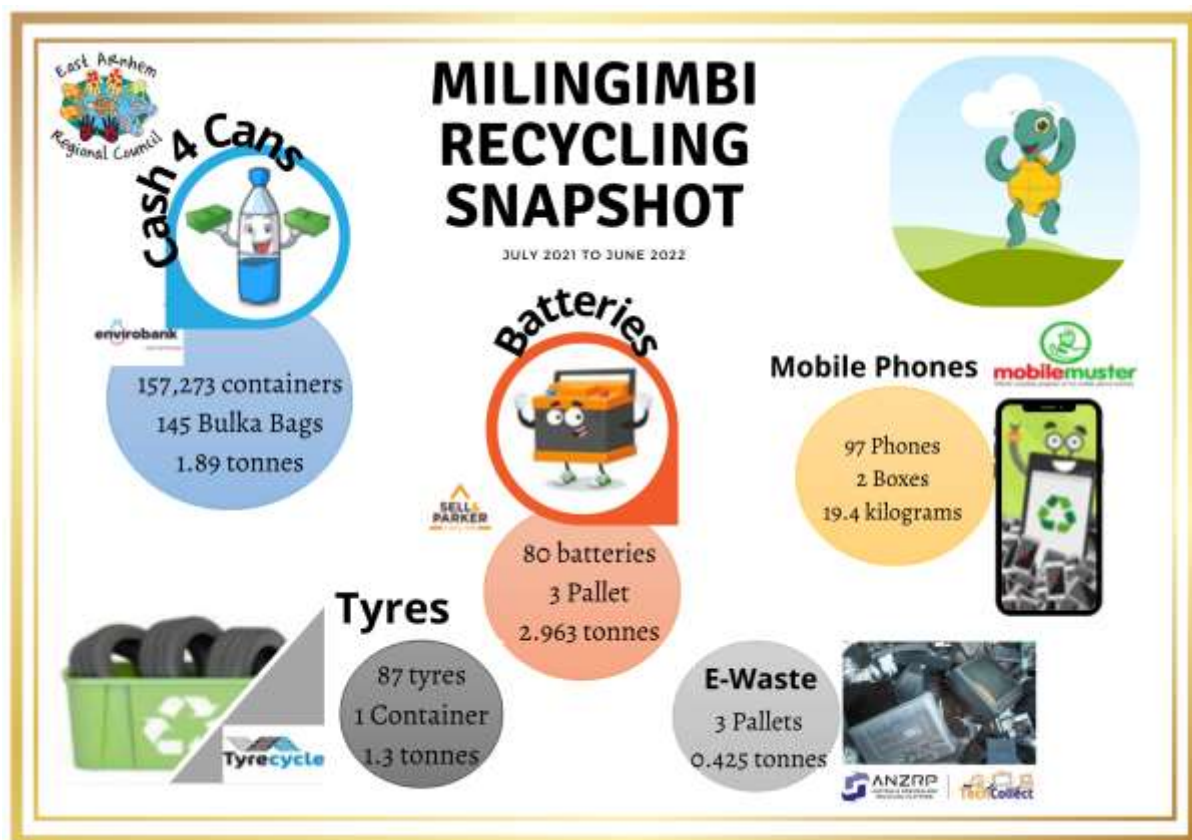
With the success of Cash 4 Trash last year in Milingimbi, EARC will again be rolling it out in the coming months. The focus will be on identifying specific areas in the community where litter is still a problem and providing residents in those areas with the opportunity to make some money to beautify their town.

### Scrap Metal Recovery

Sell & Parker have been engaged to recycle scrap metal (old car bodies, build scraps etc.) and white goods throughout the communities of East Arnhem. They are currently completing the works at Ramingining and then will be mobilizing to Milingimbi to begin. EARC are expecting Sell and Parker to be in Milingimbi at the start of September for about a 6-8 weeks. More information will be provided at a closer date.

### Recycling Snapshot

Please see below a summary of recycled products from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 to end the financial year:



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

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Local Authority notes the report**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.8
<b>TITLE</b>	Roads Infrastructure - Maintenance Grading of Unsealed Roads and Maintenance Grading of Public Street Lights
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1642327
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Arvin Roping, Transport and Infrastructure Manager

**SUMMARY**

This Report is tabled for the Milingimbi Local Authority in order to update on the progress of the Maintenance Grading of Unsealed Roads and Maintenance of Public Street Lights.

**BACKGROUND**

General information regarding the Transport and Infrastructure department's awarded contract for the Maintenance Grading of Unsealed Roads and Maintenance of Public Street Lights.

**GENERAL****Unsealed Roads Grading Maintenance Program**

BV Contracting have been engaged to perform routine unsealed roads grading maintenance services throughout Milingimbi's internal unsealed roads and outstation access roads to a standard that ensures the roads are in a safe and trafficable condition.

The recently completed unsealed grading maintenance are tabulated below:

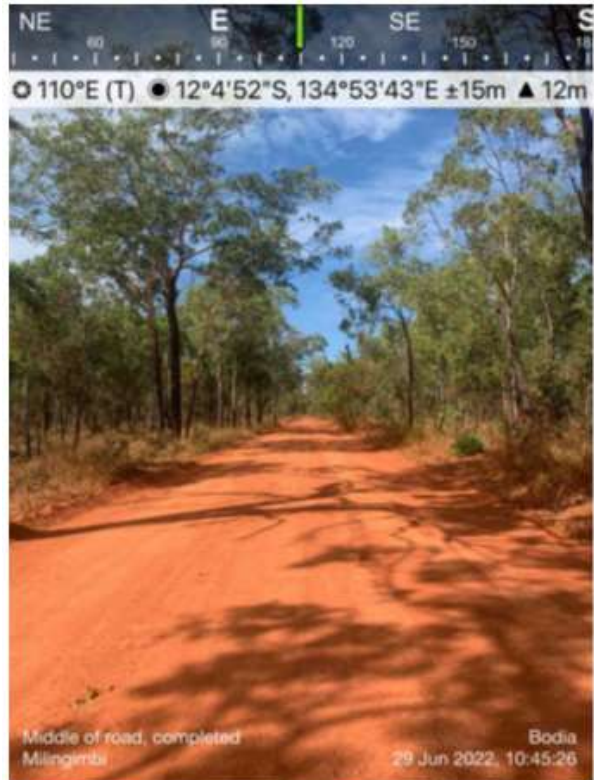
Community	Road Name	Road Type	*Road Length (km)
Milingimbi	Milingimbi Rubbish Dump Access Road	Essential Service (Internal Road Network)	0.62
	Telstra Tower Road	Essential Service (Internal Road Network)	2.70
	Sewer Ponds Access Road	Essential Service (Internal Road Network)	0.39
	Gravel Pit Access Road	Essential Service (Internal Road Network)	1.50
	Power & Water Access Road	Essential Service (Internal Road Network)	0.42
	Sundry Roads (Various Internal Roads as highlighted in map)	Essential Service (Internal Road Network)	5.60
	Bodia Access Road	Homeland Access (Rural Road Network)	2.50

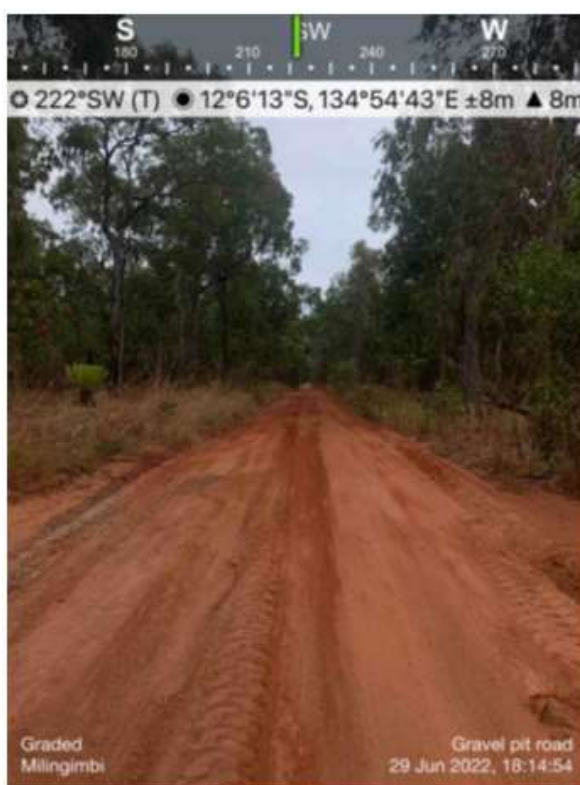
Grading maintenance commencement date: Tuesday, 28 June 2022

Actual practical completion date: Thursday, 30 June 2022



## Progress photos of grading maintenance:





#### Public Street Lights Maintenance Program:

The proposed maintenance of public street lights will be delivered by the end of August 2022.

The proposed works shall comprise the complete replacement of non-functioning LED street light heads with new LED street light heads throughout the street lighting network in Milingimbi.



Non-operational street lights identified on the 24 March 2022 are shown below:



Red marker indicates non-functioning street lights.

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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Milngimbi Local Authority note the report.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.



**GENERAL BUSINESS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.9
<b>TITLE</b>	Library Services Principles
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1642813
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Andrew Walsh, Director Community Development

**SUMMARY**

This report is to inform and seek direction from the Local Authorities on the provision and design of East Arnhem Regional Council's Library services.

**BACKGROUND**

Public libraries are vital and trusted resources for local communities. They support literacy and education, community building and skills development through:

Collections of print, audio-visual and digital resources, for education and recreation, with a stock of over 400,000 items

- accessible internet and technology
- inclusive and welcoming community spaces
- supportive and skilled staff

There are 32 public libraries in the Northern Territory, serving a culturally and linguistically diverse, mobile and often remote population of 240,000 people. These libraries receive over a million visits every year. They service urban areas such as Darwin, Alice Springs, Palmerston and Katherine, smaller towns, and 16 Aboriginal communities including the communities Ramingining, Milingimbi, Galiwin'ku, Angurugu, Umbakumba and Nhulunbuy in East Arnhem.

Whilst many remote communities do not currently have a local library, free community internet is provided as a baseline public library service to 34 communities, rising to 46 by the end of 2017, for East Arnhem this includes Gapuwiyak.

Territory public libraries are well connected. Membership at one library enables Territorians to borrow from any other library in the Territory. Books can be requested from other libraries and interstate, and extensive online collections of books, magazines and information resources are available across the Territory.

Evidence suggests the way in which public libraries are being used is changing, which is an exciting prospect for East Arnhem Regional Council and provides opportunity to provide services in a way that is more reflective of our area and our peoples and communities needs

The annual Australian Public Libraries Statistical Report indicates that whilst visitor numbers to Territory libraries are holding steady at over a million visits per year, lending is decreasing, in line with a national trend. At the same time, the number of library programs on offer to the Territory community has increased to nearly 9,000 programs with over 77,000 participants.

It has been ten years since the last comprehensive look was taken at how public libraries could best serve Territory communities. Much has changed since then.

Expectations about how and when people access information have been transformed by mobile connectivity. Increasing satellite internet coverage and the NBN has improved the availability of internet access. Local government boundaries have changed. Greater opportunities for innovative library partnerships with community groups and between government agencies.

In October 2016 the Northern Territory Library engaged KPMG to conduct a consultation process to get a clearer picture about what Territorians most value about their current library services, and how they wish to see them developed in the future.

## **Findings**

KPMG received strong feedback from the community about how passionately local library services were valued. The key findings from the public consultation process included:

- Print collections remain highly relevant. Digital collections are also highly valued, but as a supplement rather than a replacement.
- Collections need to reflect all elements of the community, and include diverse languages. Audiovisual materials are also a critical part of collection development.
- The most highly valued programs provided by libraries are those that support children, especially early childhood literacy programs and after school programs.
- Technology access is critical, but so is training and support for technology use. Along with early childhood programs and after school programs, technology programs are most in demand.
- Libraries are valued as flexible spaces for community use, such as meeting spaces for community groups and places for community members to run their own programs.
- Libraries play an important role in supporting individual small business and work activities, particularly by providing access to the internet and spaces to work.
- There is a demand for longer or alternative opening hours, the nature of which will vary between communities.

Consultation was also undertaken with local government staff, which confirmed the findings of the public consultation process and also highlighted issues to be considered in the development of a new Agreement between the Northern Territory Government and local government for the funding for public library services.

The full report from the public consultation is available on the Northern Territory Library website.

## **GENERAL**

On the basis of the consultation process a number of principles have been formulated which will be used to guide the future development of Territory public libraries.

### **Access for all**

All Territorians, no matter where they are located, should have access to library services. Where access to a physical library building is not feasible, services should be provided through a mix of digital and outreach services and through partnerships with other local service providers. Core library services should be free to the community and not dependent on the ability to pay.

### **Responsive to local community needs**

The type and scope of library services required, including opening hours, depends on the needs and desires of the community it is serving. One size does not fit all. Libraries provide a platform for individual and community development and should provide opportunities for local organisations, community groups and businesses to utilise their spaces and resources.

**Inclusive services**

Library services should support the diversity of Territory communities and ensure that services are accessible for people with different languages and cultural backgrounds, for people of all ages and abilities.

**Respect for Aboriginal culture**

Libraries should support the continued strengthening of Aboriginal languages and cultures.

**Customer focused**

People should enjoy their visit to the library, feel comfortable in the spaces and supported by staff.

**Innovative solutions and partnerships**

With a clear focus on community requirements and outcomes, libraries should explore new opportunities to deliver services, particularly through partnerships with other community organisations and expansion of online services.

**Effective and efficient services**

Libraries should ensure that public funding is used to deliver community benefits and outcomes effectively and efficiently through the development of a culture of evaluation and evidence based decision making.

The Northern Territory Library should provide centralised Territory-wide services where this is the most effective and efficient solution.

**Sustainable services**

Funding and service delivery frameworks should be developed to ensure that they are sustainable into the future.

**Effective network**

The Northern Territory public library network is strengthened through collaboration, communication and shared skills development between library services.

Libraries change lives. When design is right Libraries provide a rich mixture of collections, spaces, programs, technologies and supportive staff to enable individuals and communities to learn, grow and develop.

They are free and accessible to all members of the community and support lifelong learning, for children, students, adult individuals, families, and seniors. The variety of resources made available by libraries enables them to provide value to their communities across a wide range of areas.

The Australian Public Library Alliance and the Australian Library and Information Association have recently released Guidelines, Standards and Outcome Measures for Australian Public Libraries, which identifies six areas in which libraries make a difference to their communities:

- Literacy and lifelong learning
- Informed and connected citizens
- Digital inclusion
- Personal development and wellbeing

- Stronger and more creative communities
- Economic and workforce development

For Council to consider: when applying these principles and the six areas in which libraries can make a difference to design, how would Council like to see library services in their community? The principles allow Council a lot of flexibility, whether they choose to employ one or many of the principles to meet the communities library needs.

Service design, can now remove the four walls of the library, make library services an outreach program, culturally based programming, focused on early education or development or fully involved in the digital revolution. The flexibility in applying the principles to design also means that Council has the ability to potentially include all locations in the library design.

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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Local Authorities:**

**(a) Note the report.**

**(b) Recommend the following be included in Library design and programming**

- a. ...
- b. ...
- c. ...
- d. ...

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

THERE ARE NO ATTACHMENTS FOR THIS REPORT

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.10
<b>TITLE</b>	Community Development Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1642497
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Hannah Silberstein, Community Development Coordinator

**SUMMARY**

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

**BACKGROUND**

As per Guideline 8: Regional Councils and Local Authorities it is a requirement for the Community Development Coordinator to provide a Community development report on current regional council services in the Local Authority area.

**GENERAL**Council

Over the last two months, one of the focuses for East Arnhem Regional Council services has been to restart a regular Community and Stakeholder Meeting on a monthly basis.

This is in collaboration with Tyler and Norman from National Indigenous Australia's Agency (NIAA) and Jarryd from Chief Ministers Cabinet.

We have had two of these meetings recently, the most recent being yesterday and the feedback from them so far is that they are helpful and positive.

The aim is that these meetings are in both Yolngu Matha and English, and that we are working towards a good balance of Yolngu and Balanda people in the meeting.

The meeting covers topics such as upcoming community events, any issues present in community such as sniffing or break-ins and many other topics. All are welcome to attend.

Another positive event that has occurred these last two months, was a successful visit from Chantal from PowerWater.

The letter of appreciation from PowerWater is attached at the end of this report and gives a special mention to Boaz Baker for this support in providing the story of water in language to the broader community. As well as Joanne Baker and Arthur Murrupu for making time to meet with them on the day.

Chantal and her colleagues stayed at the shop for a number of hours with diagrams explaining to the community the story behind the water source and future plans, if approved.

The Council building had an attempted break in around the 22 June, luckily it was unsuccessful.

Council is currently in the process of recruiting a Community Liaison Officer as well as a cleaner. Interviews for these positions were delayed last month with the Community Development Coordinator away and later with Councilor Joe away. These will occur during the months of July.

### Youth Sports and Recreation

The Youth Sports and Recreation team have had their school holiday program in full swing recently, with Shannon Cervini and Osiah Dhamarrandji being the main two workers at the moment.

Youth Sports and Recreation have been in the process of interviewing a new Coordinator, with no formal announcements as of yet.

The team recently took 3 teenage boys to Yirrkala for a football trip, which went ahead regardless of the persistent rain and cold. These boys played in a mixed team made up of all the additional players from Yirrkala and Galiwinku.

The Youth Sports and Recreation Team have also planned another trip with 6 teenage girls for 13 July, which will have gone ahead by the time this Local Authority Meeting has come around.

Coordinator Shannon Cervini recently completed his 4 wheel drive training, as well as Aboriginal Youth Mental Health First Aid. Both of which will be helpful in his every day work at the Recreation Hall.

Recent events that the YSR team have been involved in (see photos below) include:

The Milingimbi School Sports Day, NAIDOC Week March, Personal Safety Workshop, Michael Long Program and the Art Centre program for school students.

The collaborations that have occurred in the last two months have been positive for both East Arnhem Regional Council and the community.

### Aged Care and Disability

Aged and Disability Services currently sees around 15 attendees per day within the center, with a plan to develop and incorporate more meaningful activities for those who attend each day. They currently serve a total of around 38 clients.

The program serves daily meals, similar to Meals on Wheels, provides transportation, personal care and laundry services. As well as activities such as basketball, painting, movies, music at the Centre and the occasional bush trip with damper making.

During the month of June the Aged Care chef, Dianne Harding, finished in her role. Dianne had worked at the Council for around 2 years.

Special thanks to Dianne for all her hard work at the Aged Care Centre during her time in Milingimbi. Aged Care are in the process of recruiting a new chef.

### Municipal Services

Municipal Services team have been working hard over the last few weeks with two rounds of Cash for Containers successfully occurring with just over 40,000 containers recycled in the first round alone.

The Municipal Services Team have had the support of two CDP participants over the last few weeks, which has made a difference to the amount of work the team can get through in one day. One of these workers is in the process of becoming employed by EARC rather than being a volunteer.



### Community Night Patrol

With Lyle on leave for just over five weeks, the program trialed having CNP Officer Joey Wunungmurra as the Acting Coordinator during this time. This was mostly successful, with Joey expressing enthusiasm for the opportunity and chance to learn.

During this time Joey attended the Community Stakeholder Meeting, assisted in running a farewell BBQ for the two previous police officers, participated in music in the park events, and participated in the CNP Training sessions.

The previous vacancy for Night Patrol was filled as well as a casual role that was created with leftover funding from last financial year. With these recruitments, the team is now full with two male and two female officers.

There has been recent conversations with ALPA around them creating a similar Night Patrol Service that will aim to fill the gap between 12am and around 6am. This is an ongoing conversation with a focus on reducing break-ins at the shop and CDP.

### Library

Priscilla Gapirrawuy was successfully appointed as the new Library Officer and has started at the library. Priscilla has been a great help during the school holidays assisting while Debra Dhamarrandji is away.

### Workshop

The mechanic position is still currently advertised and the workshop will be closed until the position is filled.

The Local Authority would be aware that the workers at the workshop were offered the option to continue working within the Municipal Services Team.

Community members have presented to the Council office requesting refunds for work that had not yet been completed. These request have all been considered by Errol Weber the Fleet and Workshop Manager.

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

## **RECOMMENDATION**

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

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

THERE ARE NO ATTACHMENTS FOR THIS REPORT

## GENERAL BUSINESS



<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.11
<b>TITLE</b>	Corporate Services Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1642961
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager

### SUMMARY:

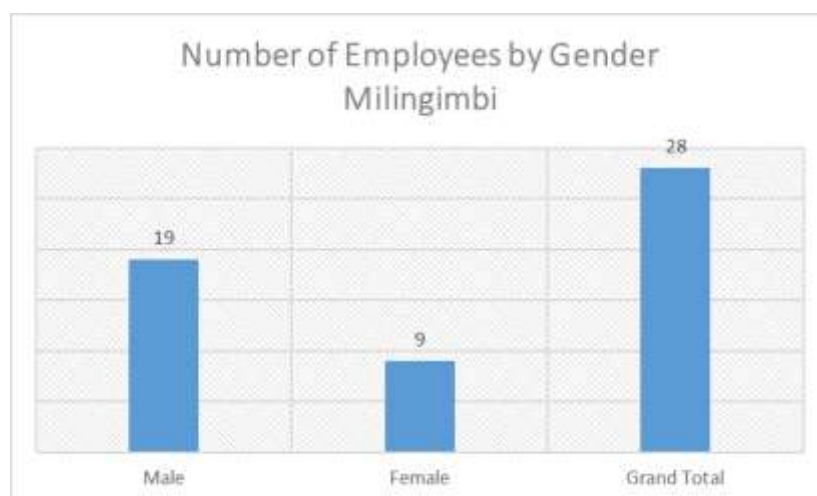
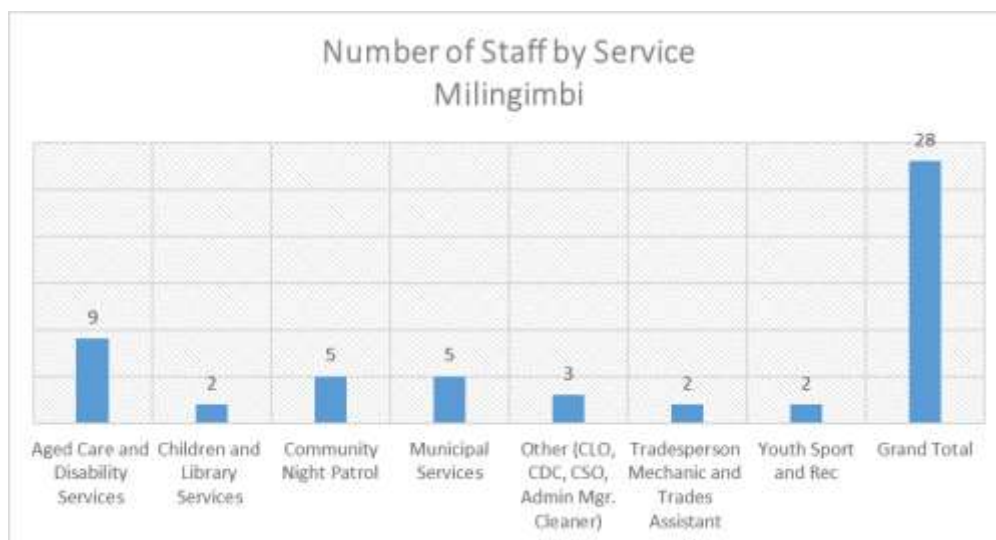
This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 30 June 2022 within the Local Authority area.

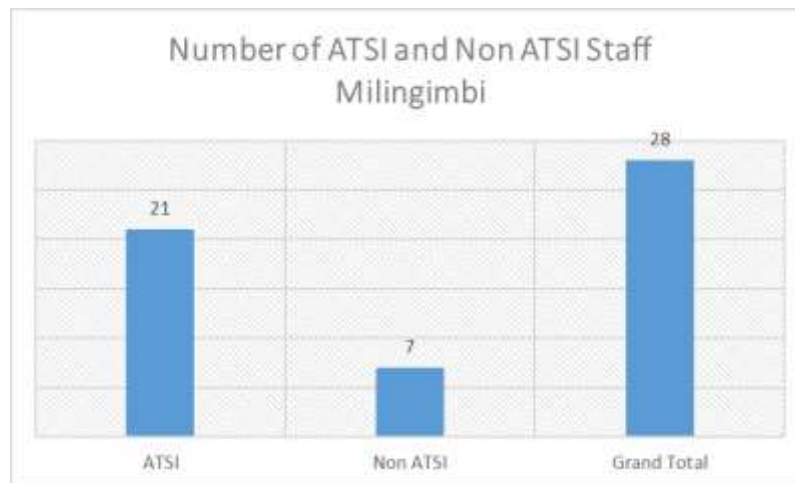
### BACKGROUND

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

### GENERAL

#### Employee Statistics:



**Vacancies as of 30 June 2022:**

Position	Level
Aged Care & Disability Services Officer / Cook	Level 3
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Level 1
Community Liaison Officer	Level 1
Tradesperson Mechanic	Level 7
Youth Sport & Recreation Coordinator	Level 6
Youth Sport & Recreation Worker	Level 1

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

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

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 [Income and Expense Statement\\_Milingimbi](#)
- 2 [Where money was spent\\_Milingimbi](#)

## Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 30 JUNE 2022	Milingimbi		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>			
Grants	1,444,527	1,418,165	26,361
User Charges and Fees	866,994	1,204,959	(337,964)
Rates and Annual Charges	761,626	761,626	-
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	332,483	308,557	23,926
Untied Revenue Allocation	789,238	791,889	(2,650)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>4,194,868</b>	<b>4,485,195</b>	<b>(290,327)</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Employee Expenses	1,696,996	1,930,577	(233,581)
Materials and Contracts	783,965	1,046,816	(262,851)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,968	9,000	(7,032)
Depreciation and Amortisation	55,418	55,505	(87)
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	941,838	921,919	19,918
Council Internal Costs Allocations	443,062	810,606	(367,545)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>3,923,247</b>	<b>4,774,424</b>	<b>(851,178)</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>271,622</b>	<b>(289,229)</b>	<b>560,851</b>
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>271,622</b>	<b>(289,229)</b>	<b>560,851</b>
Capital Expenses	(144,839)	(1,170,487)	1,025,648
Transfer to Reserves	-	(309,637)	309,637
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	55,418	55,505	(87)
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>182,201</b>	<b>(1,713,847)</b>	<b>1,896,048</b>
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	1,107,152	456,313	650,840
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	1,293,454	(1,293,454)
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>1,107,152</b>	<b>1,749,767</b>	<b>(642,615)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING POSITION</b>	<b>1,289,353</b>	<b>35,920</b>	<b>1,253,434</b>
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