



Agenda

Angurugu

LOCAL AUTHORITY ORDINARY MEETING

On

26 July 2022

EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Angurugu Local Authority will be held at the Angurugu Council Office on Tuesday, 26 July 2022 at 10.00AM.

Dale Keehne
Chief Executive Officer

DIAL IN DETAILS:

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APOLOGIES

ITEM NUMBER	2.1
TITLE	Apologies and Absent Without Notice
REFERENCE	1638895
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 Council gives permission for.

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

RECOMMENDATION

That Local Authority:

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

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

APOLOGIES

ITEM NUMBER	2.2
TITLE	Local Authority Membership
REFERENCE	1648330
AUTHOR	Dale Keehne, Chief Executive Officer

**SUMMARY:**

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

BACKGROUND

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

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

GENERAL

Following are the current community members of this Local Authority.

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Marianne Walsh
Gregory Mamarika
Jonathan Nunggumajbarr
Ronald Wurrawilya
Mathew Wurrawilya
Geraldine Amagula
Dorothea Lalara

The following Councillors are appointed by the Council as members of the Local Authority.

Constantine Mamarika

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

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

RECOMMENDATION

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

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

ITEM NUMBER	3.1
TITLE	Conflict of Interest
REFERENCE	1638883
AUTHOR	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 them self from the decision making process.

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

RECOMMENDATION

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

OR

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

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER	4.1
TITLE	Previous Minutes for Ratification
REFERENCE	1638885
AUTHOR	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 24 May 2022 to be a true record of the meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 [↓](#) Local Authority - Angurugu 2022-05-24 [1836] 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 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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Aboriginal Corporations	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
	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

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.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES



ITEM NUMBER 5.1
TITLE Local Authority Action Register
REFERENCE 1638886
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 note the progress of actions from the previous meetings and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.

ATTACHMENTS:

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

ANGURUGU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
143/2021 Series of Murals	That the Local Authority continues to consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.	12.05.2021 – Ongoing 25.05.2021 – Local Authority have decided on the Map of Groote Eylandt, Artistic map representing the Groote archipelago. 11.10.2021 - Ongoing and will await the other localities preferred options - LA to suggest artist direction to put the draft concept for review - under a fee for service arrangement. 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" 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

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
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. 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 & 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>

GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	6.1
TITLE	Guest Speakers - The Groote Eylandt Milyakburra Strong Women's Group.
REFERENCE	1642831
AUTHOR	Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO

**GENERAL**

The Groote Eylandt Milyakburra Strong Women's Group would like to speak to the Angurugu Local Authority on 'Strong women's priorities for community outcomes'.

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

RECOMMENDATION

The Local Authority thanks the guest speakers for their presentations.

ATTACHMENTS:

This report does not have any attachments.

GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	7.1
TITLE	Council Plan
REFERENCE	1642152
AUTHOR	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
	21,442,071	18,619,494

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 Ramininging 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 Umbkumba Sign replacement and gravel purchases
- ✓ \$20K for Milyakburra barge road and networked grading as per LAC engagement
- ✓ \$120K for Ramining 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 Dhorunhdu 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 \$
Operating Revenue	
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
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	40,825,515
Operating Expenses	
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
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	58,795,172
OPERATING DEFICIT	(17,969,656)
Capital Grants Income	① 1,132,580
DEFICIT AFTER CAPITAL GRANTS INCOME	(16,837,076)
Capital Expenditure	(14,764,124)
Transfer to Reserves	(3,552,846)
Add back Depreciation Expense	3,521,018
NET BUDGET DEFICIT	(31,633,027)
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	② 11,662,290
Transfer from General Equity	50,000
Transfer from Reserves	19,969,050
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	31,681,340
NET BUDGETED OPERATING POSITION	48,312
Notes:	
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 \$
CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	24,856,773
Trade and Other Receivables	839,083
Other Current Assets	1,451,160
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	27,147,016
NON-CURRENT ASSETS	
Property, Plant and Equipment	81,766,893
Other Assets	213,734
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	81,980,627
TOTAL ASSETS	109,127,643
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Trade and Other Payables	1,957,699
Other Liabilities	516,870
Lease Liabilities	223,182
Provisions	2,784,472
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	5,482,223
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Lease Liabilities	11,185,166
Provisions	3,374,365
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	14,559,531
TOTAL LIABILITIES	20,041,754
NET ASSETS	89,085,890
EQUITY	
Accumulated Surplus	34,961,752
Asset Revaluation Reserve	39,150,727
Replacement/Development Reserves*	14,973,411
TOTAL EQUITY	89,085,890
*Replacement/Development Reserves	
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
TOTAL	14,973,411

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

ITEM NUMBER	7.2
TITLE	Pacific Australia Labour Mobility Scheme
REFERENCE	1642698
AUTHOR	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 sourced 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 Land's 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, 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
Grand Total	2,000,798	1,864,830	1,621,086	1,582,535	1,412,503	2,559,000	2,937,155

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) 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

ITEM NUMBER	7.3
TITLE	CEO Report
REFERENCE	1643212
AUTHOR	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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Hon Natasha Fyles
 Chief Minister
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Hon Linda Burney
 Minister for Indigenous Australians
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

ITEM NUMBER 7.4
TITLE Proposed Approach to Deal With Law and Order
REFERENCE 1643235
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 notes the seriousness of growing law and order concerns, and supports ongoing consultation and work to deal with it.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	7.5
TITLE	Animal Management Program Update
REFERENCE	1648496
AUTHOR	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 the Groote Eylandt Communities.

GENERAL

Animal Management Program report

Angurugu:

- The quarterly rounds of parasitic treatments for Angurugu are now complete.
- Additional 104 animals treated for parasitic prevention (total 241 from April to now).
- Additional 23 animals treated for medical issues (total 57 from April - wounds, sarcoptic mange, infections).
- School visit conducted covering the topic of "dog's feelings" which led into the discussion about how to safely interact with dogs, including managing aggressive behavior. Picture attached to this email.
- Tineka has commenced her formal studies and is going well.
- I have commenced my series of leadership webinars and finding them very useful.

Umbakumba:

- The quarterly Umbakumba rounds are about 2/3 complete.
- Additional 61 animals treated for parasitic prevention (total 107 from April).
- Additional 16 animals treated for medical issues (total 28 from April).
- Umbakumba school visit planned when school resumes.

Milyakburra:

- Tineka and I will be attending Milyakburra next week. My plan is to visit for 2-3 consecutive days to complete the parasitic rounds and perform a number of routine surgeries.
There is still a backlog of surgery here and I'm finding it difficult to make an impact visiting once every 4-6 weeks.
My aim is to relieve the backlog with an intensive visit next week then continue the usual visitation schedule for further issues that arise.
- There are reports of numerous malnourished dogs in Milyakburra due to families leaving the island for cultural reasons, therefore no one feeding the dogs. More education is needed to be provided in this area.
- A school visit will be conducted at this time.

Ehrlichiosis is now unfortunately prevalent throughout mainland Groote Eylandt with a significant number of cases identified in Angurugu, Umbakumba and the Homelands. Thus far the disease has not been identified on Bickerton Island.

The most common presenting complaints are dogs that are lethargic and inappetent, demonstrate blue eyes, or have bleeding disorders. Owners commonly mistake these signs as evidence of malicious trauma, therefore education is provided about the source of the bacteria and subsequent treatment.

Most owners elect to treat Ehrlichiosis, while euthanasia is recommended in severe cases.

Overall, subjectively there appears to be an overall worsening of body condition amongst the dog populations in Angurugu and Umbakumba which is attributed to *E. canis*.

I am currently in discussions with Dr. Peter Irving, one of Australia's leading veterinary parasitologists, to ensure EARC's approach and treatment of these cases is as effective as possible given the practical constraints.



Figure 1: Puppy with Ehrlichiosis in Angurugu demonstrating blue eyes

The Animal Management Program on Groote Eylandt has secured a GEMCO community grant for \$7500 to use towards tick collars, this will provide approximately 450 collars, which is about 40-50% of the estimated total dog population on the three communities.

As such the distribution of these collars will be prioritized according to likelihood of disease, already desexed dogs and those who undergo desexing to encourage population control.

Other health concerns

The main health concerns that the program has investigated and treated over the last quarter include:

- Parasite control (ticks, worms and fleas).
- Sarcoptic mange (mild).
- Injuries associated with dog fights and road trauma.
- Cheeky dogs – most owners demonstrate responsibility with respect to cheeky dogs and keep them chained to decks or locked inside. However this frequently leads to other welfare concerns including a lack of food, water or shelter from the sun.
- Miscellaneous infections e.g. abscesses, skin infections (pyoderma), conjunctivitis
- Welfare cases (dog's left by owners without resources, injuries to dogs including spearing)

Homelands visit

In May, the Animal Management Team in collaboration with AHAC visited Emerald River and Malkala to desex animals.

- Emerald River – 3 animals desexed, 1 cancelled due to illness subsequently diagnosed as Ehrlichiosis.
- Malkala – 4 cats desexed, currently all breeding cats in Malkala have now been desexed. There is a dog that requires a hindlimb amputation due to non-healing fracture, however currently our anaesthetic machine is being repaired therefore this will be scheduled when possible.

Territory Natural Resource Management collaboration

In May, EARC collaborated with Territory Natural Resource Management on a cat trapping project around community. This involved a large amount of community education and discussion regarding responsible cat ownership, including impacts on wildlife and the benefits of reproductive control.

The project provided a fantastic training opportunity for Animal Management Worker Tineka Turner to gain deeper understanding of EARC's goals around community education and interventions regarding cat management.

Animal Management Worker training

Tineka has continued to excel in her role and is an asset to the program. She continues to work 4 days/week and now opens the Animal Management Program shop independently and is confident managing enquiries.

Tineka is currently being enrolled in a Certificate 2 in Animal Studies through Animal Industries Resource Centre, due to start within the next few weeks. She also received additional training from TNRM researcher Claire Bowry, a qualified vet nurse, during the cat trapping program.



Figure 2: Animal Management Worker Tineka Turner administering parasite treatment to community dogs

Upgraded equipment

The Angurugu clinic now has an autoclave donated by the Anindilyakwa Land Council. This allows us to improve our sterilisation techniques (particularly pertinent in light of Ehrlichiosis transmission), while also reducing the amount of waste produced as our surgical materials (including drapes, hand towels etc.) can now be re-sterilised rather than disposed of.

Unfortunately a large leak was found in the anaesthetic machine which meant a halt to desexing procedures. Leaks are very dangerous to both surgical patients and staff, therefore the vaporiser was sent away for diagnosis and repair (still in process) while older parts deemed faulty have been replaced. This will ensure ongoing safety standards for both patients and staff are being met.

Program promotion

- NATSIEH Conference 2022 – abstract submitted to present at Indigenous One Health Conference in Darwin (still pending)
- Proposal for Vet Education blog article regarding the overall program to be submitted for EARC approval.
- The program continues to foster a good relationship with the local radio station with regular live interviews regarding community awareness, and pre-recorded educational segments played at regular intervals.
- Social media – publication of numbers treated and successful cases.

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

ITEM NUMBER	7.6
TITLE	Transport and Infrastructure Services Update
REFERENCE	1648495
AUTHOR	Arvin Roping, Transport and Infrastructure Manager

**SUMMARY:**

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

BACKGROUND

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

GENERAL

This period of reporting has seen significant progress on a range of projects ranging from Local Authority and Council capital engagements including:

- Roads Infrastructure projects
- Local Authority Project Funding projects

With the range of capital and minor projects awarded and at various level or stages of completion, the below represents an update on each of the engagement areas, in addition to Program Updates.

Roads Infrastructure

There are extensive road infrastructure program works underway across the region and the below shows a summary of each of the projects and project completion percentage.

T20-203411.1 Angurugu Internal Road Upgrade & Renovation Works Project Updates

Beta Pave recommenced internal road upgrades and renovation works within Angurugu community in mid-April 2021 following the temporary cease of works due to severe wet weather events over the period of the contract in addition to the delayed and behind scheduled sewer upgrades in the community.

In addition there was significant on site delays with damage and cultural closures that the contractor has communicated have significantly affected the progress to date.

Another factor outlined by the contractor was the works scope response schedule, and the bill of quantities variances, advice on this was clarified in the Tender documentations as being a lump sum contract and quantities indicative and to be confirmed by contractor.

Discussions with the contractor will be initiated for the commencement and completion of the scope in the coming week to enable to the balance of the works to be completed in a timely manner.

Overall project completion percentage is approximately 65%.

The project has sustained lengthy delays, thus progressing behind schedule due to the following:

- Technical equipment breakdown of the bitumen sprayer truck and the complexity of procuring certain spare parts due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic impact on limited supply and logistics. Plant machinery has been repaired and has resumed operations.
- Wet weather events.
- Community cultural significant events (i.e. Sorry Businesses which may have direct implication to Contractors).
- Damages incurred on constructed items (i.e. Hooning activities on recently constructed/compacted roads which are ready for re-sealing).
- Ongoing Angurugu Sewer Upgrade Stage 2 project managed by Power and Water Corporation and contracted to NCP Contracting. This project was originally slated for practical completion in October/November 2021. However, the project has been amended with a revised practical completion in the current financial period prior to the wet season.- the local Authority will be updated at the next meeting on the revised timeline.

The Contractor has maintained a steady progression of the project, nevertheless, while in conjunction with EARC addressing these issues as best as could be.

Progress photos to date:





Remaining works due for completion:

- Roads 7, 8 and 6 & 3 intersection are remaining works due for completion, largely impacted and delayed by the recently completed sewer upgrade project managed by Power and Water Corporation and undertaken principally by NCP Contracting.
- Roads 3 & 5 are remaining works due for completion, delayed by unforeseen circumstances as a result of temporary road closure out of respect for local community sorry businesses.



T20-203411.2 Angurugu Yembawka Access Road Repairs & Upgrades Project Updates

GEBIE Civil and Construction (GCC) were awarded the Contract for their tender submission amounting to \$2,594,574.11 (inclusive GST) – Zone Priority 3, 4, 5 and 6, on 18 January 2021.

- Post award on-site inspection and startup meeting date: Tuesday, 13 April 2021
- Site works commencement date: Tuesday, 18 May 2021
- Expected practical completion date: Monday, 11 April 2022 (Request for EOT #6)
- Revised practical completion date: Tuesday, 17 May 2022 (Request for EOT #7)
- Duration of works; 12 weeks, as per Request For Tender (RFT) documentation. This has now been extended due to project delays.

Overall project completion percentage = 100%

Package 1 & 2 = 100% (started for access reasons)

Package 3 = 100%

Package 4 = 100%

Package 5 = 100%

Package 6 = 100%

The project has sustained lengthy delays, thus progressing behind schedule due to the following:

- Design variations to existing road pavement.
- COVID-19 lockdown and travel restrictions on FIFO workers (flying from Cairns and Darwin) caused schedule and workforce capacity implications to this project.

- Machinery breakdowns and subsequent availability of parts in Australia caused supply chain implication on this project. Plant machinery has been repaired and has resumed operations.
- Wet weather events
- Ground conditions; white rock in some areas caused some issue with suitability of base layer

Workforce hours at project site tabulated below:

Workforce Hours	Groote Eylandt based TO Hours	Other Indigenous Hours	Other Hours	Total Workforce Hours
Total Project	230	1020	5500	6750

Local Indigenous Training and Development:

- Training was conducted on the job by the Contractor, GCC, with focus on traffic management via road signage installation & monitoring, gravel monitoring for debris, roller and water cart driving/operation where applicable.
- Hours recorded are project site hours only. Workshop hours are not recorded where GCC employ 2 Indigenous apprentices, who work across the Light Vehicle (LV) and Heavy Vehicle (HV) workshop section, helping maintain and servicing GCC's plant and equipment.

The Contractor has maintained a steady progression of the project, nevertheless, while in conjunction with EARC addressing these issues as best as could be.

Progress and completion photos:



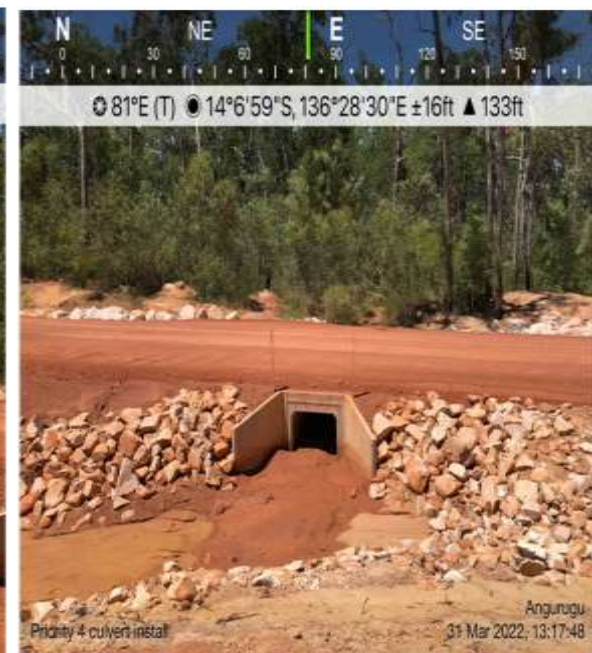
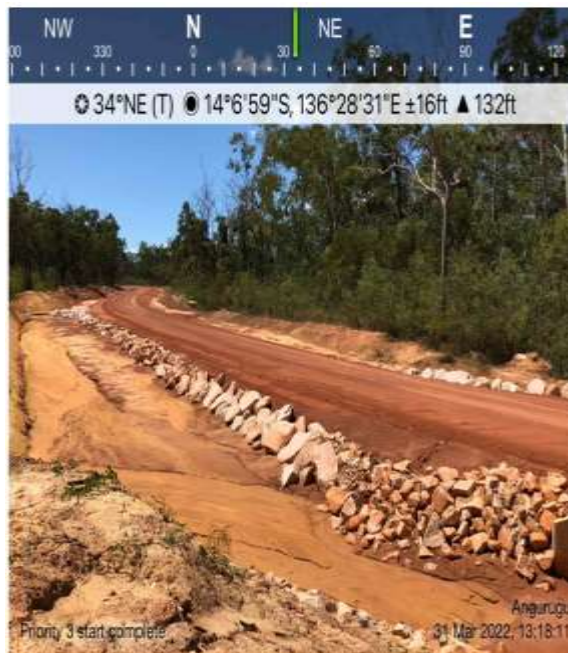


**Machinery breakdowns – grader blown engine, dozer roller failure
All plant machinery have been repaired and fully operational.**



Culvert installation at Package 4 CH. 17200





Stage One (1) progress photos to date prior to demobilisation due to the onset of the wet season (late November/early December 2021):



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 to this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	7.7
TITLE	Waste Services Update
REFERENCE	1642482
AUTHOR	Wesley Van Zanden, Waste & Environmental Manager

**SUMMARY**

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

BACKGROUND

General information regarding the Waste Services departments programs.

GENERALContainer Deposit Scheme

Cash for Containers is going to be rolled out again in Angurugu starting at the end of July. The program had to be temporarily halted to address some cash handling and processing issues. These have now been taken care of so the program can recommence regularly again.

Cash for Containers will be held in the last week of every month starting in July. As well as cans, bottles and cartons, mobile phones are also accepted and receive a cash rebate of 50c per phone.

East Arnhem Regional Council PRESENTS

ANGURUGU CASH & CONTAINERS

NEW DATE!!
26 TO 28 JULY
@ COUNCIL OFFICE

CANS & BOTTLES

1 = 10¢	25 = \$2.50
5 = 50¢	30 = \$3
10 = \$1	40 = \$4
15 = \$1.50	50 = \$5
20 = \$2	100 = \$10

MOBILE PHONES

Mobile Phone	= 50¢
Mobile Battery	= 10¢
Phone Charger	= 10¢

**Batteries must be loose and not still inside your phone

Proudly supported by:

Plate 1. Angurugu CDS Poster for July

The Angurugu Transfer Station is nearly complete. Currently Beta Pave are completing road sealing works and installing a culvert at the entrance to make the area more accessible to the public. These works are expected to be completed by the end of July.

Once completed several shipping containers and modified skip bins will be installed for community drop-off of waste and recycling materials.

The shipping containers will be extremely useful as a storage solution and also to allow for better transportation options of landfill diverted materials off Groote Eylandt for recycling.

Before works:



Plate 2. Before Pic 1 – Angurugu Transfer Station area



Plate 3. Before Pic 2 – Angurugu Transfer Station area



Plate 4. Before Pic 3 – Angurugu Transfer Station area



Plate 5. Before Pic 4 – Angurugu Transfer Station area

Progress photos:



Plate 6. Progress Pic 1 – Angurugu Transfer Station area



Plate 7. Progress Pic 2 – Angurugu Transfer Station area



Plate 8. Progress Pic 3 – Angurugu Transfer Station area



Plate 9. Progress Pic 4 – Angurugu Transfer Station area



Plate 10. Progress Pic 5 – Angurugu Transfer Station area



Plate 10. Progress Pic 5 – Angurugu Transfer Station area



Plate 11. Progress Pic 6 – Angurugu Transfer Station area



Plate 12. Progress Pic 6 – Angurugu Transfer Station area

Recycling Snapshot

Please see below a summary of recycled products from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 to end the financial year. The expectation is now that the Transfer Station is nearly ready and there are containers available for storage and transport these number will start to increase.



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

ITEM NUMBER	7.8
TITLE	Library Services Principles
REFERENCE	1642785
AUTHOR	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, Mililingimbi, 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) Notes the report.

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

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

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	7.9
TITLE	Community Development Report
REFERENCE	1642230
AUTHOR	Gordon Walsh, Community Development Coordinator

**SUMMARY**

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

BACKGROUND

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

GENERAL

I commenced in the role of Community Development Coordinator on 4 July 2022.

As the position had been vacant for some time, and due to my short time in the role, I am unable to provide a Community Development report for this Local Authority meeting.

I look forward to working for East Arnhem Regional Council and the Local Authority into the future, and the exciting times ahead.

I will endeavor to keep members fully informed on all services provided by East Arnhem Regional Council for future Angurugu Local Authority Meetings.

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

RECOMMENDATION

That Angurugu Local Authority notes the Community Development Coordinator report.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	7.10
TITLE	Corporate Services Report
REFERENCE	1640935
AUTHOR	Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager



SUMMARY

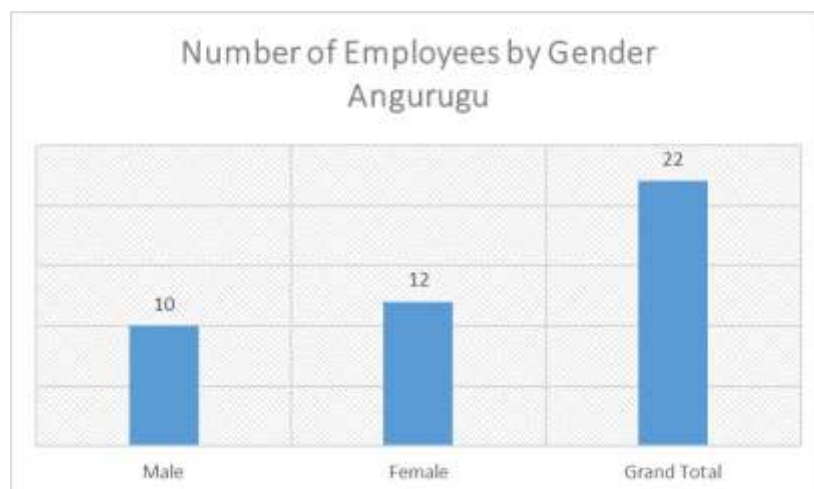
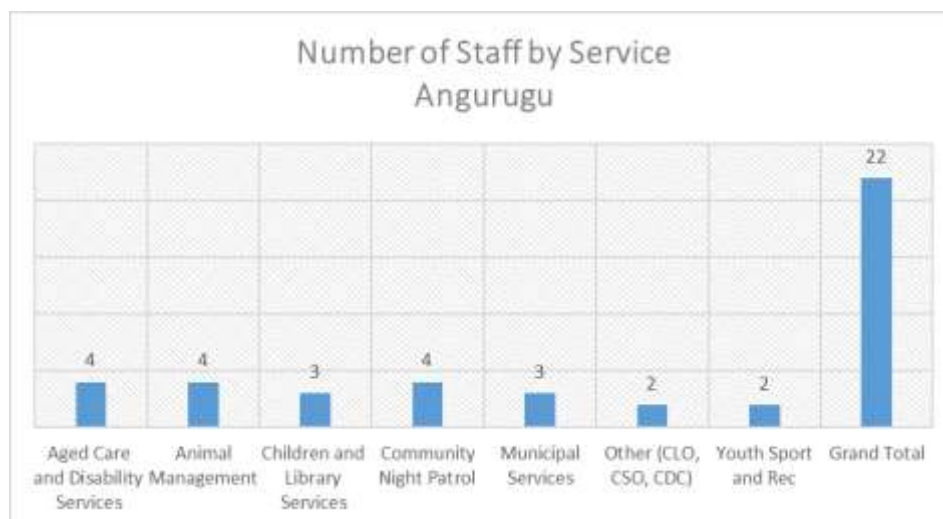
This report presents the financial expenditure plus employment statistics as of 30 June 2022 within the Local Authority area.

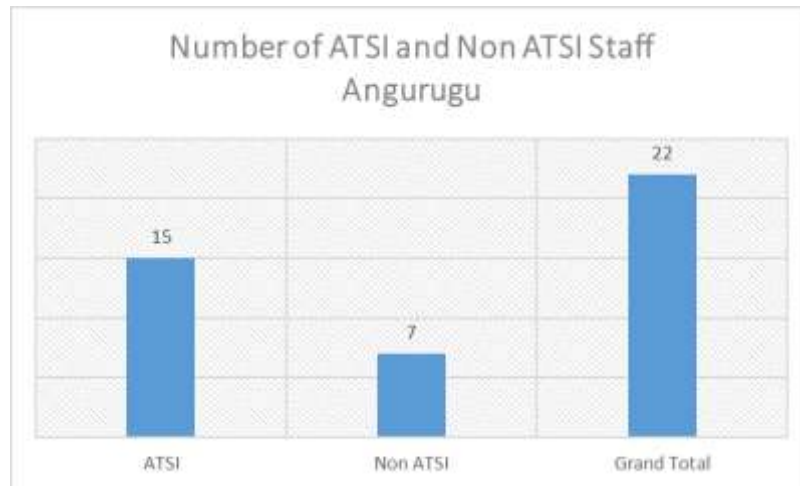
BACKGROUND

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	Level 3	
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Level 1	
Municipal Services Officer	Level 1	

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

RECOMMENDATION

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

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 [Income and Expense Statement_Angurugu](#)
- 2 [Where money was spent_Angurugu](#)

Each Reporting Location

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 30 JUNE 2022	Angurugu		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
OPERATING REVENUE			
Grants	2,880,180	2,798,520	81,660
User Charges and Fees	306,302	444,435	(138,133)
Rates and Annual Charges	1,072,592	1,059,031	13,562
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	40,286	4,400	35,886
Untied Revenue Allocation	954,617	954,617	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	5,253,977	5,261,003	(7,026)
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Employee Expenses	1,255,325	1,480,984	(225,658)
Materials and Contracts	2,308,490	4,884,057	(2,575,566)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,778	9,000	(7,222)
Depreciation and Amortisation	32,570	21,259	11,311
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	1,085,260	936,130	149,131
Council Internal Costs Allocations	521,655	885,225	(363,570)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	5,205,079	8,216,654	(3,011,575)
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	48,898	(2,955,651)	3,004,549
Capital Grants Income	-	146,667	(146,667)
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	48,898	(2,808,985)	2,857,882
Capital Expenses	-	(1,046,520)	1,046,520
Transfer to Reserves	-	(155,344)	155,344
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	32,570	21,259	11,311
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	81,467	(3,989,590)	4,071,058
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	803,848	1,051,896	(248,047)
Transfer from General Equity	-	80,000	(80,000)
Transfer from Reserves	-	2,886,776	(2,886,776)
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	803,848	4,018,672	(3,214,824)
NET OPERATING POSITION	885,316	29,082	856,234
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