



Agenda

Milingimbi

LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

On

18 July 2023

EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Ramingining Local Authority Meeting of the will be held at the East Arnhem Regional Council office on Tuesday, 18 July 2023 at 10.00AM.

Dale Keehne
Chief Executive Officer

Under closing the gap priority reforms, socio economic outcome 16 – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages are strong, supported and flourishing and it is standard practice for reports to be considered, discussed and debated in the traditional dialects of the East Arnhem region, Yolngu Matha or Anindilyakwan.

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APOLOGIES

ITEM NUMBER	3.1
TITLE	Apologies and Absence Without Notice
REFERENCE	1790029
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:

There are no attachments to this report.

APOLOGIES

ITEM NUMBER	3.2
TITLE	Local Authority Membership
REFERENCE	1790030
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:

Milingimbi

Joanne Baker
Robert Yirapawanga
Rosetta Wayatja
Boaz Baker
Arthur Murrupu

The following elected Councillors are appointed by the Council for the Local Authority:

Milingimbi

Cr Lapulung Dhamarrandji
Cr Joe Djakala

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	4.1
TITLE	Conflict of Interest
REFERENCE	1790050
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 to this report.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER	5.1
TITLE	Previous Minutes for Ratification
REFERENCE	1790051
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 21 March 2023 to be a true record of the meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 [↓](#) Local Authority - Milingimbi 2023-03-21 [2025] 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

21 March 2023

Under closing the gap priority reforms, socio economic outcome 16 – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages are strong, supported and flourishing and it is standard practice for reports to be considered, discussed and debated in the traditional dialects of the East Arnhem region, Yolngu Matha or Anindilyakwan.

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILINGIMBI
COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 2023 AT 10:00AM

ATTENDANCE

In the Chair President Lapulung Dhamarrandji, Cr. Joe Djakala, Local Authority Members Arthur Murrupuy, Robert Yirapawanga and Rosetta Wayatja.

PRESIDENT

Lapulung Dhamarrandji.

COUNCIL OFFICERS

Dale Keehne – Chief Executive Officer.
Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services (via video).
Shannon Cervini – Council Operations Manager.

Minute Taker – Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO.

MEETING OPENING

Chair opened the meeting at 10.20AM and welcomed all members and guests.

PRAYER

By President Lapulung Dhamarrandji.

Apologies**3.1 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCE WITHOUT NOTICE****SUMMARY**

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

228/2023 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Arthur Murrupu)

That the Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the absence of Joanne Baker, Boaz Baker.**
- (b) Notes that no apologies were received from Joanne Baker, Boaz Baker.**
- (c) Notes Joanne Baker and Boaz Baker are absent with permission of the Local Authority.**

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILINGIMBI
COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 2023 AT 10:00AM

3.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

SUMMARY:

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

229/2023 RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Arthur Murrupu)

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

Conflict of Interest

4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

SUMMARY

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

230/2023 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Robert Yirapawanga)

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

Previous Minutes

5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION

SUMMARY

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

231/2023 RESOLVED (Rosetta Wayatja/Arthur Murrupu)

That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the meeting of 17 January 2023 to be a true record of the meeting.

Local Authorities

6.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

SUMMARY

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

232/2023 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Robert Yirapawanga)

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILINGIMBI
COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 2023 AT 10:00AM

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.

Guest Speakers

**7.1 GUEST SPEAKER - MARYANNE WALLEY, ENGAGEMENT OFFICER
AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION.**

233/2023 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Rosetta Wayatja)

The Local Authority thanks the guest speaker for her presentation.

MOTION BREAK FOR LUNCH AT 12.17PM

234/2023 RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Arthur Murrupu)

**7.2 GUEST SPEAKER - RENEE CAMPBELL, MENZIES SCHOOL OF HEALTH
RESEARCH. – THIS MEETING WAS POSTPONED BY GUEST SPEAKER.**

GENERAL

The Hearing for Learning Initiative is a research project aiming to improve the ear and hearing health of children in remote communities, through training and employment of local members of the community. The study is being conducted in 20 communities across the Northern Territory.

The project would like the advice of the Local Authority on how to run the project appropriately in Milingimbi and would like to invite members to join the Community Reference Group, which will guide the project.

MOTION RETURN TO MEETING FROM LUNCH AT 1.11PM.

235/2023 RESOLVED (Rosetta Wayatja/Joe Djakala)

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILINGIMBI
COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 2023 AT 10:00AM

7.3 NORTHERN TERRITORY POLICE - LAW & ORDER COMMUNITY UPDATE

SUMMARY

This report is for a law and order update to be provided to the members of the Local Authority by an officer of the Northern Territory Police.

236/2023 RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Joe Djakala)

That the Local Authority thanks the Guest Speaker for his update.

General Business

8.1 CEO REPORT

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.

237/2023 RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Joe Djakala)

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

**8.2 TECHNICAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM AND CAPITAL PROJECT
UPDATES**

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.

238/2023 RESOLVED (Rosetta Wayatja/Robert Yirapawanga)

That the Local Authority

- (a) Notes the Technical Services & Infrastructure report.**
- (b) Supports and approves any application for funding for Bodia Road to be sealed.**
- (c) Requests urgent upgrades and proper infrastructure for the community barge landing.**

8.3 MILINGIMBI MEMORIAL WALL RESTORATION

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILINGIMBI
COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 2023 AT 10:00AM

SUMMARY

This report is tabled to the Milingimbi Local Authority, to seek LAPF funds for the painting and restoration of the Milingimbi Memorial Wall prior to 25th April Anzac Day celebrations, as per the below LA Action from the last meeting.

'The Local Authority requests that the Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services repair and correct the war memorial and flag poles in the central area, painting the war memorial ochre'.

239/2023 RESOLVED (Lapulung Dhamarrandji/Rosetta Wayatja)

That the Local authority approve LAPF Funds the amount of \$7,500.00, exclusive GST, for the restoration of the Milingimbi War Memorial, with works to commence prior to this year's Anzac Day celebrations.

8.4 COUNCIL OPERATIONS ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**SUMMARY**

This report is to seek direction from the Members on the provision of Council services on gazetted public holidays.

240/2023 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Arthur Murrupu)

That the Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the report.**
- (b) Notes we Yolngu and Balanda are living together now, and requests a range of traditional and western programs be developed to mark Australia Day, Easter, Anzac Day and NAIDOC Day, where Yolngu and Balanda celebrate together.**
- (c) Involve and work with NORFORCE in arranging the Anzac Day celebrations in preparation of ceremony.**

8.5 YOUTH, SPORT AND RECREATION COMMUNITY UPDATE.**SUMMARY**

This report sets out to highlight Youth, Sport and recreation staffing updates, events, activities, successes and challenges in your community.

241/2023 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Rosetta Wayatja)

That the Local Authority notes the Youth Sport and Recreation report.

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MILINGIMBI
COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 2023 AT 10:00AM

8.6 COUNCIL OPERATIONS MANAGER REPORT

SUMMARY

This report is provided by the Council Operations Manager at every Local Authority Meeting to provide information or updates to members.

242/2023 RESOLVED (Joe Djakala/Arthur Murrupu)

That Local Authority notes the Council Operations Manager Report.

8.7 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY

This report presents the financials plus employment statistics as of 28 February 2023 within the Local Authority area.

243/2023 RESOLVED (Robert Yirapawanga/Rosetta Wayatja)

That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information as of 28 February 2023.

MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 3.13 pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

16 May 2023

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LOCAL AUTHORITIES



ITEM NUMBER 6.1
TITLE Local Authority Action Register
REFERENCE 1790054
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 April 2023.docx

MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
001/2020 RESOLVED	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>a) Notes the report on the Kava Pilot: Allowing the commercial importation of kava.</p> <p>b) Supports comprehensive community consultation as highlighted in the Northern Territory Government's submission to the Australian Government's Kava Pilot Phase 2: Allowing the Commercial Importation of Kava consultation paper, and the call for Commonwealth funding to support either:</p> <p>1) increased compliance and policing for the increase in the illicit kava trade, or</p> <p>2) effective and informed local decision making about kava management to minimise potential harms.</p> <p>c) Supports the Northern Territory Government's request for funding to support research into the health and social impacts from increased kava availability.</p>	<p>12.05.2021 – Email was received, stating that there is no action regarding the Kava Pilot – Ongoing</p> <p>18.05.2021 – Update provided to LA, EARC will provided update from government once received.</p> <p>12.01.2022 – A separate report was presented on this by the CEO – ongoing.</p> <p>15.03.2022 – A detail discussion took place with the members, President and the CEO.</p> <p>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'.</p> <p>19.07.2022 – Ongoing</p> <p>20.09.2022 covered in CEO Report</p> <p>19.10.22 President and CEO to follow up a positive discussion on this issue at a meeting with the Chief Minister to the region, with the Executive Director of the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet, on gaining action on the Local Authority and Council resolutions.</p> <p>22.11.2022 – As above.</p> <p>17.01.2023 – Deferred until return of CEO from leave.</p> <p>21.03.23 – to be discussed in CEO Report. Good progress being made with the Government.</p>

MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Priority footpaths		<p>10.11.2020 – tender release to the market and evaluated – market pricing for the works significantly over budget and works of the same nature across multiple areas – this project will be re-assessed and delivered in a reduced scope or additional funds will need to be allocated – this item will be discussed at the next LA meeting for suggested direction.</p> <p>27.01.2021 – ongoing at this stage – CDP and Contractors still to recommence respective services in Community at this stage.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Will bring information to next LA meeting.</p> <p>18.05.2021 – Will update at next LA meeting.</p> <p>16.11.2021 – Update progress in January/late January about the project.</p> <p>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>30.06.2022 – Out to tender – closes in 1 week.</p> <p>19.07.2022 – Tender has closed but has not been evaluated as yet.</p> <p>12.09.2022 - Tender evaluated to go to council as a reduced scope in the October meeting dependant on funding extension for LAPF</p> <p>19.10.22 – report to be tabled at the December meeting and funds adjustments have been made in the budget revision</p>

MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>17.01.2023 – Tenders have gone out and work is progressing.</p> <p>22.11.2022 - Report to be put forward to Council at December meeting and Tender being put forward.</p> <p>21.03.2023 – Asks the Local Authority to defer any progress on the footpaths until waterpark and other project tenders have been received.</p>
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>30.06.2022 – ongoing</p> <p>19.07.2022 – Currently still on public works team project list – will be actioned when the team have the capacity.</p> <p>12.09.2022 – as above due to the extent of works being undertaken</p>

MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>19.10.22 Shane to provide update.</p> <p>22.11.2022 – On MSS team to do list.</p> <p>17.01.2023 – As above</p> <p>21.03.2023 – Still on the tender list. Waiting on end of wet season.</p> <p>29.06.23 – Ongoing</p>
Makarata Field		<p>27.01.2021 - NLC consultations were held the week of the 2nd of November – awaiting formal advice on the consultation outcome from the NLC, NLC leasing staff still on holidays and set to return at the end of January. We are awaiting an official response from NLC.</p> <p>18.01.2021 – Director Technical & Infrastructure Services to follow up for potential for historical listing (and as bombing site) and options for funding, DTSI looking into options and will report back in future meeting, noting this project was listed on the community priority listing for a co-funding contribution.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Has trust approval, have the paperwork to be signed off. Awaiting for licence and approval for land. Ongoing.</p> <p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing final concept to be agreed and grant funding sought in 2022.</p> <p>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>

MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS																				
		<p>30.06.2022 – Ongoing.</p> <p>19.07.2022 – Meeting was arranged with President for an overview of the basic requirement in Mililingimbi – flights not available – to be rescheduled.</p> <p>12.09.2022 – Solar lighting on order with cyclonic foundation blocks – area cleared ready for sand once approved locally by TO's.</p> <p>19.10.22 – Update from Manufacturer below</p> <hr/> <p>Morning Shane,</p> <p>Apologies for delay with update on ETA.</p> <p>I am having difficulty with our block manufacturer (HO'S Hire Katherine) team have been out on remote site installations.</p> <p>We know the last 6 concrete blocks were poured last week we are waiting cure times and ETAs to Darwin from Julie at the block supplier.</p> <p>We understand they have been serverly delayed due to bad weather and concrete plan in Katherine had to shut down for a week or so for maintenance.</p> <p>We have following POs:</p> <table><tr><td>PO:</td><td>Location:</td><td>QTY</td><td>Item:</td></tr><tr><td>PO091271</td><td>Gunyangara</td><td>1x</td><td>Block</td></tr><tr><td>PO091635</td><td>Gunyangara</td><td>1x</td><td>Block</td></tr><tr><td>PO091636</td><td>Milingimbi</td><td>4x</td><td>GFS-200 Solar Lights & Blocks **</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td>6x</td><td></td></tr></table> <p>**Solar Lights have been packed at our warehouse ready to ship ex-Adelaide, they will leave met up with blocks at Sea Swift Darwin</p> <p>We are chasing further update will let you know when more information comes to hand. Again sorry for any impact these delays in blocks for your projects.</p>	PO:	Location:	QTY	Item:	PO091271	Gunyangara	1x	Block	PO091635	Gunyangara	1x	Block	PO091636	Milingimbi	4x	GFS-200 Solar Lights & Blocks **			6x	
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		6x																				

MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>22.11.2022 – As above. To update further at next meeting.</p> <p>17.01.2023 – In progress, update to be provided.</p> <p>21.03.23 – Engineers currently looking at how to build successfully on the field.</p> <p>27.04.23 – Application submitted last week.</p>
PA Systems	Public Announcement systems to be installed on Municipal Service vehicles to communicate service activities, including road side collection.	<p>17.01.23 – Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services to advise.</p> <p>21.03.23 Looking to have hand held megaphones to give everyone the ability to use.</p> <p>27.04.23 - Megaphones to be sourced.</p>
Sealing of Bodia Road	Supports and approves any application for funding for Bodia Road to be sealed	<p>21.03.23 – Director Technical Services and Infrastructure to advise.</p> <p>29.06.23 – Waiting on possibility of grant becoming available.</p>
War Memorial restoration	That the Local authority approve LAPF Funds the amount of \$7,500.00, exclusive GST, for the restoration of the Milongimbi War Memorial, with works to commence prior to this year's Anzac Day celebrations.	<p>21.03.23 – Director Technical Services and Infrastructure to advise on completion.</p> <p>29.06.23 – Continuing to being restored.</p>

MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
<p><i>FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD:</i></p> <p>Advocacy Items: Water to be installed at the oval</p>		<p>19.05.2020 – Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services to follow up with Power & Water regarding current status of water sources, and when extra water may become available. To also investigate the use of brackish water for the Oval and report back to the LA.</p> <p>18.01.2021 - Email and discussion are underway with Power and Water surrounding supply options – Brackish Test bore was not approved but other options have been suggested as possibilities – awaiting official Power and Water response.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Awaiting response from Power and Water.</p> <p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing – Still waiting for response from Power and Water.</p> <p>12.01.2022 – Ongoing with no approval from power and water obtained to date.</p> <p>15.03.2022 – no update after previous report.</p> <p>17.05.2022 – Power and Water will come back to us with requested information as per the agreement at the Guest speaker delivery at the LA on the Milingimbi water story.</p> <p>19.07.2022 – Water availability for the oval yet to be confirmed – EARC Tech Services to follow up.</p> <p>12.09.2022 – no change to the above.</p>

MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>19.10.22 – Move to advocacy – as water will be an ongoing consideration noting the completion of the head works and proposed sub-division</p> <p>22.11.2022 – Question to be asked to PAW</p> <p>21.03.23 – potentially another presentation on water story in next round.</p>
<p>14.1/2021</p> <p>Series of Murals (re-tabled)</p>	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>(a) Continue to consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.</p> <p>(b) Start gathering together photos of possible candidates, to be given to the Community Development Coordinator.</p>	<p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>12.10.2021 – LA are still deciding what way they would like to proceed with.</p> <p>12.01.2022 – Ongoing.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>15.03.2022 - Ongoing</p> <p>17.05.2022 – Local Authority members with the Community Development Coordinator and Designer to hold campfire meeting to turn ideas into action.</p> <p>19.07.2022 – Ongoing – Artist to meet with community and homeland members.</p> <p>20.09.2022- Artist to visit communities to finalise design.</p> <p>19.10.22 – Design consultant to work with each Local Authority, community and homeland members to develop an agreed design, of a map of the region, including key cultural aspects of each part of the region.</p> <p>22.11.2022 – As above.</p>

MILINGIMBI ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>17.01.2023 – Consultant will visit communities for workshops and consultation.</p> <p>21.03.2023 – Consultant will visit on 22.03.2023 to meet with TO's, members and community to discuss art work.</p>
Community Barge Landing	Requests urgent upgrades and proper infrastructure for the community barge landing	<p>21.03.23 - Director Technical Services and Infrastructure to advise.</p> <p>27.04.23 – Discussions continue on ownership etc.,</p>
Council Operations on Public Holidays	<p>(a) Notes we Yolngu and Balanda are living together now, and requests a range of traditional and western programs be developed to mark Australia Day, Easter, Anzac Day and NAIDOC Day, where Yolngu and Balanda celebrate together.</p> <p>(b) Involve and work with NORFORCE in arranging the Anzac Day celebrations in preparation of ceremony.</p>	<p>21.03.23 - Director Community Development and COM to work with Community in regards to celebration.</p> <p>29.06.23 – Ongoing discussions with staff.</p>

MILINGIMBI ACTIONS**COMPLETED ACTIONS:**

YSR – New commercial stove for YSR centre		11.04.2022 – completed
War Memorial and Flag Poles.	The Local Authority requests that the Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services repair and correct the war memorial flag poles in the central area, painting the war memorial ochre.	27.04.23 Completed remove action – Council approved removal April 2023 meeting.

GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	7.1
TITLE	Northern Territory Police - Law & Order Community Update
REFERENCE	1766625
AUTHOR	Andrew Walsh, Director Community Development



SUMMARY

This report is for a law and order update to be provided to the members of the Local Authority by an officer of the Northern Territory Police.

GENERAL

Northern Territory Police to provide an update on community safety and law and order, and allow for discussion and the expression of views of Local Authority Members.

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

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority thanks the Guest Speaker for their update.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	7.2
TITLE	Guest Speaker - Rebekah Clancy, Public Health Nutritionist - Miwatj Health Aboriginal Corporation
REFERENCE	1791745
AUTHOR	Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO

**GENERAL**

Rebekah will be providing feedback on the food security community consultation, on which Miwatj previously sought the approval of the Local Authority members.

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 speaker for her presentation.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	7.3
TITLE	Guest Speaker - Megan Smith, Engagement Assistant Director - National Indigenous Australians Agency
REFERENCE	1791758
AUTHOR	Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO



GENERAL

Megan will be providing the Local Authority members with information on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice and Referendum.

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 speaker for her presentation.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	7.4
TITLE	Guest Speaker - Maryanne Walley, Engagement Officer - Australian Electoral Commission
REFERENCE	1791764
AUTHOR	Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO



GENERAL

Maryanne would like to provide information on Australian Electoral Commission enrolment and engagement work in remote communities, ahead of the referendum.

Additionally Maryanne would like to answer any questions that the Local Authority members may have.

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 speaker for her presentation.

ATTACHMENTS:

This report does not have any attachments.

GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	7.5
TITLE	Guest Speaker - Alastair King, CEO Arnhem Land Progress Association (ALPA)
REFERENCE	1791769
AUTHOR	Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO



GENERAL

Alastair would like to discuss safety within the Community.

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 speaker for his presentation.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	7.6
TITLE	Guest Speaker - Jay Peters, Category Manager - Power and Water Corporation
REFERENCE	1791785
AUTHOR	Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO



GENERAL

Jay would like to speak with the Local Authority about the recent changes to the Essential Services Officers in the community.

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 speaker for his presentation.

ATTACHMENTS:

This report does not have any attachments.

GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	7.7
TITLE	Guest Speaker - Sam Riley, Land Release Manager - Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics, Northern Territory Government
REFERENCE	1794825
AUTHOR	Wendy Brook, Executive Assistant to the CEO

**GENERAL**

The Department of Infrastructure Planning and Logistics are currently undertaking the design of a new 60 lot subdivision.

As part of this design we have discovered a site which has the potential of being a World War 2 site and would like to discuss with the Local Authority members their historical knowledge of the World War 2 bombing around Milingimbi.

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 speaker for his presentation.

ATTACHMENTS:

This report does not have any attachments.

GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	8.1
TITLE	CEO Report
REFERENCE	1791877
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.

Congratulations Cr. Kaye Thurlow

I would like to congratulate Councillor Kaye Thurlow on her appointment as a Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia, in recognition of her remarkable dedication and service to the Indigenous community of East Arnhem Land.

This prestigious honour celebrates her lifelong commitment and significant contributions to the region, some of which are outlined below:

East Arnhem Regional Council:

- President, 2018-2021.
- Deputy President, 2022, 2017-2018 and 2010-2012.
- Councillor, Gumurr Marthakal Ward, since 2008.
- Former President, Latitude 12 Committee.
- Former Executive Committee Member, Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT).
- Representative Member, LGANT.
- Former Secretary, Galiwin'ku Community Advisory Board.
- Former Member, Galiwin'ku Local Reference Group.
- Member, Galiwin'ku Local Authority, current.
- Member, Galiwin'ku Housing Reference Group, current.
- Representative Member, Northern Territory Place Names Committee, current.

Shepherdson College (formerly Elcho Island Mission School):

- Principal, 2006-2007.
- Assistant Principal, 1997-2001, and 2003-2005.
- Founder, Senior Yolngu Management Team, 1999.
- Teacher, 1969-1975.

Milingimbi School:

- Principal, 1994.
- Assistant Principal, 1992-1997.
- School Librarian, 1991-1992.
- Teacher-Linguist, 1985-1988.

Education:

- Teacher, Lajamanu School (Hooker Creek School), 1983-1984.

Cultural Preservation:

- Initiated the update of Galiwin'ku community genealogical records in coordination with Galiwin'ku Community Incorporation, 2002.

Cr. Thurlow's work has made a lasting impact on the Indigenous community, and this well-deserved recognition is a testament to her unwavering dedication. East Arnhem Regional Council extends heartfelt congratulations to Councillor Kaye Thurlow for this prestigious achievement.

Kava and Alcohol Management

The Regional Executive Director of the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet has confirmed that ARDS, Miwatj Health and Yalu have been engaged to develop how to consult with communities and homelands on issues on the possible legal sale of kava and alcohol in the region.

The community of Ramingining may be the first community to trial and develop the consultation process. The NT Government will continue to seek confirmation of matching funds from the Australian Government for full consultation to be held across the region.

National General Assembly

The nominated delegation of Deputy President Lionel Jaragba, Councillor Bandi Wunungmurra and Local Authority Member for Galiwinku Cyril Bukulatjpi, with myself as CEO, Andrew Walsh as Director Community Development and Divyan Ahimaz, our Strategic Community Development Strategic Manager – had a very successful visit at this and the range of other meetings on the trip to Canberra from the 13 to 16 June.

The Motion Council put up for improved telecommunications was successfully passed, with a number of similar motions from other Councils. Our Council's second motion, for better and better funded Australia Post Services, was passed with full support of all 537 member Councils across Australia.

A total of 145 motions were considered and decided by the Assembly delegates, from some 280 Council submissions.

Cyril Bukulatjpi also spoke strongly to the entire National General Assembly in favour of a motion being vigorously debated by other Councils, for the active support of Councils of the yes campaign for an Indigenous Voice to Parliament. The motion was passed with a majority of approximately 3 to 2.

Council of Local Governments of Australia

For the first time in 16 years a meeting between elected the representatives from across Australia's 537 Local Governments was held with the Prime Minister, and all Ministers of the Federal Government.

A wide range of issues were raised and questions answered from a series of panels of 3 to 4 Federal Ministers, and the assembled Local Government representatives.

Special Delegation Meetings and Outcomes

A number of extra meetings were arranged to maximise the value and impact of our Council delegation to Canberra.

Governor-General of Australia

We first met with the Governor-General of Australia, the Honourable David Hurley at his Government House residence. He invited the delegation to a formal extended discussion, during which a range of important issues were discussed, and experiences shared.

This was accompanied by a tour of the Governor-General's residence and facilities, including a Traditional Owner and introduction to a ceremonial 'Yarning Circle' that has been recently established in the grounds of Government House.

Senator and Assistant Minister - Malarndirri McCarthy

Our first meeting was with our NT Senator and Assistant Minister for Indigenous Australians, Malarndirri McCarthy, her Chief of Staff and a senior representative of Minister Linda Burney. Deputy President Lionel Jaragba led our delegation in discussions of Council's formal commitment to support the Yes Campaign for an Indigenous Voice to Parliament. That included how Council will provide community level support for enrolment, awareness, the Yes Case, and participation in the Federal Referendum to be held later this year.

Our delegation also raised the need for the formal recognition of East Arnhem and other regional councils as Aboriginal Controlled Regional Governments, by the Australian and Northern Territory Governments. We agreed to a requested from the Minister to provide further information of formal resolutions of the Australian Local Government of Australia NGA and Local Government of the Northern Territory General meetings over the last two years, and other important information that supports this call for recognition.

Chief Executive Officer of the National Indigenous Advancement Agency – Jody Broun

A very positive and productive meeting was held with the CEO of the NIAA in person at the NIAA National Office, with the State Manager and Arnhem Land Regional Manager joining by videoconference.

Discussions covered key topics, including seeking restorative justice within our communities and justice reinvestment, including training and a clear pathway to jobs.

Galiwinku Local Authority Member Cyril Bukulatipi spoke of how Local Authorities are at the heart of the work of Council of engaging with each community, and government to help improve people's lives.

Significantly, in the meeting the CEO of NIAA offered to coordinate all the Secretaries of all the Federal Government Departments that are due to attend the Garma Festival in early August, to meet with Council. We committed to bring in all Councillors and a number of Local Authority Members also to meet in Nhulunbuy, to discuss a wide range of issues of importance to the people of the region.

These issues could range from effective youth justice and engagement and making the new Community Development Program (CDP) real again, to significant upgrades to road, telecommunications and much needed cyclone shelter infrastructure, to proper recognition of the role and value of Aboriginal Controlled Local and Regional Government, to help achieve real progress through Closing the Gap, Local Decision Making and, if successful the Local, Regional and National Indigenous Voice to Parliament and the Executive arms of Government.

Prime Minister, Federal Minister for Indigenous Australians and NT Member for Lingiari

Prime Minister Anthony Albanese joined Minister for Indigenous Australians Linda Burney, and the Member for Lingiari Marion Scrymgour in a significant meeting with representatives of the nine Aboriginal Controlled Regional Local Government Councils of the Northern Territory.

An extensive discussion was held on many issues of importance to Indigenous people across the regions.

This included a call to action for the creation of in-community facilities to provide effective and coordinated engagement and support of young offenders, to provide them a pathway out of incarceration, and into a healthy life, training and employment.

Cyril Bukulatjpi, Local Authority Member for the community of Galiwinku, in the Gumurr Marthakal cultural area, of East Arnhem Regional Council – spoke directly with the Prime Minister at the meeting. He asked “is the Voice going directly to the Parliament on strategic programs, projects.”

Prime Minister Albanese responded positively that “Yes, it certainly will go directly to Parliament, but also, importantly, to Executive Government....if you have a structure that can give you advice, then governments can seek that advice.”

Regional Councils Collective Support of the Yes Campaign

Following the meeting with the Prime Minister, Minister Burney and NT Member of Parliament for Lingiari, the Regional Council Mayors, Deputies, Councillors and CEOs met. It was agreed that all Regional Councils that had not yet formally considered and endorsed the Yes Campaign to the Indigenous Voice would arrange to do so in coming weeks, and come together to mark a clear public Statement of Support. Work is underway to ensure this happens.

Advocacy Meeting with the NT Chief Minister and Cabinet

The Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) have done a very good job of arranging a meeting of all member Councils with the Chief Minister and her Cabinet of Ministers, on 21 June 2023. East Arnhem Regional Council and other councils have contributed to a list of 20 Advocacy points that have been provided to the Ministers and their government departments ahead of the meeting to consider and prepare.

I raised a number of points at the meeting on behalf of Council. These included renewed joint efforts to secure funding for a cyclone shelter / multipurpose recreation hall at Yirrkala, in community government service centres including expanded Australia Post, MVR and other essential services, and the need for the nine Aboriginal Controlled Regional Councils to be properly recognised in policy and program development through Closing the Gap, Local Decision Making, the Indigenous Voice if successful and eligibility for a range of grants we currently cannot access, as Councils are considered as ‘not Indigenous’ organisations.

I had follow up discussions with other councils on the development of a united position and action on the Yes Campaign for the Indigenous Voice. This includes each regional council gaining a formal resolution in support of the Yes Campaign, a commitment to provide practical support to make it happen. Plans are being made for a joint signing of all nine Aboriginal

Controlled Regional Local Government Councils at our Nhulunbuy Council Office in late August or early September, ahead of the Referendum.

Attached is a summary of the Local Authority Act in addition to Guideline 1 of the Act for reference.

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 CEO Report.

ATTACHMENTS:

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There are no attachments to this report.

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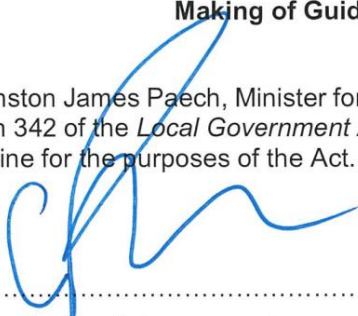
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LOCAL GOVERNMENT GUIDELINE NO. 1

Local Government Act 2019

Making of Guideline

I, Chanston James Paech, Minister for Local Government, under section 342 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, hereby make this Guideline for the purposes of the Act.



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Minister for Local Government

14 / 06 / 2023

Guideline 1: Local Authorities

1 Title

- 1.1 This Guideline is titled *Guideline 1: Local Authorities*.

2 Commencement

- 2.1 This Guideline commences on 1 July 2023. All previous versions of this Guideline are revoked.

3 Definitions

For the purposes of this Guideline:

Act means the *Local Government Act 2019*.

council means a council for a region.

member means a local authority member.

provisional decision means a decision, by majority vote, made by the members at a provisional meeting (see clause 12.5).

provisional meeting means, at the time and place set for a local authority meeting when a quorum has not been established, at least one third of members are present and agree to hold a meeting (see clause 12.1).

4 Establishing and maintaining local authorities

- 4.1 A council must establish and maintain the local authorities for the council listed in the Schedule to this Guideline.
- 4.2 A council must determine the area for each of its local authorities.

5 Administrative support

- 5.1 The CEO (or the CEO's delegate) is responsible for ensuring that each of the council's local authorities are provided with sufficient administrative support.
- 5.2 Council staff providing administrative support to meetings may, only at the request of a member, give informed advice during a meeting.

Note for clause 5.2

Council staff may, through the chairperson, provide information of an administrative or operational nature at any time to support meeting processes.

6 Local authority members

- 6.1 A council must decide, by council resolution, the number of members for each local authority. There must be at least 6 members and a maximum of 14 members for each local authority, unless the Minister approves a different maximum number of members for a particular local authority. Different local authorities of a council may have different numbers of members.

Note for clause 6.1

Section 77 of the Act covers specific requirements for the constitution (membership) of a local authority.

- 6.2 A council may appoint a person to be a member if they have a sufficient connection to the community or communities in the local authority's area.
- 6.3 A council must keep a register, accessible on the council's website and at the council's public office, of the following information in relation to each member of a local authority:
- (a) the member's name;
 - (b) the date of appointment;

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- (c) the local authority the member represents;
- (d) whether the member is a council member or otherwise a community member;
- (e) the date of the cessation of the member's membership (if applicable).

7 Policy for appointments and resignations

- 7.1** A council must have a policy for its local authorities that provides for the following:
- (a) the CEO calling for nominations as soon as practicable after a vacancy arises and allowing at least 21 days for nominations to be received;
 - (b) how the call for nominations is to be advertised and promoted so that residents of the local authority area know about it, know who to give a nomination to and when nominations close;
 - (c) consideration of the nominations received – which must be an item of business at the first ordinary meeting of the council after nominations close;
 - (d) the selection process and the term of appointment of the chairperson;
 - (e) the process for the resignation of a member in writing;
 - (f) how, and in what circumstances, appointment of a member may be revoked or otherwise cease.

Example for clause 7.1(f)

The policy may state that the council will consider revoking an appointment where a member is absent, without permission of the local authority, from two consecutive local authority meetings.

8 Minimum number of meetings

- 8.1** The CEO must ensure that at least 4 meetings for each local authority are held in a financial year.
- 8.2** Provisional meetings may be counted to satisfy the minimum number of meetings.

9 Meeting rules

- 9.1** Members of each local authority must appoint the chairperson of the local authority for a specified period.
- 9.2** If a member is unable to attend a meeting, the member cannot send a proxy or substitute to attend the meeting in the place of the member.

10 Local authority payments

- 10.1** Council members and council staff are not eligible to a local authority payment in relation to attending local authority meetings or provisional meetings.
- 10.2** Eligible members of local authorities are entitled to the respective local authority payment for each local authority meeting or provisional meeting they attend, as determined by the Remuneration Tribunal.

To access the Remuneration Tribunal's Determination of Allowances for Members of Local Government Authorities, visit cmc.nt.gov.au.

11 Local authority meetings

- 11.1** The agenda for local authority meetings must be prepared in consultation with the chairperson of the local authority and include the following:
- (a) any declarations of conflicts of interest by members;
 - (b) items requested by members;
 - (c) any reports on service delivery issues in the local authority area;

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- (d) any responses from the council to matters raised at a previous local authority meeting or provisional meeting;
 - (e) a written report from the CEO (or the CEO's delegate) on current council services in the local authority area;
 - (f) after a council meeting that has considered local authority projects – a written report from the CEO (or the CEO's delegate) on what projects have been approved or the reasons why projects have not been approved;
 - (g) a current financial report for the local authority area (see clause 14.1);
 - (h) visitor presentations;
 - (i) any relevant petitions affecting the local authority area;
 - (j) general business.
- 11.2** Once in each financial year, a local authority agenda must include a review of:
- (a) the council's annual report for the previous financial year; and
 - (b) the council's proposed regional plan for the next financial year; and
 - (c) the council's budget for proposed projects for the local authority area for the next financial year; and
 - (d) any relevant community plan of the council or local authority.
- 11.3** A local authority can confirm the minutes of a provisional meeting. Confirmation of the minutes does not amount to ratification under clause 11.5.

Note for clause 11.3

A local authority must, at its next meeting, confirm the minutes (with or without amendment) as a correct record of the meeting (see section 101(3) of the Act).

- 11.4** The minutes of a local authority meeting must number, date and reference each decision in such a way to identify it as a decision of the local authority (as opposed to a provisional decision – see clause 12.6).
- 11.5** A local authority can ratify a provisional decision at a subsequent local authority meeting, and if it chooses to do so, it becomes a decision of the local authority.

Notes for clause 11

- 1 Section 97(3) of the Act requires that notice convening a local authority meeting, which includes the agenda, must be publicly available on the council's website and at the council's public office.*
- 2 Section 102(2) of the Act requires that a copy of local authority minutes must be publicly available on the council's website and at the council's public office within 10 business days after the date of the meeting.*

12 Provisional meetings

- 12.1** If there is no quorum for a local authority meeting, but one third of total members are present, the members who are present may hold a **provisional meeting**.
- Example for clause 12.1*
- If there are 9 total members of a local authority and 6 members are unable to attend, the 3 members who are present may agree to hold a provisional meeting.*
- 12.2** A provisional meeting does not have the powers or functions that the council may have delegated to the local authority.
- 12.3** During a provisional meeting, all agenda items may be discussed. Minutes must be taken and the minutes must clearly state that it was a provisional meeting.
- 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

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of a previous local authority meeting.

- 12.5 Members at a provisional meeting may, by majority vote, make recommendations to the council, provided any such recommendations are qualified as being a decision of the members at a provisional meeting (**provisional decision**).
- 12.6 The minutes of a provisional meeting must number, date and reference each decision in such a way to identify it as a provisional decision.
- 12.7 A copy of the minutes from provisional meetings must, within 10 business days after the date of the meeting, be available to the public on the council's website and at the council's public office.

13 Consideration of minutes

- 13.1 Minutes from provisional meetings (whether unconfirmed or confirmed) must be tabled at the next ordinary meeting of the council and included in the agenda.

Note for clause 13.1

Sections 101(4) and 101(5) of the Act have an equivalent requirement for local authority meetings.

- 13.2 Any items for attention raised in the minutes of a local authority meeting or provisional meeting must be considered by the council at the next ordinary meeting.
- 13.3 The council's response to the minutes from provisional meetings must be recorded in the minutes of the meeting of the council.

Note for clause 13.3

Section 101(5) of the Act has an equivalent requirement for local authority meetings.

14 Reporting

- 14.1 For each local authority meeting (or provisional meeting, if applicable), the council must submit to the local authority a current financial report of actual results against the latest approved budget for the local authority area.
- 14.2 The council must report back to the local authority on its response to the provisional meeting minutes (see clause 13.3).

Note for clause 14.2

Section 101(6) of the Act has an equivalent requirement for local authority meetings.

- 14.3 It is best practice for a council to reference local authority decision numbers or provisional decision numbers (as the case requires) in the council's regional plan and annual report in relation to local authority priorities, projects and activities.

Note for clause 14.3

Refer to sections 34(1)(c) and 291(1)(b)(iii) of the Act for relevant legislative requirements.

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Schedule

Local authorities to be established and maintained by councils:

Barkly Regional Council:

1. Ali Curung
2. Alupurrurulam
3. Ampilatwatja
4. Arlparra
5. Elliott
6. Tennant Creek
7. Wutunugurra (Epenarra)

Central Desert Regional Council:

8. Anmatjere (Nturiya, Pmara Jutunta, Wilora, Ti Tree)
9. Atitjere
10. Engawala
11. Lajamanu
12. Laramba
13. Nyirripi
14. Willowra
15. Yuelamu
16. Yuendumu

East Arnhem Regional Council:

17. Angurugu
18. Galiwin'ku
19. Gapuwiyak
20. Gunyangara
21. Milingimbi
22. Milyakburra
23. Ramingining
24. Umbakumba
25. Yirrkala

MacDonnell Regional Council:

26. Amoonguna
27. Areyonga
28. Finke (Aputula)
29. Haasts Bluff (Ikuntji)
30. Hermannsburg (Ntaria)
31. Imanpa
32. Kaltukatjara (Docker River)
33. Kintore (Walungurru)
34. Mt Liebig (Amundurrngu)
35. Papunya
36. Santa Teresa (Ltyentye Apurte)
37. Titjikala
38. Wallace Rockhole

Roper Gulf Regional Council:

39. Barunga
40. Beswick (Wugularr)
41. Borroloola
42. Bulman
43. Jilkminggan
44. Manyallaluk (Eva Valley)
45. Mataranka
46. Minyerri (Hodgson Downs)
47. Ngukurr
48. Numbulwar
49. Robinson River
50. Urupunga

Tiwi Islands Regional Council:

51. Milikapiti
52. Pirlangimpi
53. Wurrumiyanga (Nguui)

Victoria Daly Regional Council:

54. Amanbidji
55. Bulla
56. Kalkaringi / Dagaragu
57. Nauiyu (Daly River)
58. Pine Creek
59. Timber Creek
60. Yarralin / Pigeon Hole

West Arnhem Regional Council:

61. Gunbalanya (Oenpelli)
62. Maningrida
63. Minjilang
64. Waruwi

West Daly Regional Council:

65. Nganmariyanga
66. Peppimenarti
67. Wadeye

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Resource No. 17

Local Authorities under the new Act

Summary

Local authorities play a vital role in the community by working with councils and ensuring that community interests are considered in council's decision making. The aim of local authorities is to foster positive and constructive working relationships between council and community members.

Community members have the opportunity to raise matters to the local authority – this provides a local forum for the community to have their say and for their voice to be heard.

Some of the key roles of local authorities are to:

- represent the interests of the community or communities within the local authority area to inform and make recommendations to council;
- work with council to provide and develop local projects; and
- exercise powers that are delegated to the local authority by the council.

The *Local Government Act 2019* (the Act), which commenced on 1 July 2021, includes changes for local authorities that identify the key functions and relationships between a council for a region and its local authorities.

The Act has new regulations and guidelines. The regulations are the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* and *Local Government (Electoral) Regulations 2021*. The guideline relating to local authorities is called 'Guideline 1: Local Authorities'.

Acts are laws that provide broad legal principles. Regulations are laws that provide specific details for an Act. The General Regulations cover, in relation to local authorities:

- public access to meetings;
- meeting minutes; and
- access to records (e.g. minutes).

Guidelines are rules and standards made by the Minister for Local Government. Guideline 1 is important as it has a list of all the local authorities in the Northern Territory (see the Schedule). Guideline 1 also creates rules, local authority processes, and how provisional meetings are to operate – as well as what a council must do in terms of reporting to a local authority.

Some of the topics Guideline 1 deals with include:

- appointments and resignations;
- sitting fees; and
- local authority meetings and provisional meetings.

Important rules about local authorities

There are some important rules to remember about local authorities. For extracts of relevant sections in the Act, please refer to **Resource No. 18 – Local Authorities**.

- The Act requires a council to appoint **at least 1 council member** (for the ward) to be a local authority member for each of its local authorities. **There is no limit to the number of council members (for that ward) who can be appointed to a local authority** (see section 77 of the Act).
- The Act requires a council to **seek advice and recommendations from its local authorities** in relation to the council's budget, priorities for expenditure, service delivery, regional plans, strategic directions, and funding (see section 81 of the Act).
- The Act requires a council to **include in their annual report the activities of its local authorities** for the relevant financial year, such as any local authority projects (see section 291(1) of the Act).
- Guideline 1 requires a council to keep an **up-to-date register of its local authority members** and make this available on the council's website and at the council's public office. This allows community members to know who are their local authority members (see clause 6.3).
- Guideline 1 requires the council to provide, at each local authority meeting (or provisional meeting), a **financial report of the actual results against the latest approved budget for a local authority area**. This financial report must also be listed as part of the local authority's agenda items (see clauses 11.1(g) and 14.1).

Questions and Answers

1. What is a 'quorum'?

A quorum is a way of saying that there are enough members present to have a meeting. In the Act, a quorum is reached when a majority of members are present. For example, if there are 9 total members of the local authority, there must be at least 5 members present.

The 'total members' means the number of local authority members appointed by the council to that local authority (and who have not resigned or otherwise ceased to be a member).

2. What is a 'provisional meeting'?

If there is no quorum, the members who are present may agree to hold a meeting if there is at least one third of the total members present. For example, if there are 9 total members of the local authority, there must be at least 3 members present to hold a provisional meeting.

A provisional meeting allows the members who are present to discuss all agenda items. The meeting must clearly identify in the minutes that it was a provisional meeting.

Minimum numbers of members present to hold a provisional meeting

6 members total = **2 members**

10 - 12 members total = **4 members**

7 – 9 members total = **3 members**

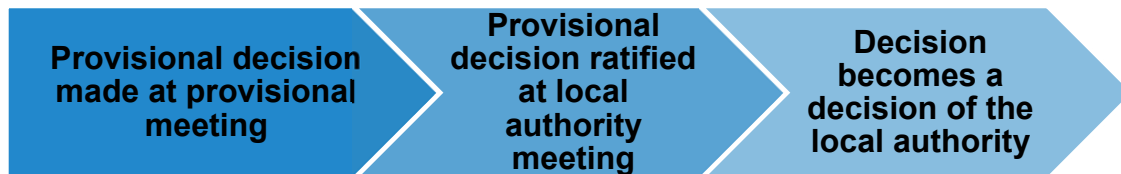
13 – 14 members total = **5 members**

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3. What is a provisional decision?

A provisional decision is a decision made by members at a provisional meeting. However, it must be clearly identified that this decision of a provisional meeting, rather than a local authority decision.

A local authority meeting (where quorum has been reached) can choose to ratify ('approve') a provisional decision – this decision then becomes a decision of the local authority:

**4. Who is eligible to be a local authority member?**

There is a requirement that at least 1 council member be appointed to each local authority. The council member who is appointed must be a member for the ward where the local authority is located. Additionally, members of the community within a local authority area are eligible.

5. Is there a required number of local authority meetings?

Yes, there must be a minimum of 4 local authority meetings held in a financial year. Provisional meetings may be counted to reach this required number of meetings.

6. Can local authorities have a rotating chairperson?

In Guideline 1, councils need to have a policy for local authorities that includes determining the term of the chairperson. If the local authority wants to have different chairpersons throughout the year, it will need to make a decision to appoint each chairperson (and the term of the chairperson) in accordance with the council's policy.

7. How does a local authority raise community issues to the council?

Local authority members need to work closely with the community to gather feedback and understand issues that affect their community. Members of the community can talk with their local authority member, who then may raise those issues during discussions at local authority meetings. The local authority may then decide to provide advice or recommendations to the council.

For example, if a community wishes to start a new recycling program – this can be raised with the local authority who could make a decision to recommend a recycling project to the council.

8. How do local authorities work with the council?

Some of the ways that local authorities work with the council include:

- taking the views of local communities back to the council and acting as advocates;
- contributing to the development of the council's regional plan;

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- making recommendations to the council in relation to council's service delivery.

Please refer to sections 78 and 81 of the Act for more information.

9. Do local authorities have decision-making powers?

A council may delegate specific decision-making powers to a local authority. Generally, local authorities provide advice and recommendations on issues affecting the local authority area to the council.

Please note, while local authorities may have powers delegated to it by the council, these powers cannot be exercised at a provisional meeting.

10. What is the role of Council when it has delegated its powers to a local authority?

Where a council has delegated its decision-making power to a local authority, the authority would make the decision on the delegated matter. Council may note the decision made by the local authority.

Please note that the Council can withdraw its delegation of power to a local authority at any time.

11. Do local authority members receive an allowance?

Local authority members (who are not council members) are entitled to a sitting fee for being a local authority member. Council members may be entitled to an extra allowance for attending local authority meetings, in accordance with council's policy. Please refer to Guideline 1.

12. How will residents of a community know who is a local authority member?

The council must keep an up-to-date register (list) of the local authority members for each local authority. This register must be available on council's website and at the council's public office.

13. Does the council have to provide any reports to the local authority?

There are 2 main reporting requirements for a council:

1. **Financial reports** – the council must provide the local authority with a current financial report of actual results against the latest approved budget for the local authority area.
2. **Response to meeting minutes** – council must provide a response to the meeting minutes of a local authority meeting (or provisional meeting).

14. Can a local authority member have a conflict of interest?

Yes, conflict of interests provisions apply to local authority members. Local authority members must declare any conflict of interests at a local authority meeting or to the council CEO. If a local authority member has a conflict of interest, they cannot participate and must leave the room while the matter is being discussed or decided. ***Please refer to sections 114 and 115 of the Act.***

15. Are local authority meetings open to the public?

Generally, local authority meetings are open to the public and any interested party can attend. Minutes and agendas of a local authority meeting also need to be publically available on the council's website. However, a local authority meeting may be closed from the public if a local authority is considering confidential business.

16. Do I need to resign as a local authority member if I am a candidate for a local government election?

A local member who wishes to run for a local government election does not need to resign.

17. Do I need to resign as a local authority member if I am a candidate for a Legislative Assembly (Territory) election?

If a local authority member wishes to run for a Legislative Assembly election, they will need to resign in writing from being a local authority member before they 'nominate' as a candidate.

For example, a local authority member could announce that they are going to nominate as a candidate and still remain on the local authority. However, they ***must resign from the local authority before they lodge their nomination form*** with the Electoral Commission.

18. How do I resign if I am a local authority member?

If a local authority member wishes to resign, they must resign, in writing, in accordance with the process set out for resigning in the Council policy for local authorities.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	8.3
TITLE	Technical and Infrastructure Program and Capital Project Updates
REFERENCE	1790139
AUTHOR	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

As part of the Annual Plan, there were a range of tabled projects and initiatives subsequently approved by the Local Authorities and Council for the current financial year.

Each meeting will have updates associated with the Annual Plan actions, in addition to the reporting of any new initiatives or business arising for the community.

The information below covers actions associated with the below services:

- 108 – Veterinary and Animal Control Services.
- 116 – Lighting for Public Safety.
- 118 – Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management.
- 119 – Local Road Upgrade and Construction.
- 122 – Building Infrastructure Services.
- 129 – Waste and Environmental Services.
- 169 – MS / Public Works and Infrastructure.

GENERAL

Service Profile:	<u>108 - Core – Veterinary and Animal Control Services</u>
Business Unit:	Veterinary and Animal Control

Action ID:

2.3.10.12 Provide program outcome statistics to Local Authority and Council meetings.

Community: Milingimbi

Reporting Month / Period: May - June 2023

Overall comments:

- Dr Tania and Dr Maddy visited Milingimbi during the week of 15 -19 May. During this visit they managed to de-sex 18 animals, hand out 137 parasite treatments and do 30 community consultations. The main issues we are seeing in Milingimbi are scabies and Ehrlichiosis. There are some very sick animals at Milingimbi currently. Population

numbers have spiked again and the July visit will focus predominately on de-sexing surgeries in the dog populations.

- Next Vet visit to Community: Two week vet visit planned by Dr Maddy and Dr Kathleen from 3 -14 July. This visit will be a large scale surgical de-sexing visit (*Pending finalised construction of the Milingimbi facility).

Service Delivery Table:

AMP Delivery: Milingimbi	This period of reporting	Calendar Year to date	Last year's Annual delivery
Dogs De-sexed	9	9	27
Cats De-sexed	9	9	9
Community consultations	30	45	73
Remote/Phone consultations	2	5	N/A*
EARC Veterinary Cabinet medication dispensed	2	3	
Minor procedures/other surgeries	0	0	
Parasite Treatments	137	182	208
Euthanasia	0	0	N/A*
Private practice consultations (Mainland)	8	12	
TOTAL Engagements	197	265	317

*Not Applicable

Community Education Activities:

- Dr Maddy, Dr Tania and the Miwatj Public Health Staff visited Milingimbi School on Wednesday 17 May. It was an absolute success and the school was very excited to have the vet team visiting. Dr Maddy presented on dog and cat empathy and spoke to the students about dog needs and how to keep your animals healthy. The Miwatj crew spoke about the Healthy Wana program and how to keep your house, people and animals healthy. The plan is to go back to the school again later in the year.

Additional Collaborations/Stakeholder engagements:

- The Miwatj Public Health team assisted Dr Maddy and Dr Tania on the ground in community for a few hours over two days. This collaboration is straight off the back of the One Health workshop held in Yirrkala earlier in May. The team assisted us with collecting animals, and speaking to owners about their animals and if they needed any help from the vet team.
- Council Presentation: Dr Maddy presented to the June Council Meeting about the Animal Management Program and the current collaborations we are working on. She spoke about the positive impacts these are having on our program.

Staff Education/Training Activities:

- On 3 and 4 May we held the first 'East Arnhem One Health Workshop.' This was a training workshop for Miwatj Environmental Health staff from all six mainland EARC communities, the AMRRIC Community Training and Education Coordinator and the EARC Animal Management team. Dr Maddy was one of the keynote speakers at the

event, giving a presentation on the overall EARC Animal Management Program, how it works and how a collaboration with Miwatj staff on the ground could benefit both parties. She also presented on the new online referral booking system (via Smartsheet forms) to assist community members to report any animal related concerns directly to the AMP team.

- The AMP team had veterinary training with Dr Maddy on Thursday 4 May and Friday 5 May. Training including use of the blowpipe, AMRRIC app training and Worksafe Guardian training. Also discussed was how we can better provide veterinary services to community members throughout the dry season and then ramp up brown tick control at the beginning of the next wet season.

Any Issues or Concerns that need to be addressed at Local Authority or Council Meeting:

- Dangerous or aggressive dogs – community consultation on realistic options for long term solutions. The main options are increased de-sexing to prevent unwanted animals or permanent removal of the dangerous dogs from community (euthanasia).

Follow-Up List for next Visit:

- Routine De-sexing → plan to schedule extra vet visits for de-sexing once facility is up and running.
- Next veterinary visit: Dr Maddy and Dr Kathleen Rebgetz 3 - 14 July.



Service Profile: 116 - Core - Lighting for Public Safety

Business Unit: Transport Infrastructure

Action ID:

4.2.6.8 Manage, maintain and upgrade streetlights in Milingimbi.

Post Wet Season Inspection

The post wet season inspection are being organised at all community locations on street and solar public lighting –repairs arranged based on the audit results in July / August.



Project Completion 50 %.

Service Profile: 118 - Core - Local Road Maintenance and Traffic Management
Business Unit: Transport and Infrastructure

Action ID:

4.2.1.1 Manage the maintenance and upgrade of local roads drainage and pedestrian infrastructure under core allocated funds and grant project funding.

4.2.4.5 Local Road Maintenance and Upgrade Milingimbi.

T23-203320.1 East Arnhem Region – Civil Maintenance of Pavements and Drainage Program

The East Arnhem Regional Council – Civil Maintenance of Pavements and Drainage program has been awarded to BV Contracting with works on the Milingimbi roads network to start in October as per the below Regional timeline table.

Date: 26.06.2023
Client : EARC
Version: 3

East Arnhem
Maintenance Contract
Planning Round 1 2023 Draft

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Service Profile:	122 - Support – Building and Infrastructure Services
Business Unit:	Technical and Infrastructure

Action ID

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| 1.4.2.1 | Provide relevant Program / Project updates to every Local Authority community meeting as required. |
| 4.3.14.2 | Conduct minor and capital upgrades to various council controlled buildings throughout the region, in line with the allocated budget and completion time lines per community. |
| 4.3.14.3 | Undertake security upgrades at operational facilities and council housing. |

RFTMCML2302 Staff Housing Security Upgrade

East Arnhem Regional Council have engaged a contractor for the supply and installation services of security mesh screening on all windows on Staff housing assets.



Project Completion 95%.**Lot 243 - MS / Public Works Shed Replacement**

The project is at practice completion with the awarded builder with the internal fitout of shelving and surgery equipment for the Vet area awaiting arrival – estimated arrival at the end of July.



NON-DECLARED BUILDING AREA OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

CERTIFICATE of CONSTRUCTION COMPLIANCE

Certificate Number 23DA0283 - 243

Design Compliance
Certificate Issue Date 01/06/2022

In relation to property at

Lot/Portion Number 243

Location Code 505

Property Address Lot 243 Townsite of Milngimbi

FOR THE FOLLOWING BUILDING WORKSThis Certificate relates to Part ☐ or the Whole ☒ of the building work or ☐ Change of Use.

Description of Work:	Services Shed
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No. of Storeys	Floor or Level No.	Type of Construction	Class of Building	Maximum Permissible Load	No of Persons Accommodated
1	Ground	C	5 & 6	Floor – 3.0kPa Roof – 0.25kPa	2

No of WC's			Length & Number of Urinals		
New	Existing	Total	New	Existing	Rateable Length
-	-	-	-	-	-

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED IN RELIANCE ON THE FOLLOWING PERFORMANCE SOLUTIONS

Details of Alternative Solution: N/A

This certificate is issued in reliance on the following technical documents:

Type	By	Registration No.	Date
Section 40 – Certificate of Compliance - Structural Construction	WSP Australia Pty Ltd	148329E8	13/06/2023
Builder's Declaration	Richard Palmer	-	9/06/2023
Manufacturer's Certification – Windows/Doors	Reedcut NT	-	9/06/2023
Section 40 – Certificate of Compliance - Structural Design	Devix Consultants Pty Ltd	345360E8	23/06/2023

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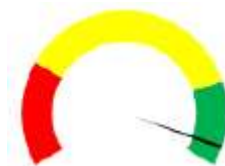
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Approved form – date approved 31/12/12

**Project Completion 95%.****Lot 245 Milingimbi (Duplex 1 and 2) – Various External Refurbishment Works**

- Works will include the replacement of the roof sheeting throughout, any portions of the ceiling damaged by the recent water leaks, and external painting throughout.
- An Existing Conditions Report has been obtained by WTD.
- A Structural Engineer has been engaged for the project.
- Tender has been released, and is due back Friday 14 July 2023.

Project Completion 10%.**Lot 128 Milingimbi (Staff Housing) – Mould treatment and Internal Paint Work**

- Scope of work for this dwelling includes mould treatment and internal paint work. Now, shower repair has been included in the scope of work.
- Project's quotation has been evaluated and is ready to offered and projected to start from third week of July.

Project Completion 10%.**Milingimbi (Lot 128, Lot 169, Lot 170) – Structural Repair Works**

- WSP provided Structural Condition Reports for Lot 128, Lot 169 and Lot 170 Milingimbi (all staff housing) in 2020. These reports highlighted a number of items of Low, Medium and High risk which must be attended to maintain the structural integrity of each house.
- The works for these three lots have been combined for efficiencies, with a Request for Quote released for Project Management and Structural Engineering Services to design and document the works.

- The construction of these works will also be combined, and will be completed under a separate tender package.
- Engagement has been awarded to HK Solutions.
- Initial site inspections will be completed Thursday 13 July 2023.

Project Completion 5%.

Service Profile: 129 - Core - Waste and Environmental Services
Business Unit: Regional Waste and Environment

4.1.5.2 Develop and implement environmental management plans for all Council operated Waste Management and Transfer Station Facilities

Environmental Management Plans (EMP) have been developed and implemented across the six landfill facilities at Umbakumba, Milyakburra, Raminingining, Milingimbi, Gapuwiyak and Galiwin'ku. Three draft EMPs are currently being prepared for Angurugu, Yirrkala and Gunyangara Transfer Stations.



Project Status – Partially Completed 75%

4.1.6.1 Develop a Master Site Plan for each of Council's Waste Management Facilities.

Updated master site plans are planned for development in FY22. All six landfill sites historic data will be reviewed, as well as future planning to schedule out new waste cells and life of facility estimations. Currently, all site plans are in draft form and nearing completion.



Project Status – Ongoing 50%

4.1.14.2 Implement and conduct a quarterly community household rewards program for waste and environmental practices in each community in conjunction with the Community Development program in each community.

Planning has begun to conduct rewards programs in conjunction with the quarterly community clean-ups. A Bulk Waste Clean-Up was conducted across all nine communities during the week of the 6 to the 10 February.

Waste Services are hoping to grow the rewards programs across all nine communities as part of the Quarterly Hard Rubbish Cleanups. It is planned to continue to roll out Tidiest Yard awards, as well as prizes for Cash 4 Container Recycler of the Year in each Community, Cash

4 Trash in Galiwin'ku as well as other initiatives and competitions. The next Clean-Up week is scheduled for 8 to the 12 May 2023.



Project Status – Ongoing at 75%

4.1.4.3 Coordinate and monitor quarterly waste bin audits and repairs in conjunction with the Municipal Services Program in each community.

Waste Services have been trialing the use of Konect software for wheelie bin audits. Due to the success of these audits, this financial year all bin repairs/audits will begin to be captured through Konect, with the assistance of Municipal Services.

The first Wheelie Bin audit has been completed and the Municipal Services Teams have been busy repairing and replacing broken bins identified during the bin audit.



Project Status – Planning & Design 50%

4.1.7.2 Enter into partnerships and agreements, particularly for the transport or processing of recyclable material, to maximize the recycling opportunities for East Arnhem communities.

Currently, Council have ongoing recycling partnerships with:

- Sea Swift (Barging of materials back to Darwin).
- Envirobank (Container Deposit Scheme).
- Ecocycle (Household Batteries).
- Mobilemuster (Mobile Phones and Accessories).
- TechCollect (E-Waste).

- TyreCycle (Tyres).
- Sell & Parker (Scrap Metal and lead acid batteries) and
- Veolia (Waste Oil and other hazardous materials).

Project Status – Ongoing review and assessment

4.1.7.3 Undertake and report on the removal of recycling streams within each community location.

Waste Services are always looking at improving its recycling program and options for community. The below graphic illustrates what and how much was recycled from Milingimbi between 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023. The two big successes during this financial year have been the completion of the start of the scrap metal removal project, where 323 tonnes of metal were recovered, our waste oil project which removed over 820 litres of old oils from the community and the first recovery of solar panels, with 105kgs recycled.





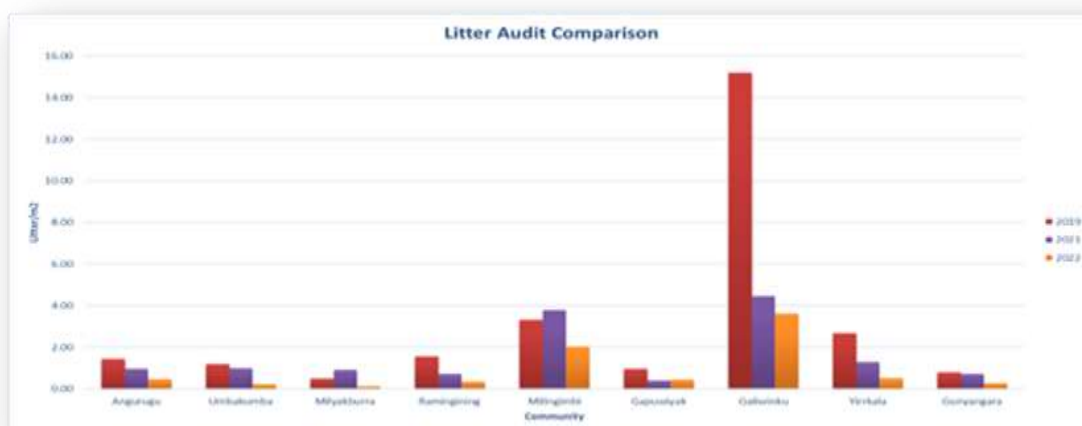
Project Status – Ongoing

4.1.9.11 Coordinate and report on Bi –Annual ground litter audits in conjunction with the municipal Services Program in each Community.

Bi-annual audits have now been completed for all communities. Below are the results to date.

As the graph illustrates, there has been a general reduction in litter across the communities since 2019.

While the results indicate a positive change in litter management in the communities, there is still significant work to do to continually improve in this area and education residents regarding waste and litter management.



Project Status – Ongoing**Capital Projects****Landfill Site Fencing**

Council have engaged a contractor to install approximately of 550m of 1800mm high Landfill Security fencing and reinforced security gate at the Milingimbi Waste Management Facility. These works are completed

**Project Completed 100%**

Service Profile	169 - Core - Municipal Services
Business Unit:	Technical and Infrastructure

Training

The Cert 111 Civil & Construction training has commenced across multiple communities with many more training opportunities completed, in progress and upcoming.

- WZ2 & WZ3 Traffic Management – ongoing.
- Chainsaw & Tree felling training – ongoing.

Cert III in Weeds Identification and Control TrainingTraining Part 1

AHCPMG201 – Treat Weeds.

AHCCHM201 – Apply Chemicals under Supervision.

Milingimbi – **Completed.**

AHCPGD206 Conduct Visual Inspection of Park Facilities

Municipal Services Supervisors – ongoing.

General

The sign kits have arrived in Milingimbi and the MS Shed internal equipment is on order and awaiting arrival.

Milingimbi War Memorial

The memorial wall was pressure cleaned and painted prior to ANZAC Day Celebrations on 25 April. There has been extensive damage to the wall since the renovations only a few weeks ago. A decision needs to be made whether to spend further funds to restore back to the completed works in April.

There is significant vandalism and graffiti to the wall and some small areas where paint is bubbling, which the contractor is looking into.



Figure 1 before works



Figure 2 Completed works April 2023



Figure 3 Existing Condition May 2023



Figure 4 Graffiti May 2023

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 Technical Services & Infrastructure report.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	8.4
TITLE	Youth, Sport and Recreation Community Update
REFERENCE	1767306
AUTHOR	Peter Dunkley, Regional Manager Youth Sports and Recreation

**SUMMARY**

This report sets out to highlight Youth, Sport and Recreation staffing updates, events, activities, successes and challenges in your community.

BACKGROUND

The Youth, Sport and Recreation program aims to strengthen young people, helping them live happy, healthy lives. As such, we deliver a range of funded activities and programs which strengthen and support their connection to body, mind, kinship and culture.

GENERAL

The Youth, Sport and Recreation program seeks input, feedback and support from the Local Authority in an effort to continually improve what we do. Please note the following updates for Youth, Sport and Recreation in your community.

- Community staffing update.
- Current after School hour's programs.
- School holiday programs.
- Upcoming events.
- Remote Sports Program (formal and informal competition, visits from peak sporting bodies).
- Youth Diversion (Yirrkala/Gunyangara, Milingimbi, Ramingining, Gapuwiyak).
- Program success / challenges.

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 Youth Sport and Recreation report.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	8.5
TITLE	Council Operations Manager Report
REFERENCE	1788573
AUTHOR	Shannon Cervini, Council Operations Manager

**SUMMARY:**

This report is provided by the Council Operations Manager at every Local Authority Meeting to provide information or updates 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

Volatile Substance Abuse and major vandalism incidents have come to the forefront of the issues that Milingimbi is currently facing. The focus for police and stakeholders have been working together to eliminate risks, report suspicious behaviors and provide support to all those around us.

There has been an increase in the amount of support agencies flying into the community to tackle these issues. The Youth, Sport and Recreation team completed Brief Intervention training with Shane from Top End Health Services to help to identify and assist youth at risk or engaged in dangerous behaviors.

Youth, Sport and Recreation

It's been a busy time for the Youth, Sport and Recreation team. There has been a good volume of participants engaging in the program which currently sees around 40 - 60 young people per session.

In addition to the usual recreation hall / basketball court based activities, the team have been running sessions under lights at the oval now that the weather has been ideal at night time. New activities introduced include touch football and beach clean ups.

The program has collaborated with Miwatj to host health information sessions and workshops, Acrobatics afternoons with the School and a disco once a month with the RSAS (Remote School Attendance Strategy) team.

The program has also had visits from Rugby NT, Touch Football NT and Gymnastics NT is the past couple of months.

On Tuesday 27 June 2023 Female youth participants were given the opportunity to go over to Ramingining for a Girls AFL X football competition. They competed against other teams across the East Arnhem Region. There is currently plans to also attend the upcoming Dave Langridge Cup, Touch Football Competition in Gove at the end of July.

The team has recently welcomed a new Youth, Sport and Recreation Officer, Deanne to the team and currently has one more position vacant.

Aged Care and Disability

Aged Care & Disability Services presently have 31 clients. Services include pick up and drop off from the centre, meal and medication deliveries, fun activities and all getting together to watch movies. Of late, there have been fortnightly picnics which have received positive feedback from everyone involved.

New Operations Coordinator Ullas Raman has now commenced with the team and is settling in well in Milingimbi.

Current vacancies include three casual positions that can lead into more permanent employment in the future.

It has been a busy time for the Milingimbi Aged Care team and clients with visits from Occupational Therapists, Speech Pathologists, Physiotherapists and Nurses all in the past few months.

Community Night Patrol

The Milingimbi Community Night Patrol team travelled to Darwin on 26 June 2023 for team building, empowerment and leadership & training exercises. By all reports the trip was a success with lots of fun and laughter as well and the team are looking forward to putting all that they have learnt into practice.

After working with the Community Night Patrol since 2010, Helen Yarrangarawuy made the big decision to retire from her role as Community Night Patrol Officer, working her last shift on Saturday 27 May 2023. We would like to thank Helen for all her hard work and contribution not only to the Community Night Patrol team, but also to East Arnhem Regional Council and the Milingimbi Community as a whole.

As one door closed, another opened when we welcomed back Warren Gaykamangu to the Community Night Patrol team. Warren brings the experience of having worked with the team before and also a widely respected member of the community who is passionate about making a difference in Milingimbi for the current and future generations.

Currently there is one vacancy for a Community Night Patrol Officer to join the team.



Library

With last Local Authority postponed I would like to re-share the amazing work Jacinta the Library officer has done in the library, to not only serve as a library but working hard to transform and create a space filled with the history of Milingimbi and Yolngu culture.

The moment you walk in, the history and resources are there to see on show and tell the story. They include old photographs, art work, trophies, books, newspaper articles and printed content from the internet. There is even quite a lot of school history from the early days on show, with plenty of photos to go with it.

NT Libraries visited the community at the beginning of April and it's fair to say that they were quite impressed. The idea is now to have the space used as a history and culture centre, that teachers can bring their students to, parents can share memories with their children and

Students being taught history of Milingimbi

visitors can add to their stops when visiting Milingimbi.



Milingimbi History Display at the Milingimbi Community Library



Milingimbi History Display at the Milingimbi Community Library

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

RECOMMENDATION

The Local Authority notes the Council Operations Report.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments TO this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	8.6
TITLE	Corporate Services Report
REFERENCE	1791535
AUTHOR	Michael Freeman, Corporate Services Manager

SUMMARY

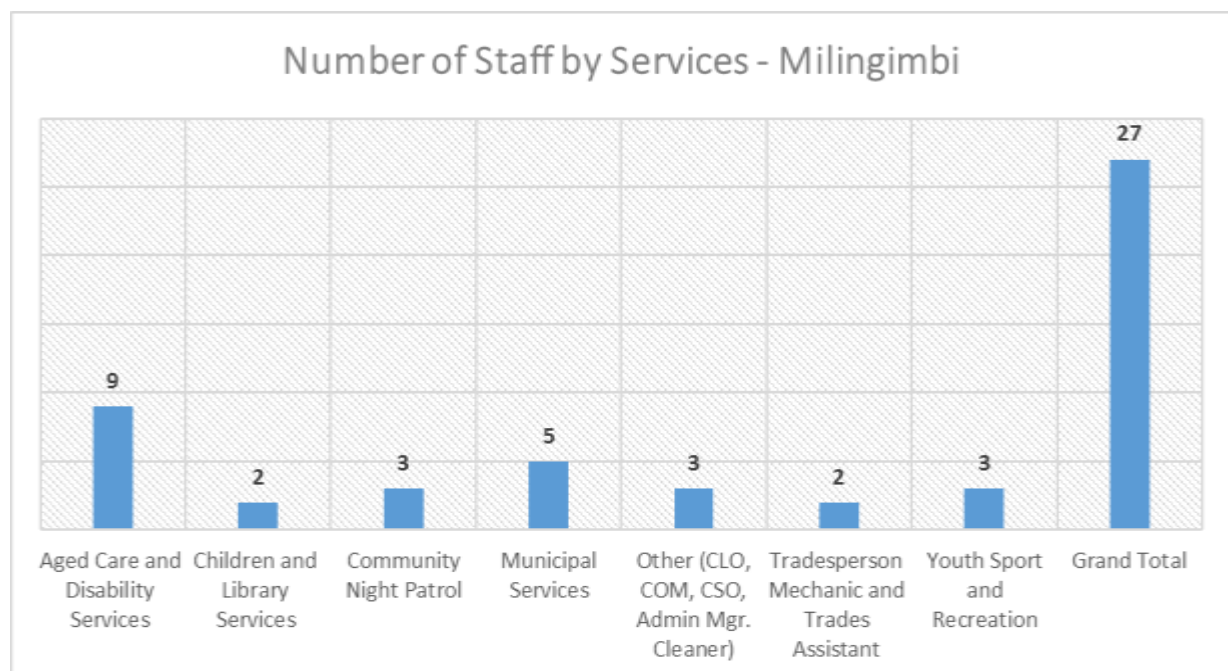
This report presents the financials plus employment statistics as of 30 June 2023 within the Local Authority area.

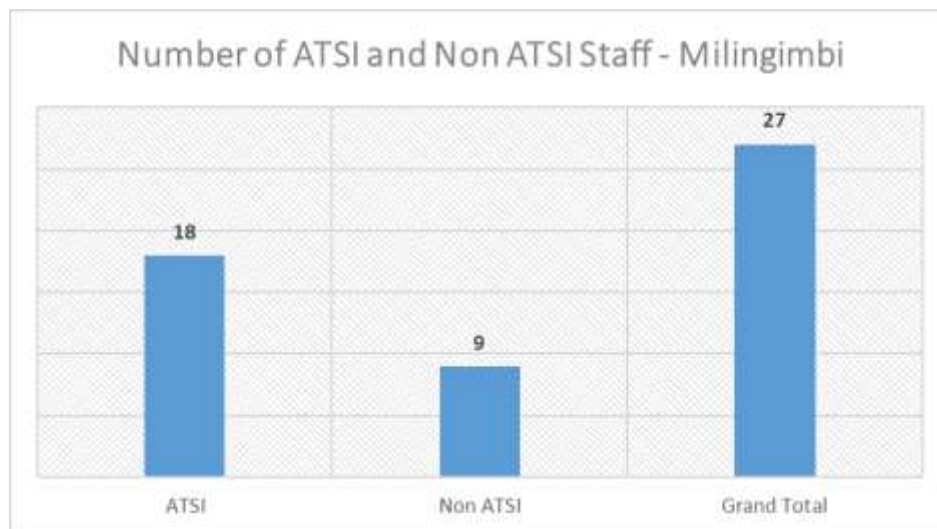
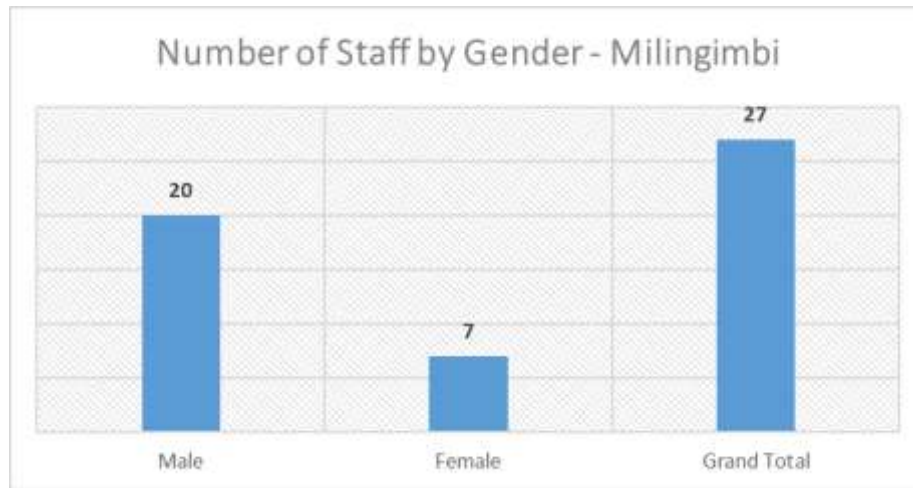
BACKGROUND

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 2023:

Position	Level
Aged Care & Disability Services Support Worker	Level 1
Cleaner	Level 1
Community Liaison Officer	Level 1
Community Media Officer	Level 1
Youth Support Coordinator	Level 6
Youth Sport & Recreation Worker	Level 1

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RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information as of 30 June 2023.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 [↓](#) INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT - Milingimbi

EACH REPORTING LOCATION INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 30 JUNE 2023	Milingimbi		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
OPERATING REVENUE			
Grants	1,149,177	1,344,294	(195,117)
User Charges and Fees	829,765	848,335	(18,570)
Rates and Annual Charges	776,860	776,860	-
Interest Income	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	263,613	1,001,814	(738,201)
Council Internal Allocations	(10,000)	(10,000)	-
Untied Revenue Allocation	1,091,920	1,091,920	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	4,101,335	5,053,223	(951,888)
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Employee Expenses	1,752,816	1,870,497	(117,681)
Materials and Contracts	1,065,510	2,399,463	(1,333,953)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-
Elected Member Expenses	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,755	9,774	(8,019)
Depreciation and Amortisation	-	-	-
Interest Expenses	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	788,058	1,025,948	(237,889)
Council Internal Allocations	1,221,605	1,239,292	(17,687)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	4,829,745	6,544,973	(1,715,228)
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(728,411)	(1,491,751)	763,340
Capital Grants Income	2,500	-	2,500
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(725,911)	(1,491,751)	765,840
Remove Non-Cash Item			
Add Back Depreciation Expense	-	-	-
Less Additional Outflows			
Capital Expenses	-	(1,565,181)	1,565,181
Carried Forward Revenue for FY2024	-	(174,130)	174,130
Transfer to Reserves	-	(76,876)	76,876
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	-	(1,816,187)	1,816,187
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(725,911)	(3,307,937)	2,582,027
Add Additional Inflows			
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	962,595	959,337	3,258
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	2,494,340	(2,494,340)
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	962,595	3,453,677	(2,491,082)
NET OPERATING POSITION	236,684	145,740	90,945
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