OPEN AGENDA for the Galiwin'ku Special Local Authority Meeting 21 October 2026

Dedicated to promoting the power of people, protection of community and respect for cultural diversity.

Djambarrpuyŋu

Dhuwandja dhäwu dhipuŋur EARC-ŋur bukmakku yolŋuw mala nhämunha limurr ga nhina wäŋakurr malaŋuwurr buku-ḻiwmaram:

- limurr dhu räl-manapanmirr ganydjarrwu limurruŋgalaŋaw rur'maranharaw,
- ga dharray walŋaw,
- ga ŋayaŋu-ḏapmaranhamirr bukmak bala-räli'yunmirr.

Dhaŋu

Dhaŋum dhäwu EARC-ŋur bukmakku yolŋuwu warrawu nhämunha ŋalma yaka nyena ŋayambalmurru buku-ḻiw'yuman:

- ŋalma ŋarru räal-manapanmi ganydjarrwu ṉakanhaminyarawu ŋalmaliŋguwaywuru,
- ga dharray walŋawu,
- ga ŋayaŋu-ḏapthumanmi bukmak bala-räli'yunmi.

Gumatj

Dhuwalanydja dhäwu EARC-ŋuru bukmakku yolŋuwu mala nhämunha ŋilimurru yukurra nhina wäŋakurru buku-ḻiw'yunmarama:

- ŋilimurru yurru räl-manapanmirri ganydjarrwu gaŋga'thinyarawu ŋilimurruŋgalaŋawu,
- ga dharray walŋawu,
- ga ŋayaŋu-ḏapthunmaranhamirri bukmak bala-lili'yunmirri.

Marraŋu

Dhuwanydji dhäwu barraŋga'yun EARC-ŋur bukmakku yolŋuw yukurr buku-ḻiw'maram wäŋa miṯtji malanynha:

- Dalimurr wurruku räl-manapanmirr djäk ganydjarrwu ŋalimurruŋgalaŋaw
- Gaŋgathinyamaranharaw woṉḏaŋarrgunharaw,
- Ga djäga walŋaw,
- Ga ŋayaŋu-ḏapmaranhamirr ŋalimurr wurruku bukmak bala-räli'yunmirr.

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.

EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the Galiwin'ku Local Authority will be held at the Galiwin'ku Council Office offices on Wednesday 21 October 2026 at 10:00 am.

Agendas and minutes are available on the Council website www.eastarnhem.nt.gov.au and can be viewed at the Councils public office.

Dale Keehne
Chief Executive Officer

Members:

Cr Cyril Bukulatjpi
Cr Evelyna Dhamarrandji
Cr Stephen Dhamarrandj
Bobby Nyikamula
Glenys Dalliston
Nancy Gudaltji
Terry Walunba
Virginia Rripa

Dial-in Details:

Microsoft Teams meeting
Join: https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/47441060978975?p=0pTNiHrVNcxhWZXlQ8
Meeting ID: 474 410 609 789 75
Passcode: tQ9zw6Kt

Dial in by phone
+61 2 8318 0005,,743719387# Australia, Sydney
Find a local number
Phone conference ID: 743 719 387#

Schedule 1 Code of conduct

1 Honesty and integrity
A member must act honestly and with integrity in performing official functions.

2 Care and diligence
A member must act with reasonable care and diligence in performing official functions.

3 Courtesy
A member must act with courtesy towards other members, council staff, electors and members of the public.

4 Prohibition on bullying
A member must not bully another person in the course of performing official functions.

5 Conduct towards council staff
A member must not direct, reprimand, or interfere in the management of council staff.

6 Respect for cultural diversity and culture
6.1 A member must respect cultural diversity and must not therefore discriminate against others, or the opinions of others, on the ground of their cultural background.

6.2 A member must act with respect for cultural beliefs and practices in relation to other members, council staff, electors and members of the public.

7 Conflict of interest
7.1 A member must avoid any conflict of interest, whether actual or perceived, when undertaking official functions and responsibilities.

7.2 If a conflict of interest exists, the member must comply with any statutory obligations of disclosure.

8 Respect for confidences
8.1 A member must respect the confidentiality of information obtained in confidence in the member's official capacity.

8.2 A member must not make improper use of confidential information obtained in an official capacity to gain a private benefit or to cause harm to another.

9 Gifts
9.1 A member must not solicit, encourage or accept gifts or private benefits from any person who might have an interest in obtaining a benefit from the council.

9.2 A member must not accept a gift from a person that is given in relation to the person's interest in obtaining a benefit from the council.

10 Accountability
A member must be prepared at all times to account for the member's performance as a member and the member's use of council resources.

11 Interests of municipality, region or shire to be paramount
11.1 A member must act in what the member genuinely believes to be the best interests of the municipality, region or shire.

11.2 In particular, a member must seek to ensure that the member's decisions and actions are based on an honest, reasonable and properly informed judgment about what best advances the best interests of the municipality, region or shire.

12 Training
A member must undertake relevant training in good faith.

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1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

The Chair may wish to open the meeting with a prayer.

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.3 Attendance

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Local Authority:

(a) Notes the absence of <>.
(b) Notes the apology received from <>.
(c) Notes <> are absent with permission of the Local Authority.
(d) Determines <> are absent without permission of the Local Authority under Section 47(1) (0) of the Act.

SUMMARY:

This report is also to table, for the Councils record, any absences, apologies and requests for leave of absence received form the Council members and what absences that the Council given permission for.

ATTACHMENTS:
Nil

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.4 Conflict of Interest

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.

SUMMARY:

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

BACKGROUND:

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

(a) A direct interest
(b) An indirect financial interest
(c) An indirect interest by close association
(d) An indirect interest due to conflicting duties".

GENERAL:

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

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

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

ATTACHMENTS:
Nil

2 Looking Forward - Discussions and Decisions

GO NGILIMURR MALA DJARRYUN GA YURAM GA YAKAYUN GA BALWAK NGUPAN DHUWAL DHARUK

LOOKING FORWARD - DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

2.1 Allocation of LAPF Funding to Galiwin'ku Child Care Building

AUTHOR Shannon Cervini (Director - Council Services)

RECOMMENDATION

That Local Authority recommends the allocation of expiring Galiwin'ku Local Authority Project Funding towards the conversion of the Child Care Centre building in Galiwin'ku into a youth focused centre.

SUMMARY:

This report seeks recommendation from the Galiwin'ku Local Authority to allocate expiring Local Authority Project Funding, including carried forward funds, towards the conversion of the Child Care Centre building in Galiwin'ku into a youth focused centre The proposal commits an estimated total of $690,013 to support delivery of the critical infrastructure required to support youth and at-risk children in the community.

BACKGROUND:

The Galiwin'ku Local Authority accumulates LAPF annually, including both current year allocations and any unspent funds carried forward from previous years.

GENERAL:

The proposed allocation will direct all currently available LAPF towards the Galiwin'ku Child Care Centre building project as a capital contribution. This will ensure that accumulated underspend is strategically reinvested into a high-priority, long-term community asset, rather than remaining unutilised or returned to the Department.

Utilising both carried forward funds and the current allocations, positions Council to actively use available funding, maximising its use for broader community benefit. The project directly supports the delivery of the critical infrastructure required to support youth and at-risk children in the community

This is an investment that aligns with Council's ongoing priority of strengthening community wellbeing and delivering essential infrastructure in remote communities, while demonstrating responsible and proactive use of Local Authority funding.

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

ATTACHMENTS:
Nil

3 General Business

4 Meeting Close