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OPEN AGENDA for the Galiwin'ku
Local Authority
27 July 2026

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

Djambarrpuyngu

Dhuwandja dhäwu dhipunjur EARC-njur bukmakku yolñuw mala nhämunha limurr ga nhina wänjakurr malañuwurr buku-liw'maram:

- limurr dhu räi-manapanmirr ganydjarrwu limurrungalañaw rur'maranharaw,
- ga dharrray walñaw,
- ga ñayanju-ḍapmaranhamirr bukmak bala-räli'yunmirr.

Dhañu

Dhañum dhäwu EARC-njur bukmakku yolñuwu warrawu nhämunha ñalma yaka nyena ñayambalmurru buku-liw'yuman:

- ñalma ñarru räi-manapanmi ganydjarrwu ñakanhaminyarawu ñalmalinguwaywuru,
- ga dharrray walñawu,
- ga ñayanju-ḍapthumanmi bukmak bala-räli'yunmi.

Gumatj

Dhuwalanydja dhäwu EARC-njuru bukmakku yolñuwu mala nhämunha ñilimurru yukurra nhina wänjakurru buku-liw'yunmarama:

- ñilimurru yurru räi-manapanmirri ganydjarrwu ganga'thinyarawu ñilimurrungalañawu,
- ga dharrray walñawu,
- ga ñayanju-ḍapthunmaranhamirri bukmak bala-lili'yunmirri.

Marrañu

Dhuwanydji dhäwu barrañga'yun EARC-njur bukmakku yolñuw yukurr buku-liw'maram wäña miñtji malanyha:

- Dalimurr wurruku räi-manapanmirr djäk ganydjarrwu ñalimurrungalañaw
- Gangathinyamaranharaw wonḍañarrgunharaw,
- Ga djäga walñaw,
- Ga ñayanju-ḍapmaranhamirr ñalimurr 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 Monday 27 July 2026 at 11:30 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:

Virginia Ripa
Nancy Gudaltji
Terry Walunba
Bobby Nyikamula
Glenys Dalliston
Cr Cyril Bukulatjpi
Cr Evelynna Dhamarrandji
Cr Stephen Dhamarrandji

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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 from 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

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.5 Previous Local Authority Minutes

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority approves the minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 May 2026

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Galiwinku Local Authority Minutes 25 May 2026 [1.5.1 - 5 pages]



OPEN MINUTES for the Galiwin'ku
Local Authority
25 May 2026

GALIWIN'KU LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

25 MAY 2026

1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

Deputy President opened the meeting with prayer at 11:32 am.

Members in Attendance:

Virginia Rripa
Bobby Nyikamula
Glenys Dalliston
Cr Evelynna Dhamarrandji (left the meeting at 12pm)
Deputy President Stephen Dhamarrandji

East Arnhem Regional Council Staff:

Dale Keehne (Chief Executive Officer)
Sonia Campbell (GM – Technical and Infrastructure Services) – Attended online
Shannon Cervini (Regional Manager – Council Services)
Glenys Dalliston (Council Services Manager)
Paul Hyde Kaduru (Governance and Compliance Manager) – Attended online

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.3 Attendance

SUMMARY:

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

GAL 2025/69 RESOLVED (Glenys Dalliston/Cr. Evelynna Dhamarrandji)**That the Local Authority:**

- (a) Notes the absence of Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi, Nancy Gudaltji, Terry Walunba.
- (b) Notes the apology received from Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi, Nancy Gudaltji and Terry Walunba.
- (c) Notes Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi, Nancy Gudaltji and Terry Walunba are absent with permission of the Local Authority.

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.4 Conflict of Interest

SUMMARY:

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

GAL 2025/70 RESOLVED (Bobby Nyikamula/Glenys Dalliston)

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

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.5 Previous Local Authority Minutes

GAL 2025/71 **RESOLVED (Bobby Nyikamula/Glenys Dalliston)**

That the Local Authority approves the minutes of the previous meeting held on 13 April 2026.

*The meeting commenced with a quorum. Quorum was lost during the meeting at 12 pm.

Lunch break was taken from 12:00 pm to 12:42 pm.

2 Noting Progress and Achievement

YOW GALKI MEETING DJA DHAWARYUNA YURRU NGILIMURR RONGIYI GA NHAMA NGUNIYI

NANYTJAK NGU DHARUK MALAN GA YURUM GA BUKU WEKAM DHIYAKU MEETING GU

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.1 Local Authority Action Items

SUMMARY:

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

GAL 2025/76 **RESOLVED (Bobby Nyikamula/Glenys Dalliston)**

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.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.2 CEO Report

SUMMARY:

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

GAL 2025/73 **RESOLVED (Glenys Dalliston/Virginia Ripa)**

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

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NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.3 Council Services Report

SUMMARY:

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

GAL 2025/74 **RESOLVED (Bobby Nyikamula/Virginia Rripa)**

That the Local Authority notes the Council Services Managers report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.4 Technical and Infrastructure Services Report

SUMMARY:

This report is submitted for the Council's consideration and provides program updates from the Technical and Infrastructure Directorate. The updates pertain to capital projects and initiatives aligned with the 2025-2026 Annual Plan.

GAL 2025/77 **RESOLVED (Virginia Rripa/Glenys Dalliston)**

That Council notes the Technical and Infrastructure Services Report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.5 Human Resources and Finance Report

SUMMARY:

This report presents the financials plus employment statistics as of 30 April 2026 within the Local Authority area.

GAL 2025/75 **RESOLVED (Glenys Dalliston/Virginia Rripa)**

That Local Authority receives the Human Resources and Employment information as of 30 April 2026.

3 Presentations and General Business**PRESENTATION**

3.1 Discussion with the Local Police Department

GAL 2025/72 **RESOLVED (Bobby Nyikamula/Glenys Dalliston)**

That the Local Authority notes the updates provided by Local Police.

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PRESENTATION

3.2 Presentation from the Australian Border Force

GAL 2025/72 **RESOLVED** (Bobby Nyikamula/Glenys Dalliston)

That the Local Authority notes the updates provided by Australian Border Force.

PRESENTATION

3.3 Presentation from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development.

GAL 2025/72 **RESOLVED** (Bobby Nyikamula/Glenys Dalliston)

That the Local Authority notes the updates provided by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

27 July 2026.

4 Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 02:52 pm

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Galiwinku Local Authority Meeting held on 25 May 2026.

2 Noting Progress and Achievement

YOW GALKI MEETING DJA DHAWARYUNA YURRU NGILIMURR RONGIYI GA NHAMA NGUNIYI

NANYTJAK NGU DHARUK MALAN GA YURUM GA BUKU WEKAM DHIYAKU MEETING GU

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.1 Local Authority Action Items

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.

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 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).

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Local Authority Galiwinku 2026 5 [2.1.1 - 12 pages]

GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTION OWNER	ACTIONS	STATUS
KAVA		That the Local Authority: a) Notes the report on the Kava Pilot: Allowing the commercial importation of kava. b) Supports comprehensive community consultation as highlighted in the Northern Territory Government's submission to the Australian Government's Kava Pilot Phase 2: Allowing the Commercial Importation of Kava consultation paper, and the call for Commonwealth funding to support either: 1) increased compliance and policing for the increase in the illicit kava trade, or 2) effective and informed local decision making about kava management to minimise potential harms. c) Supports the Northern Territory Government's request for funding to support research into the health and social impacts from increased kava availability.	12.05.2021 – Email was received, stating that there is no action regarding the Kava Pilot – Ongoing. 20.05.2021 – Still unsure when this will be happening, Update has been provided to LA, will update up at next LA meeting – Ongoing. 17.12.2021 – A separate report on this will be presented by the CEO in the meeting. 12.01.2022 – Ongoing. 17.03.2022 – Discussion on Kava will continue with the community. 19.05.2022 – Call on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to work with the Local Authorities and Regional Council to ensure genuine and thorough consultation and engagement with all communities and homelands of East Arnhem Land, on the important and pressing issues of the possible introduction of the legal sale of kava and alcohol. 21.07.2022 – Ongoing 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. 24.11.2022 as above – Progress being made with Government, letter written to Chief Minister. 21.07.23 - Dale to update in his report. 29.08.23 Told by Chief Minister about 6 weeks ago, that there is progress in this area. 21.09.23– Update in CEO report to be provided. 23.11.23 – Progress and discussions continue to be made. CEO unfortunately has been dismissed and we will continue to have discussions with his replacement in due course. 25.01.24 – Issue raised at last Council meeting – NIAA to attend next Council meeting and talks will progress. 21.02.24 – Discussion took place among the PFES and NTG regarding issues relating to Kava and Alcohol in the communities. PFES requested continuous

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ACTION ITEM	ACTION OWNER	ACTIONS	STATUS
			support from communities to provide information so that these can be addressed. 28.03.24 – Continue to ask Council to progress discussion at the next Council Meeting in April with NIAA. 24.04.24 – CEO to write to Department requesting update. 23.05.24 – NTG and NIAA to update at next Council meeting 25.06.24 – NIAA & NTG to attend June Council meeting to provide updates and discussions. 17.07.24 – No real progress. No action – ongoing. 19.09.24 – Ongoing 21.11.2024 – Ongoing to be covered in CEO Report. 23.01.24 – Ongoing – meeting with Jacinta Price office – as part of 8 Advocacy Items. 19.02.25 – Council is going to seek the support of Local Member Mark Yingiya Guyula MLA for Milka to raise this issue. 20.03.25 – Mr Guyula joined the meeting via TEAMS and spoke with the members about kava. Further updates in the CEO Report. 23.04.25 – No change – to be addressed with newly elected Government. 22.05.25 – No change – Ongoing as above. 25.06.25 – Councillors want to form a committee and travel to Darwin to raise their concerns and get some action. They are tired of no action and are especially worried about the harm the illegal sale of kava is causing in the community, particularly to children. 27 .10.25 – Police in Nhulunbuy have mentioned that they received a letter from Minister that NTG are willing to do community consultations. 25.05.26 - CEO, with Northern Land Council, has commenced discussions with senior officers of Chief Minister and Cabinet to secure support and develop the process to trial the regulation of kava in a community, for later expansion.

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NT AFL Program			23.11.23 - invite NT AFL representative to discuss the Galiwinku AFL Program and provide confirmation of previously committed sporting infrastructure at the oval by the previous NT AFL representative. 14.12.23 – As above. 25.01.24 – NT AFL Representatives attended today's meeting and provided update. 22.02.24 – Draft Agreement is done. Waiting for AFL to provide timetable. 28.03.24 – Local Authority to invite NT AFL Officers to discuss the Galiwinku AFL Program and when it'll recommence and provide confirmation of previously committed sporting infrastructure. 24.04.24 – New grant focussing on events – Calendar containing holding events etc., 25.06.24 – Going into New Year we have access to a new grant – working towards AFL women's AFL and basketball. Regional Manager – Community Services working on this and update will be provided at next meeting. 18.07.24 – As above, both are intertwined. 19.09.24 – As above. 21.11.24 – AFL will not commit to programs in any of our communities. Hard for YSR to deliver AFL due to previous instances of community unrest and could be a risk to our staff. Director Council Services will speak with AFL in new year to see if there is any further scope in this space. 11.12.24 – Council has received a grant specific to running events. Waiting on the Department CEO to come back as the document has been signed. 23.01.25 – Regional Manager YSR received an email from Remote NT AFL – AFL NT who will have a full-time staff member based in Galiwinku. In new year they will reach out to discuss plans for Elcho Island. Recently held boys under 15-year competition which included boys from Galiwinku. Potential for new staff member to attend next Local Authority meeting. Regional Manager YSR to email and discuss. 20.03.25 – Email from RM AFLNT they have been told ALPA is no longer going to support them with housing – they are trying to find housing to support the full-time staff maintenance and are also asking NIAA. If they are unable to find housing, they will have to leave the island. General Manager Technical Infrastructure Services to raise with NLC to get a section 19 lease on lots 575 to provide additional housing for AFLNT.
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			23.04.25 – Emailed NLC regarding leave on 575 and again waiting on NLC to respond. 22.05.25 – Still waiting on response from NLC – Ongoing. 13.04.26 – The Local Authority does not support council for lease for lot 575 to provide housing for AFL due to ongoing costs, Need to find whether AFL NT is still seeking a accommodation.
The Local Authority supports a thorough community discussion to consider and decide on suitable layout and infrastructure for the Lot Area of 228 for a cultural and ceremony 'funeral' area.			23.11.23 – Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services to action. 24.01.24 – update next meeting 22.01.24 – Work is being done on this. 28.03.24 – Cr Kaye, Cr Stephen, Cr Evelynna and President Lapulung to create a plan to consult Senior Culture and Landowners to form a recommendation from them on what should be done for Lot Area 228. 24.04.24 Finalising design. 23.05.24 – Design principals discussed and conveyed to Director Technical and Infrastructure Services. 25.06.24 – After discussions with Local Authority – lighting, toilet, replacing fence on House 165 Not ready for release at tender but not far off. – potentially two weeks. 18.07.24 – Consultancy to occur before works continue. 19.09.24 - Update to be provided. The members request the Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to provide concept design images of the ceremony site be provided to the Local Authority through the Council Services Manager and community to assist in further consultation, to finalise the plan and the scope for tender. 21.11.24 – Concept and site survey design has been completed. To be covered in the Technical and Infrastructure report. – members may want a concrete floor in the room. 11.12.24 – Designing a mud map of toilet block and camping area, once designed is completed it will go back Cr Thurlow and through the LA meeting for approval. 23.01.25 – In final process of design, once concluded will deliver to next LA meeting.

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			19.02.25 – Currently doing the Geotech, next LA meeting will seek approval of design to enable it to move forward. 20.03.25 – Ongoing -further work to be done on design and potentially the location. 23.04.25 – Incorporated with GEOTECH and GMDTIS has another proposal of drawings for the ceremony area. 22.05.25 – The concept drawings of the new proposal are complete and will be presented to the Local Authority out of session. This will be shared through the Council Services Manager. 25.06.25 – Still in concept drawing phase. Further consultation is required with Traditional Owners/senior elders to confirm they are ok with the concept drawings. 27.10.25 – Site survey services investigation has been completed, LA feedback indicate changes and Geo technical investigations required, Architects to prepare concept drawings for LA review. 22.11.25 – Architects completing new lower key design due to funding limitations. Now that Council has moved through the DE amalgamation not only the Construction cost but the ongoing maintenance and repairs costs for the water park will need to be looked into to ascertain if it is financially viable. 24.02.25 – Shared concept designs at LA Meeting, doing the work in two phases. First phase to go ahead and second phased depending on the funding in future. 10.04.26 – Low resource capacity in the technical services department – actively seeking resources. Project is still progressing slowly. 25.05.26 – In progress, Geo Tech reports to be completed next week. Further scoping once we receive the Geo Tech report.
Galiwinku Cemetery Lighting		Galiwinku cemetery is to have solar lighting and investigate mains power availability.	21.09.23– Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to action. 23.11.23 – Lodged an EOI, drawings to be completed to run an underground cable. Power and Water don't see an issue with this. 14.12.23 – Progressing. 25.01.24 – Report to be provided next meeting. 22.02.24 – Improvement is being made. Two and a half months to three months' time frame. 28.03.24 – Works completed by 30 June 2024.

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			24.04.24 – Timeframe as above to finishing. 23.05.24 – covered in Tech report. 25.06.24 – Ready to go to Tender – must establish a Lot number for the cemetery. 18.07.24 – Ongoing 19.09.24 – Update to be provided. 21.11.24 – Quotes being obtained for the solar lighting. Currently trying to establish the Lease Lot Number - potentially looking at a battery pack system. Members would like to hold a meeting with the Council Services Manager and Regional Technical and Infrastructure Services Manager regarding the range of their concerns about the new cemetery. 11.12.24 – Received quotes for solar lighting and portable PA system. 23.01.25 – Procuring materials for project once received contractor will be engaged to install solar lights. 19.02.25 – Solar lights have been ordered, waiting on delivery, PA system also ordered. 20.03.25 – Waiting on materials to arrive, Contractor has been engaged for installation. 23.04.25 – Currently waiting on concrete blocks for lights. 22.05.25 – Construction of blocks nearing completion, will be on site by mid-June. 25.06.25 – Confirmation required – lighting time. 27.10.25 – Next step – confirmation from LA to proceed with investing funds for this proposed installation of solar street lights. 26.11.25 – Once the design is finalised, will be sent to LA for approval. 24.02.25 – Will need placement information from LA in the next meeting. 10.04.26 – Still waiting on placement information. 13.04.26 – LA to identify four places on map provided where they would like solar lights. 25.05.26 – Waiting on LA feedback.
Fencing around Galiwinku Cemetery & Identification of old graves.			28.03.24 – Works regarding fencing to be done before June 30, 2024. 28.03.24 – Assistance from Local Liaison Officers to assist in identification. 24.04.24 – Trying to get a local Contractor. 23.05.24 – as above. 25.06.24 – Archway signs have arrived. Quotes have been obtained to install.

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			18.07.24 – Ongoing to be followed up. 19.09.24 – Urgent update to be provided. Calls for progress on the action and update 'Fencing around the 'Galiwin'ku cemetery and identification of the graves' to the Local Authority by the Council Services Manager. 26.09.24 – Revert the Action to Director Technical and Infrastructure Services as the project funding is allocated to this directorate. 21.11.24 – The new digital Garmin GPS device has arrived – and can provide a digital marking of where people are buried. Still require community input to assist with burial locations. Councillor Thurlow will look to locate those with knowledge of where people are buried to assist. 11.12.24 – GOS device wont mark where the graves are – seeking community members to be available to provide that knowledge to identify the graves. Liaise with new Council Services Manager once they have been recruited. 8.01.2025 – the new Council Services Manager is commencing on 28.01.2025. 23.01.25 – Still waiting on new Council Services Manager to commence. Still wanting to understand location of bodies etc., 19.02.25 – Waiting for CSM to settle into role and will then engage him in the above. Identify areas and engage surveyor. Hope to engage community in this. 20.03.25 – Ongoing – revised solution to achieve this, by clearing and poisoning the scrub around to get access to the cemetery, then identifying the graves, then get a surveyor in and reinstate the fence. General Manager Tech Services to investigate power poles and wires that are old and not working to being removed. 23.04.25 – We now have a Municipal Services staff member on Galiwinku who is poisoning the area to remove the shrubs and then the fencing can be progressed in addition to the identification of the graves. 22.05.25 -Due to machinery breakdown there has been a delay with the spraying. Spraying the area to clear the grounds will provide a clearer scope to map out the boundaries. 25.06.25 – Update to be provided. 27.10.25 – CSM to take photos and send to GM Infratsructure to organise the clearing of trees. Once the trees are cleared Infrastructure team to organise and get Fencing completed. 22.11.25 – Images haven't been received. 24.02.25 – Waiting on the images to organise the clearance of trees.
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			10.04.26 – Still waiting on images, due to vacancy of Council Services Manager. 25.05.26 – Waiting on Images as mentioned above.
Street naming		Local Authority is seeking feedback from the place names committee surrounding the application for the sub-division new street names and provide feedback to the General Manager of Technical and Infrastructure Services for a response to the Place Names Committee.	23.05.24 – Cr Thurlow to provide update. Cr Thurlow needs to speak with Language Specialist. LA approves of the three new roads that need to be sorted out to be sorted out by Cr Thurlow. Three further roads that need clarification at next meeting. 25.06.24 – Submission is in the last stages of being completed to be sent 'hopefully' this week, except for three streets in Buthan – need further consultation with Traditional Owners. 18.07.24 – Consultation continuing – Cr. Thurlow following up – suggesting to place names committee. Street names to include Yolngu naming and then underneath in smaller writing the standard English version. Cr Thurlow to provide update. 19.09.24 – Kaye has asked the members to support the submission as shown in the recommended names and be submitted. 21.11.24 – submission almost submitted – nothing further required of the members. Looking for Place Names Committee to approve the names submitted and then signs can be erected. 11.12.24 – It has been lodged with the Place Names committee. 23.01.25 – Regional Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services – to follow up and provide an update. 19.02.25 – Waiting on place names committee to get back with approval. 20.03.25 - Ongoing as above still waiting on place names committee to approve. 23.04.25 – Ongoing Cr Thurlow to try again to contact the street naming department. 22.05.25 – No further progress as advised by Cr. Thurlow. Street naming have not been able to provide an update, due to shortage of staff. 25.06.25 – Councillors would like a motion that they would like LGANT make application to the NTG to acknowledge the need to ensue streets are named in local communities and increase the number of staff on the place names committee to ensure councils get these names submitted and approved.

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			27.10.25 – The NTG Place Names Unit has advised that the Galiwin'ku street-naming request is quite complex, as it includes more than 30 road names from both the existing community and the new Buthan subdivision. Their team is currently assessing the full submission and will provide a further update once the review is complete. 26.11.25 – Waiting on assessment by NTG place names unit, requests are under review. 24.02.25 – Ongoing. 25.05.26 – Regional Transport and Infrastructure Manager to provide a table of the existing names that are in for approval and also request for new roads that needed to be added to the list.
Broken Lighting		Request the General Manager of Technical and Infrastructure Services provide an out of session update through the Council Services Manager on progress to fix the range of broken lights in community as referred to in the Technical and Infrastructure Services report.	19.09.24 Director Technical and Infrastructure Services - Out of session response required please. 21.11.24 – Local contractor has completed repair maintenance of solar lights, still waiting on LED street light parts. 11.12.24 – New additional LED streetlights have been ordered and procured and just waiting on their arrival. Once cleared at customs they will come by road freight for all nine communities, and they will then be repaired. 23.01.25 – Replacement lighting has arrived, and contractors are currently assessing their capacity, e.g., cherry pickers etc., 19.02.25 – All nine communities - lighting has arrived waiting on contractors with cherry pickers to complete. 20.03.25 - Replacement with LED streetlight will commence upon engagement of electrical contractors – once finalisation of contractor engagement occurs in April 2025. 23.04.25 - currently reviewing quotes and will engage with contractor. 22.05.25 – Still reviewing quotes as there are changes in scope of works. Once completed will engage contractors. 25.06.25 – Engaged contractors – completion after August. 27.10.25 – Electrical Contractor has been engaged to undertake repairs, expected to complete by 14 November 2025. 22.11.25 – Lighting repairs scheduled across all communities. All damaged lights will be repaired/replaced. Vandalism and power surges the highest contributing factors to damaged lights.

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			13.04.26 – There is scheduled 6 monthly contractor repair schedule, application to capture Adhoc lighting repairing. 25.05.26 – RM to review the process of reporting broken lights in community.
Streetlights and footpaths and roads		upgrades needed	23.01.25 -tender has been awarded <i>and audit to commence late February early. March</i> 19.02.25 – Audit across all communities – 5-to-10-year plan. 20.03.25 – Mobilisation for commencement of works will commence April 2025 subject to weather and road conditions. 23.04.25 – Ongoing and will commence with audit. 22.05.25 – Tender has been awarded to transport wise and they will commence with site inspection in June. 25.06.25- Inspection to be carried out. 27.10.25 – TransportWise has completed their audit and submitted the report. The GM Technical & Infrastructure Services and RM Transport Infrastructure will meet with TransportWise to review the findings. The discussion will focus on understanding the recommendations and using them to develop a 5–10 year transport infrastructure plan. This plan will ensure that grant funding is directed to the areas most in need of repairs, maintenance, and upgrades. 22.11.25 – Review of report completed, further actions being mapped for the new year. 24.02.25 – Work will start on Based on Transport wise report. 10.04.26 – Contractor has already completed a repair round. This is scheduled every 6 months. In between visits broken lights can be reported to Council Office until we work through an Application for public reporting.
Stormwater Management		Responsibilities for stormwater and road at rear of the school,	23.01.25 – General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services to establish which Northern Territory Government Dept is responsible for the road and the stormwater management adjacent to the teacher houses at the rear of the school. 19.02.25 ARCOS is in community now and doing the staging for the drainage etc.,

GALIWIN'KU ACTIONS

			20.03.25 – Engagement across stakeholders to understand the best solutions for this. Consultations have been completed in last two to three weeks. 23.04.25 – ARRCOS are now at 95% on the drawings and once complete will go to tender. 22.05.25 – Arcocos are currently working through design for package three, which is related to stormwater for the school – Wakirana Street. 25.06.25 – Update to be provided. Design by 4 July – month for tenders, review of design. 27.10.25 – Arcocos Consulting has completed the full design and documentation for Package 3A of the Wakirana Street stormwater upgrades (Shepherdson College). Package 3A will be reviewed in light of available road funding, which has been reduced due to the recent formation of the Groote Archipelago Regional Council. The review will align with the upcoming NTG DLI civil subdivision tender. Opportunities to secure additional grant funding for the stormwater upgrades will also be explored. 22.11.25 – Review of report completed, further actions being mapped for the new year Related Money for roads item. 13.04.26 – Design and documentation is completed. Need to discuss regarding the funding. 25.05.26 – Scoping is completed, waiting for the funding round to open.
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ADVOCACY ITEMS/ITEMS ON HOLD:

Increased funding of Anglicare for money management to be increased from once a month to at least two days per week.	Major need for more funding of essential support services to community to be provided by visiting staff more than once or twice a month, including: Financial education and support. Drive safe program ID, to help to get jobs and many other things.	25.06.24 – Update to be provided. 18.07.24 – NIAA actively following up on this, they share the same concern. Local Authority requires/requests somebody be located on the island full time to answer and assist community members with financial education and support. Director Community Services to follow up with NIAA based on further community inputs from the community members to the Local Authority. 19.09.24 – Update to be provided. 21.11.24 – NIAA has provided updated that Anglicare is already funded for more than one trip per month for money management. NIAA is investigating as they are the funding agency to see if Anglicare are doing what they are contracted to do. Should potentially be four visits per month currently members say it's more like one visit every few months. Formal grievance to be written by
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		Director Community Services to NIAA regarding increasing money management support on Galiwinku. 11.12.24 – Hard time getting in touch with NIAA representative in the region, unable to raise this with them. New NIAA representatives have started in Galiwinku. 23.01.24 – NIAA Guests, Anne-Marie Southall and Ted Gondarra, to work on developing coordination of central support services such as money management and gaining ID's, in Galiwin'ku and across the region. To also be raised with Council. 19.02.25 – DCS wasn't available for updated (stepped out of meeting). 20.03.25 – Letter sent on behalf of Local Authority, contact Jay from NIAA has been spoken to about this issue, however, is currently on leave. Director Community Services will be in contact and provide update at next meeting. 23.04.25 – NIAA have advised verbally that they will provide a written response to Council, they believe it's no NIAA but rather Department of Social Services who need to provide assistance. They (Jay Hill) will take this matter on our behalf to Dept of Social Services. 22.05.25 – Update from Jay Hill from NIAA who was liaising with Dept Social Services. Jay has confirmed the Anglicare team does go out regularly and she is waiting on a schedule that she will then share with Director Community Services. Once received the Director Community Services will share with members and confirm whether the schedule needs more advertising within the community. NIAA government Engagement Coordinator (attending this LA meeting) advised that Anglicare are aiming to provide longer services over more days every month. 25.06.25 - No update has been received from NIAA to date. Follow up with Galiwinku representative Anne-Marie from NIAA for update. Potential to bring this up with LGANT and liaise with Government Departments to get further support to communities in economic education and budgeting. 27.10.25 – Anglicare has current funding allows once a month visit, they are looking for options to attend more often. MOVE TO ADVOCACY
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NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.2 CEO Report

AUTHOR

Dale Keehne (Chief Executive Officer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

SUMMARY:

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

GENERAL:

I would like to acknowledge the contribution of Councillor Murphy Yunupingu who resigned as one of our Gumurr Miwatj Councillors earlier this year. Murphy continues to provide leadership as a key member of the Gunyangara Local Authority.

I am also very pleased to note the election of the new Councillor for the Gumurr Miwatj Ward, Mr. Lirrpiya Mununggurr. Lirrpiya has been a long serving member of the Yirrkala Local Authority and well respected community leader for Yirrkala and beyond.

I would also like to congratulate our Director of Council Services Signe Balodis on securing a CEO position with a rural Council south of Perth in Western Australia. Signe has brought so much to Council, regularly reviewing and improving our service delivery and outcomes for community members, over the last two years as Director and as Regional Manager of Council Services for the two years before that.

I have continued to advocate on national post Cyclone Narelle forums with the Federal Minister for Indigenous Australians and senior officials of the Australian Government and Northern Territory Governments for a significant improvement in preparation for future cyclones. Specifically seeking confirmation of funding for a formal engineering assessment of the cyclone rating of the range of houses and other buildings across all coastal communities of the Northern Territory to allow for clear advice to community and homeland members on where to shelter.

The other key point is to confirm the level of remaining need for cyclone shelters to protect all people, and the commitment of funding to the building of Cyclone Shelters / Multipurpose Halls, that can be operated everyday in multiple ways for community benefit and be 'stood up' as shelters when needed.

The last major issue I have been involved with is engagement with President Lapulung Dhamarrandji, Deputy President Stephen Dhamarrandji, Councillor Marrpalawuy Marika and Councillor Ganygulpa Dhurrkay following the death of a 17 year old girl in Galiwin'ku.

The NT News, National Indigenous Times, ABC and a number of other media outlets responded to Council's Media Release - Yaka Bulu Mari' Miyal'ku – No More Violence to Women, publishing a number of news articles in print and online. Some examples are attached, and the full print copies that will be distributed to Local Authority Members on the day for your reference and review.

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

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Yaka Bulu Mari' Miyalk'ku - No More Violence to Women [**2.2.1** - 2 pages]
2. Media N T- News 09072026 [**2.2.2** - 4 pages]
3. Media National- Indigenous- Times 09072026 [**2.2.3** - 3 pages]



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Media Release

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Yaka Bulu Mari' Miyalk'ku - No More Violence to Women

Council President Lapulung Dhamarrandji, Deputy President Stephen Dhamarrandji, Councillor Marrpalawuy Marika and Councillor Ganygulpa Dhurrkay have met about the tragic loss of a 17-year-old Yolŋu girl in Galiwin'ku as reported by ABC News on 6 July 2026.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family, clan and community of this young woman.

Our Council representatives are strong and united in making clear this violence does not reflect traditional Yolŋu culture and is completely unacceptable.

"Domestic violence is not our way. In our culture women are sacred. They need to be nurtured."

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji

"It's not Yolŋu culture. This issue can't go any further. We can't turn a blind eye. There are bälŋu (no) consequences."

Councillor Ganygulpa Dhurrkay

Our 100% Aboriginal elected Council and its Local Authorities in each community are committed to work in close collaboration with the NT Police and the Lia Finocchiario led Northern Territory Government to tackle domestic violence and other crime.

"We value the role of the Police. We support there being more Police Officers, based in community."

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji

"It is also important to engage with other Aboriginal organisations (including Yalu, Rirratjingu, Gumatj and Laynhapuy) and community members to stop domestic violence across the remote communities of East Arnhem Land."

Deputy President Stephen Dhamarrandji

"We have created fit for purpose community education on family violence in Yolŋu Matha (language) ranging from understanding all forms of violence, coercive control, lateral violence and sexual violence."

Yalu Aboriginal Corporation Chairperson Jasmine Yunupingu and CEO, Anahita Tonkin

"We need to get more support for Yalu to train our people on domestic violence."

Councillor Marrpalawuy Marika

"People, family and community members need to call out violence when they see it. People need to be responsible for their actions."

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Additional Quotes:

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji

"Women are the bearers of life, they need to be honoured and respected."

Councillor Ganygulpa Dhurrkay

"People are not getting consequences, and it happens again and again."

"Families need to love and care for each other."

Councillor Marrpalawuy Marika

"Domestic violence is a crime."

"We have Aboriginal Corporations, Rirratjingu, Gumatj, Laynhapuy, Yalu and others who we can work with on this big problem."

Yalu Aboriginal Corporation Chairperson, Jasmine Yunupingu and CEO, Anahita Tonkin

"We need real action."

"This type of violence doesn't belong anywhere in the world. It's a global problem and we all need to stand up."

"It's time men, elders and leaders step up with us against family violence."

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NT News

East Arnhem Regional Council demands action on violence after death of 17-year-old girl

[Camden Smith](#)

July 9, 2026 - 6:29PM

East Arnhem Regional Council leaders have united to condemn domestic violence across society after the death of a teenage Galiwinku girl, declaring any violence “not our way.”



The senior leaders of a Top End regional council have united to condemn domestic violence across society after the tragic death of a 17-year-old Galiwinku woman this week and domestic violence in remote communities.

Their in-language message, Yaka Bulu Mari' Miyalk'ku, translates as No More Violence to Women.

[NT Police on Thursday charged a 34-year-old man with murder following the discovery](#) of the girl's body on Monday.

Police received a report shortly after 11am Monday a 17-year-old girl had been found unconscious in a home in Galiwinku.

Police, assisted by staff from the health clinic, attended the scene, where she was declared dead.

Source: <https://www.ntnews.com.au/business/northern-territory/east-arnhem-regional-council-demands-action-on-violence-after-death-of-17yearold-girl/news-story/d041f31d8f071fdbcf65905386c2bd2>



Regional community leaders met this week following the tragedy, issuing a statement mourning the loss, condemning all forms of domestic violence, and calling for the violence to end.

East Arnhem Regional Council president Lapulung Dhamarrandji, deputy president Stephen Dhamarrandji, councillor Marrpalawuy Marika and councillor Ganygulpa Dhurrkay also issued statements mourning the child.

“Our thoughts and prayers are with the family, clan and community of this young woman,” East Arnhem Regional Council said in the joint statement.

“Our council representatives are strong and united in making clear this (alleged) violence does not reflect traditional Yolŋu culture and is completely unacceptable.

“Council has stated that our 100 per cent Aboriginal elected council and its local authorities in each community are committed to work in close collaboration with the NT Police and the Lia Finocchiaro-led Northern Territory Government to tackle domestic violence and other crime.”

Source: <https://www.ntnews.com.au/business/northern-territory/east-arnhem-regional-council-demands-action-on-violence-after-death-of-17-year-old-girl/news-story/d041f31d8f071fdbcf65905386c2bd2>



President Lapulung Dhamarrandji condemned domestic violence across the board and affirmed the status of women in Aboriginal culture.

“We value the role of the police,” he said.

“We support there being more police officers, based in community. Women are the bearers of life, they need to be honoured and respected.”

Cr Ganygulpa Dhurrkay said any violence was not reflective of Yolŋu people and culture.



“It’s not Yolŋu culture. This issue can’t go any further. We can’t turn a blind eye. There are bāyŋu (no) consequences,” she said.

“People, family and community members need to call out violence when they see it. People need to be responsible for their actions. People are not getting consequences and it happens again and again. Families need to love and care for each other.”

Deputy president Stephen Dhamarrandji raised the importance of involvement by Aboriginal organisations including Yalu, Rirratjingu, Gumatj and Laynhapuy.

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"It's also important to engage with Aboriginal organisations and community members to stop domestic violence across remote communities of East Arnhem Land."



Yalu Aboriginal Corporation chairperson Jasmine Yunupingu said programs existed within the communities to help combat domestic violence.

"We have created fit for purpose community education on family violence in Yolnu Matha (language) ranging from understanding all forms of violence, coercive control, lateral violence and sexual violence," she said.

"We need real action. This type of violence doesn't belong anywhere in the world. It's a global problem and we all need to stand up.

"It's time men, elders and leaders step up with us against family violence."

Councillor Marrpalawuy Marika called for more support for organisations working in this area. "We need to get more support for Yalu to train our people in domestic violence," she said. "Domestic violence is a crime."

National Indigenous Times

Yolŋu leaders condemn violence after teenage girl's death in Galiwin'ku

[Dechlan Brennan](#)

Published July 9, 2026 at 12.24pm (AWST)



The alleged murder of a Yolŋu girl in East Arnhem Land in a suspected domestic violence incident has prompted community leaders to speak out against the "completely unacceptable" issue of violence.

On Monday, [Northern Territory Police said a 17-year-old girl had been found dead in Galiwin'ku](#) — a Yolŋu community on Elcho Island — after receiving a report shortly after 11 am that she was unconscious.

A 34-year-old man was arrested, with police alleging the two knew each other. They are treating the death as a domestic violence incident.

After an autopsy was completed this week, NT Police charged the man on Thursday with one count of murder. He is expected to appear before Darwin Local Court on Friday.

"This has been a complex investigation, and our investigations indicate the deceased has died of blunt forced injuries," Detective Acting Superintendent Paul Lawson said.

"A young woman has lost her life, and our thoughts are with her family and community. Our local members remain in the community and are working closely

Source: <https://nit.com.au/09-07-2026/25280/yolnu-leaders-condemn-violence-after-teenage-girls-death-in-galiwinku>

with those affected. Police would like to thank the community for their assistance during this period.

"A file will also be prepared for the Coroner."



East Arnhem Regional Council President Lapulung Dhamarrandji, Deputy President Stephen Dhamarrandji, Councillor Marrpalawuy Marika and Councillor Ganygulpa Dhurrkay met in the wake of the girl's death, releasing a statement condemning the violence and offering condolences to the girl's family, community and clan.

"Our Council representatives are strong and united in making clear this violence does not reflect traditional Yolŋu culture and is completely unacceptable," Lapulung Dhamarrandji said.

"Domestic violence is not our way. In our culture, women are sacred. They need to be nurtured. Women are the bearers of life, they need to be honoured and respected."

He said the council and local communities were "committed" to working with NT Police, Premier Lia Finocchiaro and the CLP Government to "tackle domestic violence and other crime".

"We value the role of the Police. We support there being more Police Officers, based in community," he added.



Ganygulpa Dhurrkay said the acts of violence are not a part of Yolŋu culture. She said family and community members needed to "call out violence when they see it".

"This issue can't go any further. We can't turn a blind eye. There are bāyŋu (no) consequences," she said.

"People are not getting consequences, and it happens again and again. Families need to love and care for each other."

In a joint statement, Yalu Aboriginal Corporation Chairperson Jasmine Yunupingu and CEO Anahita Tonkin said real action is needed.

"This type of violence doesn't belong anywhere in the world. It's a global problem and we all need to stand up," they said.

"It's time men, elders and leaders step up with us against family violence."

1800 Respect (1800 737 732)

Lifeline (13 11 14)

13YARN (13 92 76)

Yarning Safe'N'Strong (1800 959 563)

Beyond Blue (1300 22 46 36)

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NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.3 Council Services Report

AUTHOR

Shannon Cervini (Council Services Regional Manager)

RECOMMENDATION**That the Local Authority notes the Council Services Manager report.****SUMMARY:**

This report is provided by the Council Services Manager at every Local Authority Meeting to provide information and 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:Council Support Services

Over the past couple of months, the East Arnhem Regional Council in Galiwin'ku has continued to strengthen existing relationships with stakeholders and support local events and celebrations in the community, notably the 5th Annual Eastern Cup Regional Basketball Competition, Territory Day Celebrations and NAIDOC Week activities.

Staffing challenges due to a range of different factors have impacted Council Office operations. Despite these challenges, the Post Office has remained operational to ensure that the mail distribution continues within the community.

We are happy to announce that throughout this period the Council Office has not fallen victim to any targeted break-ins. East Arnhem Regional Council has continued to strengthen security of the Council Office both internally and externally.

In some great news, we would like to share that we have appointed a Council Services Manager for Galiwin'ku due to commence mid-August 2026. A very big thank you to Galiwin'ku Senior Administration Officer, Glenys Dalliston, Ramingining Council Services Manager, Vicki Wassens, Relief Council Services Manager, Adam Johnson and former Galiwin'ku Council Services Manager, Harrison Page, for all their efforts in ensuring operations continued to run smoothly throughout the recruitment process.

Municipal Services (MS)

The Municipal Services team has been busy undertaking tasks such as lawn mowing, litter pick up, landfill maintenance, garbage collection, and parks and gardens beautification.

One of the major challenges has been the high volume of requests for sand extraction and delivery for Sorry Business. The expectation of the community and the pressure that is put on the team regarding this has impacted the ability to effectively carry out core functions of

Municipal Services. Since mid-April, the team has had 25 requests for sand totaling 75 loads of sand delivered.

The Municipal Services team has provided support for the Regional Arnhem Sports Carnival, hosted by Shepherdson College, by cooking a BBQ ensuring all participants and spectators were well-fed and energised throughout the event. The Municipal Services team also removed built-up soil and litter, mowed and tidied up the Oval and Basketball Court areas to ensure a safe, clean, and fully compliant playing surface, creating ideal conditions for fair and enjoyable competition. In addition to this event, the team also provided similar support for the Annual Eastern Cup Basketball Competition that was hosted by our East Arnhem Regional Council Active Communities and Youth Services team.

Both events ran smoothly and safely largely due to the behind-the-scenes effort of the team. Their willingness to go above and beyond is truly admirable. Both of the event hosts were extremely grateful for the efforts of the Municipal Services team.

The oval irrigation system is being repaired. Once complete, this will enhance the usability of the oval, keeping the grass healthy and green and ensuring the ground remains in great condition for upcoming sports events.

Community Night Patrol (CNP)

Community Night Patrol continues to operate nightly between 6:00 pm and midnight, providing support and engagement across the community during evening hours.

During this reporting period, the team has seen an increase in the number of youth they have assisted to transport home after events. This has been due to the team's proactive approach in ensuring that they attend events targeted for the youth. Staff have continued to take a proactive approach by engaging with young people, encouraging them to return home safely and reinforcing the importance of getting enough rest to attend school the following day.

The team has continued to conduct regular patrols through key gathering areas of the community, to maintain a visible presence and assist in reducing anti-social behaviour where possible. Community Night Patrol officers have also continued to provide safe transport for vulnerable community members, support de-escalation of minor disputes and liaise with families where appropriate.

Despite ongoing challenges, the team remains committed to maintaining a calm and supportive presence within the community while continuing to build positive relationships with young people and families.

Aged Care Services and Disability Services (ACDS)

Firstly, we would like to highlight how amazing the Support Staff and Cook have been throughout the month of May and June. At times there have been staffing shortages including times when there was no Coordinator on the ground due to professional development commitments in Darwin and Gove. The support staff kept services going without fail so participants could still come into the Day Centre, receive their Meal on Wheels each day and carried out services within the community.

We would like to highlight the excellent job that Michael Gumbula has been doing Acting in the position of Care Coordinator for us while recruitment is ongoing.

Over recent months, Galiwin'ku has been a busy time with many ceremonies taking place, at times often requiring an adjustment to planned activities. Despite this, we have continued to

take clients out on bush trips, and run activities in the Day Centre such as Bowling, Arts and Craft.

There are two new staffing additions to the team with Sean Gurnett and Cyril Bradley Ganambarr join us as Disability Support workers, with a new Aged Care Support worker to commence in the coming weeks.

Active Communities and Youth Services (ACYS) and Libraries and Cultural Heritage (LCH)

The past couple of months has been action packed for the ACYS team, with two major sporting events taking place in Galiwin'ku.

Events

Arnhem Sports 2026 – Hosted by Shepherdson College was held on 15 – 18 June 2026. ACYS team members, Evellena, Sammy and Aliy, assisted Shepherdson College with refereeing a number of basketball and volleyball games during Arnhem Sports.

The Recreation Hall and outdoor courts also hosted all the Arnhem Sports Basketball competitions. The whole ACYS team went above and beyond to prepare, decorate and deep clean the spaces to a high standard for the region to enjoy the Galiwin'ku facilities.

5th Annual Eastern Cup Basketball Championships - hosted by East Arnhem Regional Council from 24-25 June 2026. This saw men's and women's teams travel to Galiwin'ku from across the region.



The East Arnhem Regional Council Active Communities and Youth Services team at the Eastern Cup.

An addition to this years tournament was the inclusion of a smoking ceremony, welcoming all the visitors to Galiwin'ku. This was widely praised and enjoyed by the community before the

games commenced. We would like to thank Manuel Dhurrkay for collaborating with us to organise the ceremony and MC the event. Congratulations to Galiwin'ku Ratjpa who took out the men's championship and the Gapuwiyak women's team who defeated the Galiwin'ku 1, women's team in a close final.

We also acknowledge and thank the Municipal Services team who assisted us with tidying our outdoor areas ahead of both Arnhem Sports and the Eastern Cup, as well as preparing the cliffside area for the smoking ceremony.

School Holiday Activities

The June/July school holiday period has been a success with activities run each weekday.

ACYS activities have included: a weeklong volleyball clinic with external provider Volleyball NT, Australian Rules Football, waterslide activity with BBQ, and NAIDOC beach event with a campfire.

Library activities have included: a daily healthy breakfast for the children, slime making, cooking activities, arts and crafts and general use of the library. The general library was utilised for low energy activities and respite including watching Yolngu music videos, using the computers and colouring in.



Breakfast time at the Galiwin'ku Recreation Hall.

Galiwin'ku stakeholders have been actively involved in the planning and delivery of the school holiday program, working collaboratively towards a shared goal of keeping the youth engaged, safe and well-fed throughout the holiday period, while also promoting positive outcomes for the community.

We thank EARC Council Services and Aged Care and Disability Services, Miwatj Health, Arnhem Land Progress Association, Yalu, Sacred Business Services and Shepherdson College for donating food and cooking food and running additional activities alongside our school holiday program.



**Active Communities
& Youth Services**
Galiwin'ku



June & July 2026				
School Holiday Activities				
Monday 22 Breakfast 9:30am - 11:30am Basketball Shoot around 6:30 - 8pm	Tuesday 23 Breakfast 9:30am - 11:30am Basketball Shoot around 6:30 - 8pm	Wednesday 24 Breakfast 9:30am - 11:30am Eastern Cup Basketball 9:30pm - 8:30pm	Thursday 25 Breakfast 9:30am - 11:30am Eastern Cup Basketball 9:30 - 2:30pm	Friday 26 Breakfast 9:30am - 11:30am Outdoor activities 12 - 5pm
Monday 29 Breakfast 9:30am - 11:30am Volleyball NT Rec Hall 2:30 - 5pm Volleyball NT Rec Hall 6 - 8:30pm	Tuesday 30 Breakfast 9:30am - 11:30am Volleyball NT Church lawn 2:30 - 5pm Volleyball NT Rec hall 6 - 8:30pm	Wednesday 1 Breakfast 9:30am - 11:30am Volleyball NT Butnan 2:30 - 5pm Volleyball NT Rec Hall 6 - 8:30pm	Thursday 2 Breakfast 9:30am - 11:30am Volleyball NT Beach camp 2:30 - 5pm Volleyball NT Rec Hall 6 - 8:30pm	Friday 3 Breakfast 9:30am - 11:30am Volleyball NT Church lawn 2:30 - 5pm Volleyball NT Rec Hall 6 - 8:30pm
Monday 6 Painting & Flag game Church lawn 2 - 5pm U17 Football Oval 6 - 9pm	Tuesday 7 Fishing trip Barge landing 10am - 3pm	Wednesday 8 Waterslide, Activities & BBQ Oval 12pm - 5pm STAY ACTIVE!	Thursday 9 NAIDOC PROGRAM Beach camp area 1pm - 4pm Camp fire night outdoor area 6 - 9pm	Friday 10 No Activities

Images: Galiwin'ku NT (2026)

Galiwin'ku Active Communities & Youth Services – School Holiday Activity Calendar.



Quiet time in Galiwin'ku Library.



Arts and craft activities at the Galiwin'ku Rec Hall.

Training

Coordinators Evellena and Verity continue to actively mentor and provide practical learning opportunities for ACYS and LCH staff in program delivery as well as administration, reporting and other leadership responsibilities. The ongoing capacity building approach aims to strengthen workforce capability, increase staff confidence and support future leadership development across both teams. Recently we had two team members attend safeTALK, which was a training program around suicide awareness and response held at the Galiwin'ku Women's Space.



Active Communities & Youth Services Galiwin'ku



July Activities 2026

Connection to Body, Mind, Kinship and Culture
Images: Galiwin'ku, NT, 2026.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Monday 6	Tuesday 7	Wednesday 8	Thursday 9	Friday 10
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM				
Monday 13 Outdoor activities outdoor court Time: 3-8:30pm	Tuesday 14 Chill out Drop In centre Time: 3-5pm	Wednesday 15 Volleyball Rec Hall Time: 3-5pm Basketball Outdoor court Time: 6-8:30pm	Thursday 16 No Activities	Friday 17 Disco Outdoor court Time: 6-10:30pm
Monday 20 Drop-in program Rec Hall Time: 3-7:30pm	Tuesday 21 Frisbee Oval Time: 3-5pm U17 football Oval Time: 6-8:30pm	Wednesday 22 Volleyball Rec Hall Time: 3-5pm Basketball Outdoor court Time: 6-8:30pm	Thursday 23 Miyalk cooking program Rec Hall Time: 3-6pm Dirramu Board-board Outdoor court Time: 3-6pm	Friday 24 PUBLIC HOLIDAY NO ACTIVITIES
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Galiwin'ku Active Communities & Youth Services Activity Calendar – July 2026

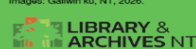


Active Communities & Youth Services Galiwin'ku



July Library Activities 2026

Connection to Body, Mind, Kinship and Culture
Images: Galiwin'ku, NT, 2026.



Monday 6 OPEN 9am-12pm & 1pm-3pm	Tuesday 7 OPEN 9am-12pm & 1pm-3pm	Wednesday 8 OPEN 9am-12pm & 1pm-3pm	Thursday 9 OPEN 9am-12pm & 1pm-3pm	Friday 10 OPEN 9am-12pm & 1pm-3pm
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Galiwin'ku Active Communities & Youth Services Library Activity Calendar – July 2026

Waste and Environmental Update

July to June 2026 Monthly Litter Rating Index.

	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Galiwin'ku	60%	65%	65%	50%	55%	NO DATA	NO DATA	NO DATA	50%	50%	100%	75%

The average rating score for Galiwin'ku over the year was 65%

'51 - 75 (good, getting better, cleaner, tidier, commenced resource recovery)

Monthly litter index monitoring in use. Small amount of litter on ground only every now and again in 'Hot Spots'. Regular Community Clean-up planned and conducted with good level of support.'

The Municipal Services team and the Municipal Services Supervisor have invested significant energy in collecting litter in the community. They are finding that once cleared, the litter returns the next day. The May/June results show that litter management is improving.

Waste is investigating the mechanical state of a Littermaster Ute-based vacuum unit.

Animal Management Program (AMP) UpdateReporting month/period: May-June 2026Overall comments:

- Unfortunately, Dr Cass cancelled her veterinary work with us, so the May Galiwin'ku veterinary visit was a veterinary nurse only visit by Sarah and Saraya. It was a day trip on the 11 May 2026; however, they managed to complete a large amount of work including giving out 172 parasite treatments and conducting six field consultations.
- Remote Consultations: Galiwin'ku continues to be our most consistent community with remote consults, averaging at least 1-2 per week. We have treated mostly ticks, dog fight wounds and sick animals at Galiwin'ku remotely during this period.
- The next veterinary visit will be:
 - Veterinary visit: 13 July – 21 August 2026 for six weeks by the Melbourne University veterinary team (see below). This will be the biggest visit of 2026 so we are hoping we can achieve great community engagement.

Service Delivery Table:

Galiwinku	May/Jun 26	FY 25-26 to date	FY 24-25
Dogs Desexed	0	76	60
Cats Desexed	0	18	20
Community consultations	6	54	172
Remote/Phone consultations	11	75	49
EARC Veterinary Cabinet medication dispensed	6	53	30
Minor procedures/other surgeries	1	8	10
Parasite Treatments	172	747	1318
Euthanasia	0	4	3
Private practice consultations (Mainland)	0	25	39
Total Engagements	195	1060	1701

Community education activities: none this period

Staff Education/training activities: none this period

Additional Collaborations/Stakeholder engagements:

- Melbourne University collaboration – Dr Maddy has organised for the team to visit Galiwin'ku from 13 July – 10 August 2026 for 6 weeks which is an amazing amount of veterinary time for the community. Dr Evie Clarke, Dr Erica Shaw will be returning to Galiwin'ku and we will have a new face Dr Brigette Calabria working for us as veterinarians during this time. The focus will be on desexing operations and animal health consultations.

Concerns/Challenges:

- Animal welfare incidents: The team was unfortunately seeing an increase in animals that have sustained suspected malicious boiling water burns. The team treated any suspect cases and urged clients to report any concerns to police as it is a criminal offence to maliciously injure an animal.

Any issues or concerns that need to be addressed at LA or council meeting: Nil

Photos:



Patients in Galiwin'ku waiting for parasite medications from our AMP team.



Animal in Galiwin'ku with suspected injury to his head being treated by our AMP team.

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.4 Technical and Infrastructure Services Report

AUTHOR	Sonia Campbell (General Manager – Technical and Infrastructure Services)
RECOMMENDATION That Council notes the Technical and Infrastructure Report	

SUMMARY:

This report is submitted for the Local Authorities consideration and provides program updates from the Technical and Infrastructure Directorate.

BACKGROUND:

Ongoing updates of projects will be provided at each Local Authority meeting. In addition, any new initiatives or emerging matters of relevance to the community will also be discussed.

The information within this report covers actions associated with the below Technical Services areas and report owners:

Fleet Services

Imogen Weighill – Acting Regional Manager - Fleet

112 - Fleet Services

Transport and Infrastructure Department

Arvin Roping – Transport and Infrastructure Manager

116 - Lighting for Public Safety

118 - Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management

119 - Local Road Upgrade and Construction

Building and Infrastructure Department – Capital Projects

Bruce Hall – Regional Manager Building Infrastructure

122 - Building and Public Infrastructure Services

REPORT STORY:

112 - Fleet Services (Report Owner –Imogen Weighill)

New GPS tracker software

All EARC fleet Vehicles and plant equipment are currently being transitioned to a new GPS tracking system. Fleet are now utilising the Navman TN360 platform for vehicle tracking and monitoring. Installation across the fleet is progressing well, with the Galiwinku fit-out scheduled for the weekend of 24 July. Once completed, all vehicles and plant in Galiwinku will be operating on the new system.

Vehicle servicing

Vehicles will be undertaking the scheduled six-monthly vehicle servicing program over the weekend of 24 July, in accordance with the EARC Fleet Policy. This proactive maintenance program ensures that the fleet remains compliant, safe, reliable, and operationally efficient.

New vehicles

- The Hino Tipper truck (F0421) is to be replaced with an Isuzu FVR 170-300 Tipper. The new Isuzu truck has arrived in Darwin and is estimated to be delivered to Darwin Sea Swift the week commencing 13 July 2026.
 - New Fleet number: F0739
- A new Toyota Hilux arrived in community in June for the use of the MS team, in accordance with the fleet replacement schedule.
 - New Fleet number: F0740



116 – Lighting for Public Safety (Report Owner – Arvin Roping)

Repair and maintenance of public streetlights

Community	LED Public Streetlights out of service based on night-time audit inspection	Tentative mobilisation, commencement & expected completion date	Progress update
Galiwin'ku	48 - LED street lights 4 - GFS200 solar street lights	20 July - 2 August 2026	Scheduled (pending Sea Swift barge schedule)

118 – Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management (Report Owner – Arvin Roping)

T25-203320.1 Civil Maintenance of Pavements and Drainage for a Period of 12 Months

Revised Round 2 2025/26	Mobilisation Date	Expected Completion Date	Project Status
Galiwin'ku	24 August 2026	13 September 2026	Note: Subject to Sea Swift barge scheduling from Nhulunbuy

Notes:

- Galiwin'ku dates are indicative and based on current production rates (grading maintenance underway at Gapuwiyak), access constraints and barge availability/scheduling for island mobilisation



119 – Local Road Upgrade and Construction (Report Owner – Arvin Roping)

The Transport Infrastructure team is currently undertaking scoping, and potential upgrade works outside of the standard maintenance grading activities.

- Galiwin'ku barge access road and associated drainage works (replacement of damaged culverts)
- Various Galiwin'ku internal sealed road sections

Galiwinku Ceremony Area

Planning and consultant coordination activities continue for the Galiwinku Ceremony Area project, with investigations progressing to support future design, approvals and project delivery.

Progress

- Section 19 Licence and project purpose reviewed and confirmed.
- Landowner Consent confirmed.
- Site inspection completed.
- Options for access and utility servicing to the licensed area are being investigated.
- Preliminary town planning advice received.
- Fee proposal received from the town planner.
- Geotechnical quotation received.
- Consultant coordination is continuing to determine the most appropriate delivery approach and supporting investigations.

Next Steps

- Finalise consultant engagement.
- Progress geotechnical investigations.
- Continue approvals and servicing investigations.
- Confirm project delivery pathway
- Consider alternative site at nearby Lot 286 which may be better suited for access and service corridors.



The current position of the Ceremony is presenting many difficulties in regards to:

- Access to site
- Access to Mains power, Sewer and water infrastructure
- Potential noise and social management issues that could impact the surrounding houses
- Location is low and would require substantial civil works





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

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT**2.5 Human Resources and Finance Report****AUTHOR**

Ralph Reddy (Finance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

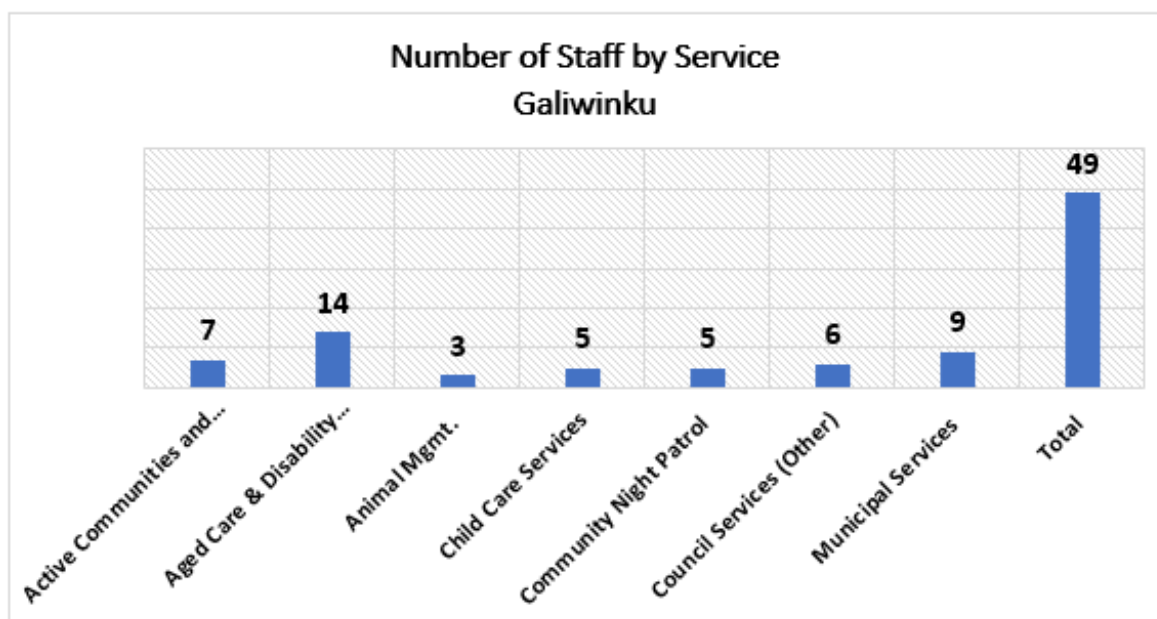
That Local Authority receives the Human Resources and Employment information as of 30 June 2026.

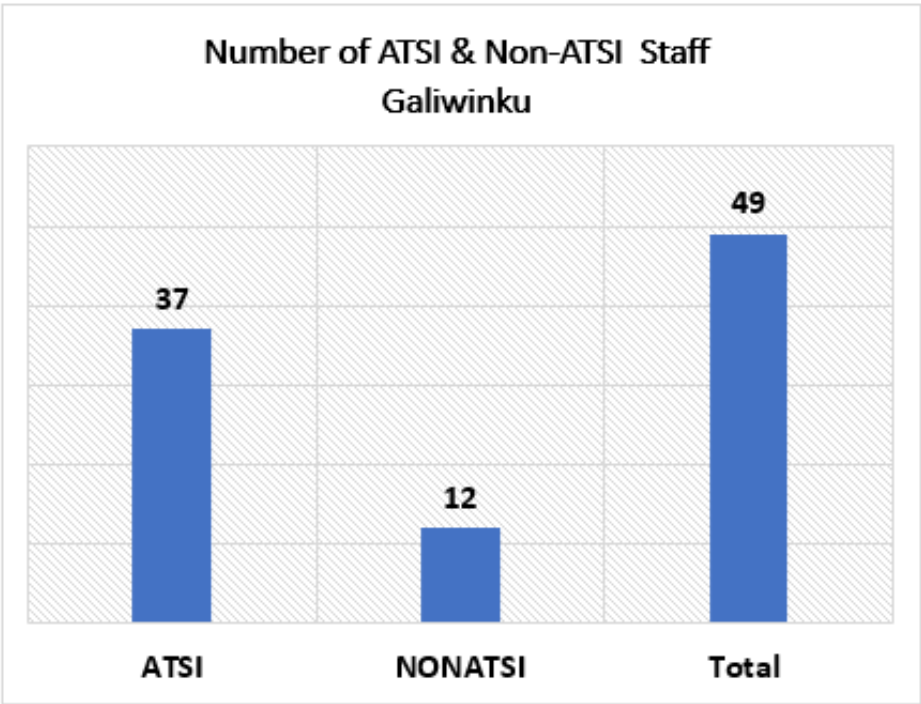
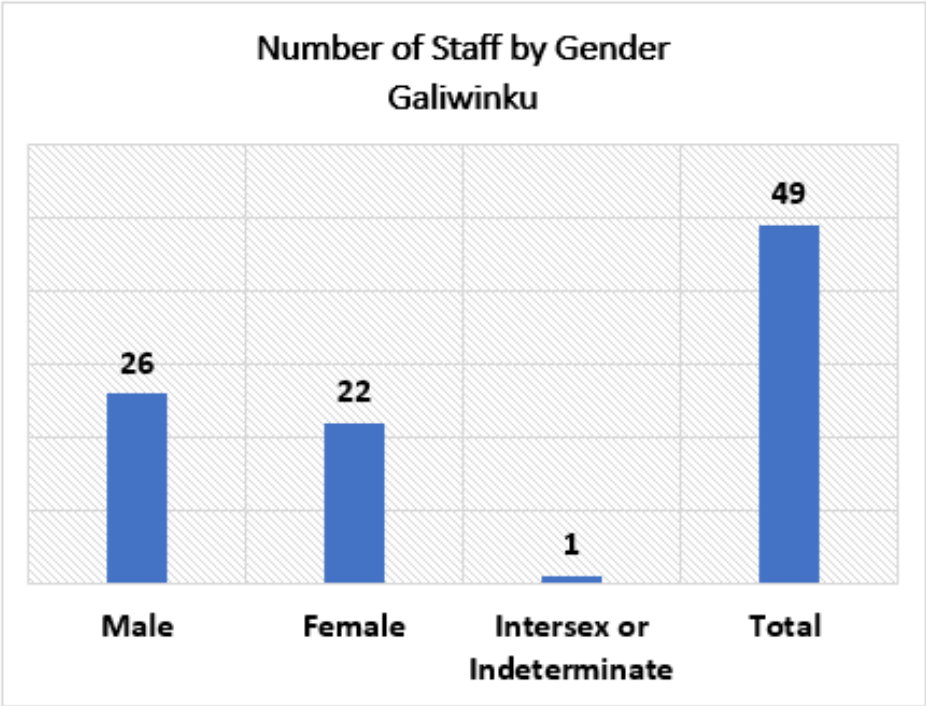
SUMMARY:

This report presents the financials plus employment statistics as of 30 June 2026 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 2026:

Job Title	Location	Recruitment Type	Employment Type	Number of Vacancies
CNP Officer	Galiwinku	Community	Parttime	1
Library and Cultural Heritage Worker	Galiwinku	Community	Casual	1
Municipal Services Officer	Galiwinku	Community	Full Time	1
Municipal Services Officer	Galiwinku	Community	Full Time	1
Council Services Manager	Galiwinku	External	Full Time	1
Aged Care Services Support Worker	Galiwinku	Community	Casual	1
Municipal Services Supervisor	Galiwinku	External	Full time	1

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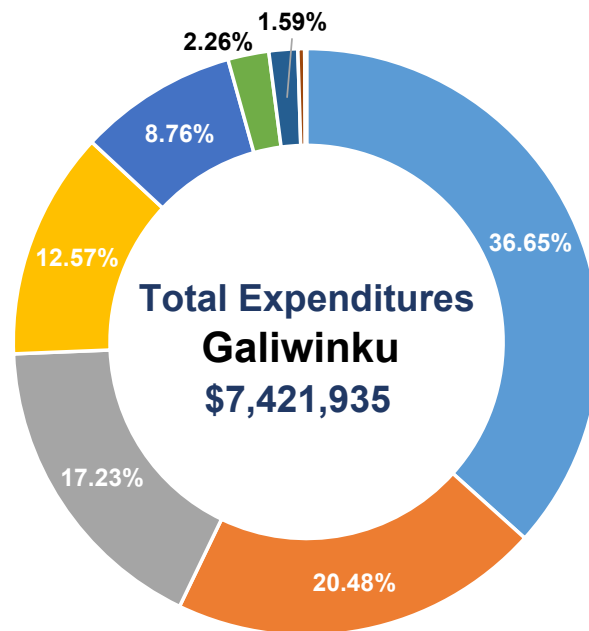
ATTACHMENTS:

1. 12. June 2026 Galiwinku LAPF and Chart Reports [2.5.1 - 2 pages]

LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING (LAPF) - GALIWINKU**FUNDS LEFT**

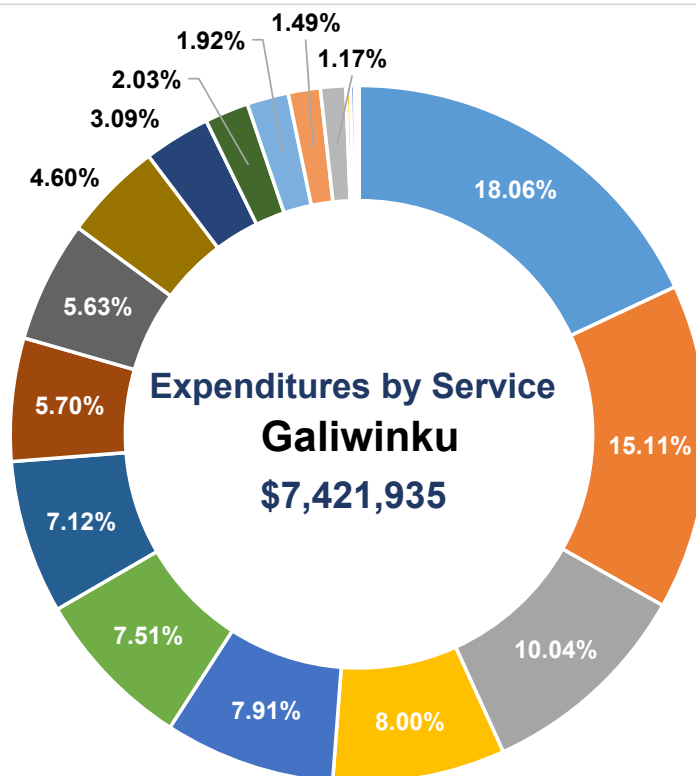
As at 30th June 2026

	YTD ACTUAL	COMMITMENTS	ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS	FULL YEAR BUDGET	PROGRESS % (ACTUAL vs BUDGET)
CARRIED FORWARD LAPF FROM PRIOR YEAR	698,557	-	698,557	698,557	
LAPF RECEIVED THIS FINANCIAL YEAR	351,400	-	351,400	351,400	
TOTAL AVAILABLE LAPF THIS FINANCIAL YEAR	1,049,957	-	1,049,957	1,049,957	
LESS LAPF PROJECTS					
300517 - LAPF - Galiwinku - Public Toilets at Airport	(156,424)	(385,694)	(542,118)	(540,367)	29%
300817 - LAPF - Galiwinku - Co-contribution to a ceremony area	(7,904)	(11,996)	(19,899)	(250,000)	3%
304917 - Local Authority Project Funding Galiwinku - Revenue	(594)	-	(594)	-	0%
307017 - LAPF - Galiwinku Road Works	(594)	-	(594)	(168,955)	0%
310317 - LAPF - Galiwinku Cemetery Power and Lighting	(594)	-	(594)	(282,804)	0%
TOTAL PROJECTS	(166,109)	(397,690)	(563,799)	(1,242,126)	13%
ESTIMATED LAPF - LEFT (OVERSPEND) / UNDERSPEND			486,158	(192,169)	



where money was spent?

- Employee Costs \$2,720,348
- Materials and Contracts \$1,519,740
- Fleet & Buildings \$1,278,528
- General \$932,918
- Core Recovery \$650,022
- Insurance & Finance \$167,380
- IT Charges \$117,833
- Allocations \$27,367
- Capital \$7,800



- 169 - Municipal Services \$1,340,081
- 141 - Aged Care Services \$1,121,624
- 129 - Waste and Environmental Services \$745,350
- 152 - Active Communities \$593,441
- 107 - Council Services \$587,148
- 145 - Child Care Services \$557,754
- 122 - Building and Infrastructure Services \$528,664
- 118 - Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management \$423,315
- 147 - Community Night Patrol and Sobering Up Shelter Services \$418,032
- 171 - Disability Services \$341,710
- 139 - Visitor Accommodation \$229,315
- 170 - Youth Services \$150,697
- 108 - Veterinary and Animal Control Services \$142,644
- 119 - Local Road Upgrade and Construction \$110,519
- 115 - Library Services \$87,129
- 116 - Lighting for Public Safety \$15,557
- 146 - Community Media \$14,812
- 100 - Local Authorities Boards \$10,455
- 156 - Community Events \$3,061
- 167 - People and Corporate Services \$625

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.6 Council Office - Hazardous Tree

AUTHOR

Sarah Power (Regional Manager – Tenancy and Leasing)

RECOMMENDATION

The Local Authority approves the removal of the Mahogany Tree at the Galiwin'ku Council Office.

SUMMARY:

The Mahogany tree located at Lot 263 Galiwin'ku Council Office is recommended for removal due to its shallow roots system and poor anchorage, which makes it highly susceptible to uprooting or failure during strong winds.

BACKGROUND:

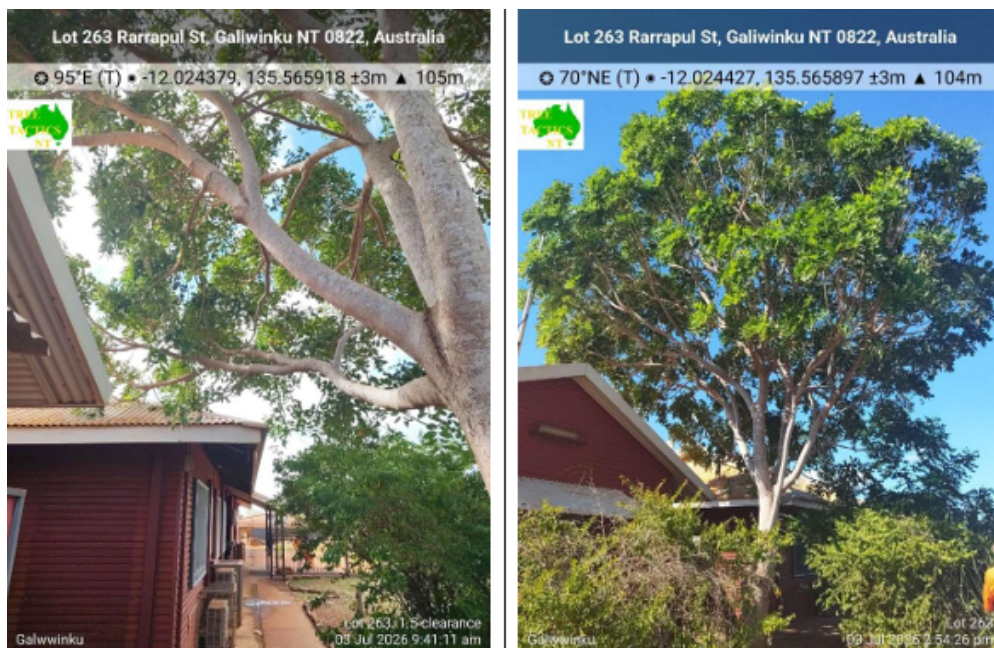
The risk is that due to the proximity to the building during the strong winds the tree will fall on the Council building, similar to what happened in Angurugu during the 2024 March cyclone.

GENERAL:

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

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Lot 263 Council Office [2.6.1 - 1 page]



Mahogany tree located at Lot 263 Galiwin'ku Council Office – 03.07.2026

3 General Business and Date of Next Meeting

PRESENTATION

3.1 Discussion with Local Police

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the updates from the Local Police Department.

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

PRESENTATION

3.2 Presentation from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community development

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the updates provided by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development.

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil



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Request to Present at a Local Authority Meeting

EARC have requested that **ALL ORGANISATIONS** provide the following information as part of any request to present at a local authority meeting. This info must be provided at least 10 days prior to Local Authority meeting.

Please complete this form and return it to paulhyde.kaduru@eastarnhem.nt.gov.au. Prior to submitting a request, please review the NT Government **Remote Engagement and Coordination Strategy** at www.dlgcs.nt.gov.au.

We respectfully request that all presentations be kept to 30 Minutes (15 minute presentation time and 15 minutes of question time).

Please enter your contact details below	
Name:	Kirstie Hutchinson
Organisation:	NTG
Position:	Community Development Manager
Department:	Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development
Contact number:	0417 055 649
Email:	Kirstie.Hutchinson@nt.gov.au

Agenda Item
1. Which Local Authorities do you wish to attend? ☒ Galiwinku ☒ Gapuwiyak ☐ Gunyangara ☒ Mililingimbi ☒ Ramingining ☒ Yirrkala
2. What is the purpose of the presentation? Introduce the NTG Community Development team and the newly developed NTG framework <i>Empowering the Bush</i> .
3. For the agenda item, do you expect to: <i>(please complete the option/s that are relevant)</i> ☒ Provide information to the local authority about: The NTG Community Development team. Close the loop on queries and questions raised at the last LA Meetings. Take note of any questions / queries raised during these LA Meetings that the Community Development team could support in future. ☐ Seek information from the local authority about: ☐ Seek a decision from the local authority about:



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Other Information (where applicable)				
When is attendance at a local authority meeting required? <i>(Please indicate any time sensitivities)</i>				
☒ Next Available Meeting _____ (date)	☐ Before _____ (date)	☐ After _____ (date)		
What communication materials are expected to be used? <i>(Please indicate and attach copies where possible, and consider whether interpreter services are needed)</i>				
Do you require use of any of the following:				
☐ Laptop	☒ Projector	☐ Video Teleconference		
☐ Documents Printed (Charges apply)		☐ Whiteboard		
If a scheduled local authority meeting does not meet your requirements, a special meeting may be called at a cost of \$1,710 per meeting, <i>Subject to availability of members.</i>				
Do you require a special meeting to be called?				
Proposed Dates: _____ or _____ or _____ (1st Choice) (2nd Choice) (3rd Choice)		<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Yes ☐</td> <td>No ☒</td> </tr> </table>	Yes ☐	No ☒
Yes ☐	No ☒			

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Date Received _____

3.3 Date of Next Meeting

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

28 September 2026

4 Meeting Close