



Mission

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

Core Values

Respect
Professionalism
Human Dignity
Organisational Growth
Equity
Community

MINUTES FOR THE RAMINGINING LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

18 September 2023

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MONDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 12.30PM

standard practice for reports to be considered, discussed and debated in the traditional dialects of the East Arnhem region, Yolngu Matha or Anindilyakwan.

ATTENDANCE

In the Chair Cr. Jason Mirritjawuy, Cr. Robert Yawarngu, Daphne Malibirr, Gilbert Walkuli, John Djoma, Fabian Garawirtja, Judith Dhuru, Shirley Balalnydju, Lizzy Mindhili.

COUNCIL STAFF

Dale Keehne – CEO.
Shane Marshall – Director Technical and Infrastructure.
Andrew Walsh – Director Community Development.
Jennifer Newton – Council Operations Manager.

Minute Taker – Wendy Brook, EA to the CEO.

MEETING OPENING

Chair opened the meeting at 12.51PM and welcomed all members and guests.

PRAYER

By Daphne Malibirr.

Apologies

3.1 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCE WITHOUT NOTICE

SUMMARY

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

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

299/2023 RESOLVED (John Djoma/Daphne Malibirr)

300/2023 RESOLVED

That Council:

- (a) Notes the absence of Lloyd Garrawurra and Judith Dhuru.**
- (b) Notes the apology received from Lloyd Garrawurra and Judith Dhuru.**
- (c) Notes from Lloyd Garrawurra and Judith Dhuru are absent with permission of the Local Authority.**

3.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

301/2023 RESOLVED (Robert Yawarngu/Fabian Garawirtja)

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

existing vacancies.

Conflict of Interest

4.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST SUMMARY

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

302/2023 RESOLVED (Gilbert Walkuli/Lizzy Mindhili)

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

Previous Minutes

5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION SUMMARY

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

303/2023 RESOLVED (Robert Yawarngu/John Djoma)

That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the additional meeting of 18 April 2023 and the meeting of 15 May 2023 to be true records of these meetings.

Local Authorities

6.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER SUMMARY

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

304/2023 RESOLVED (John Djoma/Daphne Malibirr)

That the Local Authority notes the progress of actions from the previous meetings, new actions and request that completed items be removed from the Action Register for the Council to endorse.

Guest Speakers

7.1 NORTHERN TERRITORY POLICE - LAW & ORDER COMMUNITY UPDATE SUMMARY

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

305/2023 RESOLVED (John Djoma/Lizzy Mindhili)

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

MOTION MOVE TO BREAK AT 2.34PM

306/2023 RESOLVED (John Djoma/Lizzy Mindhili)

MOTION MEETING RESUMED AT 2.53PM

307/2023 RESOLVED (Fabian Garawirrtja/Daphne Malibirr)

7.2 GUEST SPEAKER - MEL GEORGE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - BULA' BULA ARTS

308/2023 RESOLVED (Lizzy Mindhili/Daphne Malibirr)

The Local Authority:

- (a) Thanks the guest speaker for her presentation.**
- (b) Requests the Council Operations Manager to raise with EARC staff at Ramingining and at community inter-agency meetings the value to community of buying art through Bula' Bula Aboriginal Corporation.**

7.3 GUEST SPEAKER – BULUNGKUNUM – PRESENTATION DID NOT PROCEED.

General Business

8.1 CEO REPORT

SUMMARY

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

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

309/2023 RESOLVED (Robert Yawarngu/Fabian Garawirrtja)

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

8.2 TECHNICAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM AND CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATES

310/2023 RESOLVED (Fabian Garawirrtja/Robert Yawarngu)

That the Local Authority notes the Technical and Infrastructure report.

8.3 YOUTH, SPORT AND RECREATION COMMUNITY UPDATE

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

311/2023 RESOLVED (Robert Yawarngu/John Djoma)

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

8.4 COUNCIL OPERATIONS REPORT

SUMMARY

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

312/2023 RESOLVED (Robert Yawarngu/Gilbert Walkuli)

That the Local Authority notes the Council Operations Report.

8.5 LOCAL AUTHORITY POLICY

SUMMARY

Due to a recent update within the *Local Government Act 2019* and the Guidelines, the Local Authority Policy has been updated and must get approval for publication by the Local Authorities and Council.

313/2023 RESOLVED (Shirley Balalnydju/John Djoma)

That the Local Authority:

(a) Notes the Local Authority Policy.

(b) Recommends the following amendments to the Local Authority Policy:

- (i) Consider inclusion in 5.2 a clause to deal with Provisional Membership.**
- (ii) Make the following amendments to 6.1.3 to delete lines:**

Local Authorities play and advisory role to Council. This implies that decisions taken regarding Council activities must be approved by Council Members.

There must be, at a minimum, one (1) Councillor present in every Local Authority Meeting.

8.6 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY

This report presents the financials plus employment statistics as of 31 August 2023 within the Local Authority area.

314/2023 RESOLVED (Lizzy Mindhili/Daphne Malibirr)

That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information as of 31

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QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS:

Lights required – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to confirm location with Cr. Jason and Council Operations Manager and the Community Night Patrol Co-ordinator.

MEETING CLOSE

The meeting finished at 4.28PM.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Meeting held on Monday, 18 September 2023.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

20 November 2023.

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