



OPEN AGENDA for the meetig of the Angurugu Local Authority 28 November 2023

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-liwmaram:

- limurr dhu räal-manapanmirr ganydjarrwu limurrungalañaw rur'maranharaw,
- ga dharay walñaw,
- ga ñayanu-ḍapmaranhamirr bukmak bala-räli'yunmirr.

Dhanju

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

- ñalma ñarru räal-manapanmi ganydjarrwu ñakanhaminyarawu ñalmalinguwaywuru,
- ga dharay walñawu,
- ga ñayanu-ḍapthumanmi bukmak bala-räli'yunmi.

Anindilyakwa

Warna East Arnhem Shire narringandena-ma wurrarrubuda warnamalya, karridirrakina-ma ababurna-langwa community akwa kuwerrukwulina-yada ngakwurri-langwa culture.

Gumatj

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

- ñilimurru yurru räal-manapanmirri ganydjarrwu ganga'thinyarawu ñilimurrungalañawu,
- ga dharay walñawu,
- ga ñayanu-ḍapthunmaranhamirri bukmak bala-lili'yunmirri.

Marranju

Dhuwanydji dhäwu barrannga'yun EARC-njur bukmakku yolñuw yukurr buku-liw'maram wänja mittji malanyha:

- Dalimurr wurruku räal-manapanmirr djäk ganydjarrwu ñalimurrungalañaw
- Gangathinyamaranharaw wonḍañarrgunharaw,
- Ga djäga walñaw,
- Ga ñayanu-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 or Anindilyakwan.

EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the Angurugu Local Authority will be held at the Angurugu Council Office offices on Tuesday 28 November 2023 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

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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:

1. Angurugu Attendance Record 2023 [1.3.1 - 2 pages]

Angurugu attendance record

Meeting date	22.03.22	24.05.22	26.07.22 Cancelled	27.09.22 Cancelled	14.11.22 Cancelled	24.01.23	28.03.23	23.05.23 Cancelled	25.07.23 Cancelled	26.09.23	28.11.23
Geraldine Amagula	N – with permission	N – without permission				N – with permission	N- with permission			N-with permission	
Lionel Jaragba						Y	Y			N-with permission	
Dorothea Lalara	N – with permission	N – without permission				N- with permission	Y			Y	
Constantine Mamarika	y	N – without permission				N- with permission	Y			Y	
Gregory Mamarika	Y	Y				N- without permission	N- without permission			Y	
Jonathan Nunggumajbarr	Y	Y				Y	Y			Y	
Marianne Walsh	y	N – with permission				Y	Y			Y	
Matthew Wurrawilyam	Y	Y				N – with permission	* require written resignation			Resignation received.	
Jarella Amagula						N- with permission	N - without permission			Resignation received.	
Fabian Lalara						Y	N- with permission			Y	
Phillip Kennell						Y	Y			N-without permission	
Ishmael Lalara						Y	Y			N-without permission	

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.4 Previous Local Authority Minutes

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority approves the minutes of the previous meetings held on 26 September 2023.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Local Authority Angurugu September 2023 [1.4.1 - 12 pages]
2. Minutes Local Authority Angurugu 2023 09 26 2156 [1.4.2 - 11 pages]

ANGURUGU ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Legal Sale of Kava		<p>24.05.2022 - Call on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to work with the Local Authorities and Regional Council to ensure genuine and thorough consultation and engagement with and understanding of all communities and homelands of East Arnhem Land, on the important and pressing issues of the possible introduction of the legal sale of kava and alcohol and support the leadership of the President on this issue.</p> <p>19.09.22 President and CEO to follow up a positive discussion on this issue at a meeting with the Chief Minister to the region, with the Executive Director of the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet, on gaining action on the Local Authority and Council resolutions.</p> <p>24.01.23 deferred until next meeting for update. 26.09.23 – to be discussed in CEO report.</p>
001/2020 RESOLVED Playground Position	That the Local Authority support the positioning of the playground within the area of Lot 591 as a suggested alternative after the Office of Township consultation.	<p>12.05.2021 – Placed out for quotation, no submission have been received to this date. Will be placed out for submission in next round.</p> <p>12.10.2021 - Ongoing with RFQ to be re-released.</p> <p>12.01.2022 – RFQ will be released end of January – limited trades due to break.</p> <p>22.03.2022 – To be actioned under an exemption by the Contractor this week.</p> <p>24.05.2022 – Has not started as yet. Will be addressed with priority.</p> <p>22.06.2022 – To be actioned under an exemption with interested contractors – low response to RFQ.s and Tenders due to back log and larger scale available works on Eylandt.</p> <p>24.01.23 – Remains outstanding – to be put back out after Xmas break.</p>

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ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>28.03.2023 – Chase with procurement to check if this has gone out again to tender.</p> <p>29.08.23 - issues with obtaining contractors.</p> <p>26.09.23 – unable to obtain quotes with this and a range of projects. Can only get external contractors. To purchase a new playground and installation all in one package to be funded from LAPF. Estimated value of \$80,000.</p>
Angurugu Local Area Management Plan and Street Names	<p>That the Local Authority:</p> <p>(a) Holds a workshop to consider any adjustments to the current Local Area Traffic Management Plan for Angurugu and supply feedback at the next scheduled Local Authority meeting.</p> <p>(b) Request the archive records of street names be located and used, and consider street name suggestions for new streets for the purpose of further consultation at the next Local Authority meeting.</p>	<p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing will revisit with the next OTL meeting - missed the October meeting.</p> <p>12.01.2022 – Ongoing action item and will go to the next OTL meeting.</p> <p>22.03.2022 – As above</p> <p>24.05.2022 – Will be taken to the new authority post transition after July 2022.</p> <p>22.06.22 – will be sent to ALC entity with the transition of the town lease July 1st from the OTL for consideration</p> <p>24.01.23 – Ongoing.</p> <p>28.03.2023 – Ongoing. Latest update is requested in the next meeting.</p> <p>29.08.23 – ongoing</p> <p>26.09.23 – Ongoing Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to resend the traffic management plan to the Community Operations Manager to discuss new speed hump locations and any additional signage and once complete to send back to Director Technical and Infrastructure Services for servicing.</p>

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ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Water line to the cemetery \$20,000		<p>12.10.2021 – Ongoing - RFQ to be release November</p> <p>12.01.2022 – Approval granted, project moving forward. RFQ will be sent out end of January due to leave and extended commitments.</p> <p>22.3.2022 – Ongoing being followed up today.</p> <p>24.05.2022 – An update will be provided by the end of the week. Will be addressed with priority.</p> <p>19.09.22 looking for cooperation</p> <p>29.08 ongoing</p> <p>22.06.2022 – still awaiting progress due to trade availability and staffing issues</p> <p>24.01.23 – Staff shortages have caused problematic. To be revisited after Xmas period.</p> <p>28.03.2023 – Will chase with procurement for updates.</p> <p>29.06.23 – Ongoing</p> <p>29.8.23 - Ongoing</p> <p>To New Action:</p> <p>26.09.23 – ongoing</p>

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ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Footpath Installation		<p>26.05.2020 – The Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services and the Regional Roads Manager will be visiting community to assess the footpath works mid-June 2020.</p> <p>18/01/2021 – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services has met with BetaPave about defects and intersection road surface tie in points in conjunction with the roads capital program contractor to resume works once weather clears.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Works still to be completed.</p> <p>12.10.2021 – Update provided to LA members – ongoing and to be finalised with the kerb connection points with Roads contractor - ETA end of November.</p> <p>12.01.2022 – Subject to further discussion with Power and Water and contractors involved in the project. Updates provided in the next LA meeting and to Council in December. – ongoing when works resume after the break, variation for changes to scope to be actioned via way of variation for width increase of standard NT spec to 1200mm – which can be done under existing program budget.</p> <p>22.03.2022 – Ongoing</p> <p>24.05.2022 – Power and Water has finished the work. Additional workers will be moved from Umbakumba for this footpath work. Anticipated completion by June or first half of July 2022.</p> <p>22.06.2022 – Ongoing – with contractor still to complete – staff on island today and update will be provided to LA.</p>

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ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
		<p>19.09.22 Additional path work completed – ongoing but works have commenced.</p> <p>19.10.22 Shane to provide update.</p> <p>24.01.23 – To revisit – additional funds have been allocated.</p> <p>28.03.2023 – Acting DTIS will review the issue during her community visit this week and provide an update.</p> <p>29.06.23 – Ongoing.</p> <p>29.08.23 Ongoing</p>
Funeral Vehicle.	Funeral vehicle in Troop Carrier style to be priced and circulated back to LA members out of session and approve such a purchase from LAPF.	26.09.23 Director of Technical Infrastructure Services to look into this and obtain pricing.

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ACTION ITEM	ACTIONS	STATUS
Road marking and traffic control	Local Authority would like to confirm local traffic management plan which includes line marking, traffic controls, signage and speed marks. Identify any new safety concern from the community.	28.03.2023 – an update will be provided in the next meeting. 29.06.23 – will provide update at next meeting. 26.09.23 – Director Technical & Infrastructure Services to send TMP through to COM to mark up any adjustments out of session and send back through.
Airport Public Toilet		23.03.2023 – Update provided in Technical and Infrastructure report 29.06.23 – to provide update at next Local Authority. 29.08.23 - ongoing 26.09.23 – ongoing
Walkover bridge		23.03.2023 – Update provided in Technical and Infrastructure report 29.06.23 – Ongoing 29.08.23 - Ongoing

ADVOCACY ITEMS/ ITEMS ON HOLD

Council Operations on Public Holidays	Notes that Indigenous and Non-indigenous people are living together now, and requests a range of traditional and western programs be developed to mark Christmas Day and NAIDOC Day where Indigenous and Non-indigenous people celebrate together and ensure the events are promoted on social media.	23.03.2023 – Director Community Development and COM to work with Community to develop programs and celebrations.
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COMPLETED ACTIONS:

130/2020 – Chief Executive Officer Report	The Local Authority: Requests that a Coordinator from the different Council program areas is invited periodically to provide an update to the Local Authority in addition to the CEO report.	24.05.2021 – Recommend to mark as complete and remove from Action list.
130/2020 – Chief Executive Officer Report	The Local Authority: Requests that a Coordinator from the different Council program areas is invited periodically to provide an update to the Local Authority in addition to the CEO report.	24.05.2022– Recommend to mark as complete and remove from Action list. Start a separate action for the request for a new coordinator to present to the LA. 24.01.23 – As above
Community meeting to discuss animal cruelty.	Supports the flyer design and message surrounding Animal Cruelty and targeted education focus surrounding these situations and calls for a community meeting to discuss the issue.	28.03.2023 – Completed Remove after April Council meeting approval. 27.04.23 Council approved to remove Action at April Council meeting 2023.

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<p>143/2021 Series of Murals</p>	<p>That the Local Authority continues to consider and advise when agreed what significant person or people to include in the series of murals.</p>	<p>12.05.2021 – Ongoing</p> <p>25.05.2021 – Local Authority have decided on the Map of Groote Eylandt, Artistic map representing the Groote archipelago.</p> <p>11.10.2021 - Ongoing and will await the other localities preferred options - LA to suggest artist direction to put the draft concept for review - under a fee for service arrangement.</p> <p>29.11.2021 – Angurugu Local Authority in line with the views of other two Anindilyakwa Local Authorities interpretation of the Groote Archipelago and the significance of, as part of the series of Murals. Report submitted in Local Authority for ideas on map design.</p> <p>22.03.2022 – Option 1. And each local authority to provide names and possibly images to be included for their community and homelands. (Reference Milyakburra agenda)</p> <p>24.05.2022 – Ongoing</p> <p>19.10.22 – Design consultant to work with each Local Authority, community and homeland members to develop an agreed design, of a map of the region, including key cultural aspects of each part of the region.</p> <p>24.01.23 – Consultant engaged and will visit communities to conduct workshops. The Local Authority confirms they require the map of Groote Eylandt to be their representative piece on the mural project.</p> <p>28.03.2023 – Community consultation will take place tomorrow.</p>
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Gravesite Identification		<p>26.05.2020 – Project underway with ALC; a GPS locator is being used to locate and map graves to update the gravesite identification.</p> <p>Council amendment – Write a letter to advocate for additional funding for all communities for gravesite identification that has been and will be undertaken.</p> <p>28.07.2020 - The Director Community Development is requested to engage community consultants to identify gravesites and purchase materials; the Local Authority approves the expenditure up to \$15,000 of Local Authority Project Funds.</p> <p>02.02.2021 – EARC has been working closely with ALC Anthropologist, Hugh Bland, to help identify the graves in the Angurugu cemetery. The burial register is being updated as the project progresses. This cemetery mapping remains an ongoing process, but it is underway.</p> <p>12.05.2021 – Further consultations need to be completed. Ongoing</p> <p>25.05.2021- Updated provided to LA members – Ongoing</p> <p>29.11.2021 – To project this project LA members are recommended to allocate 80k to project from unallocated equity, later in this LA meeting under the budget review item.</p> <p>22.03.2022 – Council approved budget of 80K in December 2021. Formal expression of interest for project will be released in April 2022.</p> <p>24.05.2022 – Engagement of consultant being negotiated.</p> <p>22.06.2022 Funds allocation in draft 22-23 budget to initiate.</p> <p>Funds allocated and further discussions to take place.</p> <p>24.01.23 – 30 gravesites have already been identified. Finding someone with the knowledge has been a very big challenge.</p>
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		<p>DTSI will provide information on the current boundary of the Angurugu cemetery, including available land not included in the Gemco lease, for expansion consideration. The focus of the expansion will be to provide additional space for clan designated burial areas and increased shade and seating installations.</p> <p>28.03.2023 – Finding someone with the knowledge still remains a challenge. Registers have been in place. So whenever information is collected can be entered in the register.</p> <p>Acting DTIS will review the issue during her community visit this week and provide an update.</p> <p>29.06.23 – Not progressing.</p>
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Australian Electoral Commission recruitment	The Local Authority recommends that at least two local Anindilyakwa people, male and female, be recruited to permanent ongoing roles as Community Electoral Participation Officers (CEPO) for the Groote Archipelago, supporting the Australian Electoral Commission and Northern Territory Electoral Commission, to support increased awareness, enrolment and participation in elections, as well as the upcoming Federal Referendum on the Indigenous Voice.	23.03.23 – EA to liaise with AEC to promote recruitment with posters, flyers etc., 31.03.23 – EA emailed Maryanne Walley requesting flyers and posters for Community. 29.06.23 completed
The members raised their concern over access to driveway	The Director Technical Services and Infrastructure to report on their concern.	24.01.23 – Director Technical and Infrastructure to provide update. 28.03.2023 –Acting DTIS will review the issue during her community visit this week and provide an update. 29.06.23 – Removed.

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Learning on Country and bush trips.	Requests Director Community Development to explore way to increase transport and participation in Bush trips, Learning on Country and excursions.	23.03.23 – Director Community Development to provide update at next LA meeting. 29.06.23 – Access to further vehicles at YSR able to be removed. 29.08 ongoing ????



Mission

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

Core Values

Respect
Professionalism
Human Dignity
Organisational Growth
Equity
Community

MINUTES FOR THE ANGURUGU LOCAL AUTHORITY ORDINARY MEETING

26 September 2023

MINUTES OF THE ANGURUGU LOCAL AUTHORITY ORDINARY MEETING HELD
ON TUESDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 10.00AM

ATTENDANCE

Deputy President Lionel Jaragba, Cr Constantine Mamarika, Marianne Walsh, Gregory Mamarika, Jonathan Nunggumajbarr, Mathew Wurrawilya, Geraldine Amagula, Dorothea Lalara, Ishmael Lalara, Phillip Kennell, Fabian Lalara and Jarella Amagula.

COUNCIL OFFICERS

Dale Keehne – CEO.
Shane Marshall – Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services.
Signe Balodis – A/g Director Community Development.
Gordon Walsh – Council Operations Manager.

Minute Taker – Wendy Brook – EA to the CEO.

GUESTS

Mr. Iain Summers – Manager, Prospective Groote Archipelago Regional Council.

MEETING OPENING

Chair opened the meeting at (time) and welcomed all members and guests.

Apologies**2.1 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).

RECOMMENDATION**That Council:**

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2.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP**SUMMARY:**

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

RECOMMENDATION**The Local Authority**

- (a) Notes the member list and calls for new members to fill up existing vacancies.
- (b) Recommends the nomination of Gordon Walsh be placed in the Council meeting for approval.

Conflict of Interest**3.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST****SUMMARY**

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

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.

Previous Minutes**4.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION****SUMMARY**

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

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the minutes from the meeting of 28 March 2023 to be a true record of the meeting.

Local Authorities

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5.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION REGISTER

SUMMARY

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

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.

General Business

7.1 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.

GENERAL

Staff Survey and Action

The results of a comprehensive Staff Survey provide a very positive overall picture. This includes staff understanding and alignment to Council's overall goals; levels of pride, overall satisfaction and belonging, Council being viewed as a supportive and caring employer; learning and development; perceptions about immediate manager and Council's focus on community.

There are, however, a range of particular opportunities for improvement that have been identified that I will be working closely to address.

I discussed the Staff Survey results recently in a Council wide teleconference with all 9 communities and the Nhulunbuy and Darwin support offices, and an explanation of the next steps for action.

They include a detailed analysis of issues and workshopping of practical actions by staff from all different parts of Council to address them, followed by focused discussion and engagement between the Senior Leadership Team to decide on and implement necessary changes.

Local and Regional Decision Making and Voice

A letter from President Lapulung Dhamarrandji was sent to the Chief Minister, Minister for Indigenous Australians and Assistant Minister proposing a joint way forward through the development of a Local Decision Making Agreement, as detailed in Attachment 1.

Youth, Justice Law, Order and Support

Based on the resolutions of the Milngimbi and Yirrkala Local Authorities, and key points

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raised at a meeting with 15 Secretaries, CEOs and Deputy CEOs of Australian Government Departments and the CEO of the NT Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet (CM&C) – Council endorsed a range of actions. These have been put to Jody Broun, the CEO of the National Indigenous Australians Agency and CEO of NT CM&C, as well Yingiya Guyula the NT Member for Mulka, as detailed in Attachments 2 and 3.

Kava and Alcohol Management

Council made a resolution to call for immediate action on clarifying the situation with kava and alcohol, as detailed in Attachment 4.

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

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

7.2 YOUTH, SPORT AND RECREATION COMMUNITY UPDATE

SUMMARY

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

RECOMMENDATION

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

7.3 COMMUNITY OPERATIONS MANAGER REPORT

SUMMARY

This report is provided by the Council Operations 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

The East Arnhem Regional Council (EARC) remains steadfast in its commitment to maintaining open lines of communication with stakeholders and community members. This

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ensures that the services provided not only meet but also exceed the community's needs and standards.

Rick Mitchell, the Community Operations Manager, has resigned. Relief Community Operations Manager Gordon Walsh has assumed the responsibilities of this role, until the vacancy is filled.

Jonathan Nunggumajbarr has recently retired from his full time Community Liaison Officer position, culminating a tenure that began with his service to the Angurugu Community Government Council as both an employee and a councillor for a span of 15 years. Subsequently, he dedicated an additional 15 years to the East Arnhem Regional Council, culminating in his final position as a Community Liaison Officer. Jonathan's steadfast dedication to civic responsibility has undeniably left a profound and lasting impact on the community. Jonathan is continuing in his role on casual basis.

The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Groote Eylandt Bickerton Island Enterprise (GEBIE) was completed earlier this year. This MoU is designed to encompass Host Placement participants, affording community members the opportunity to acquire skills and training pertinent to EARC roles. This initiative presents a promising avenue for potential employment within EARC as positions become available.

Youth, Sport and Recreation

The Youth, Sport, and Recreation (YSR) department organised an event that marked the commencement of the EARC Mural project on March 29th in Angurugu.

During this event, children and youth from the community actively participated in a range of activities, including t-shirt printing, canvas painting, and the creation of a new mural on the exterior of the Youth Sport and Recreation facility.

Engaging participants from various sectors, including Groote Eylandt and Bickerton Island Enterprise (GEBIE), Angurugu school students, as well as preschool students, the workshop was enjoyed by the community members. It resulted in the generation of innovative ideas that were truly inspiring.

As part of their initiatives, the Youth, Sport, and Recreation team also welcomed the crew from the television show 'Black-As.' Between March 16 and 18, the crew visited Angurugu and Umbakumba schools. Their visit culminated in an overnight excursion to the Red Sands, creating a memorable experience.

During Youth Week, spanning from April 10 to 14, Youth Sport and Recreation orchestrated a series of events throughout the school holidays. The week concluded with a full day of activities, including the collaborative event "92 World" held with Bush Fit Mob on Angurugu Oval.

Continuing to stand out in the program are the Family on Country days, which underscore the significance of a connection to the land. These days provide an opportunity for custodians who don't frequently experience such connections to participate. A remarkable highlight was the visit from 'Black-As,' which left such an impression that plans are underway to have them return to Groote Eylandt in July or August this year.

The commitment of team members Ishmael and Tara remains unwavering and invaluable to EARC. Their consistent presence, high participation rates, and dedication to engaging local community support contribute significantly to the success of the program.

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However, challenges have arisen, notably in terms of maintenance and repairs. Some lodged repair requests remain incomplete, and there has been an increase in community closures, posing additional hurdles.

Aged Care and Disability Services

The Aged Care and Disability Services (ACDS) team currently serves around 15 clients throughout the day, offering breakfast and delivering meals to up to 26 clients per day.

On July 7, Tia Ball stepped down from her Coordinator role at the Aged Care Centre. Ash Hassanar, formerly from the Milingimbi Aged Care Centre, assumed the Coordinator role starting from July 24. During this transition, Regional Coordinator Margaret Allgood was temporarily overseeing the role and provided training to Ash over a two-week period. This change is expected to introduce fresh perspectives and new opportunities for the aged and disabled residents of Angurugu. The center's growth is anticipated as more community members could benefit from the Aged and Disability Services.

The Aged Care team comprises a total of five staff members, including the Aged Care and Disability Coordinator. Through the Community Development Program, two new team members have been welcomed as Support Workers. Their addition has elevated the program's service quality, enabling them to provide enhanced support to clients. This includes assistance with transportation, personal care, and various other client needs.

Ongoing training includes participation in the delivery of Cert III in Aged Care and Disability Individual Support on a weekly basis. All staff members have also obtained their NDIS clearance. The Aged Care and Disability Service team consistently maintains a high standard of workplace health and safety (WHS). This commitment is evident in their timely and exceptional completion of all WHS documents.

The Aged Care and Disability Services team has organized excursions, taking both men and women clients out to experience fishing activities.

ACDS recently collaborated with Bush Fit and 92 World for an event. This event involved haircuts for men and women, a BBQ, and engagement of children and youth under the theme "Walking with Elders." Currently, the center caters to 35 active clients.

Currently, the center's team comprises seven staff members. There is an ongoing search for a Full-Time Support Worker/Driver/Maintenance Officer, and collaboration with Groote Eylandt

Bickerton Island Enterprises (GEBIE) Community Development Program (CDP) is underway to fill this vacancy.

During May, four staff members completed their First Aid Course. Additionally, internal training sessions were conducted by the Regional Coordinator, covering Chemical Awareness, Safe Food Practices, Storage of Food and Rotation, Infection Control through Colour Coding, as well as monthly Toolboxes and bi-weekly Policy meetings.

Over the previous months the following tasks were completed:

- Cleaning and organization of the Chemical Room.
- Cleaning, organisation, and labeling of Fridges and Freezers.
- Removal of rubbish from bedrooms.
- Cleaning and organisation of bedrooms for client use.
- Assembly of new furniture from the shed.
- Arrangements for mowing the grounds, removing palm prongs and rubbish.

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Cleanout and removal of rubbish from the shed.
New stove to Kitchen.

Aged Care and Disability Care coordinator, Ask Hassanar, ensures a daily Pre-Start meeting to discuss activities and expected outcomes. This is especially important due to the limited staff and availability at the time of reporting.

Library

The Angurugu Library has been functioning at full capacity and has diligently adhered to its operational hours, barring occasional instances of extended closure due to heightened sorry business events and staff taking leave.

The Library's space is consistently well-utilised, with community members regularly attending to avail themselves of the various facilities it offers. The library environment is brimming with smiles and content faces, reflecting the positive impact it has on the community.

Working in collaboration, the Library team has successfully integrated two distinct programs: "54 Reasons" and the "Young Parents Program." Both of these external programs run on a weekly basis, featuring engaging activities such as parent-child cooking sessions and interactive play. These activities have garnered exceptional results, evident through positive feedback from both the Library team and community members participating. It is our aspiration to extend involvement to more stakeholders, thus enhancing the community's overall well-being.

While the Library has undergone minor repairs, some maintenance tasks remain pending completion.

The team has faced challenges, primarily stemming from the increase in sorry business activities, which has required a considerable amount of their time, along with the need for team members to take leave.

Community Night Patrol

The Community Night Patrol team has demonstrated a commendable level of dedication in their role, diligently ensuring the accurate and efficient reporting of statistics. This commitment has translated into increased foot patrol hours and a broader coverage of areas in which their services are rendered.

The community experienced some unrest in both July and August. During these periods, the Community Patrol worked diligently to safeguard vulnerable residents, ensuring their safety if the situation escalated.

Additionally, EARC has undertaken the responsibility of providing escort services for the school bus, initially for a one-month period. This move reinforces the council's dedication to ensuring the safety of students during their commute.

Collaborating with the Youth Sport and Recreation team, the Community Night Patrol has also been actively involved in ensuring the safety of young participants in the program. This entails facilitating their secure return to their residences after program activities conclude for the evening.

To enhance the efficiency of the Community Night Patrol's role, the Council Operations Manager participated in multiple shifts, providing valuable insights and suggestions to enhance the safety measures and overall effectiveness of their operations. This cooperative

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effort has allowed the team to better fulfill their responsibilities.

Municipal Services

Municipal have now recruited staff to fill the vacant positions on the Angurugu Municipal services team.

Recently, during leave periods for Angurugu staff, valuable assistance from the Umbakumba team was provided. This collaborative effort effectively preserved the cleanliness of the community and prevented the accumulation of rubbish in the streets. The Umbakumba team also contributed by conducting bulk waste collection and ensuring the upkeep of the local oval. More recently, they extended their support to assist the contractor so rubbish collection was completed when contractor equipment became unserviceable.

In response to these operational demands, and recruitment of new staff to fill vacant positions, Angurugu Municipal services team have undertaken a review of their start-up procedures. The aim of this review is to optimise the utilisation of the available 7.6 daily work hours. Both the Supervisor and staff members are enthusiastic about implementing best practices for time management to enhance overall efficiency.

Municipal Services work plans include hard rubbish collection, monitoring and emptying of skip bins mowing of public areas, barge pickup and delivery, cemetery maintenance, cyclone preparation clean up and minor road repairs. Municipal Services are often asked to carry out works outside the scheduled work program and when able, assist.

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

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the Council Operations Manager report.

7.4 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.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the Local Authority Policy.

7.5 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

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SUMMARY

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

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information as of 31 August 2023.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

MEETING CLOSE

The meeting terminated at pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Ordinary Meeting held on.

2 Looking Forward - Discussions and Decisions

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LOOKING FORWARD - DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

2.1 Guest Speaker - Chantal Bramley, Stakeholder Engagement Project Manager,
Power and Water

AUTHOR Wendy Brook (Executive Assistant to the CEO)

RECOMMENDATION

That Local Authority thanks the Guest Speaker for her presentation.

SUMMARY:

Chantal will be providing information to the Local Authority about sewerage ponds.

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

LOOKING FORWARD - DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

2.2 Revised Budget 2023-2024**AUTHOR** Nawshaba Razzak (Procurement Officer)**RECOMMENDATION****That the Local Authority notes the 2023-2024 Budget Revision.****SUMMARY:**

This report presents a draft Revised Budget for consideration.

BACKGROUND:

The *Local Government (General) Regulations* state in section 9 that **the council budget must be reviewed on at least one occasion between 1 July and 31 December**; and again between 1 January and 30 April.

The current original budget was prepared in April 2023, prior to the start of the year. Therefore it contains assumptions and estimates for end of year figures. With the completion of the audit of the 2022/23 year those figures are now known and require adjustment in the budget. In addition, funding agencies have provided funding contracts for 2023/24 that require adjustment of the figures.

The budget revision does not, and cannot, alter rates and waste charges for the year, which have already been charged to property owners. Additionally, the law continues to state that Council cannot budget for a deficit.

The draft budget revision is included on each of the Local Authority meeting agendas for feedback. This Local Authority meeting has the opportunity to review and provide feedback. The final budget revision will be presented at the 14 December 2023 Council meeting for approval as required within the timeframe of the law.

GENERAL:Overall

Overall, the revised budget is currently showing a surplus of \$12,567 compared to the original budget of \$25,904.

Revenue Sources

Carried forward revenue from previous years is 47.83% Tied Funds (\$6.13M) for a specific grant purpose. The remaining 52.17% (\$6.69M) consists of payment in advance by the Northern Territory Government for general operational purposes (\$4.09M), FAA Roads Carried Forward (\$1.55M), Training (\$336.59K), IT Systems Project (\$399.81K), Public Relations (\$88.37K) and Civic Events (\$226.80K).

The revenue for the current year is 37.46% tied funds (\$15.09M), 17.31% rates (\$7.52M), 15.66% untied funds that includes NTG operational grant \$6.80M. User Charges and Fees are 24.78% (\$10.76M) and Other Operating Revenue is 7.50% (\$3.26M).

Major Highlighted Changes to Revision Budget:

Services	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Variance	Note
100 - Local Authorities	315,750	315,750	(0)	
107 - Community Development	4,975,862	5,425,862	450,000	A
108 - Veterinary and Animal Control Services	897,764	906,836	9,072	
112 - Fleet and Workshop Services	482,175	410,215	(71,959)	B
114 - Information Communication and Technology Services	103,107	(0)	(103,107)	
115 - Library Services	545,942	545,942	-	
116 - Lighting for Public Safety	290,850	302,369	11,519	
118 - Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management	96,353	96,353	-	
119 - Local Road Upgrade and Construction	-	200,000	200,000	C
122 - Building and Infrastructure Services	1,362,987	1,374,076	11,089	
129 - Waste and Environmental Services	(0)	(0)	0	
138 - Council Housing/Tenancy Services	-	-	-	
139 - Visitor Accommodation	(39,423)	(39,423)	-	
141 - Aged Care and Disability Services	0	0	(0)	
145 - Children and Family Services	(0)	(0)	(0)	
146 - Community Media	23,727	23,727	-	
147 - Community Patrol and SUS Services	0	0	0	
152 - Youth, Sport and Recreation Services	353,043	398,365	45,322	D
156 - Community Events	46,306	46,306	-	
157 - Local Commercial Opportunities	(5,000)	(5,000)	-	
167 - Corporate Services	(15,464,623)	(15,985,893)	(521,270)	E
168 - Governance and CEO	(0)	(0)	0	
169 - Municipal Services	5,989,275	5,971,947	(17,328)	
Net Surplus	(25,904)	(12,567)	13,337	

Notes to Material Changes (items over \$40K)

- A. The increase is due to the addition of the Asset Replacement Project where phase one of the project is established and the trial phase has now been completed. The allocation will allow Council to continue replacing resources throughout the region at an acceptable rate. Note: further allocations will be required in future budgets for completion of project.
- B. Reductions at Mechanical workshops spending (Milingimbi and Gapuwiyak) relates to the addition of money to Galiwinku capital project for roads and the other allocation to support the Darwin office staffing requirements.
- C. Relates to additional spending on contract labour general at Galiwinku Roads
- D. Mainly contributable to increase in insurance and Information Communication and Technology cost allocations
- E. Attributable to increase in interest on term deposits and adjustment related to NTG Operational and Financial Assistance (FAA) funding.

Local Authority Projects

Expenditure on Local Authority Projects is \$7,322,170. Available funds carried over from previous years of \$2,392,312 plus additional funding of \$1,742,200 gives \$3,634,512. Council funds of \$5.7M from the Public Area Infrastructure Reserve and the Community Benefit Reserve gives \$9,394,730 available to allocate to projects.

The unallocated funds will be the subject of a separate report from the Director Technical and Infrastructure.

Location	Budgeted		Available Reserves from FY2023		Total Available Funding for FY2024	Less FY2024 Budget LAPF Projects Costs	Unallocated Funds
	Carry Over from previous years	FY2024 Current Year Revenue	Public Infrastructure	Community Benefit			
Angurugu	283,029	150,200	343,127	333,333	1,109,689	849,414	260,275
Umbakumba	-	110,500	310,768	185,123	606,391	466,292	140,098
Milyakburra	74,947	30,100	246,451	333,333	684,831	546,292	138,539
Ramingining	-	135,400	331,214	241,762	708,376	6,292	702,083
Milingimbi	512,184	187,700	373,313	333,333	1,406,531	1,356,292	50,238
Gapuwiyak	357,948	140,300	335,158	333,333	1,166,739	956,292	210,447
Galiwinku	772,537	341,100	497,277	333,333	1,944,247	1,500,365	443,882
Yirrkala	297,374	113,300	313,424	333,333	1,057,431	1,057,431	0
Gunyangara	94,293	33,600	249,269	333,333	710,495	583,497	126,998
Total	2,392,312	1,242,200	3,000,000	2,760,218	9,394,730	7,322,170	2,072,560

Reserves

Council created specific reserves, which totaled \$35,304,335 at the start of the year are budgeted to total \$18,315,818 at the end of the year.

Attached is the detailed movements per reserve for the community.

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

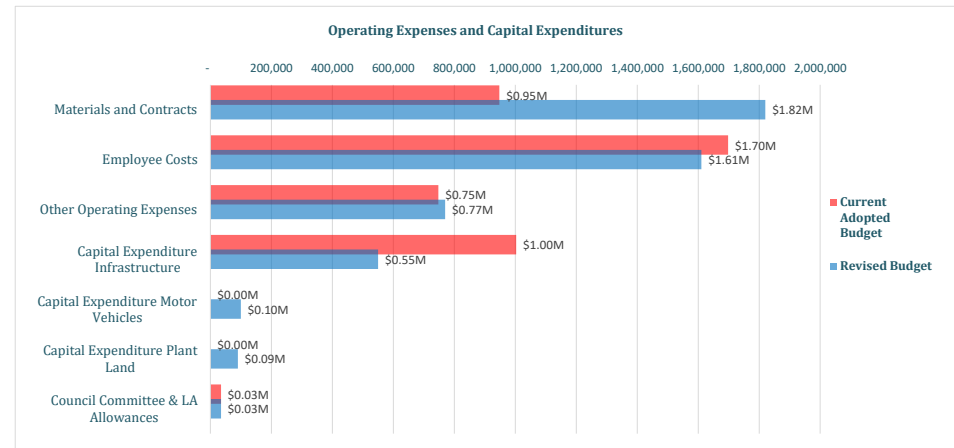
ATTACHMENTS:

1. Budget Revision 1 F Y 2024 Each Reporting Location - Angurugu [2.2.1 - 1 page]
2. Budget Revision 1 F Y 2024 Local Authority - Angurugu [2.2.2 - 1 page]

EACH REPORTING LOCATION	Angurugu		
	Revised Budget	Current Adopted Budget	Variance
INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 30 JUNE 2024			
OPERATING REVENUE			
Grants	1,486,113	1,603,748 ↓	(117,635)
User Charges and Fees	412,664	412,664	-
Rates and Annual Charges	1,105,252	1,105,252	-
Other Operating Revenues	24,300	14,650 ↑	9,650
Council Internal Allocations	(6,292)	- ↓	(6,292)
Untied Revenue Allocation	839,597	920,034 ↓	(80,437)
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	3,861,633	4,056,348 ↓	(194,715)
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Employee Expenses	1,610,595	1,698,208 ↓	(87,613)
Materials and Contracts	1,819,968	947,795 ↑	872,173
Council Committee & LA Allowances	34,800	34,800	-
Other Operating Expenses	770,218	747,908 ↑	22,310
Council Internal Allocations	997,701	973,477 ↑	24,224
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	5,233,282	4,402,188 ↑	831,094
OPERATING DEFICIT	(1,371,648)	(345,840) ↑	(1,025,809)
Less Additional Outflows			
Capital Expenses	(740,000)	(1,002,932) ↓	262,932
Carried Forward Revenue for FY2025	(150,200)	(150,200)	-
Transfer to Reserves	(85,135)	(87,461) ↓	2,326
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	(975,335)	(1,240,593) ↓	265,257
DEFICIT	(2,346,984)	(1,586,433) ↑	(760,551)
Add Additional Inflows			
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	398,393	413,930 ↓	(15,537)
Transfer from General Equity	50,000	50,000	-
Transfer from Reserves	1,898,591	1,122,502	776,088
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	2,346,984	1,586,433 ↑	760,551

Location Description	Angurugu								
FY2024 Revised Budget	Category								
Services	Carried Forward Grants Revenue	Operating Revenue	Untied Revenue Allocation	Operating Expenses	Capital Expenditure	Council Internal Costs Allocations	Reserves Transfers	Transfers from General Equity	Net Result
100 - Local Authorities	(132,829)	(150,200)	(34,800)	137,922	740,000	6,292	(566,385)		(0)
107 - Community Development			(439,980)	305,430		134,551			-
108 - Veterinary and Animal Control Services		(132,067)	(185,839)	285,082		32,823			(0)
115 - Library Services		(41,256)	(93,999)	70,129		65,126			0
116 - Lighting for Public Safety			(27,848)	27,848					-
118 - Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management	(107,635)	-	(62,365)	169,653		347			0
119 - Local Road Upgrade and Construction				906,081			(906,081)		-
122 - Building and Infrastructure Services			(22,291)	341,082		2,709	(321,500)		-
129 - Waste and Environmental Services	(7,729)	(466,375)		293,896		130,147	50,060		0
141 - Aged Care and Disability Services		(972,254)		819,218		209,084	(56,049)		(0)
147 - Community Patrol and SUS Services		(250,973)		161,113		89,860			(0)
152 - Youth, Sport and Recreation Services		(340,027)	(44,660)	278,485		106,203			-
156 - Community Events				13,500			(13,500)		-
167 - Corporate Services		(664,677)	664,677						-
169 - Municipal Services		(10,500)	(592,493)	426,141		226,852		(50,000)	-
Net Result	(248,193)	(3,028,328)	(839,597)	4,235,580	740,000	1,003,994	(1,813,455)	(50,000)	(0)

Operating Expenses and Capital Expenditures			
Category	Current Adopted Budget	Revised Budget	Increase (Decrease)
Materials and Contracts	947,795	1,819,968	872,173
Employee Costs	1,698,208	1,610,595	(87,613)
Other Operating Expenses	747,908	770,218	22,310
Capital Expenditure Infrastructure	1,002,932	550,000	(452,932)
Capital Expenditure Motor Vehicles	-	100,000	100,000
Capital Expenditure Plant Land	-	90,000	90,000
Council Committee & LA Allowances	34,800	34,800	-
Grand Total	4,431,642	4,975,580	543,938



3 Noting Progress and Achievement

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

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.1 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:Launch of East Arnhem Regional Mural

Council hosted the successful launch of the new regional mural on Wednesday 25 October. Yirrkala Local Authority Member Prescilla Yunupingu hosted the event, starting with the traditional Bungal welcome lead by Witiyana Marika.

Gumurr Miwatj Ward Councillor Marpalawuy Marika delivered a moving opening address. This was followed by a short film of the making of the mural, from visiting all nine communities across the region to gain direction on what the mural should include, to the painting of the mural by children and others over two weeks.

This film was followed by a special short film Moving Forward Together, in which President Lapulung, Milingimbi Local Authority Member Gangulpa Durrkay, and Galiwinku Local Authority Member Cyril Bukulatjpi talk through the role of Local Authorities and Council, and how we can help work with the two Balanda levels of government for the benefit of all.

Engagement with Northern Territory and Australian Governments

The CEO of the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet and a senior NIAA official met Council for detailed discussions of a range of issues of concern to the Local Authorities and Council when Council was meeting on 24 October.

Council resolved to continue these discussions and continue to strengthen the relationship and outcomes that can be gained over time.

Organisational Review

As CEO I have reviewed the large amount of information and great ideas of how we can further improve the way we work, that has come from consultation with Council staff across all nine communities, and the Nhulunbuy and Darwin offices.

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

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.2 Technical & Infrastructure Services Report**AUTHOR**

Shane Marshall (Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services)

RECOMMENDATION**That the Local Authority notes the Technical and Infrastructure Services report.****SUMMARY**

This report is tabled for the Local Authority to provide program updates within the Technical and Infrastructure directorate. In addition to progress updates associated with capital projects and initiatives associated with the 2023-2024 Annual Plan.

BACKGROUND

As part of the Annual Plan, there were a range of tabled projects and initiatives subsequently approved by the Local Authorities and Council for the current financial year. Each meeting will have updates associated with the Annual Plan actions, in addition to the reporting of any new initiatives or business arising for the community.

The information below covers actions associated with the below services:

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

GENERAL**108 – Veterinary and Animal Control Services**

Reporting Month/Period: September-October 2023

Overall Comments:

- Community consultations – main concerns include dog fight wounds, hit by car injuries, puppies with worm burdens, unwell dogs, mastitis.
- Pulse oximetry machine (anaesthetic monitoring device) broken requiring replacement, temporarily pausing ability to perform surgeries – new machine has been ordered awaiting arrival.
- Dr. Lauren attended AMRRIC workshop “A Guide to Emergency Response for companion animals in remote NT communities” in Darwin. Representatives from other NT Regional Councils, Government and private veterinarian practitioners met to develop framework to

guide recommendations regarding animal management during emergencies (e.g. cyclones, fire, flood).

- Safety concerns regarding ongoing unrest in Angurugu – for safety reasons staff moving away from previous model of cold-calling lots to provide treatment.
- Homelands – most recent scheduled visit cancelled due to unrest. Rescheduled for November.
- Dr. Lauren attended Animal Institute of Animal Management online workshop – “The Forensics of Aggression (dog bite investigation).”
- Alyangula – start of snake bite season with dogs bitten and receiving medical treatment.
- Annual leave for Dr. Lauren for the last half of October.

Service Delivery Table:

AMP Delivery: {Community name}	This period of reporting	Calendar Year to date	Last year's Annual delivery
Dogs Desexed	Angurugu: 5 Homelands: 0	Angurugu: 51 Homelands: 2	Angurugu: 31 Homelands: 4
Cats Desexed	Angurugu: 0 Homelands: 0	Angurugu: 6 Homelands: 0	Angurugu: 4 Homelands: 4
Community consultations	Angurugu: 26 Homelands: 0	Angurugu: 124 Homelands: 10	Angurugu: 100 Homelands: 26
EARC Veterinary Cabinet medication dispensed	2	17	No data
Minor procedures/other surgeries	Angurugu: 1 Homelands: 0	Angurugu: 9 Homelands: 0	No data
Parasite Treatments (other)	Angurugu: 25 Homelands: 10	Angurugu: 219 Homelands: 75	Angurugu: 379 Homelands: 128
Euthanasia	Angurugu: 4 Homelands: 0	Angurugu: 16 Homelands: 2	No data
Alyangula engagements (Groote region)	Consults: 11 Patrols: 16	47	
TOTAL Engagements	100	531	676

Staff Training:

- Dr Maddy attended the ‘Big Hairy People and Animals Conference’ on the Gold Coast in October. This conference was the AIAM (Australian Institute of Animal Management) event that is held every two years. The main theme was ‘breaking down barriers’ and topics included community engagement, supporting disadvantaged pet owners keeping themselves and their pets healthy and dog behaviour and aggression.
- Dr Lauren currently working through online behavioural course on dog aggression and interventions (Behavet).

Additional Collaborations/Stakeholder Engagements:

- Veterinary visit to Homelands scheduled for November contracted by Anindilyakwa Housing Aboriginal Corporation.

Concerns:

- Dangerous dog Malkala – waiting for police to assist as outside of EARC jurisdiction.

Animal Management Team Award Winners

The AMP team are thrilled to announce that our program won the award for best 'Regional and Remote Animal Management Program or Initiative'. This is a nationally recognised award from the Australian Institute of Animal Management and the team is so proud of the work they do to help our families and their animals in the East Arnhem region.

Follow-Up List for Next Visit:

- Organise Term 4 school visit.
- Focus on tick treatment with impending wet weather.

112 – Fleet & Workshop Services

LAPF Angurugu Project New Troopy Hearse Purchased

- 2023 Toyota Landcruiser Workmate Troop carrier purchased.
- The vehicle is now at the engineer for the coffin slide assembly for fitment - ETA 2 weeks (End of November)



New Troopy Purchased



116 – Lighting for Public Safety

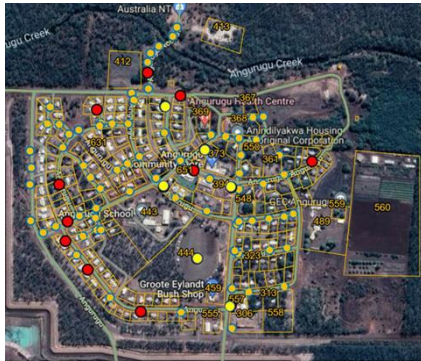
RFQ T23-203111.1 Angurugu Maintenance of Public Street Lights

MG Electrical have been engaged to undertake the repair and maintenance of faulty public streetlights which comprise the complete replacement of non-functioning LED street light heads with new LED street light heads throughout the street lighting network in Angurugu.

Project Status: Audit Complete - Works have not commenced yet.

Update on ETA arrival of new supply of Gecko lighting LED streetlights to various communities:

- Procured order for the supply of 150 x new Gecko lighting LED streetlights from supplier on 16 August 2023
- Tentative arrival at Darwin Sea swift depot via road freight on 21 November 2023
- Approximately one to two weeks to arrive various communities, earliest ETA week beginning 4 December 2023



Red marker indicates non-functioning streetlights – 10 x faulty streetlights.

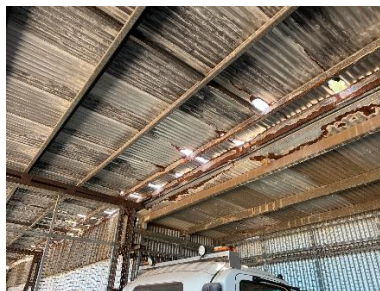
122 – Building Infrastructure Services

Lot 306 Angurugu (Shed D) – Roof Refurbishment Works

- Project works will include the replacement of wall cladding, roof sheeting, and supporting structure, as well as rust treatment to structure to remain.
- Works have been released as a Request for Public Quotation and are due back Friday 17 November 2023.



Lot 306 Angurugu - Shed D



Existing Roof Condition



Lot 591 – Supply and Installation of Public Playground Angurugu

- Project works included the supply and installation of Public Playground.
- Works ready to be awarded to Hardy Landscaping under the condition that EARC will provide assistance with machinery to level work site and use of machinery to bore holes.



Lot 591 Public Playground Proposed site.

Public Toilet blocks MCML Angurugu and Milyakburra – Design Service & Project Management

- Project works include the Design Service & Project Management of two Public Toilets.
- The Project has been released for Public Quotation.
- The closing date for submissions has been extended to Monday 6 of November as per requested by Contractor.



Proposed site Public Toilet Block Angurugu

Lot 350 Angurugu (Staff Housing) – Various Refurbishment Works

- In 2020, WSP provided a Structural Condition Reports for this property. This report highlighted a number of items of Low, Medium and High risk which must be attended to maintain the structural integrity of each house.
- Preliminary scoping exercises are being completed to determine the full extent of works needed. Proposed works include the replacement of the external deck area, and internal refurbishments to the kitchen etc.
- An RFQ has been sent out for engineering services.



Existing Deck Area

Existing Kitchen

Lot 450 Angurugu (Staff Housing) – New Kitchen and Refurbishment

- Works completed in September 2023.

- Work included installation of new kitchen bench and pantry cupboard, internal paint in kitchen area.
- Works are 100% complete.



Lot 450 Angurugu - New Kitchen Cabinets



129 – Waste and Environmental Services

WS 2244-02 - Undertake and report on the removal of recycling streams within each community location.

The table below illustrates materials recovered and transport back to Darwin for recycling so far, this financial year. So far nine different recyclable materials streams have been recovered from the region.

The Councils goal is to have a minimum of nine resource recovery streams available to residents, which has now been achieved for FY24. As Table 2 illustrates, Angurugu has collected batteries, drinking containers, whitegoods, and tyres for recycling so far this year.



Old tyres and white goods collected for recycling.

Table 1. Resource Recovery up to 30 October 2023

	Angurugu	Umbakumba	Milyakburra	Ramingining	Milingimbi	Gapuwiyak	Galiwinku	Yirrkala	Gunyangara
Batteries	0.9 t		1.025 t	2 boxes		1 box	3.104 t + 2 boxes		
CDS (Containers)	4,019	1,883	1,300	12,325	11,455	42,628	52,566	11,326	8,327
Damaged Bins					2 Pallets	0.446 t			

E-Waste				2 Pallets		2 Pallets		
Fire Extinguishers						1 Pallet		
Gas Bottles						1 Pallet		
Household Batteries						10 kg		
Mobile Phones						10 kg		5 kg
Plastics				2 Boxes				
Printer Cartridges							7.84	
Scrap Metal				84.40 t				
Tyres	30		60	101 + 1 container	99	84		
Waste Oil				2,460 L	820 L			
White Goods	3							

WS 2777 - Organise and support the Undertaking of CDS monthly collection community events to be held in each Community by the Municipal Services Program.

This is an ongoing monthly project. Cash 4 Containers is scheduled for the last week of every month across the nine communities. The results for FY24 by community can be seen in the project dashboard below. 154,160 containers have been collected to start off FY24, with 4,019 being collected at Angurugu.

The goal of the program is to hold monthly depot days in Angurugu, Umbakumba, Ramingining, Milingimbi, Gapuwiyak, Galiwin'ku and Yirrkala and every second month in Milyakburra and Gunyangara.

As can be seen in the table below, no community achieved these results for the 2023-24 financial year.

Table 3 - Community Depot Days held for 2023-24

Community	Depot/Collection Days for FY24	Total Containers Collected
Angurugu	1	4,019
Umbakumba	1	1,883
Milyakburra	1	1,300
Ramingining	1	18,563
Milingimbi	2	11,455

Gapuwiyak	2	42,628
Galiwinku	2	52,566
Yirrkala	1	11,326
Gunyangara	1	8,327
Totals	11	154,160

Keep Australia Beautiful Visit

On 22 and 23 August, Keep Australia Beautiful NT (Northern Territory) visited Angurugu to discuss litter management with community stakeholders. Meetings were held with Council, the Stores, and the school. KAB NT were also able to deliver some lessons to the students at the school around litter and how it affects the community, environment and people's health.

The trip was extremely successful, with KAB NT extremely impressed with how clean and tidy the town is. KAB NT (Northern Territory) were very impressed by the difference in the town since they last visited in 2019, with a new indoor sports centre, cultural centre, bmx track, laundromat as well as diverse groups working on youth services and additionally growing vegetables. They were also impressed with the general tidiness of the town and a significant reduction in litter from the last time they visited.

The reduction in litter has had a lot to do with Council's municipal team as well as the work that Eylandt Clean-Up have done around people's houses and yards.

Project Status – COMPLETED



Angurugu River looks beautiful and clean.



Tidy roads and verges



Angurugu Music Studio



Clean entrance to the Council Office



Neat and clean road verges



Tidy Church area

WS 0003 – Weed Control

The Municipal Team has started some early season weed control around Angurugu. The focus has been around Council assets and public spaces to ensure the work done in previous years on controlled annual mission grass, snake weed, coffee bush and other invasive weeds don't get out of control as the wet season approaches.



Example of potential out of control mission grass.

WS 0004– Litter Management

Bi-annual audits are in the planning stages for the FY24 Financial Year. Once audits have been completed, results will be provided to Council.

As well as hot spot audits, Waste Services are also rolling out Monthly Litter Rating Audits for all communities, to be able to develop an understanding of community trends around litter, as well as supply an avenue for our Council Operations Managers to report litter issues, supply strategies and report of implementation of strategies.

Project Status – Started



WS 1.1 Pre-Cyclone Clean-Up

At the end of October, the Municipal Team undertook a large pre-cyclone clean-up in Angurugu. The results of the work included:

- 28 loads of hard rubbish collected and taken to the GEMCO Landfill.
- 10 loads of sand collected for ceremonies.
- 20 bags of litter collected around the streets and parks.
- 2 hook truck loads taken to GEMCO Landfill.

- Library understory cleaned out and
- Storm water drains cut and cleared.



Hard Rubbish being sorted and delivered to the landfill

169 – Municipal Services/Public Works & Infrastructure Services

October - Snap Send Solve Reporting



Snap Send Solve

East Arnhem Regional Council

Monthly report summary



This period: 2023-10-01 to 2023-10-31

Last period: 2023-09-01 to 2023-09-30

Total Reports

This Period	Last Period	% Change
117	138	-15%

Customer Satisfaction Score

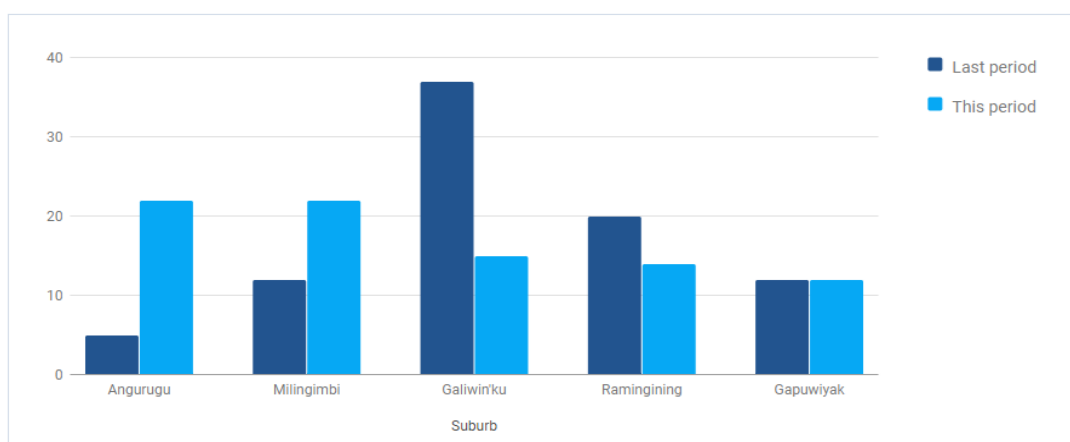
Customer Satisfaction Score (out of 5) provided by Snap Send Solve users for your authority.

	This Period	Last Period	% Change
East Arnhem Regional Council	4.8	4.8	0%
Similar sized council average(state based)	4.8	4.7	3%
State average	4.5	4.4	4%

Reports by Top 5 Suburbs

Total reports received by suburb for the period.

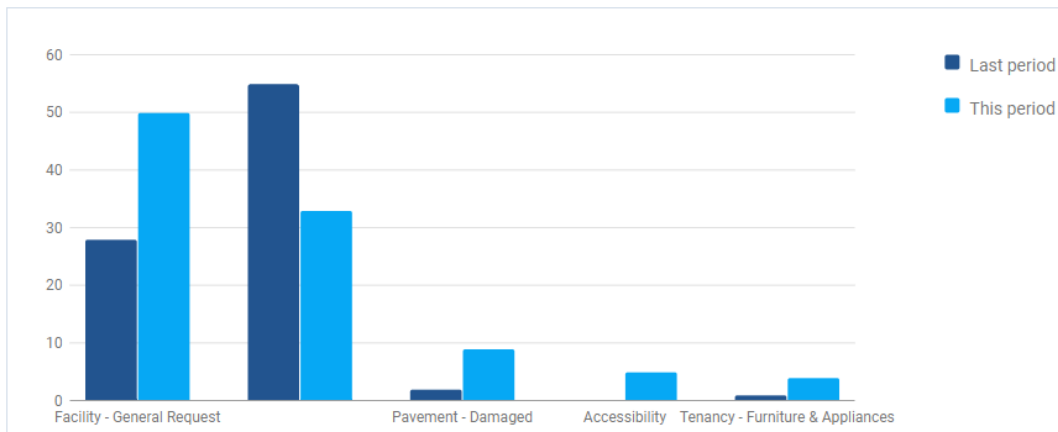
	This Period	Last Period	% Change
Angurugu	22	5	340%
Milingimbi	22	12	83%
Galiwin'ku	15	37	-59%
Ramingining	14	20	-30%
Gapuwiyak	12	12	0%



Reports by Top 5 Incident types

Total reports received by Incident type for the period.

	This Period	Last Period	% Change
Facility - General Request	50	28	79%
Repairs & Maintenance Request - EARC Assets	33	55	-40%
Pavement - Damaged	9	2	350%
Accessibility	5	0	N/A
Tenancy - Furniture & Appliances	4	1	300%



Reports by Top 5 Suburbs and Top 5 Incident types (This period)

	Facility - General Request	Repairs & Maintenance Request - EARC Assets	Pavement - Damaged	Accessibility	Tenancy - Furniture & Appliances
Angurugu	1	2	9	4	4
Milingimbi	14	6	0	1	0
Galiwin'ku	5	8	0	0	0
Ramingining	11	0	0	0	0
Gapuwiyak	4	5	0	0	0

Reports Triaged

Total reports received by your Authority that have been triaged to other authorities by your Customer Service team.

	This Period	Last Period	% Change
Power Water	1	2	-50%

Reports Sent to Other Authorities

Total reports sent by Snap Send Solve users to other Authorities within your boundary, that your Authority is not responsible for.

	This Period	Last Period	% Change
Power Water	8	7	14%
Telstra	1	2	-50%

Wet Season Preparations

- Chemicals for Weed Spraying have been ordered for all communities leading up to the wet season.
- Municipal Services Supervisors (MSS) are ensuring that all chainsaws are maintained, and spare parts are available.

General

The Municipal Services (MS) team have been tremendously busy over the last few weeks and the efforts show throughout the community. I would like to sincerely thank the Angurugu team, the welcomed assistance from Umbakumba Municipal Services, and Adam Johnson over the last few weeks. Your efforts are appreciated and thank you for the photos. Here are a few to highlight the work completed.



MS Angurugu Team - Thumbs up to a job well done!

Mowing and Rubbish Collection

Council Office



Council Office



Library



Public Bus Stop



Church Area

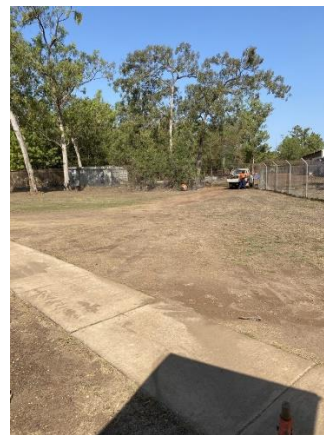


Public Area Entry into Angurugu

Church Area Clean-up



Road Reserve Maintenance – Footpath



Hard Rubbish Collection



Public Area Maintenance



Road Maintenance Potholes Repairs



Large Pothole



Repairs undertaken

Collect recycling items - batteries, tyres for sorting at the new transfer station



Road Reserve Drain Maintenance - rubbish pick up, whipper snip and weed spraying





ATTACHMENTS:
Nil

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.3 Community Operations Manager Report**AUTHOR**

Gordon Walsh (Relief Council Operations Manager)

RECOMMENDATION**That the Local Authority****(a) Notes the Council Operations report.****(b) Supports the Regional Manager - Community Development in liaising with the Traditional Credit Union, in seeking better banking solutions for community.****SUMMARY**

This report is provided by the Council Operations 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

East Arnhem Regional Council Angurugu has continued engagement with stakeholders and community members, ensuring services that EARC supply are supported at an elevated level, and continue to meet the requirements of the Community. The Community Operations Manager role has been performed by relief managers over the past two months, these being Gordon Walsh, Ben Waugh, and Adam Johnson.

Community Development

East Arnhem Regional Council was active in supporting the voice referendum and ensuring all community members were aware of the referendum voting days and polling places. The large screen was used daily to highlight the importance of the referendum.

Community Development continues to help community members in many areas of community life, and the challenges that arise while living remotely in a fast-moving modern world.

At present the Community Operations Manager is liaising with other community organisations to seek better banking options for community residents. Telephone frauds are now becoming more prevalent in the community and EARC, via the Community Operations Manager, are working closely with other organisations to ensure community awareness of this fraudulent activity.

As this will be the last Local Authority meeting for 2023, I would like to wish all Local Authority members a very merry Christmas, and all the best for 2024.

Aged Care and Disability Services

Aged Care centre in Angurugu – ‘Mungkadinamanja’, has a total of 37 clients including National Disability Insurance Scheme, and National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flexible Aged Care Program clients.

We continue to supply the basic services such as Meals on Wheels, transport, excursions, centre-based activities, and shopping help to those clients who need it. We have recently added services for Machado Joseph Disease Foundation clients for personal care aid in the Aged Care centre, which is in progress and hoping to start soon.

Additionally, the EARC Aged Care has included a day with Families as First Teachers for all the clients, where the pre-school children visit aged care and spend time with the clients for their mental health and wellbeing. We wish to continue supporting the elders in the community and improve our services every day.

Community Night Patrol

Community Night Patrol (CNP) has continued to provide services within the guidelines of the funding provider. There were 1945 incidents reported in Period One (1 July 2023 to 30 September 2023) of the Quarterly reports. Most of the incidents reported were of observed drug usage in the community.

Card games were also recorded at approximately 500 incidents reported during this period. CNP also aided 639 community members, mostly children and elderly during this period. CNP look to engage with community stakeholders where possible, and stakeholders are supplied information about the service provided and encouraged to take part in or supply input when preparing the quarterly report.

Municipal Services

During the period from September to October, Municipal Services experienced a notable reduction in operational capacity. This was primarily attributed to a combination of staff leave and attendance challenges. Further updates from the Municipal Services Supervisor were not available at the time of preparing this report.

Library

The library has recently experienced some staffing changes with a new team starting on November 13. Despite these transitions, the library continues to serve as a vital community hub, highlighted by its collaboration with 54 Reasons, an organisation that regularly utilises the space for various activities. This partnership underscores the library's role beyond traditional services, fostering community engagement and learning.

Youth Sport and Recreation

The Youth Sport and Recreation (YS&R) program seeks input, feedback, and support from the Local Authority, to continually improve what we do. Please note the following updates for Youth Sport and Recreation in the community.

Recruitment update:

We have now filled all Youth Sport and Recreation worker roles, with Campbell Wurramarrba coming to us after several years in the AFL role on Groote.

Events / Activities:

The last month included school holidays, where we opened daily from 12.00pm. This coincided with the installation of the hall net, which allows us to host different activities within the hall at once. Our new boxing bags in the gym have also been a hit with the little ones. Our best numbers are still the movie nights held every Thursday (when there are no funerals).

Program success / challenges:

The most successful activity is still Family on Country held on the weekends, however lately it is increasingly difficult to get numbers with the loss of our troop carrier to the mainland for repairs. Fortunately, we can use Groote Eylandt Aboriginal Trust minibus during the week for our swimming pool activity.

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

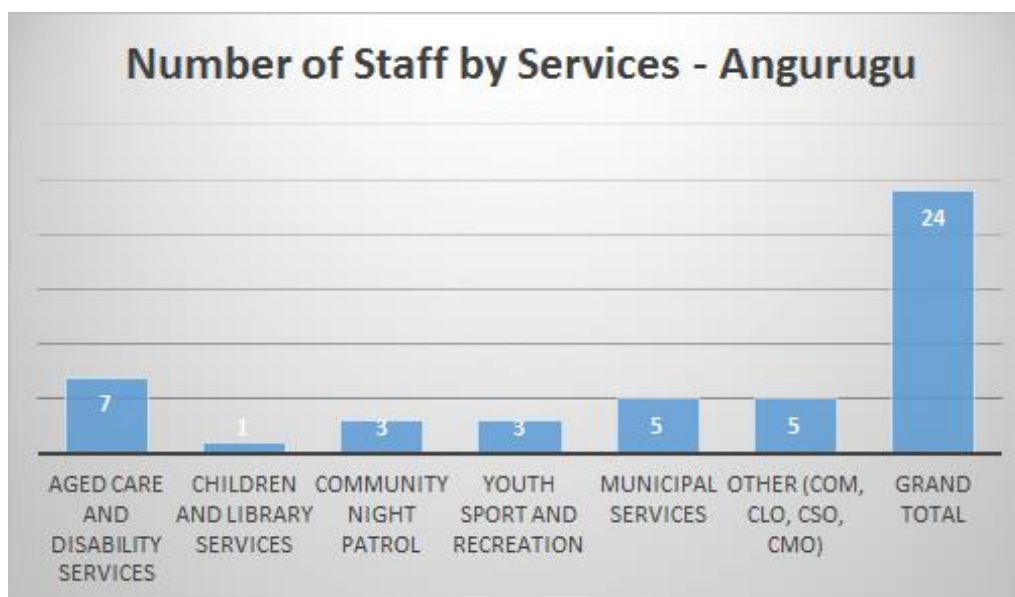
3.4 Corporate Services Report

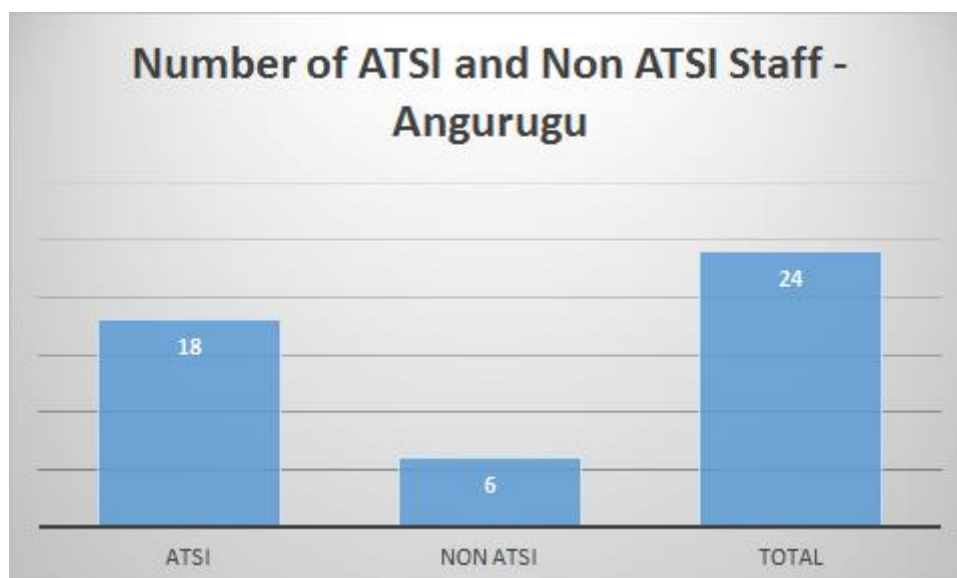
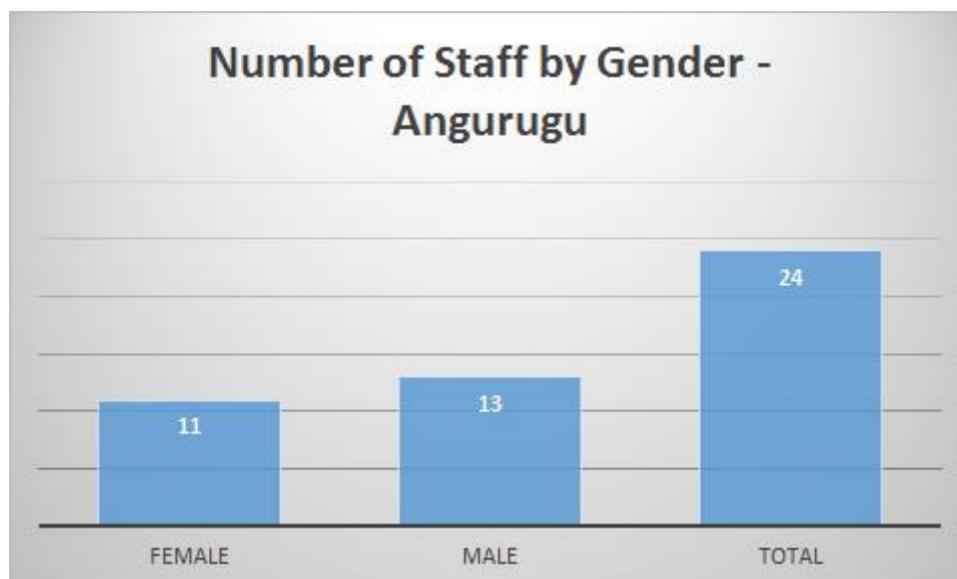
AUTHOR Chloe Irlam (Governance and Compliance Officer)**RECOMMENDATION****That the Local Authority receives the Financial and Employment information as of 31 October 2023.****SUMMARY:**

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

BACKGROUND:

Local Authorities need to consider the Finance Report carefully as it details the current actual figures against the budget for the Local Authority area. Also, the report details the number of staff against the different service areas.

GENERAL:Employee Statistics:



Vacancies as of 31 October 2023:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Level</u>
Community Library Officer	Level 1

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

ATTACHMENTS:

1. INCOME AND EXPENSE Angurugu [3.4.1 - 1 page]

EACH REPORTING LOCATION INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 OCTOBER 2023	Angurugu		
	ACTUALS YTD	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD
OPERATING REVENUE			
Grants	740,119	576,336	163,784
User Charges and Fees	59,800	137,555	(77,754)
Rates and Annual Charges	1,166,647	1,105,252	61,395
Other Operating Revenues	23,272	4,883	18,389
Council Internal Allocations	(6,292)	-	(6,292)
Untied Revenue Allocation	360,997	360,997	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	2,344,544	2,185,023	159,521
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Employee Expenses	631,731	566,069	65,662
Materials and Contracts	110,908	529,597	(418,690)
Council Committee & LA Allowances	2,500	11,600	(9,100)
Other Operating Expenses	304,036	284,475	19,561
Council Internal Allocations	343,736	324,492	19,243
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,392,911	1,716,234	(323,323)
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	951,634	468,789	482,844
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	951,634	468,789	482,844
Less Additional Outflows			
Capital Expenses	-	(334,311)	334,311
Transfer to Reserves	(29,154)	(29,154)	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	(29,154)	(363,464)	334,311
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	922,480	105,325	817,155
Add Additional Inflows			
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	203,874	413,930	(210,056)
Transfer from Reserves	383,168	383,168	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	603,708	813,765	(210,056)
NET OPERATING POSITION - SURPLUS	1,526,188	919,090	607,099
			-

4 Confidential Reports

5 Date of Next Meeting

6 Meeting Close