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OPEN AGENDA for the Meeting of
Council
27 August 2026

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

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

- limurr dhu räl-manapanmirr ganydjarrwu limurrŋgalaŋaw rur'maranharaw,
- ga dharay walŋaw,
- ga ŋayaŋu-ŋapmaranhamirr bukmak bala-räli'yunmirr.

Dhaŋu

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

- ŋalma ŋarru räl-manapanmi ganydjarrwu ŋakanhaminyarawu ŋalmaliŋguwaywuru,
- ga dharay walŋawu,
- ga ŋayaŋu-ŋapthumanmi bukmak bala-räli'yunmi.

Gumatj

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

- ŋilimurru yurru räl-manapanmirri ganydjarrwu gaŋga'thinyarawu ŋilimurrŋgalaŋawu,
- ga dharay walŋawu,
- ga ŋayaŋu-ŋapthunmaranhamirri bukmak bala-lili'yunmirri.

Marraŋu

Dhuwanydji dhäwu barranga'yun EARC-ŋur bukmakku yolŋuw yukurr buku-liw'maram wäŋa mittji malanyha:

- Dalimurr wurruku räl-manapanmirr djäk ganydjarrwu ŋalimurrŋgalaŋaw
- Gaŋgathinyamaranharaw wonŋaŋarrgunharaw,
- Ga djäga walŋaw,
- Ga ŋayaŋu-ŋapmaranhamirr ŋalimurr wurruku bukmak bala-räli'yunmirr.

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

EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the East Arnhem Regional Council will be held at the Nhulunbuy offices on Thursday 27 August 2026 at 9:00 am.

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

Divyan Ahimaz
Acting Chief Executive Officer

Birr Rawarrang Ward

- David WARRAYA
- Jason MIRRITJAWUY

Gumurr Gattjirr Ward

- Ganygulpa DHURRKAY
- Lapulung DHAMARRANDJI

Gumurr Marthakal Ward

- Cyril BUKULATJPI
- Evelynna DHAMARRANDJI
- Stephen DHAMARRANDJI

Gumurr Miwatj Ward

- Marrpalawuy MARIKA
- Priscilla YUNUPINGU
- Lirrpiya MUNUNGGURR

Gummurr Miyarrka Ward

- Bandi Bandi WUNUNGMURRA
- Bobby WUNUNGMURRA

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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

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.1 Attendance

RECOMMENDATION:**That Council:**

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

SUMMARY:

This report is to table, for the Councils record, any absences or apologies. Council need to make a decision on whether absences are granted permission. Any request for a leave of absence received can be considered.

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.2 Declarations of Interest

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the Conflict of Interest and Related Parties Register.

SUMMARY:

Elected members are required to disclose an interest in a matter under consideration by Council.

GENERAL:

Sections 114 and 115 of the Local Government Act.

REGISTER:

The Declaration of Interest is attached within this report.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Declaration of Interest Register 2026 [1.2.1 - 3 pages]



Declaration of Interest Register

Member Name	Families Names	Relationships	Entity Name	Connection to Entity/Current or Past 5 years
Evelyna Dhamarrandji				
	Geoffrey Dhamarrandji	Grandfather	Miwatj Health at Aboriginal Health (Training) Galiwinku community	Renal Supporter Traditional Owner
	Daisy Gondarra	Grandmother	Shepherdson College	Current CLO
	Stephen Dhamarrandji	Uncle	Councillor	
	Zelda Dhamrrendji	Sister	Police Station Galiwinku Galiwinku Women Space	Aboriginal Liaison Officer Board Director
Lapulung Dhamarrandji				
			Rulku Milingimbi Hostel	Current Committee Member
			Gattjirrk Yolngu Corporation	Current Director
			ALPA Milingimbi Store Committee	Current Member
			Manapan Furniture	Current Board Member
Jason Mirritjawuy				
			Ramingining RAES program	Current Supervisor
			Bimipilingmirrin Djagaging Mala (BDM)	Member
			ALPA (East Arnhemland Youth Model)	Support Worker
	Sarina Ranybum	Wife	RAES Program	Current Supervisor
			ALPA (East Arnhemland Youth Model)	Support Worker
			Activity for kids	
Marrpalawuy Marika				
			YBE NEAL	Member
			Mikan Aboriginal Corporation	Board Member
Bobby Wunungmurra				
			Top End Aboriginal Coastal Alliance (Santos)	Committee Member
			Northern Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency	Member
			Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation (Yirralka Rangers)	Employee
	Wesley Bandi Bandi Wunungmurra	Brother	Yolngu Business Enterprises	Current Director
			Housing Reference Group	Current Member
			Northern Land Council	Member



			Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation	Employee
David Warraya			Northern Land Council	Member
			Housing Reference Group	Current Member
			Local Decision-Making Group Ramingining	Current Member
Wesley Bandi Bandi Wunungmurra			Yolngu Business Enterprises	Director
			Housing Reference Group	Current Member
			Northern Land Council	Board Member
	Bobby Wunungmurra	Brother		
			Top End Aboriginal Coastal Alliance (Santos)	Committee Member
			Northern Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency	Employee
			Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation (Yirrala Rangers)	Employee
Stephen Dhamarrandji			NIAA	Community Liason Officer, Galiwinku
			Aboriginal Resource and Development Service (ARDS)	Board Member
			Galiwinku All Nations	Pastor
			ALPA	Board Member
	Zelda Dhamarrandji	Niece	Police Station Galiwinku	Aboriginal Liaison Officer
			Galiwinku Women Space	Board Director
	Evelyna Dhamarrandji	Niece		
	Geoffrey Dhamarrandji	Father	Galiwinku community	Traditional Owner
Priscilla Yunupingu			Gumatj Corporation	Proxy Member
Ganygulpa Dhurrkay			Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation	Director
			Manapan Furniture	Chairperson
			Rulku Lodge	Chairperson
Cyril Bukulatjpi			Yalu Aboriginal Corporation.	Director
			Housing Reference group – NT Housing	Member



Lirrpiya Munungurr			NEAL	Board Member and Director
			Yolthu Yolnu Foundation(YYF) / Dilak	Board Member and Director
			School Council	Board Member

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.3 Previous Council Minutes

RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorses the minutes of the following meetings:

- (a) Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 June 2026.**
- (b) Special Council Meeting held on 16 July 2026.**

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Meeting of Council Open Minutes 25 June 2026 [**1.3.1** - 8 pages]
- 2. Special Meeting of Council Open Minutes 16 July 2026 [**1.3.2** - 3 pages]



OPEN MINUTES for the Meeting of
Council
25 June 2026

COUNCIL MINUTES

25 JUNE 2026

1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

President opened the meeting with prayer at 09:28 am

Members in Attendance:

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji
Deputy President Stephen Dhamarrandji
Cr. Bandi Bandi Wunungmurra (via Teleconference)
Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra
Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi
Cr. Jason Mirritjawuy
Cr. Lirripiya Mununggurr

East Arnhem Regional Council Staff:

Dale Keehne (Chief Executive Officer)
Signe Balodis (Director – Council Services)
Divyan Ahimaz (Director – Community Services)
John Shresta (RM - Technical and Infrastructure Services)
Paul Hyde Kaduru (Governance and Compliance Manager)
Ashleigh Waldron (Governance Support Officer)

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.1 Attendance

SUMMARY:

This report is to table, for the Councils record, any absences or apologies. Council need to make a decision on whether absences are granted permission. Any request for a leave of absence received can be considered.

MOC 2025/285 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Lirripiya Mununggurr/Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi)

That Council:

- (a) **Notes the absence of Cr. Priscilla Yunupingu, Cr. Marrpalawuy Marika, Cr. Ganygulpa Dhurrkay, Cr. David Warraya and Cr. Evelyn Dhamarrandji.**
- (b) **Notes the apology received from Cr. Priscilla Yunupingu, Cr. Marrpalawuy Marika and Cr. Ganygulpa Dhurrkay.**
- (c) **Notes all are absent with permission of the Council.**

COUNCIL MINUTES

25 JUNE 2026

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.2 Declarations of Interest

SUMMARY:

Elected members are required to disclose an interest in a matter under consideration by Council.

MOC 2025/286 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Jason Mirritjawuy/Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji)

That Council notes the Conflict of Interest and Related Parties Register as amended.

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.3 Previous Council Minutes

MOC 2025/287 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji/Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra)

That Council endorses the minutes of the previous Meeting of Council held on 23 April 2026.

2 Looking Forward - Discussions and Decisions

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

LOOKING FORWARD - DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

2.1 Regional Plan 2026-2027

SUMMARY:

MOC 2025/288 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi/Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji)

That Council adopts the 2026-2027 Regional Plan and all contents contained therein in accordance with Section 35 (1) of the Local Government Act 2019 (the Act) and its statutory instruments, including:

(a) Elected Member Allowances for 2026-2027.

(b) Declared Rates for 2026-2027 in accordance with Section 237 and 238 of the Local Government Act 2019 (the Act), having been certified by the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with Regulation 29 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021.

(c) Budget for 2026-2027 in accordance with Section 203 of the Local Government Act 2019 (the Act).

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LOOKING FORWARD - DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

2.2 Animal Management Policy**SUMMARY:**

Council is required to review its policies on a regular basis. Attached is a revised version of Council's Animal Management policy for approval.

MOC 2025/297 RESOLVED (Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji/Cr. Bandi Bandi Wunungmurra)

That Council approves the updated Animal Management policy.

LOOKING FORWARD - DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

2.3 Report - WaRM Funding Extension**SUMMARY:**

This report seeks Council endorsement to allocate the 2025–26 Waste and Resource Management (WaRM) grant to landfill upgrades, CCTV improvements and waste infrastructure.

MOC 2025/298 RESOLVED (Cr. Jason Mirritjawuy/Cr. Bandi Bandi Wunungmurra)

That Council:

- (a) Endorse the allocation of the 2025–26 Waste and Resource Management (WaRM) funding to landfill upgrades, CCTV improvements and waste infrastructure, and**
- (b) Note that a portion of the funding will be rolled over into FY2027, subject to approval from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development, to enable completion of committed works and acquittal of the grant.**

LOOKING FORWARD - DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

2.4 Community Benefit Reserve Fund - Rolled Forward to Roads Reserve**SUMMARY:**

The permitted future use and application of the Community Benefit Reserve be updated as follows:

Unless otherwise specifically required and resolved by Council, the balance of gravel sales revenue is to be rolled forward each financial year within the Roads Reserves.

Additionally, the current balance of gravel sales revenue of \$29,960.29, together with any additional revenue received up to 30 June 2026, be transferred from the Community Benefit Reserve to the Roads Reserves.

MOC 2025/299 RESOLVED (Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra/Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji)

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That Council approves transferring all Gravel Sales Revenue (including \$29,960.29 as at 31 May 2026 together with any additional revenue received up to 30 June 2026 and future annual amounts) from the Community Benefit Reserve to the Roads Reserve.

LOOKING FORWARD - DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

2.5 Write Off - Lot 370 Galiwinku due to arson

SUMMARY:

The property at Lot 370, Galiwinku, was unlawfully entered and subsequently destroyed by fire. Emergency responders attended the scene, and Northern Territory Police declared it a crime scene. The incident is considered suspicious and has been classified as arson.

As a result of this incident, it is proposed that Council approve the write-off of the property. An insurance claim has also been lodged in relation to the loss.

MOC 2025/295 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi/Cr. Jason Mirritjawuy)

That Council approves the write-off for Lot 370, Galiwinku, on the grounds that the property has been destroyed as a result of arson.

3 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

3.1 Minutes of Committees

MOC 2025/300 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Lirrpiya Mununggurr/Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji)

That Council endorses the minutes of the following Committee meetings:

(a) Audit Committee Meeting held on 13 May 2026.

(b) Finance Committee Meeting held on 21 May 2026.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.2 Minutes of Local Authorities

MOC 2025/301 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi/Cr. Lirrpiya Mununggurr)

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That Council endorses the minutes of the following Local Authority meetings:

- (a) Ramingining Local Authority Minutes 19 May 2026.
- (b) Milingimbi Local Authority Minutes 20 May 2026.
- (c) Galiwinku Local Authority Minutes 25 May 2026.
- (d) Gunyangara Local Authority Minutes 28 May 2026.
- (e) Yirrkala Local Authority Minutes 27 May 2026.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.3 Local Authority Action Registers

Discussion on the action register has been deferred to the next meeting due to time constraints.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.4 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.

MOC 2025/296 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi/Cr. Lirrpiya Mununggurr)

That Council:

(a) Notes the CEO Report.

(b) Endorses a delegation of the Council President, Deputy President, Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra, Cr. Lirrpiya Mununggurr and Chief Executive Officer to join representatives nominated by the Northern Land Council, to meet with the Northern Territory Chief Minister, to discuss the joint EARC/NLC proposed re-regulation of the sale of kava in at least one community of East Arnhem Land, with a view of expansion of the regulated sale of kava across the region.

(c) Seeks a meeting of a delegation of the Council President, Deputy President and Chief Executive Officer with the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Community Development, regarding the need to honour the formal long standing commitment to provide necessary funding to ensure no reduction in the level of service delivery and ongoing financial sustainability following the de-amalgamation of the East Arnhem Regional Council, and representation on this critical issue in the media.

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NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.5 Council Services Report

SUMMARY:

This report is to provide information on the progress, successes, challenges, and future opportunities of the Council Services Directorate.

MOC 2025/302 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra/Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi)

That Council notes the Council Services Report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.6 Community Services Report

SUMMARY:

This report provides information on the progress, successes, challenges, and future opportunities of the Council's Community Services Directorate.

MOC 2025/303 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra/Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji)

That Council notes the Community Services Report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.7 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 and 26-27 Annual Plan.

MOC 2025/304 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra/Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji)

That Council notes the Technical and Infrastructure Report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.8 Human Resources and Finance Report

SUMMARY:

This report is tabled to the Council to provide the Finance and Human Resources Report for the period ended 31 May 2026 for its approval.

MOC 2025/307 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra/Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji)

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That Council approves the Finance and Human Resources Report for the period ended 31 May 2026.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.9 Correspondence Register

SUMMARY:

This report details the incoming and outgoing correspondence that Council has received and sent.

MOC 2025/305 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi/Cr. Jason Mirritjawuy)

That Council notes the Correspondence Register and updates.

4 Confidential Reports

RECOMMENDATION: Cr. Cyril Bukulatjpi/Cr. Stephen Dhamarrandji

Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 99 of the Local Government Act, 2019 as the items lists come within the following provisions.

That the decisions of Closed Session be noted as follows:- As noted in the Confidential Minutes.

5 Date of Next Meeting

27 August 2026.

6 Meeting Close

The meeting concluded at 01:00 pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 25 June 2026 and are to be confirmed.



OPEN MINUTES for the Special
Meeting of Council
16 July 2026

COUNCIL MINUTES

16 JULY 2026

1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

The Chair opened the meeting with a prayer at 10:15 am.

Members in Attendance:

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji
Deputy President Stephen Dhamarrandji
Cr. Evelyn Dhamarrandji
Cr. Ganygulpa Dhurrkay
Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra
Cr. David Warraya
Cr. Marrpalawuy Marika
Cr. Lirrpiya Mununggurr

East Arnhem Regional Council Staff:

Dale Keehne (Chief Executive Officer)
Signe Balodis (Director – Council Services)
Divyan Ahimaz (Director – Community Services)
Hoang Tran (ICT Manager)
Bruce Hall (Regional Manager – Technical Services)
Ashleigh Waldron (Governance Support Officer)
Vivek Gummalla (Strategic Coordinator – Council Services)

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT**1.2 Attendance****SUMMARY:**

This report is to table, for the Councils record, any absences or apologies. Council need to make a decision on whether absences are granted permission. Any request for a leave of absence received can be considered.

MOC 2025/309 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra/Cr. Evelyn Dhamarrandji)

That Council:

- (a) Notes the absence of Jason Mirritjawuy, Cyril Bukulatjpi, Bandi Bandi Wunungmurra, Priscilla Yunupingu
- (b) Notes the apology received from Jason Mirritjawuy, Priscilla Yunupingu, Bandi Bandi Wunungmurra
- (c) Notes Jason Mirritjawuy, Priscilla Yunupingu, Bandi Bandi Wunungmurra, Cyril Bukulatjpi are absent with permission of the Council.

COUNCIL MINUTES

16 JULY 2026

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.3 Declarations of Interest

SUMMARY:

Elected members are required to disclose an interest in a matter under consideration by Council.

MOC 2025/313 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Lirripiya Mununggurr/Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji)

That Council notes the Conflict of Interest and Related Parties Register.

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

3 Confidential Reports

Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 99 of the Local Government Act, 2019 as the items lists come within the following provisions.

That the decisions of Closed Session be noted as follows:- As noted in the Confidential Minutes.

4 Meeting Close

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 16 July 2026 and are to be confirmed.

2 Looking Forward - Discussions and Decisions

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

LOOKING FORWARD - DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

2.1 Inclusion of Ward Names in Local Authority Titles

AUTHOR Paul Hyde Kaduru (Governance and Compliance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorses consultation with Local Authorities on the proposed inclusion of Ward Names in Local Authority names and requests a further report on the outcomes of the consultation prior to seeking Ministerial approval for any name changes.

SUMMARY:

To seek Council's endorsement to commence consultation with Local Authorities regarding a proposed naming convention that incorporates both the community name and the ward name.

REPORT STORY:

Council's Local Authorities are currently named using the community name only. It has been suggested that Local Authority names be amended to include both the community name and the relevant ward name to better reflect Council's governance structure and local identity.

Including both the community's name and ward name would:

- Better align Local Authority names with Council's ward structure.
- Strengthen recognition of ward identity and representation.
- Maintain community recognition while acknowledging the broader ward area.

For example:

Current Name: Ramingining Local Authority

Proposed Name: Ramingining - Birr Rawarrang Local Authority

Consultation

Should Council support this proposal, consultation will be undertaken with all Local Authorities during the next round of Local Authority meetings to seek their feedback on the proposed naming convention.

A further report will then be presented to Council summarising the consultation outcomes and seeking final Council endorsement of any proposed name changes.

Following Council's final approval, an application will be submitted to the Minister for Local Government for approval, as required under the Local Government Act.

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

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

LOOKING FORWARD - DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

2.2 Domestic and Family Violence Community Advocacy Update

AUTHOR Paul Hyde Kaduru (Governance and Compliance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes the media coverage and community advocacy undertaken by Council representatives.

SUMMARY:

To update Council on community advocacy and public engagement activities relating to domestic and family violence across the East Arnhem Region.

BACKGROUND:

Following the tragic death of a young woman in Galiwin'ku in July 2026, Council leaders publicly reiterated the importance of addressing domestic and family violence within our communities. Councillors and Local Authority members have encouraged residents to speak out against violence and support respectful relationships.

REPORT STORY:

Through Local Authority meetings and public statements, Council leaders have advocated for stronger community responses to domestic and family violence and greater awareness of its impacts on individuals, families and communities.

Council supports the position of Local Authorities and community leaders to tackle domestic violence, predominantly against women, and violence against and neglect of children. Council acknowledges that such behaviour is inconsistent with the values, culture and aspirations of East Arnhem communities and supports ongoing efforts to promote safe, respectful and healthy relationships across the region.

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 range of articles in print and online. These publications have helped raise awareness of the issue across the region and highlighted Council's advocacy and leadership in support of safer communities. Examples of media coverage are attached to this report, with full print copies to be distributed to Members for 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 National- Indigenous- Times 09072026 [**2.2.2** - 3 pages]
3. Media Release - Break the Silence to End the Violence [**2.2.3** - 1 page]
4. ABC - East Arnhem council calls for action - 26.07.2026 (1) [**2.2.4** - 5 pages]



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Media Release

9 July 2026

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 bāyŋu (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."

Councillor Ganygulpa Dhurrkay





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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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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.

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



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)

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Yarning Safe'N'Strong (1800 959 563)

Beyond Blue (1300 22 46 36)

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



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Media Release

23 July 2026

Break the Silence to End the Violence

The East Arnhem Regional Council Local Authorities for Milingimbi and Ramingining met formally this week. Local Authority Members considered and discussed the major issue of domestic violence.

This was raised by Council President Lapulung Dhamarrandji, Deputy President Stephen Dhamarrandji, Councillor Marrpalawuy Marika and Councillor Ganygulpa Dhurrkay on the 9 July 2026.

The Local Authority Members were strongly united in formally supporting:

“...the call by Council to tackle domestic violence, predominantly against women - as well as violence against and neglect of children, which is not our culture, by:

Family, community members and all people calling out and reporting domestic violence and violence against and neglect of children when they see it.

Working in close collaboration with and support of the NT Police and the Lia Finocchiaro led Northern Territory Government.

Engaging with and supporting other Aboriginal controlled organisations, particularly the Yalu Aboriginal Corporation in building a properly coordinated, resourced and effective strategy to support community members to recognise, challenge and prevent further abuse.”

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

Councillor Ganygulpa Dhurrkay

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East Arnhem council calls for action in wake of alleged DV murder of 17yo girl in Galiwin'ku



By Tilda Colling

Domestic Violence

Posted

Sun 26 Jul 2026 at 8:21am



The 17-year-old girl from Galiwin'ku was in her last year of school when she was allegedly murdered. (ABC News)

In short:

A 17-year-old killed in an alleged domestic violence murder in Galiwin'ku earlier this month has been remembered as a "sweet, gentle" girl who was in her final year of school.

East Arnhem Regional Council members say the community, especially the school she attended, is in mourning.

What's next?

The council has united representatives of multiple remote communities to urge residents to call out domestic violence when

they see it.

Galiwin'ku residents say a teenage girl who was killed in an alleged domestic violence murder in the remote Northern Territory community earlier this month was a "sweet", "gentle" person who was "more than a statistic".

The 17-year-old girl, who cannot be named for cultural reasons, was found dead in a home on Elcho Island, 500 kilometres east of Darwin, on July 6, from what police allege were blunt force injuries.

Jordan Garrawurra, 34, has since been charged with her murder, with police alleging they were in a "domestic relationship" at the time of her death.

The East Arnhem Regional Council has since united local authority members across the region to urge family and community members to call out domestic violence.

'Sweet' girl remembered



Ganygulpa Dhurrkay, a family member of the girl who died, says her loss has left her devastated. *(Supplied: East Arnhem Regional Council)*

East Arnhem Regional Council member Ganygulpa Dhurrkay said the girl was "more than a statistic, more than a number", she was a family member.

"I thought these were just things that happen in movies but it's not," she said.

"She was only a girl and that hurts so much.

"When I was shown a photo of her, I remembered her, I know her.

"She was beautiful, her smile; when I saw the photo that was shown to me, I just couldn't hold back, I screamed 'no, not her'.

"I used to visit her grandmother's bigger sister, we are cousins, [and] she used to be hanging around that place — I was so devastated.

"She was sweet, gentle."



The community of Galiwin'ku is in mourning for the girl. (ABC News: Michael Franchi)

Council Deputy President Stephen Dhamarrandji has been in Galiwin'ku since the girl's death and said the community, especially the school, had been in mourning.

"The school [had] the smoking ceremony because this was her last year to finish year 12," he said.

"The family at the moment are having the silent grieving, but they are showing the love that overflows from their heart."

'No more, not on my watch'

Council President Lapulung Dhamarrandji is one of three councillors who are urging local authority members from across the region to help stamp out domestic violence in the wake of the tragedy.

"We need to bring that awareness that it will never happen again in the lives of our own people," he said.

"We need to preserve our young people, our next generation, heart to heart, soul to soul, by taking care and respecting each other."

At the recent meetings with local authorities, the councillors called on residents to speak up against domestic violence when they saw it.



Lapulung Dhamarrandji says communities in the region need to take care of their young people. (Supplied: East Arnhem Regional Council)

Ms Dhurrkay said locals could no longer afford to keep waiting for someone else to solve the problem.

"I was so hurt and angry, but also feeling this is no time to just be sad and cry and say that nothing would happen, no," she said.

"To say no more, not on my watch.

"We can rise up to this giant.

"It's time to do action, it's time to say no more will I put it under the carpet."

Family and domestic violence support services:

3 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

3.1 Minutes of Committees

RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorses the minutes of the previous Finance Committee meeting held on 23 July 2026.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Meeting of Finance Committee Minutes 23 July 2026 [3.1.1 - 3 pages]



**OPEN MINUTES for the Finance
Committee
23 July 2026**

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

23 JULY 2026

1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

The Chair opened the meeting at 10:00 am.

Members in attendance:

Bobby Wunungmurra
David Warraya
Evelyna Dhamarrandji

East Arnhem Regional Council Staff:

Dale Keehne (Chief Executive Officer)
Signe Balodis (Director – Council Services)
Ashleigh Waldron (Governance Support Officer)
Innoc Ndhlovu (HR/IR Manager)
Ralph Reddy (Finance Manager)

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.2 Attendance

SUMMARY:

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

FC 2025/44 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra/Cr. Evelyna Dhamarrandji)

That the Committee notes the absence of President Lapulung Dhamarrandji and Cr. Marrpalawuy Marika.

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.3 Declarations of Interest

SUMMARY:

Committee members are required to disclose and interest in a matter under consideration by Council at a meeting of the Council.

FC 2025/45 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Evelyna Dhamarrandji/Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra)

That the Committee notes the Conflict of Interest and Related Parties Register.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

23 JULY 2026

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.4 Previous Finance Committee Minutes

FC 2025/43 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Bobby Wunungmurra/Cr. Evelyn Dhamarrandji)

That the Committee approves the minutes of the previous meetings held on 21 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 Human Resources and Finance Report

SUMMARY:

This report is tabled to the Council to provide the Finance and Human Resources Report for the period ended 30 June 2026 for its approval.

FC 2025/46 **RESOLVED** (Cr. David Warraya/Cr. Evelyn Dhamarrandji)

That Council approves the Finance and Human Resources Report for the period ended 30 June 2026.

3 Date of Next Meeting

24 September 2026.

4 Meeting Close

The meeting concluded at 10:51AM.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Meeting of Finance Committee held on 23 July 2026 and are to be confirmed.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.2 Minutes of Local Authorities**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council endorses the minutes of the following meetings:

- (a) Ramingining Local Authority meeting held on 21 July 2026.**
- (b) Milingimbi Local Authority meeting held on 22 July 2026.**
- (c) Galiwinku Local Authority meeting held on 27 July 2026.**
- (d) Yirrkala Local Authority meeting held on 27 July 2026.**

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Ramingining Local Authority Minutes 21 July 2026 [**3.2.1** - 6 pages]
- 2. Milingimbi Local Authority Minutes 22 July 2026 [**3.2.2** - 5 pages]
- 3. Galiwinku Local Authority Minutes 27 July 2026 [**3.2.3** - 5 pages]
- 4. Yirrkala Local Authority Minutes 29 July 2026 [**3.2.4** - 5 pages]



OPEN MINUTES for the Ramingining
Local Authority
21 July 2026

RAMINGINING LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

21 JULY 2026

1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

Chair opened the meeting at 11:30 am.

Members in Attendance:

Cr. Jason Mirritjawuy
Cr. David Warraya
Daphne Malibirr
Fabian Garawirrtja
Gilbert Walkuli
Lizzy Mindhili
Robert Yawarngu

East Arnhem Regional Council Staff:

Dale Keehne (Chief Executive Officer)
Signe Balodis (Director – Council Services)
Sonia Campbell (General Manager - Technical and Infrastructure Services) – Attended Online
Vivek Gummalla (Strategic Coordinator) – Attended via Teams
Jamie Clarke (Communications Advisor) – Attended via Teams
Vicki Wassens (Council Services Manager)
Ashleigh Waldron (Governance Support Officer) – Attended via Teams
Arvin Roping (Regional Manager) – Attended via Teams

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.

RAM 2025/82 **RESOLVED** (Fabian Garawirrtja/John Djoma)**That the Local Authority:**

- (a) **Notes the absence of Shirley Balanydiu, Norman Daymirringu, Leigh Malibirr.**
- (b) **Notes the apology received from Norman Daymirringu.**
- (c) **Notes Norman Daymirringu and Leigh Malibirr are absent with permission of the Local Authority.**
- (d) **Determines Shirley Balanydiu are absent without permission of the Local Authority under Section 47(1) (0) of the Act.**

RAMINGINING LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

21 JULY 2026

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.4 Conflict of Interest

SUMMARY:

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

RAM 2025/83 **RESOLVED** (John Djoma/Gilbert Walkuli)

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

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.5 Previous Local Authority Minutes

RAM 2025/84 **RESOLVED** (Robert Yawarngu/Daphne Malibirr)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 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

SUMMARY:

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

RAM 2025/87 **RESOLVED** (Fabian Garawirrtja/Lizzy Mindhili)

That the Local Authority notes the supply and installation of 2 Solar lights and refurbishment of the Cemetery entry sign (Poles and Entry sign to be painted white).

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.

RAM 2025/85 RESOLVED (Robert Yawarngu/Lizzy Mindhili)

RAMINGINING LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

21 JULY 2026

That the Local Authority:

(a) Notes the CEO Report.

(b) Supports the call by Council to tackle domestic violence, predominantly against women, and violence against and neglect of children by:

1. Family, community members and all people calling out and reporting domestic violence and violence against and neglect of children when they see it.
2. Working in close collaboration with and support of the NT Police and the Lia Finocchiario led Northern Territory Government.
3. Engaging with and supporting other Aboriginal controlled organisations, particularly the Yalu Aboriginal Corporation in building a properly coordinated, resourced and effective strategy to support community members to recognise, challenge and prevent further abuse.
4. The Council Services Manager to support Local Councillors and Authority Members to promote No More Violence to Women and Children at local sporting and other events.
5. Supports local Police officers to hold more sessions with children, boys and girls at the school to raise awareness about the problem of domestic violence.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.3 Council Services Report

SUMMARY:

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

RAM 2025/86 **RESOLVED** (Gilbert Walkuli/Robert Yawarngu)

That the Local Authority:

(a) Notes the Council Services Report.

(b) The Council Services Manager contact the ASRAC Rangers to seek support for the removal of 3 dangerous bulls from Tank Camp.

RAMINGINING LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

21 JULY 2026

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.4 Technical and Infrastructure Services Report

SUMMARY:

This report is submitted for the Local Authority's consideration and provides program updates from the Technical and Infrastructure Directorate. The updates pertain to capital projects and initiatives aligned with the 2026-2027 Annual Plan.

RAM 2025/88 **RESOLVED** (Fabian Garawirrtja/Gilbert Walkuli)

That Local Authority notes the Technical and Infrastructure Report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.5 Human Resources and Finance Report

SUMMARY:

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

RAM 2025/89 **RESOLVED** (Fabian Garawirrtja/Lizzy Mindhili)

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

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.6 Local Authority Ramingining - Logo & Signage

SUMMARY:

A logo lockup for the Local Authority (Ramingining) has been developed using the Red Kangaroo artwork. A signage design has also been developed. These are aligned with the East Arnhem Regional Council brand guidelines and are provided for review and approval.

RAM 2025/90 **RESOLVED** (Gilbert Walkuli/Robert Yawarngu)

That the Local Authority:

a) Approves the Local Authority Logo and Signage design.

b) The original painting of the logo to be framed and displayed in the Ramingining Council Office meeting room and a copy to be displayed in the Nhulunbuy Regional Support office.

RAMINGINING LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

21 JULY 2026

3 General Business**GENERAL BUSINESS**

3.1 Discussion with the Local Police Department

RECOMMENDATION

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

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS

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

RAM 2025/91 **RESOLVED (Robert Yawarngu/Lizzy Mindhill)**

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

4 Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 4:20 pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Ordinary Meeting held on 21 July 2026.



OPEN MINUTES for the Milingimbi
Local Authority
22 July 2026

MILINGIMBI LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

22 JULY 2026

1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

Chair opened the meeting at 11:52AM and welcomed all members and guests.

Members in Attendance:

President Lapulung Dhamarrandji
Cr. Ganygulpa Dhurrkay
Jacinta Burukumalawuy
Karina Wunungmurra
Joe Djakala
Arthur Murrupu
Joanne Baker

East Arnhem Regional Council Staff:

Dale Keehne (Chief Executive Officer)
Signe Balodis (Director – Council Services)
Vivek Gummalla (Strategic Coordinator)
Jamie Clarke (Communications Advisor)
Ullas Raman (Council Services Manager)
Ashleigh Waldron (Governance Support Officer) – Attended via Teams
Arvin Roping (Regional Manager) – Attended via Teams

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.

MIL 2025/73 **RESOLVED** (Arthur Murrupu/Joe Djakala)

That the Local Authority:

- (a) **Notes the absence of Robert Yirapawanga and Rosetta Wayatja**
- (b) **No apologies provided**
- (c) **Notes Robert Yirapawanga is absent with permission of the Local Authority.**
- (d) **Determines Rosetta Wayatja is absent without permission of the Local Authority under Section 47(1) (0) of the Act.**

MILINGIMBI LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

22 JULY 2026

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.4 Conflict of Interest

SUMMARY:

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

MIL 2025/74 **RESOLVED** (Arthur Murrupu/Cr. Ganygulpa Dhurrkay)

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

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.5 Previous Local Authority Minutes

MIL 2025/75 **RESOLVED** (Thomas Gaykamangu/Arthur Murrupu)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes of the previous meeting held on 20 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

SUMMARY:

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

MIL 2025/78 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Ganygulpa Dhurrkay/Arthur Murrupu)

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.

MILINGIMBI LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

22 JULY 2026

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.

MIL 2025/77 **RESOLVED** (Arthur Murrupu/Joe Djakala)

That the Local Authority:

(a) Notes the CEO Report.

(b) Supports the call by Council to tackle domestic violence, predominantly against women, and violence against and neglect of children by:

- 1. Family, community members and all people calling out and reporting domestic violence and violence against and neglect of children when they see it.**
- 2. Working in close collaboration with and support of the NT Police and the Lia Finocchiaro led Northern Territory Government.**
- 3. Engaging with and supporting other Aboriginal controlled organisations, particularly the Yalu Aboriginal Corporation in building a properly coordinated, resourced and effective strategy to support community members to recognise, challenge and prevent further abuse.**
- 4. The Council Services Manager to support Local Councillors and Authority Members to promote No More Violence to Women and Children at local sporting and other events.**
- 5. Supports local Police officers to hold more sessions with children, boys and girls at the school to raise awareness about the problem of domestic violence.**

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.3 Council Services Report

SUMMARY:

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

MIL 2025/80 **RESOLVED** (Arthur Murrupu/Joanne Baker)

That the Local Authority notes the Council Services Managers report.

MILINGIMBI LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

22 JULY 2026

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.4 Technical and Infrastructure Services Report

SUMMARY:

This report is submitted for the Local Authority's consideration and provides program updates from the Technical and Infrastructure Directorate. The updates pertain to capital projects and initiatives aligned with the 2026-2027 Annual Plan.

MIL 2025/79 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Ganygulpa Dhurrkay/Jacinta Burukumalawuy)

That Local Authority 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 June 2026 within the Local Authority area.

MIL 2025/81 **RESOLVED** (Joe Djakala/Arthur Murrupu)

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

3 General Business and Date of Next Meeting**GENERAL BUSINESS**

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

MIL 2025/76 **RESOLVED** (Arthur Murrupu/Thomas Gaykamangu)

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

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

23 September 2026.

4 Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 3:54pm.

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

GALIWIN'KU LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

27 JULY 2026

1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

Chair opened the meeting at 11:30AM and welcomed all members and guests.

Members in Attendance:

Deputy President Stephen Dhamarrandji
Bobby Nyikamula
Nancy Gudaltji
Terry Walunba
Virginia Rripa

East Arnhem Regional Council Staff:

Signe Balodis (Director – Council Services)
Vivek Gummalla (Strategic Coordinator)
Adam Johnson (Council Services)
Ashleigh Waldron (Governance Support Officer) – Attended via Teams
Arvin Roping (Regional Manager) – Attended via Teams

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 2025/78 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji/Terry Walunba)

That the Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the absence of Evelyn Dhamarrandji, Cyril Bukulatji and Glenys Dalliston.
- (b) Notes the apology received from Evelyn Dhamarrandji and Glenys Dalliston.
- (c) Notes Evelyn Dhamarrandji, Cyril Bukulatji and Glenys Dalliston 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 2025/79 **RESOLVED** (Nancy Gudaltji/Virginia Rripa)

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

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MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.5 Previous Local Authority Minutes

GAL 2025/80 **RESOLVED** (Nancy Gudaltji/Virginia Ripa)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes of the previous 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

SUMMARY:

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

GAL 2025/82 **RESOLVED** (Nancy Gudaltji/Virginia Ripa)

That the Local Authority Notes the Action Items.

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 2025/88 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji/Terry Walunba)

That the Local Authority:

(a) Notes the CEO Report.

(b) Supports the call by Council to tackle domestic violence, predominantly against women, and violence against and neglect of children, which is not our culture, by:

- 1. Family, community members and all people calling out and reporting domestic violence and violence against and neglect of children when they see it.**
- 2. Working in close collaboration with and support of the NT Police and the Lia Finocchiario led Northern Territory Government.**
- 3. Engaging with and supporting other Aboriginal controlled organisations, particularly the Yalu Aboriginal Corporation in building a properly coordinated,**

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resourced and effective strategy to support community members to recognise, challenge and prevent further abuse.

4. Supporting local Police officers to hold more sessions with children, boys and girls at the school and public events to raise awareness about the problem of domestic violence and violence against and neglect of children.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.3 Council Services Report

SUMMARY:

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

GAL 2025/81 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji/Terry Walunba)

That the Local Authority notes the Council Services Manager report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.4 Technical and Infrastructure Services Report

SUMMARY:

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

GAL 2025/83 **RESOLVED** (Terry Walunba/Virginia Ripa)

That Council:

(a) Notes the Technical and Infrastructure Services Report.

(b) Endorse their preference for potential other locations for the Ceremony Area, map 3 on page 51 of the Agenda.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.5 Human Resources and Finance Report

SUMMARY:

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

GAL 2025/86 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji/Bobby Nyikamula)

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

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2.6 Council Office - Hazardous Tree

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.

GAL 2025/89 **RESOLVED** (Virginia Ripa/Nancy Gudaltji)

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

3 General Business and Date of Next Meeting**GENERAL BUSINESS**

3.1 Discussion with the Local Police

GAL 2025/85 **RESOLVED** (Nancy Gudaltji/Virginia Ripa)

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

GENERAL BUSINESS

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

GAL 2025/84 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Stephen Malwarriwuy Dhamarrandji/Terry Walunba)

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

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

28 September 2026.

4 Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 2:51pm

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OPEN MINUTES for the Yirrkalā Local Authority
29 July 2026

YIRRKALA LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

29 JULY 2026

1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

Chair opened the meeting at 11:30 AM and welcomed all members and guests.

Members in Attendance:

James Dhurrkay
Adrian Gurruwiwi
Diplinga Marika
Fabian Marika
Graham Mungurrabin Maymuru
Lirrpiya Mununggurr

East Arnhem Regional Council Staff:

Signe Balodis (Director – Council Services)
Vivek Gummalla (Strategic Coordinator – Council Services)
Labhjeet Bhullar (Administration Manager)

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.

YIR 2025/75 **RESOLVED** (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/Graham Mungurrabin Maymuru)

That the Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the absence of Djapirri Mununggirritj , Cr Priscilla Yunupingu and Cr Marrpalawuy Marika
- (b) Notes the apology received from Djapirri Mununggirritj , Cr Priscilla Yunupingu and Cr Marrpalawuy Marika
- (c) Notes Djapirri Mununggirritj , Cr Priscilla Yunupingu and Cr Marrpalawuy Marika 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.

YIR 2025/76 **RESOLVED** (Fabian Marika/Adrian Gurruwiwi)

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

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MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.5 Previous Local Authority Minutes

YIR 2025/77 **RESOLVED** (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/Adrian Gurruwiwi)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes of the previous meeting held on 27 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

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/82 **RESOLVED** (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/Fabian Marika)

That the Local Authority notes the progress of actions from the previous meetings, new actions and requests 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.

YIR 2025/78 **RESOLVED** (Dipilinga Marika/Fabian Marika)

That the Local Authority:

(a) Notes the CEO Report.

(b) Supports the call by Council to tackle domestic violence, predominantly against women, and violence against and neglect of children, which is not our culture, by:

- 1. Family, community members and all people calling out and reporting domestic violence and violence against and neglect of children when they see it.**

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2. Working in close collaboration with and support of the NT Police and the Lia Finocchiaro led Northern Territory Government.
3. Engaging with and supporting other Aboriginal controlled organisations, particularly the Yalu Aboriginal Corporation in building a properly coordinated, resourced and effective strategy to support community members to recognise, challenge and prevent further abuse.
4. Supporting local Police officers to hold more sessions with children, boys and girls at the school and public events to raise awareness about the problem of domestic violence and violence against and neglect of children.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.3 Council Services Report

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/79 **RESOLVED** (Adrian Gurruwiwi/Lirrpiya Mununggurr)

That the Local Authority:

- a) Notes the Council Services Manager report.
- b) Supports the holding of a community ceremony to mark the official reopening of the refurbished Yirrkala War Memorial, recognising the significance of the memorial to veterans, their families and the wider community.
- c) It is further recommended that Council Services Manager work with Local Authority members to determine an appropriate date, program and protocol for ceremony.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.4 Technical and Infrastructure Services Report

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/81 **RESOLVED** (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/Graham Mungurrapin Maymuru)

That Local Authority notes the Technical and Infrastructure Services Report.

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NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.5 Human Resources and Finance Report

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/84 **RESOLVED** (James Dhurrkay/Lirrpiya Mununggurr)

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

3 General Business and Date of Next Meeting**GENERAL BUSINESS**

3.1 Discussion with Local Police

YIR 2025/80 **RESOLVED** (Graham Mungurrapin Maymuru/Dipilinga Marika)

That the Local Authority:

a) Notes the updates from the Local Police Department.

b) Invite teachers from Yirrkala Bilingual School and parents on 30 September 2026 Local Authority meeting to discuss how to improve school attendance.

GENERAL BUSINESS

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

YIR 2025/83 **RESOLVED** (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/James Dhurrkay)

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

The next meeting is to be held on 30 September 2026.

4 Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 2:32 pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Ordinary Meeting held on 29/07/2026.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.3 Local Authority Action Registers**RECOMMENDATION****That Council:**

- (a) Endorses the actions included in the Local Authority Actions List as recommended by each Local Authority, or as amended.**
- (b) Approves the removal of completed actions and as recommended by each Local Authority.**

SUMMARY:

This report provides a summary list of actions arising from Local Authority meetings in each of the East Arnhem Regional Council communities.

BACKGROUND:

In line with item 13 of Guideline 1 of the Local Government Act, Council must consider the minutes of Local Authority meetings at each Council Meeting to address and minute Council's response to any matters raised by the relevant Local Authority.

All matters arising with actions from the Local Authority meetings are consolidated in the attached Action Register for the Council's consideration.

REPORT STORY:

A current list of action items from Local Authority meetings held since Council last met is attached.

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

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Local Authority Ramingining 2026 [**3.3.1** - 9 pages]
2. Local Authority Milingimbi 2026 [**3.3.2** - 7 pages]
3. Local Authority Galiwinku 2026 [**3.3.3** - 13 pages]
4. Local Authority Gapuwiyak 2026 [**3.3.4** - 6 pages]
5. Local Authority Yirrkala 2026 [**3.3.5** - 7 pages]
6. Local Authority Gunyangara 2026 [**3.3.6** - 5 pages]

RAMINGINING ACTIONS

ON 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.	25.01.21 – The Local Authorities resolution has been shared with the Department of Chief Minister. 12.05.2021 – Email was received, stating that there is no action regarding the Kava Pilot – Ongoing 19.05.2021 – Updated has been provided to the Local Authority Members, with further updates to come. 15.11.2021 – A separate report was presented by the CEO in the meeting. 17.01.2022 – The CEO will provide further updates in the next meeting. The LA will continue to discuss Kava with the community. 02.06.2022 - 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 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. 21.11.2022 – As above. 16.1.2022 – CEO to provide update next round. 20.03.2023 – This is progressing with letters written to the Chief Minister – further updates to be provided. 26.05.23 – Ongoing 26.10.23 – CEO providing an update in his report. 20.11.23 – Issue has been raised with CEO of Chief Minister and Cabinet at a meeting with Council. Unfortunately, new connections need to be made in the Chief Minister Office as he was removed from office. They are looking how to connect with Communities and find a way forward. 14.12.23 – As above – ongoing. 22.01.24 – Continue to meet with NIAA to progress discussions. 21.02.24 – Discussion took place among the PFES and NTG regarding issues relating to Kava and Alcohol in the communities. PFES requested continuous support from communities to provide information so that these can be addressed.

RAMINGINING ACTIONS

ON ITEM	ACTION OWNER	ACTIONS	STATUS
			25.03.2024- Ongoing. 24.04.2024 – CEO to write to NTG requesting update. 20.05.24 – NIAA & NTG to be invited to June Council meeting to provide update. 25.06.24 – Response from Linda Burney received 23 May 2024 to CEO correspondence of September 2023 advising further discussion with Gerrit Wanganeen from NIAA. NIAA & NTG attending June 2024 Council meeting. 15.07.24 – No further action from NTG. 18.11.2024 – Ongoing 20.01.2025 – Written to Jacinta Price – regarding the above as one of the 8 items raised with her office. Looking to meet with her in the near future. 19.02.25 – Council is going to seek the support of Local Member Yingiya Guyula MLA for Milka to raise this issue. 17.03.25 – Mr Guyula spoke to the members via TEAMS at the meeting and discussed the issue of kava. Further update in the CEO Report. 23.04.25 - No further action included in Advocacy Points and will be raised with new Government. 26.05.25 - Ongoing – Superintendent Jody Nobbs has had some traction with NTG with a support-based consultation with community to occur in next financial year. 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. 23.10.25 - Police in Nhulunbuy informed that they received a letter from the Minister stating that the NT Government is willing to conduct community consultations. 19.05.25 - 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.

RAMINGINING ACTIONS

ON ITEM	ACTION OWNER	ACTIONS	STATUS
New Cemetery.		General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services to investigate the establishment of a new cemetery within the tank camp area.	25.06.24 - emails sent, waiting on confirmation from Council Services Manager. Location to be confirmed with Traditional Owner. 17.07.24 – Ongoing – waiting on confirmation with Traditional Owners, Council Services Manager will provide update at next meeting. 12.11.2024- CSM has met with Daphne Malibirr and a location in Tank area was proposed. A map with the proposed site will be available during the Local Authority meeting. 18.11.2024 – Members have reviewed the map and proposed location of cemetery and are happy with the location. 11.12.2024 – Moving forward. Approved and going back to Project Manager. 20.01.25 – Application has been sent to NLC regarding the lease on Lot 292. Trying to get the permit through and then it can proceed. Additional lighting and solar etc., 17.03.25 – Waiting on approval from NLC for the lease to proceed. 23.04.25 – Ongoing email received and NLC have expressed it could take up to 12 months. A letter to be written from President and CEO to the NLC Chair and CEO raising concerns with the delays in section 19 approvals for this and a range of other projects, and request to attend the next Northern Land Council East Arnhem meeting in June. 26.05.25 – Ongoing engagement with NLC to expedite the section 19 lease process. 25.06.25 – Waiting on NLC – no further updates. 23.10.25 - Pending NLC Section 19 lease approval. 22.11.25 – as above. 22.01.26 - Still working through land use and lease establishment. Most recent communications from NLC regarding the lease, verbatim email extract from NLC below: <i>‘Lot 292, Ramingining was consulted on and Traditional Owners have consented to the proposal. An Agenda paper will now be put forward to the next Executive Council (which will be in 2026) and provided that they give their approval NLC will then provide a Licence Agreement for EARC to sign’.</i> 19.05.26- Waiting on correspondence from NLC.

RAMINGINING ACTIONS

ON ITEM	ACTION OWNER	ACTIONS	STATUS
Additional Lighting and power (solar) at the current cemetery		Director Council Services to investigate with Council Services Manager.	18.11.2024 – To provide update at next LA meeting. Update to be provided in Tech Services report. – documents have been completed for lighting, waiting on power and water. Tender docs have been prepared and will go out soon, once approval has been granted from P&W. 11.12.2025 – Unable to get in on the road due to early wet, it will now be after the wet until road is accessible again. 20.01.24 - Works to commence early April due to the wet season. 19.02.25 – Heavy machinery to fit the lighting, waiting on the wet. 17.03.25 – Ongoing as above waiting for road to become accessible. 23.04.25 – Ongoing waiting on the wet to finish for access. 26.05.25 – Currently awaiting the road to re-open. 25.06.25 – Waiting on road to be opened. 23.10.25 - The Contract has been awarded to KMJ Electrical but due to the KMJ business being sold the project has now been handed over to the new owners. This has caused delays in the actioning of works. New mobilisation date tentatively scheduled for mobilisation early November 2025. To confirm the power access to grid and to investigate electricity access to site. 22.11.25 – Due for mobilisation to site 3rd December – delays due to issues related to the business being sold and new entities capacity. 22.01.26 - Contractor mobilised to site 8 December 2025 to complete works. Once onsite it was determined that there were issues with the PWC owned infrastructure that prevented any work to begin. EARC are now waiting further details regarding PWC intentions and timelines to rectify the situation. 21.07.26 – Costing have been received for installation of 2 Solar lights and refurbishment of Raminging entry sign

RAMINGINING ACTIONS

ON ITEM	ACTION OWNER	ACTIONS	STATUS
Requests that additional lighting be installed in locations that are poorly lit to increase community safety.		Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to investigate and advise.	22.02.24 – Update on this has been provided in the new format of Action Register. 24.04.2024 – Plan that meets Australian Standards in the budget for that is required. 20.05.24 – Consultant to come in to look at lighting and see that we are meeting Australian Standards (Lux Audit) plus street safety Audit. 25.06.25 – Budgeted for in Annual Plan. Will potentially start in July. 17.07.24 – Update to be provided at next Local Authority meeting. 18.11.2024 – currently at tender review process, works still underway. 11.12.2024 – Report in confidential agenda for council to approve the consultants starting the work on the lighting and internal roads. 20.01.25 – There is a report in the Finance committee for approval. 19.02.25 – Audit has been approved through tender, waiting on a commencement date. All the communities will be audited. 17.03.25 – Consultant that has been awarded the contract has been engaged, waiting on a suitable time – weather dependant. 23.04.25 – Tender has been awarded and audit will begin in mid May. 26.05.25 – Transportwise has completed the audit, awaiting their report to understand where the better lighting is required. 25.06.25 – No further update from Transport wise. A/g GM Technical and Infrastructure Services to follow up timeline for response. 23.10.25 - Audit completed of Lux levels across community, a recommendation will be put forward in regards to new installation. 22.11.25 – Electrical contractor currently circulating all communities to repair and replace damaged lighting. Vandalism and Power surges make up the majority of damages to lighting infrastructure. 17.03.25 – LA members to identify the locations and pass that to CSM and Technical team. 19.05.26 – Waiting on LA members feedback on positions of the solar lighting as mentioned above and the option of accessing main stream grid power at this location has been paused with other options such as battery packs provided. Include repainting of Cemetery entrance sign to ensure it is clearly visible. 21.07.26 – Wait for lighting repairs to be completed before assessing dimly lit areas

RAMINGINING ACTIONS

ON ITEM	ACTION OWNER	ACTIONS	STATUS
The members raised about the building in centre of town that has the stage , there is an interest by the church to use it.		The Council Operations Manager to contact the Uniting Church, about Church providing a formal request for us to follow up.	22.02.24 – No update at this point. 25.03.24 - Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services to look into handing building back to the Land Trust. 24.04.24- Handing building back to the Land Trust. 20.05.24 – DTSI met with NLC, surrender of lease is underway. 25.06.24 – Application for handback has been actioned. Awaiting consultation by the NLC. 17.07.24 – Ongoing. 18.11.2024 – Infrastructure Services to follow up and provide update. 11.12.2025 – Met with NLC unfortunately they have a backlog of applications – ongoing. 20.01.25 – Inspection of existing building required, need to establish if it's sound to hand over lease. It needs to be deemed as a useable building. Ongoing. 19.02.25 – GM will be inspecting next week if it's in a useable condition, part of the NLC agreement, is that we can hand over the lease, so it is up and running. 17.03.25 – After reviewing the building further works are required and have been assigned to the maintenance team for completion. 23.04.25 – Ongoing waiting on quotes. 26.05.25 – Coordinating with the contractor to review works. 25.06.25 – Update to be provided at Local Authority meeting -works are required at the church. 23.10.25 – To identify Section 19 lease status, to identify the need and condition of the property. 24.02.25 – To confirm the Section 19 and repairs and maintenance report on stage to ascertain costings for repair. 17.03.25 – Community inspection rounds are ongoing. 19.05.26 – Ongoing regarding Section 19. 21.07.26 – Confirming section 19 Lease holder

RAMINGINING ACTIONS

ON ITEM	ACTION OWNER	ACTIONS	STATUS
Signs and speed humps		Further signs and potential speed humps are required to reduce speeding	20.01.25 - General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services to work with the Roads Manager to establish a traffic management plan. 19.02.25 – Specific speed humps have been ordered for Ramingingin. A couple of issues with drainage have been identified which need further investigation first. 17.03.25 – Waiting on the roads consultant to be mobilised and this will form part of their assessment. 23.04.25 – Ongoing and is incorporated into audit. 26.05.25 – Awaiting Transportwise report which will support the request for signage and speed humps. 25.06.25 – Waiting to hear back from Transportwise to provide update. 23.10.25 – Audit has been completed, recommendations have been provided in report and will be in actioned in the New Year. 22.11.25 – Community signage maps currently being created to become a template for reporting damaged/missing signs into the future. 24.02.25 – The signs are currently being procured. 19.05.25 – Ongoing 21.07.26 – Engaged TransportWise to revise Local Area Traffic Management plan based on current Austroads guidelines. Procurement of new materials, signs and traffic calming devices to follow based on revised LATM plan.
Local Authority Logos		The members supported the General Business comment made by Galiwin'ku in relation to individual logos for Local Authorities, and noted they would like to reintroduce the logos from the old Local Government days.	26.05.25 -The members also ask for the Communications Advisor to liaise with the communities to this end, noting this is to show a link between the past and the present. 25.06.25- Comms Advisor is working with Councillors to establish what they require in the logos. 23.10.25 – LA members will discuss and come up with the decision in next LA meeting. 24.02.25 – Discussed in previous LA, to be followed up in March LA round. 17.03.25 - LA members to provide the information. 21.07.26 – Being considered in today's meeting

RAMINGINING ACTIONS

ON ITEM	ACTION OWNER	ACTIONS	STATUS
Access to the community from Central Arnhem Road.		The members have raised the issue of access to the community from Central Arnhem Road. There is an issue relating to 48ks of road which Rangers state the turnoff is the only road to the community for 7 months per year. This is a main public road. The onus of maintenance of this road falls with DIPL, however they are asking for advocacy from EARC to find a solution with DIPL to have this matter rectified.	26.05.25 – General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services to take this matter forward on the members behalf. 25.06.25 – Ongoing. 23.10.25 – EARC to advocate the issue by writing a letter to DLI and LA members to sign on letter. 22.11.25 – Letter being drafted 24.02.25 – Made contact with DLI representative, work in progress. 19.05.26 – In progress, in contact with DLI representative. 21.07.26 – The 46km portion named GOAT track is hindering access to Ramingining
Lighting for kids to play Basketball	Council Services Manager	Council Services Manager to speak with the School Principal about possibility of opening the new Basketball court on Friday and Saturday from 6pm to 9pm, with support from Active Communities and Youth Staff.	21.07.26 – Council Services manager to follow up on lighting now school has returned
FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD: Stage/Advocacy Community Oval		Extend the Community Oval Stage and construct a stage at the Church grounds. \$200,000	18.01.2021 Design and engineering being finalised for market release – release due end of November with Construction anticipated February – March 2021 12.05.2021 – Ongoing 19.05.2021 – Project update will be provided at next Local Authority Meeting, Design stage is currently in the process. 15.11.2021 – Construction of lights will begin in January. Ongoing. Quotation will go out in a few weeks. Local authority to put LA money of \$138,934.00 to the community oval stage project. 17.01.2022 - Request for Tender (RFT) for Lighting to be released in two weeks due to capacity and staff leave over the Christmas period. Request For Tender (RFT) documents for the stage to be released to market end of February. 14.03.2022 – will go to the market this Friday 02.06.2022 – To be dealt with in a separate pool 22.06.2022 – tender evaluated – pricing beyond available funds – report in this Council meeting. 12.09.2022 – Remove from Action and move to Advocacy items.

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			16.01.2023 – No change at this stage. 20.03.2023 – Oval stage – looking for future grant funding - no change at this stage. 18.09.23 – Look for funding for lights at the Church also. Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to write to the church to request funding. 22.02.25 – Council will keep an eye for funding. 17.03.25 – As above.

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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 18.05.2021 – Update provided to LA, EARC will be provided update from government once received. 12.01.2022 – A separate report was presented on this by the CEO – ongoing. 15.03.2022 – A detail discussion took place with the members, President and the CEO. 17.05.2022 - Call on the Northern Territory and Australian Governments to work with the Local Authorities and Regional Council to ensure genuine and thorough consultation and engagement with all communities and homelands of East Arnhem Land, on the important and pressing issues of the possible introduction of the legal sale of kava and alcohol'. 19.07.2022 – Ongoing 20.09.2022 - covered in CEO Report 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. 22.11.2022 – As above. 17.01.2023 – Deferred until return of CEO from leave. 21.03.23 – to be discussed in CEO Report. Good progress being made with the Government. 26.10.23 – to be discussed and covered in the CEO Report. 21.11.23 – Progress being made with discussions with Chief Ministers Office Dr Frank Daly. However, Dr Daly has since left NTG so further discussions to be had with his replacement. 14.12.23 – As above. 23.01.24 – Further discussions to be held ongoing with NIAA at the next Council meeting. 21.02.24 – Discussion took place among the PFES and NTG regarding issues relating to Kava and Alcohol in the communities. PFES requested continuous support from communities to provide information so that these can be addressed. 26.03.24 – Ongoing

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			24.04.24 – CEO to write to Department for an update. 21.05.24 – NTG and NIAA to be invited to next Pre-Agenda day of Council 25.06.24 - Response from Linda Burney received 23 May 2024 to CEO correspondence of September 2023 advising further discussion with Gerrit Wanganeen from NIAA. NIAA & NTG attending June 2024 Council meeting. 16.07.24 – No progress since last discussion. 21.01.25 – CEO has raised this issue with Jacinta Price’s office as one of 8 Advocacy Items. 19.02.25 – Council is going to seek the support of Local Member Yingiya Guyula MLA for Milka to raise this issue. 18.03.25 – Mr. Guyula spoke to the members via TEAMS and had a discussion regarding kava. Further update in the CEO Report. 27.05.25 – Further talks occur with newly elected Government. Superintendent Jody Nobbs has been able to leverage NTG, with a support-based consultation with community to occur in next financial year. 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. 24.10.25 – Police in Nhulunbuy informed that they received a letter from the Minister stating that the NT Government is willing to conduct community consultations. 20.05.26- 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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Jesse Smith Park (in conjunction Makarata Field action above)		Acting Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to investigate upgrades to Jesse Smith Park to include flower beds, blocking the roads to stop cars from driving on the park, and beautification. Also scope to create jobs to carry out this important work.	11.12.2024 – Manager Building services to raise this tomorrow and look at plan to see what is required. Further consultation with Local Authority required. 19.02.25 – Mgr. Building services – want communities’ involvement – with rocks etc., and garden beds. Looking at how best to do that. 23.04.25 – Ongoing in consultation with President Lapulung. 27.05.25 – Cultural Centre has now been approved for Jesse Smith Park. Proposal to be in conjunction with Makarata Field action above. 25.06.25 – Waiting on concept drawing to make a final drawing and come up with final plan. 24.10.25 – LA Members have recommended “Mägaya” as the name for the location. Purpose – Coming together, education, NAIDOC week, training sessions, Cultural events, Yolnu and Balanda sharing space. 22.11.25 – Concepts of design currently being created for circulation in Feb LAPF meetings. This will be a design that can be utilized in other communities and will be based off available funds. 24.02.26 – Shared the concept designs at LA Meeting, Work in progress. 18.03.26 – Tender documents being prepared, looking to release in the next couple of months. 22.07.26 – Cannot proceed any further until asbestos is safely removed and have the space made safe. Provide updates for the Ceremony area once asbestos is removed.
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BJ The Buffalo		Request this removal of BJ the Buffalo be actioned as a matter of priority to avoid any potential injury to community, in particular children. Request that BJ the Buffalo is removed from Milingimbi community and taken to the fishing lodge via the barge with support of the Local Authority and additionally would like to understand who the Traditional Owner is that owns BJ the Buffalo.	27.05.25 - Regional Manager to liaise with Council Services Manager and Local Authority members to understand who the Traditional Owner is that owns BJ. And additionally look at removal of BJ The Buffalo as a priority. 25.06.25 – In progress. 24.10.25- Buffalo moved from Milingimbi to Ramingining, However Buffalo has returned, LA members to advocate for removal of the Buffalo by submitting petition to Police and petition to be signed by LA members. 18.03.26 –Police have informed that they cannot deal with Buffalo. Joe Djakala and Ganygulpa Dhurrkay to talk to the MOPRA rangers to confirm who the owner of BJ the Buffalo is and then talk to the owner about the concerns of community safety and need to keep the buffalo in a gated yard or fence area. 22.07.26 – Ganygulpa Dhurrkay and Joe Djakala to go and see the MOPRA rangers to raise that MOPRA need to remove BJ the Buffalo from the Island.
FUTURE ACTION ITEM/ACTION ON HOLD: Advocacy Items Water to be installed at the oval			19.05.2020 – Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services to follow up with Power & Water regarding current status of water sources, and when extra water may become available. To also investigate the use of brackish water for the Oval and report back to the LA. 18.01.2021 - Email and discussion are underway with Power and Water surrounding supply options – Brackish Test bore was not approved but other options have been suggested as possibilities – awaiting official Power and Water response. 12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Awaiting response from Power and Water. 12.10.2021 – Ongoing – Still waiting for response from Power and Water. 12.01.2022 – Ongoing with no approval from power and water obtained to date.

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			15.03.2022 – no update after previous report. 17.05.2022 – Power and Water will come back to us with requested information as per the agreement at the Guest speaker delivery at the LA on the Milingimbi water story. 19.07.2022 – Water availability for the oval yet to be confirmed – EARC Tech Services to follow up. 12.09.2022 – no change to the above. 19.10.22 – Move to advocacy – as water will be an ongoing consideration noting the completion of the head works and proposed sub-division 22.11.2022 – Question to be asked to PAW 21.03.23 – potentially another presentation on water story in next round. 14.12.23 – Ongoing. 19.12.25 – With Power and Water.
Community Barge Landing		Requests urgent upgrades and proper infrastructure for the community barge landing	21.03.23 - Director Technical Services and Infrastructure to advise. 27.04.23 – Discussions continue on ownership etc., 14.12.23 – Some movement here > submission to Deloitte report regarding Federal announcement of Funding. 25.06.24 – No money for Milingimbi Barge Landing 19.02.25 – this is NTG not EARC. Further discussion with LGANT
Priority footpaths			10.11.2020 – tender release to the market and evaluated – market pricing for the works significantly over budget and works of the same nature across multiple areas – this project will be re-assessed and delivered in a reduced scope or additional funds will need to be allocated – this item will be discussed at the next LA meeting for suggested direction. 27.01.2021 – ongoing at this stage – CDP and Contractors still to recommence respective services in Community at this stage. 12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Will bring information to next LA

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			meeting. 18.05.2021 – Will update at next LA meeting. 16.11.2021 – Update progress in January/late January about the project. 12.01.2022 - Project still pending tender re-release to test market pricing which exceeded all similar works of this type conducted to date – release at end of January. 15.03.2022 – Tender will be re-released by the end of April 2022 17.05.2022 – Tender will be re-released by end of May 2022. 22.06.2022 – Tender currently out to the market and will await any submission when closed to consider. 30.06.2022 – Out to tender – closes in 1 week. 19.07.2022 – Tender has closed but has not been evaluated as yet. 12.09.2022 - Tender evaluated to go to council as a reduced scope in the October meeting dependant on funding extension for LAPF 19.10.22 – report to be tabled at the December meeting and funds adjustments have been made in the budget revision 17.01.2023 – Tenders have gone out and work is progressing. 22.11.2022 - Report to be put forward to Council at December meeting and Tender being put forward. 21.03.2023 – Asks the Local Authority to defer any progress on the footpaths until waterpark and other project tenders have been received. 29.08.23 MOVED TO ADVOCACY 11.12.2024 – Looking into funding from Transport Grant from the Federal Government, this grant is particularly for footpaths. Council is required to contribute 50% and
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			Council approval required. Update to be provided next council meeting with a clear detailed proposal. 19.02.25 – Ongoing – Access to field etc., to be taken into consideration of this action.
Sealing of Bodia Road		Supports and approves any application for funding for Bodia Road to be sealed	21.03.23 – Director Technical Services and Infrastructure to advise. 29.06.23 – Waiting on possibility of grant becoming available. 29.08.23 MOVED TO ADVOCACY 25.06.24 - in talks with DIPL want link path from subdivision to basketball court – won't sign off unless part of design.

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			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 Nhulnbuy 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. 27.07.26 – Update in the LA agenda 27 July 2026 – Planning and consult coordination activities continue
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.

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			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. 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.
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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. 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.
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			27.10.25 – CSM to take photos and send to GM Infrastructure 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. 10.04.26 – Still waiting on images, due to vacancy of Council Services Manager. 25.05.26 – Waiting on Images as mentioned above. 27.07.26 – Images of area have been forwarded to Technical Infrastructure team to action
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.

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			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 ensure 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. 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. 27.07.26 – Place names committee still reviewing and processing applications due to limited resources – RM transport Infrastructure to send CSM a map of the area for Stephen Dhamarrandji to assist and liaise with street name mapping and corrections. LA members decided to consult with Traditional owners on the names for the roads.
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.

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			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. 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. 27.07.26 – Contractors on site 20 and 21 July however left due to unrest. They due to remobilise by end of August.
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.

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			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. 27.07.26 – Lighting Contractors on site 20 and 21 July however left due to unrest. They due to remobilise by end of August Roads contractor due to mobilise 24 August 2026- Roads contractor to mobilise 24 August 2026 pending Sea Swift barge
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., 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 – Arccos 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. Deisgn by 4 July – month for tenders, review of design. 27.10.25 – Arccos 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.

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			25.05.26 – Scoping is completed, waiting for the funding round to open. 27.07.26- Waiting for Funding opportunity to reopen for application
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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 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.
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		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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			PFES requested continuous support from communities to provide information so that these can be addressed. 24.04.24 – CEO to contact Department. 24.05.24 – NIAA and NTG to again be invited to June Council pre-agenda day. 25.06.24 – NIAA & NTG will attend June Council meeting. 19.02.25 – Council is going to seek the support of Local Member Mark Yingiya Guyula MLA for Milka to raise this issue. 21.03.25 – Mr Guyula joined the meeting via TEAMS and had a discussion with the members regarding kava. Further updates in the CEO Report. 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. 28.10.25 - Police in Nhulunbuy informed that they received a letter from the Minister stating that the NT Government is willing to conduct community consultations.
Public wifi		The current public wifi is placed in the Library Building. Public wifi to be placed a place to ensure convenience and maximum usage.	24.03.2023 - The public wifi to be placed at the Council Meeting room to ensure that more people can access and use free wifi. Director Technical and Infrastructure services to approach Telstra to include the public wifi as part of their public telephone service. Director Technical and Infrastructure services to explore option for broader community wifi coverage. 29.06.23 – Ongoing 20.07.23 – Move tower and relocate wifi new tower 2 months away update next meeting. 29.08.23 - moving tower to new position, which has been mapped out. Already budgeted for. 26.10.23 – I.T has this underway. Tower will stay where it is until after wet season. 14.12.23 – This will occur in New Year. 29.01.23 As above noted in PA Section. 22.02.24 – Getting ready to be released.

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			02.04.24- Due to be completed by 30 June 2024 24.05.24 – Covered in Tech Report. 25.06.24 – Put out to tender no submissions – Currently out again – closing this week. 11.12.24 – update to be provided. Regional Manager – Building and Infrastructure will investigate. 21.03.25 – Installed the new tower – now need to investigate the conference room and where the wifi will be installed. 23.04.25 – Engaged with IT Manager in regards to public wifi. 25.06.25 – Further follow up with IT Manager. Has it been completed, how do community sign on etc., Who is paying for this. Is this Council's responsibility? 28.10.25 – IT Manager to find out who is responsible for the current wifi access in community, Governance Manager to provide a letter to LA members to endorse for disabling wifi access from 6pm to 6am to minimise access for children during evening and night. 19.02.26 – Currently sitting with IT Manager, IT to update on Wifi location and progress of the work. 24.02.26 – IT Manager confirmed that NT Libraries are the provider. 17.04.26 – Active communities and Youth services Regional Manager to contact NT libraries to arrange the Wi-Fi to be turned off from 10pm each day.
Safety concerns Marrangu Street		General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services asked to look into the installation of speed humps on the said street.	24.03.23 – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to provide update. 20.07.23 Ongoing. 26.10.23 – Ongoing. Update to be provided by DTSL at next LA meeting. 14.12.23 – Speed bumps and signage ordered. 29.01.24 – Speed bumps have been ordered as above. Follow up report at next meeting as Director Technical and Infrastructure Services has been on leave. 22.02.24 – Will provide update in the next meeting.

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			02.04.24 – Full traffic management plan is being developed by August/ September 2024. Director of Technical and Infrastructure Services to arrange for the installation of speed limit signs and speed bumps past the school, Ritharrngu Street and Marrangu Street. DTIS to approach Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Land (DIPL) about installing proper speed humps and speed signs with the new development, need for Walkways and WIFI. 24.05.24 – Defer to full consultancy on public lighting and street lighting – check it's within standards . 25.06.24 – Forms part of Annual Plan – public and street lighting. 11.12.24 – Part of internal independent road safety updates surveyed by whoever is awarded the contract. 21.03.25 – Tender has been awarded, and the road safety audit will commence in April 2025 subject to road and weather conditions. 23.04.25 – Ongoing due to current weather conditions. 25.06.25 – Still waiting on roads to Re- open. 28.10.25- Audit report has been completed by Transportwise, Infrastructure team to have a de-brief meeting with consultant to discuss recommendations and proposed developments. 26.11.25 – Waiting for the Safety report. 19.02.25 – Waiting on procurement to get the items to community and to be installed. 24.02.25 – In process of procurement. 17.04.26 – GMTIS to gain the date for completion.
Oval access by vehicles		Vehicles have been driving on the Oval	28.10.25- Chair Freddy to go through with MS Team and show them areas. 19.02.26 – Council Services Manager to follow up with MS Supervisor. 17.04.26 – The large rocks to be moved into position when the loader is back in operation.
Drainage Issue Rainbow area			19.02.26 - Anesu to forward the details to GMTIS to action. 17.04.26 – Anesu forwarded the details to GMTIS.

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Location of existing playground equipment to be provided to Technical Services			19.02.26 - LA members to provide location of play ground equipment to Technical Services through CSM. 17.04.26 – Location confirmed at the LA and CSM to advise GMTIS to explore costings of Car port shelter over playground.

Items on Hold/Advocacy Items	<u>ACTIONS</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Upgrade Airport Waiting Area		22.05.2020 – The advice received was that the NTG is only responsible for grounds maintenance and the structure was built by the Community Incorporated Council/Shire at the transition of local government. 29.01.2021 – The Local Authority has recommended a financial contribution toward a co-funded grant opportunity – to be tabled at the February Council m 19.03.2021 – Council have put \$50 aside to work with NT Government to help with costs on the upgrade of the airport area 12.05.2021 – Ongoing – Funding opportunity will be advised 21.05.2021 – Advocacy has been sought for funding, next round has been open and funding options will be available at next LA meeting. 21.01.2022 – Ongoing 20.05.2022 – no change – seeking additional funding. 30.06.2022 – no change Move to advocacy 20.01.22 – No further grants

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Gapuwiyak aerodrome	Local Authority would like to approach the relevant authority for information on future plans for the Gapuwiyak aerodrome.	20.01.23 - If available invite representatives to meet with the Local Authority to discuss future aspirations for the Gapuwiyak aerodrome including extensions of the strip and inclusion of public facilities and toilets. 27.04.23 – ONGOING – TO DISCUSS NEXT MEETING. 29.06.23 – ONGOING 20.07 TO BE COVERED IN REPORT LATER IN MEETING. 29.08.23 ONGOING MOVED TO ADVOCACY 02.04.2024 ONGOING
Lack of Walkways (community members walking through people's houses and properties.	Director Community Development to write a letter to Territory Housing raising this issue and requesting action.	24.03.23 – Director Community Development to provide update. 20.07.23 Update prior to next meeting by Director Community Services. 29.08.23 Ongoing discussion around footpaths and how they will link up with existing. 26.10.23 Ongoing – Feedback given to Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Land (DIPL) regarding above. No walkways included in the new subdivision. – To be retained in Advocacy. 02.04.2024- Include in discussions with DIPL on new sub-divisions.
Terminal building at airport.	Request the General Manager of Technical and Infrastructure Services to search for funding for Terminal building at airport option has been raised with just walls to join the ceiling with fans as a more affordable option.	25.06.24 – Update to be provided 11.12.24 – General Manager will visit Gapuwiyak in the future to investigate and provide update. 21.03.25 – Have inspected and currently reviewing and looking at costings and funding availability. 23.04.25 – Ongoing reviewing funding. 25.06.25 – No Further updates

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PA System		That the Local Authority: Requests the General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services to have discussions with Rirratjingu on options to improve the public announcement system coverage in Yirrkala.	12.05.2021 – Ongoing. 25.11.2021 – Ongoing. Gained permission from Rirratjingu to place speaker on their office building. Quotation being sourced. 24.03.2022 – Permission has been granted, however obtaining trades to complete work. 26.05.2022 – Ongoing 02.12.2022 – New ICT is exploring options for installation with expectations of installation by Jan 2023. 03.02.23 – PA to be mounted on one of the new towers on the oval. 02.06.23 – Update needs to be obtained from Director Technical & Infrastructure services. 27.07.23 – Project is underway. 26.10.23 - tied in with lighting replacement which will occur next week with pa system to be put on one of the towers. 05.02.24 - Ongoing 08.04.24 – Ongoing. 24.04.24 – More work to be done electrically. 25.06.24 – No update. 25.07.24 – No update – meeting was cancelled with Rirratingu, to be rescheduled. 26.09.24 – Members to ask Rirratingu to attend next meeting. 28.11.24 – Ensure Rirratingu is invited to next Local Authority meeting for discussions. Manager of Building and Infrastructure team to meet with Rirratingu and gain a solution and provide follow up. 11.12.24 – Ongoing 10.02.25 – Ongoing – engage with talks to commence meeting (General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services) 27.03.25 – Have engaged with IT and coming up with a conclusion on how to get the PA system working throughout the community. 23.04.25 – Ongoing 28.05.25 – Rirratingu as advised they would like to have a joint PA system with EARC. Members have asked that this be a priority – General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services will work with Regional Manager Council Services and Council Services Manager to ensure this is progressed as a matter of priority.

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			25.06.25 – To organise a meeting. 29.10.25 – GMTIS to organise a meeting with Rirratjingu to explore the option of connecting PA to EARC system. 24.02.26 – IT department is working with Rirratjingu. 25.03.26 – IT Manager waiting on information from Rirratjingu. The Local Authority invites the Rirratjingu Aboriginal Corporation Chair, CEO and other nominated board members to meet together at the next Local Authority meeting to discuss these and any other issues of importance of how we can work together. 27.05.26 – Paul to follow up. 29.07.2026 – IT Manager to provide an update in the next Local Authority meeting.
Alter current application for community toilet block and Ceremony area to change Location from shady beach to ceremony ground.		28.05.25 – Action Item title changed to include Ceremony Area.	03.02.23 – Agreed location no problem. To potentially include a shower. Shane to update this item. 02.06.23 – WIP 26.10.23 – change to change rooms and toilet block at ceremony area. We have received funding for this. 22.02.24 – LAPF Project. Ongoing. 08.04.24 – Awaiting NLC approval. 24.04.24 – waiting on Land Trust approval 25.06.24 – As above. 27.07.24 – Still waiting on NLC approval. Two ceremony areas in Yirrkala. Members request one toilet block at each. Director Technical & Infrastructure Services to write an additional letter to follow up for the members. Also to investigate resources for cleaning the toilet and to have it open on Saturdays. 27.09.24 – As above 26.09.24 – Ongoing Director Technical and Infrastructure Services – toilets for Webb way and recreation area – a letter be written to the NLC from LA requesting a timeline for approval. 28.11.24 - Ongoing Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services – toilets for Webb way ceremony ground and recreation area – a letter be written to the NLC from LA requesting a timeline for approval. – Local Authority to invite the NLC East Arnhem Board Members Djawa Yunupingu , Yananyumul Mununggurr and Craig Bonney to the next Local Authority meeting to discuss approval of the toilets for Webb Way ceremony ground and recreation area for Yirrkala. Building and Infrastructure

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			Manager to consult and liaise with community members to develop a list of needs and map of locations. 11.12.24 – Writing a letter to the NLC requesting a timeline for approval – still in progress. 10.02.25 – Compile info to write letter for support. General Manager Technical and Infrastructure to engage with Rirratingu. 27.03.25 – Have engaged with Rirratingu in regards to ceremony area and toilet block project. 23.04.25 – Plans have been drawn up and are currently in costing. 28.05.25 – Rirratingu to be asked to join next Local Authority meeting to discuss – General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services to pass on the invitation. 25.06.25 – May need to seek new funding as previous funding was terminated. 29.10.25 – GMTIS to confirm the location and the stage of works for this project. Seek new funding revenue for this project. 24.02.26 – To apply for the grant funding to be able to complete the Ceremony area. 25.03.26 – The Local Authority confirm that the current location of the ceremony area on Webb Way, and the Infrastructure on it is the location that the GMTIS will apply for a Section 19 lease, following discussions to seek support from the Rirratjingu Aboriginal Corporation. 29.07.2026 – Section 19 lease is being sought through Tenancy Manager from NLC.
New Cemetery		General manager to look into location for new cemetery.	23.04.25 – Ongoing there are three cemeteries in Yirrkala two of which Council have the lease on. General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services and Director Council Services will review after walk around and revise. 28.05.25 – The members have endorsed the new cemetery area as show in the Yirrkala Municipal map dated 12012015. 25.06.25 – No further updates as yet. 29.10.25 – GMTIS to follow up the progress of NLC submission for section 19 lease on the proposed new cemetery area and update in the next LA Meeting. 24.02.26 – Civil works to be completed current cemetery, new cemetery not required at this stage.

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			25.03.26 – Work to commence at the end of wet season including Rirritjingu Aboriginal Corporation indigenous training facility participants and using the earth works as a training opportunity. 27.05.26 – GMTIS to provide updates in the next meeting. 29.07.2026 – Tenancy Manager to seek section 19 lease boundary points and assess correct boundary position. After the boundary points have been confirmed Local Authority members with Technical and Infrastructure team members to survey if fits for purpose.
<u>Yirrkala Future Actions/ Advocacy:</u>			
Children's Playground \$60,000			18.01.2021 – application lodged with the NLC for approval to construct – awaiting consultative forum. 12.05.2021 – Ongoing 25.11.2021 – Was not approved. Will be discussed again in six months' time. 24.03.2021 – purchasing the kit – to be installed undercover – waiting on approval. 26.05.2022 – Waiting on approval. 22.06.2022 – Unit has been purchased – will await consultation on location. 02.12.2022 – Consultation timeframes have not been provided by the NLC. 03.02.23 – waiting on consultation and approvals. 02.06.23 – waiting on consultation and approvals. 27.07.23 – has been raised with Chief Minister. 29.08.23 – ongoing waiting on outcomes. 26.10.23 – been purchased waiting on consultations. 05.02.24 – still waiting on approvals. 08.04.24 – Awaiting for approval from NLC. 24.04.24 – Waiting on Land Trust 25.06.24 – As above

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			27.07.24 – Still waiting on NLC approval for land usage. 26.09.24 – Update to be provided by Director Technical and Infrastructure Services waiting on NLC. A letter to be compiled to NLC to ask when this will be resolved. 31.10.24 – Council to raise its dissatisfaction in the lack of any progress in gaining approval from NLC regarding the approval use of land for children’s playground and waste transfer station for Yirrkala. 28.11.24 – Local Authority to invite the NLC East Arnhem Board Members Djawa, Yanawul and Craig Bonney to the next Local Authority meeting to discuss approval of the playground and waste transfer station for Yirrkala. 11.12.24 – Ongoing as above. 10.02.25 – Investigate and follow up with approval status. General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services to speak with NLC and write a letter to invite them to the next meeting. 27.03.25 – Ongoing as above. 23.04.25 – No change. 28.05.25 – An email was sent to NLC with no response. General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services will attend the NLC office in person to progress this matter in a face to face discussion to gain traction. 25.06.25 – Report findings has been delivered and waiting for the necessary processes to go through. Technical and Infrastructure team to organise meeting with Craig Bonney as there are few projects that EARC has been waiting on . 29.10.25 – GMTIS to follow up with NLC Regional Manager Craig Bonney and to provide map of the planned playground site at the next LA Meeting. 22.11.25 – Ongoing 26.11.25 – Move to Advocacy till we obtain funding for the project.
Marine Navigation Lights at Yirrkala Ramp			1.06.2020 – The Council does not have jurisdiction for the boat ramp, and in turn, any marine navigation lights for it. The Local Authority agreed for the Council to advocate for this in the future, as proposed by the Director of Technical & Infrastructure Services and the CEO of Council. 18.01.2021 – Issue for Advocacy ongoing.

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			28.05.26 - 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.
Speed safety signage and merged action 'Council to provide stickers for bins, providing correct orientation.'		Members request speed/safety signage be added to both sides of rubbish bins.	27.09.24 – Director Council Services to action with Manager Council Services and provide update. From merged action - 09.04.24 – Murphy Yunupingu to provide translation wording for the sticker. 09.04.24 – Council Services Manager to work with Murphy to get the wording to start the sticker process. 24.04.24 – Stickers to be provided. 03.06.24 – Council Services/MSS to find out where current stickers are located and get them out to community. 25.06.24 – Ongoing Council Services Manager to update. 27.09.24 – Request waste services Manager provide stickers be attached to rubbish bins. 31.01.25 – No further updates. Decision to be made on what signs need to say on the bins. Look at one for top of bin showing direction to point to street, - speed signs in language - 'fill me up' being one suggestion. General Manager Technical and Infrastructure Services waiting on signage suggestions from members. Do members want 'slow down' in Yolngu? Options to be provided at next LA meeting. 'Correct orientation for the bin'. 03.04.2025 — Members looked at the handout provided by Communications Advisor which was written in Gumatj – it stated, 'fill me up'. On other side it says 'slow down 40ks' – Members would like signage just to say 'Slow Down' with a pedestrian with a child to show people walking. Without a speed limit. (Members also noted that 40ks and hour is too fast. General Manager Technical Services advised the current audit that also includes road safety will be able to investigate this as well) Review the artwork and provide Council Services Manager with revised artwork and further discussion with Murphy prior to next LA Meeting. Also correct spelling on the other side.

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ACTION ITEM	ACTION OWNER	ACTIONS	STATUS
			23.04.25 – In last LA meeting some artwork was presented to members and the chair has approved the latest signage, so production of the stickers for the bins will commence. 25.06.25- stickers have been ordered, once received they will be applied to the bins. 30.10.25 – The stickers have been received and will be installed on the bins by 30th of November. 26.11.25 – In progress. 26.03.26 - In progress. 28.05.26 – Application of stickers need to be completed.
Speed humps.		Speed Humps are required across community.	03.04.25 – General Manager Infrastructure Services to implement with audit and requires a map of community to show where the community wants the speed humps. Working with Council Services Manager and members – sit down and map it out. 23.04.25 – Engaged with contractor for new speed humps. 25.06.25 – No further update yet. 30.10.25 - TransportWise has finished the audit and submitted their report. The GM Technical & Infrastructure Services and RM Transport Infrastructure will meet with TransportWise to go through the recommendations and plan a 5–10 year strategy for transport infrastructure. To make sure grant money is used for the most important repairs, maintenance, and upgrades. 22.11.25 – Review of report has been completed waiting on community signage maps to undertake installation of signage and speed humps. 24.02.26 – Currently being procured. 26.03.26 – Engaged Local contractor. Estimated completion by end of April. 28.05.26 – Procurement complete, installation to occur in the next couple of weeks.
Need for the provision of environmental flows to be re-established between north and south water bodies		The lack of tidal flow has resulted in the silting up of the south water body.	27.09.24 – Director Technical and Infrastructure Services to investigate and provide an update. 11.12.24 – Ongoing 31.01.25 – Regional Manager Transport and Infrastructure currently investigating and looking at different solutions.

GUNYANGARA ACTIONS

ACTION ITEM	ACTION OWNER	ACTIONS	STATUS
currently separated by the causeway accessing Gunyangara.			03.04.25 - Currently in discussions with ARRCOS requested them to look at it and provide a solution. 23.04.25 – Ongoing with ARRCOS 25.06.25 – Further update to be provided once received. 30.10.25 - RM Transport Infrastructure seeking confirmation on the location and extent of work/water bodies area so further investigation can be undertaken appropriately. 24.10.25 – Needed to Seek External funding. 26.03.26 - Needed to Seek External funding. 28.05.25 – Engineering report required.
Footpath from Boat club to EARC council office road corner along the Drimmie Head road and additional solar lights installed.		This Footpath is needed for safety reasons as residents are walking along the road in the dark.	30.10.25 – Proceed with further works when the Gunyangara Infrastructure assessment has been finalised. 22.11.25 – To be mapped in the new year and released as Tender pending funding available. 24.02.26 – Will be mapped in Grant Funding in the New Financial Year. 26.03.26 – Seeking the funds. 28.05.26 – LA to be provided the staged project approach. In the next meeting Phase 1 estimate will be provided with approximate costing.
Shade shelter, Grand Stand and Cyclone shelter/Hall near Oval		Provide the costings for Local Authority to consider.	28.05.26 – Shade shelter and Grand stand costings to be provided first.

ADVOCACY ITEMS/ITEMS ON HOLD:

Gunyangara Roads Stormwater Drainage Upgrade Project		28.09 – Waiting on tenders to close. To hopefully be taken to October Council meeting. Updating at next meeting. 26.10 Tenders will be going to special meeting in 2 to 3 weeks. Update to be provided. 02.02.24 – Ongoing awaiting further negotiation of the contract. 09.04.24 – Ongoing. 24.04.24 – Going back to Tender. 03.06.24 – Still out to tender.
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		25.06.24 – As above - rolled over as part of draft budget and annual plan. 27.07.24 to be placed in Advocacy. 11.12.24 May be able to access additional funding, may be able to advertise for third round – give an update once tender submissions received in next couple of months. 31.01.25 a Road audit is coming through for road safety – waiting on it's completion to understand what needs to occur – current potholes will be filled in next week. 23.04.25 Will commence early May. 26.03.26 – Waiting for Survey plans of community roads infrastructure from Gumatj. Seek external funding for this project.
Growing Regions Grant Round.	Gunyangara Oval Cyclone and sports building.	28.09 – EOI still underway – hopefully have made the second round in the application process – more updates next meeting. 26.10 Has made the 2nd round. NO NTG funding required. Will provide update. 14.12.23 – Contact from Grant Dept states this has made the 2nd round of Grant process. New Letter of Support submitted. 02.02.24 – Application lodged in December and waiting to hear back on result of application. Will keep updating the members. 09.04.24 – No update. Waiting to hear back on result of application. Will keep updating the members. 24.04.24 – as above, still waiting on information. 03.06.24 unsuccessful – covered in Tech report. 31.01.25 – Move to Advocacy

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.4 CEO Report

AUTHOR

Divyan Ahimaz (Acting Chief Executive Officer)

RECOMMENDATION**That Council notes the CEO Report prepared by the Acting Chief Executive Officer.****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:

Since assuming the role of Acting Chief Executive Officer, my primary focus has been on maintaining the continuity of Council operations, supporting staff and Councillors, and ensuring that the organisation remains well positioned to deliver services across the region for the time the Chief Executive Officer is away. While there are no major advocacy updates from myself, work continues across a range of operational, strategic and governance priorities.

Governance and Organisational Performance

Our organisation continues to progress with key governance and reporting requirements, including budget, risk management, policy reviews and various compliance activities. Work is also continuing to strengthen internal systems and processes to support accountability, transparency and effective decision-making.

Workforce Development

Recruitment and retention remain ongoing priorities. Council is actively investing in workforce development, training opportunities and succession planning to build local employment outcomes and strengthen organisational support capacity across all service areas. We are committed to supporting staff development and creating a safe, respectful and productive workplace.

Financial Sustainability

Council continues to monitor its financial position closely, with a focus on maintaining long-term sustainability while ensuring service delivery obligations are met. The executive team continues to work with government stakeholders and other agency department regarding current and future funding shortfalls, arrangements and opportunities.

I look forward to continuing to work in this acting capacity and provide a strong handover to the CEO on his return.

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

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.5 Council Services Report

AUTHOR	Shannon Cervini (Director - Council Services)
RECOMMENDATION That Council notes the Council Services Report.	

SUMMARY:

This report is to provide information on the progress, successes, challenges, and future opportunities of the Council Services Directorate.

BACKGROUND:

The Council Services Directorate covers the following areas and operations of the East Arnhem Regional Council (EARC): Council Office Operations, Municipal Services, Community Media, Community Night Patrol, Australia Post, Local Authority Support, Municipal Services, Waste and Environment Management, Accommodation Businesses, Sobering up Shelter, and Local Commercial Opportunities.

REPORT STORY:

The Council Services Directorate continues to invest in relationships and engagements with community members and local stakeholders. The Directorate is proud to be of service to the nine East Arnhem Communities through excellence in provision of high quality, meaningful services.

Council Services Support

Across the region Council Support Services teams continued to carry the rhythm of community life, supporting local priorities, coordinating events, and keeping essential services running even as workforce shortages and cultural obligations shaped day-to-day operations.

Council acknowledges that Signe Balodis concluded her tenure as Director - Council Services on 31 July 2026. Signe's leadership has been exceptional, and her contribution has significantly strengthened service delivery and supported communities across the East Arnhem region. Her professionalism, dedication, and strategic approach have left a meaningful and lasting impact on the organisation. Council extends its sincere thanks to Signe for her outstanding service and wishes her every success in her future endeavours.



Signe's farewell to Nhulunbuy Staff

Following Signe's departure, Shannon Cervini has commenced in the role of Director - Council Services. Shannon has worked with East Arnhem Regional Council for almost six years and brings strong operational experience, a collaborative leadership style, and a commitment to supporting community-focused service delivery across all East Arnhem communities. Council looks forward to working with Shannon as he leads the Directorate into its next phase of growth and improvement.

Communities across the region came together for major cultural and civic celebrations, including NAIDOC Week, Territory Day, the Yarrapay Festival, the Dhadalal Festival, and several sporting carnivals. These events created moments of pride and connection, with East Arnhem Regional Council staff working alongside families, elders, and partner organisations to ensure everything ran smoothly.



Lighting up the oval with the best of 'em! Happy Territory Day!



Children on Territory Day!



The Municipal Services team at one of the EARC stalls at the Yirrkalā NAIDOC Day event.



War Memorial Monument – Yirrkalā.

Beautification projects also progressed across the region.

Yirrkalā's War Memorial Monument received significant upgrades, while ovals in Gunyangara, Yirrkalā, Gapuwiyak, and Galiwin'ku were prepared and maintained for football games and community gatherings. Milingimbi saw noticeable improvements in township presentation, supported by strong collaboration between Council staff and local residents.

The Local Authority also formally acknowledged the valuable contributions of Lyle Janke in his role as Community Night Patrol Coordinator and Robert Baker in his role as Administration Manager for serving East Arnhem Regional Council for more than 25 years. The meeting recognised their dedication, commitment, and the important work they continue to undertake in supporting the community.



Lyle Janke receiving his certificate from EARC president, Lapulung Dhamarrandji.



Robert Baker, presented with his certificate from EARC CEO, Dale Keehne.

Despite staffing challenges, Council offices remained operational through relief arrangements and regional support. Local Authority meetings remained productive, with strong participation and moments of recognition for long-serving staff in Milingimbi and Ramingining. Community Media services also strengthened, particularly in Milingimbi, where the appointment of a new RIBS broadcaster brought renewed energy to local radio.



Thomas Gaykamangu enjoying his time as Community Media Officer in Milingimbi.

Municipal Services (MS)

Municipal Services teams across the region continued delivering the essential work that keeps communities clean, safe, and functioning. Their days were filled with rubbish collection, mowing, brush cutting, road repairs, landfill management, and beautification projects that shaped the look and feel of each township.



Yirrkala Oval

In Gunyangara, the post-wet season hard rubbish collection became a major achievement, with support from Yirrkala helping remove more than three truckloads of waste.



EARC MS and MOPRA teams together.

Yirrkala's oval was kept in excellent condition for football season, while Gapuwiyak maintained one of the strongest community presentation standards in the region, supported by a dedicated team whose efforts were widely recognised. Milingimbi experienced a noticeable uplift in cleanliness and presentation under new leadership, with community members expressing appreciation for the improvements. Municipal Services team and Milingimbi Outstations and Progress Resource Aboriginal Corporation (MOPRA) Rangers at the waste management facility to address excessive weed growth across the site.





Gapuwiyak MS team Keeping our roads safe and smooth.



Workforce development remained strong, with weed spray training completed in Milingimbi and plant and machinery training recognised in Ramingining. Municipal teams applied new skills in skid steer operation, MR truck driving, chemical handling, and other practical areas that strengthened local capability.

Frank Durrurrnga presenting Tyrone Gurrampa a Certificate of Achievement and an engraved gold pen on behalf of Kullaru Pty Ltd

Fire control next to the waste cells.

Community Night Patrol (CNP)

Community Night Patrol teams across East Arnhem continued to play a vital role in keeping communities safe, connected, and supported. Their work extended far beyond nightly patrols, reaching into youth engagement, community events, and moments of quiet support that often go unseen.



The Community Night Patrol team at the Yirrkala NAIDOC Day event.



Community Night Patrol engagement in youth activities.

In Gunyangara and Yirrkala, the introduction of the Chill Zone created a new kind of safe space for young people. The stationary patrol model offered refreshments, drawing activities, conversations, and a calm environment where children could unwind. The initiative strengthened relationships between youth and CNP officers, even as teams navigated challenges such as disruptive behaviour, absent caregivers, and children roaming late into the night.



Community Night Patrol engagement in Yirrkala.



Lyle preparing pizzas.

Youth engagement remained strong across the region. Basketball, volleyball, Milo stations, BBQs, and movie nights brought communities together, with Milingimbi's Pizza and Movie Night becoming a standout success. In Ramingining, CNP officers facilitated discussions about respect and conflict resolution, helping young people navigate disagreements in positive ways.



Waste and Environmental Services

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

The table below illustrates materials recovered and transported back to Darwin for recycling this financial year. Ten different streams of recyclable materials have been recovered from the region. The Council's goal is to have a minimum of nine resource recovery streams available to residents.

Community	Waste Stream	Container	Quantity	Estimated Weight T
Galiwinku	Car batteries	Box	1 Box	0.973
	CDS - Depot	Bags	30	0.6
	Damaged Bins	Pallet	1	0.5
	Gas Bottles	Stillage	4	1
	Tyres	2 Container	112	2.5
	Car batteries	2 Box	2.75	1.67
	CDS - Depot	Bags	122	1.7
Gapuwiyak	Scrap Metal	Container	1	4
	Tyres	2 Container	163	4
	Waste Oil	1 Skid/4 Drums	820L	1
	White Goods	1 Container	1	4
Gunyangara	White Goods	19 units	29 cube	2.4
	Scrap Metal	1 Container	1	4
Milingimbi	Car batteries	Pallets	146	6.86
	Car batteries	Crate	1	0.9
	Damaged Bins	Pallets	2	0.6
	Fire Extinguishers	Stillage	2	0.7
	Gas Bottles	Pallets	1	1
Ramingining	Car batteries	Pallets	50	1.84
Yirrkala	Damaged Bins	2 Pallet	1	2
	CDS - Depot	Bags	18	0.5
	E-Waste	IBC	5	2
	Fire Extinguishers	Pallets	1	0.85
	Scrap Metal	Container	2	4
	Tyres	Container	1	2.3
	Damaged Bins	Pallet(s)	2	0.6
	White Goods	20 units	31 cube	2.48
	White Goods	1 Container	1	4

Table - Resource Recovery up to 31 July 2026

Notes on Recycling in FY 2026

Ramingining has underperformed in recycling volumes last year compared with other communities. This has been influenced by several factors being faced within the community. Since commencing in January, Council Services Manager Vicki Wassens has become well integrated into the Ramingining community; her energy will drive ongoing recycling efforts.

Hamish Brace, Regional Manager Waste and Environment, has continued to provide training and support to strengthen the waste management aspects of these roles. At the Ramingining depot, tyres and batteries have been consolidated and are ready for transport to Darwin for recycling.

EARC Waste Management Strategy 2021-2031

Install equipment and infrastructure necessary for storing and transporting listed waste in accordance with licences, EMPs and Emergency Response Plans. The image below is an example of compliant transportation of listed wastes.



Surface Water Management Plan

Milingimbi landfill experienced drainage issues during the rainy season. A drone survey was performed (May 2026) to identify the topography of this site. *Figure 1* The survey shows higher ground in green and lower areas in red, with drainage falling from the south-west corner to the north-east corner of the landfill.



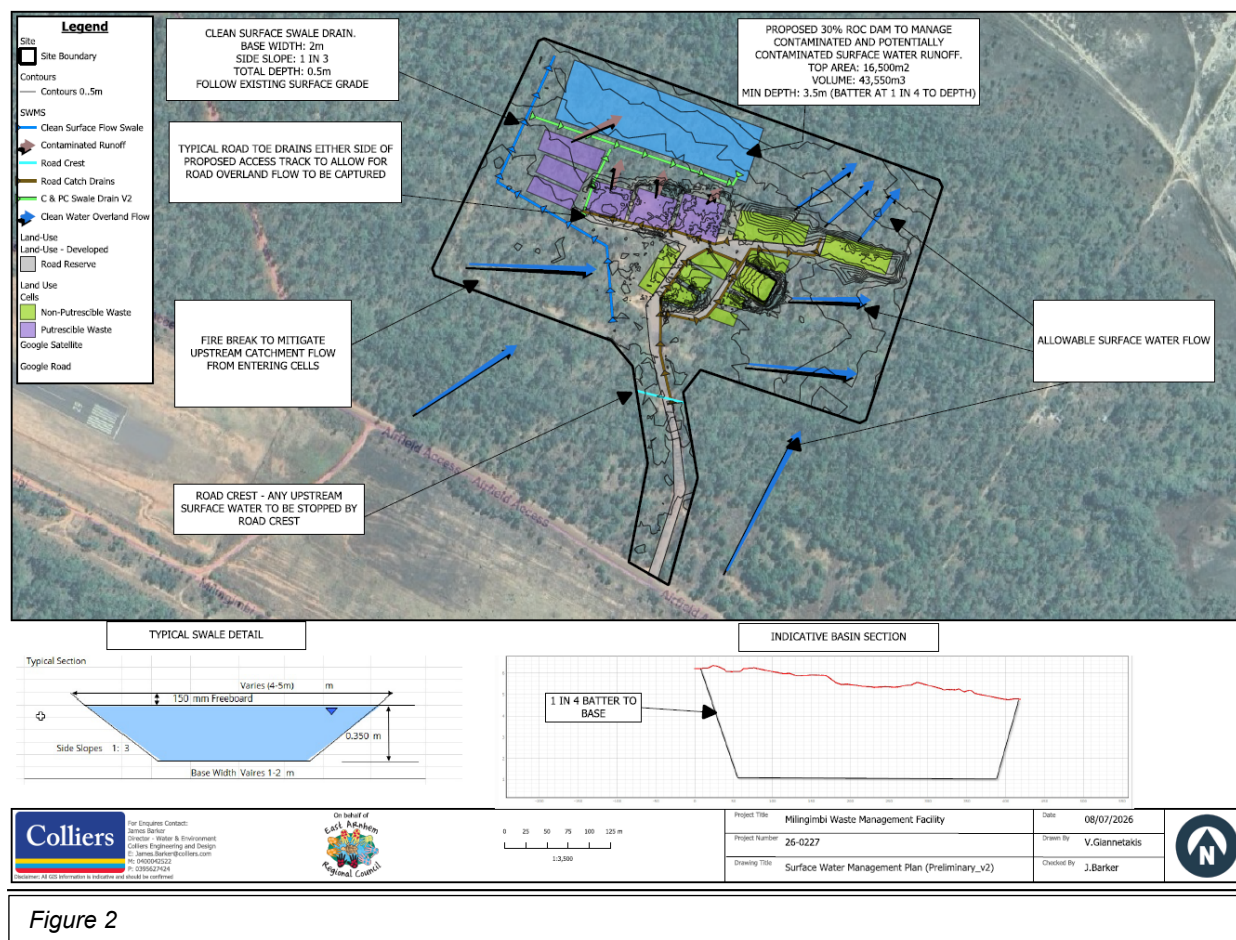
Figure 1

The second draft of a surface water management plan (SWMP) has been reviewed, and this version has been provided. *Figure 2*

This draft has been sent back to the consultant for final changes. The SWMP will be implemented in three phases:

- Stage one: removing run-off surface water from the surrounding environment.
- Stage two: access roadside swales,
- Stage 3: leachate pond

Waste will represent the final SWMP as soon as it is completed.



Litter Management

The Council Services Team has been delivering consistent data on litter, as shown in the table and graph below. Communities in FY26 have an average litter rating index below, with Gapuwiyak at 95% and Yirrkala at 87% showing the highest average.

Community	Monthly Litter Rating Index
Gapuwiyak	95%
Yirrkala	87%
Gunyangara	68%
Galiwin'ku	63%
Ramingining	62%
Milingimbi	61%
Across communities	73%

Litter Rating Index (LRI)

0 - 25 (very poor, uncontrolled litter)
26 - 50 (poor, but working on it)
51 - 75 (good, getting better, cleaner, tidier, commenced resource recovery)
76 - 100 (excellent, clean, tidy & recycling, community engagement, ownership, pride)

The overall litter rating index for all six communities is 73%. (good, getting better, cleaner, tidier, commenced resource recovery). Wastes' aim is to raise and maintain 'the litter rating average' above 76% in FY27.

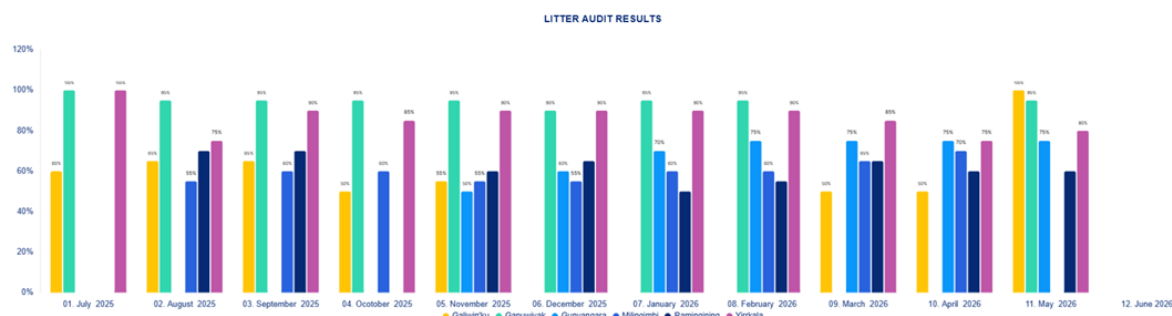


Table – FY 2025 Average Litter Rating for each community until May 2026

Manage Kerbside waste collection services

Through July, the Waste team conducted the annual wheelie bin audit; Milingimbi, Galiwin'ku and Ramingining have been audited. The final three communities will be completed in the first half of August.

Outcomes

- Audit results of the number of bins in commercial operations will be presented to Rates to ensure that the correct annual fees are charged.
- At the time of bin replacements, old, damaged bins are not always being removed. Leading to excess bins in the communities. Waste is working with municipal services to correct the situation.

Table 1. Landfill Environmental Compliance

	<u>FY 2025-26 Monthly Environmental Compliance</u>											
	<u>July</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sept</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>Jun</u>
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Animal Management Program (AMP)

The AMP team has visited all our EARC communities across this period. It is our most busy time of year with many veterinary visits and surgical desexing while the weather is cooler and dry.

Staff:

- Veterinary nurses: Sarah continues permanently part time for the program. Saraya is continuing in a casual capacity as a veterinary nurse.
- Veterinarians: We welcome Dr Celia at the beginning of June. Celia will be with our team for 10 weeks. Melbourne University team including Dr Evie, Dr Erica and Dr Brigitte will be working in our Galiwinku community across July – August period.
- Regional Manager: Dr Maddy continues to co-ordinate all aspects of the program and the strategic direction of the team whilst working part time.

- Volunteers: Harmony Reeves volunteered with us during the month of June. She is studying animal science and was visiting family in Nhulunbuy so reached out to volunteer for our program.

Remote consultations:

The AMP team continues to deliver remote consultations across all six communities. This period the team delivered 24 remote consultations outside of our normal scheduled veterinary visits. Of these consultations, medications dispensed by the EARC staff on the ground included across 10 different cases. The system appears to be working well and has enabled access to veterinary care in these communities outside of our normal visits.

Yirrkala:

Dr Celia Peters and Dr Maddy serviced Yirrkala community during June from 16-19 June 2026. July was a slightly slower month in Yirrkala as many dogs had gone out to homelands with their families however we were still able to conduct some desexings and community consultations.

Gunyangara:

Dr Celia Peters serviced Gunyangara community with Harmony Reeves from 22-23 June 2026. The team performed four remote consultations across the period when not working in community. This month we focused on stray cats and spoke with many community members. The team continues to work closely with the Gumatj staff to assist us with community liaison on the ground.

Gapuwiyak:

Dr Celia & Nurse Sarah, along with volunteer Harmony, did a week of Animal Management work in Gapuwiyak from 29 June to 3 July 2026. The program was productive including 20 desexing surgeries and we were able to assist a few animals with injuries, assisting with ongoing welfare beyond just desexing.

Ramingining:

Dr Celia and Saraya visited Ramingining from 27-31 July 2026. July's surgical visit was productive as many puppies seen earlier in the year were now ready for desexing. We also had a very successful visit to the school where we took four classes with students from preschool to year six and discussed how to keep dogs happy and healthy. The students were engaged and we enjoyed our visit immensely.

Galiwinku:

Melbourne University team has arrived in Galiwinku on the week of the 13 July 2026 and will be in the community for the next six weeks. We are lucky to have Dr Evie, Dr Erica and Dr Brigitte visiting across the period as well as seven final year veterinary science students. This partnership is important in that we are working towards a sustainable veterinary program where students want to come back and work in our communities once they graduate from veterinary school. During July the team has managed to complete a large amount of work in Galiwinku, with 30 desexings so far and over 20 consultations performed.

Milingimbi:

Sarah and Dr Celia visited Milingimbi from 13-17 July 2026. We had one surgical visit to Milingimbi in July which was very productive with 28 desexings performed and 6 further treatments undertaken. The community was receptive to the program and most dogs were in reasonable condition, however top camp was struggling with fleas and ticks, particularly in dogs that move between Bodia and Milingimbi.

Service Delivery Table:

AMP Delivery: All EARC communities	This period of reporting (June- July 26)	FY26-27 to date	FY25-26 Delivery
Dogs Desexed	138	90	308
Cats Desexed	50	33	96
Community consultations	61	38	272
Remote/Phone consultations	28	15	190
EARC Veterinary Cabinet medication dispensed	11	4	126
Minor procedures/other surgeries	15	10	44
Parasite Treatments	1771	1001	3980
Euthanasia	15	3	38
Private practice consultations	27	16	69
TOTAL Engagements	2116	1210	5120

Community education activities:

- NAIDOC Celebration Day at the oval – Animal Management participated in the stall at the celebration day, providing a colouring in competition and information for the public and community members
- School visit to Ramingining in July by Dr Celia and Saraya – it was a massive success! The team saw four classes with students from preschool through to year six. Our team has been focusing on how to stay safe from dog bites in community and keeping our animals healthy and happy!

Staff Education/training activities:

- Our Animal Management team will be educating stakeholders and EARC on bird flu awareness and placing posters in each community office for reporting requirements. We will also be releasing a social media post outlining how our residents can report any sick or dying birds.

Additional Collaborations/Stakeholder engagements:

- Our team will be visiting Laynhapuy Homelands during August whilst Dr Kathleen Rebgetz is here. This is a contracted fee for service arrangement to assist Laynhapuy homelands with their animal populations and One Health of their homelands.

- Dinybulu homelands – Dr Maddy has organised for our team to service the major Dinybulu homelands during August through engagement with Alpa homelands organisation. This service assists with parasite and population control surrounding Ramingining.
- Strongyloidiasis research study being progressed for Gapuwiyak and Milingimbi, including the testing and treatment of dogs as well as the human population. This is a collaboration with QIMR Berghofer and Miwatj Health. Dr Maddy is continuing to liaise with QIMR and try to progress an MOU on behalf of the EARC.
- Dr Maddy has been engaging with AMRRIC in regard to Marthakal homeland requests from Nyinykay homeland – we are trying to reach out to Marthakal homeland Aboriginal Corporation at Galiwinku to see if they would like us to assist with servicing the region (the EARC team did so in 2019).
- Dr Celia and Dr Maddy engaged with MOPRA rangers in July to discuss servicing Bodia homeland at Milingimbi as we received many requests for this service while visiting in July. The team ended up performing some pro bono work on Bodia dogs brought into town due to animal welfare reasons. We cannot however service the homeland properly without assistance for a fee for service arrangement. Rob from MOPRA rangers to follow up with Dr Maddy for quote for contracted veterinary work.

Concerns/Challenges:

- Animal welfare concerns/cases:
 - Milingimbi community: BJ the buffalo – is a significant risk to human life. The AMP team will continue to raise this issue with community and LA members whilst advocating for his safe removal from community.
 - Ramingining community: Tank camp – three bulls that are residing in the area and pose a risk to community safety. The AMP team will continue to advocate for their removal.

Photos:



Dr Evie and some veterinary students in Galiwinku placing dogs in the work car to bring back to clinic for treatments



L-R: Dr Erica, veterinary students Caroline and Ellen and Dr Evie out the front of the Galiwinku veterinary donga



A beautiful and friendly elderly cat in Gapuwiyak



Milingimbi: Bingo the dog was very interested in working with the animal management team, he enjoyed sitting on our car and supervising us!





Yirrkala: Scorpion the dog and his best friend. Scorpion was burnt with hot water but is now doing well after some treatments.



Ramingining: This puppy felt a bit groggy after her surgery!



Gunyangara: Master (on the left) was hit by a car at the start of the month and despite severe pelvic injuries at the time is now doing well. His friend Cooper (right) was attacked by a crocodile and lived! Both were treated by our AMP team!

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

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.6 Community Services Report

AUTHOR	Divyan Ahimaz (Acting Chief Executive Officer), Tahlia Johns (Acting Director - Community Services)
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RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes the Community Services Report.

SUMMARY:

This report provides information on the progress, successes, challenges, and future opportunities of the Council's Community Services Directorate.

BACKGROUND:

The Community Services Directorate covers the following areas and operations of the Council: Child Care Services, Active Communities & Youth Services, Disability Services, Aged Care Services, Libraries and Support Coordination.

These community services collectively contribute to the wellbeing, development, and inclusiveness of our communities, reflecting the Council's commitment to serving its diverse population effectively. The Community Services Directorate operates with a primary focus on relevant service delivery, accessibility and advocacy for appropriate services for community residents and community engagement.

The Directorate coordinates with other EARC departments, community programs, and stakeholders to create a comprehensive approach towards wider community development. This includes partnerships with local schools, healthcare providers, government agencies, and Aboriginal organisations to maximise the impact and reach of its services. Through collaborative efforts, the Community Services Directorate works towards building a stronger, more resilient community where all residents have the opportunity to thrive.

REPORT STORY:

The Community Services Directorate continues to focus on strengthening community-based service delivery, workforce capability, compliance, and sustainable growth across all service areas. Throughout the reporting period, efforts have remained focused on building strong operational foundations, supporting local employment opportunities, and ensuring services continue to meet the needs and expectations of communities across the East Arnhem region.

Across the Directorate, there remains a strong emphasis on developing local workforces, strengthening governance frameworks, and positioning services to respond effectively to changing regulatory and funding environments. This work continues to support Council's commitment to delivering quality services that are community-focused, culturally responsive, and sustainable into the future.

Child Care Services

Child Care Services recently welcomed the new Child Care Services Manager; Falguni Adhikary, who brings strong legislative and industry knowledge to the service. She is focused on service delivery, workforce support, compliance and continuous improvement and has begun to review and refresh policies, procedures, handbooks and other associated documentation. She is also implementing a new training plan to ensure service staff meet all regulatory and operational requirements.

Currently all three of the centres are closed, with Gapuwiyak scheduled to re-open in late August. Project Managers have been engaged and will provide a report on their initial scoping of the external building and infrastructure. This information will provide the cost of upgrading facilities to ensure that the centre meets compliance requirements.

Yirrkala Child Care Centre is closed due to a staff shortage; however recent successful recruitment has a new Team Leader starting in September. During this period of closure the remaining Capital works are scheduled to be completed with defective items being rectified and monitored by the Technical and Infrastructure Team. Once completed, the service, its children, and families will have access to an updated facility, ensuring an engaging and safe space for early childhood education to thrive.

In Galiwin'ku, a Capital works proposal has been submitted to the Department and is now subject to approval and confirmation of funding arrangements. The outcome will determine and prioritise the necessary building upgrades and repairs. Recruitment activity is also underway for both Team Leader and Coordinator positions to support future service readiness post building works.

Active Communities & Youth Services

The 5th Annual Eastern Cup was successfully hosted in Galiwin'ku, bringing together participants, families and supporters from across East Arnhem Land. The event continues to grow as a significant regional sporting and community engagement initiative, promoting healthy lifestyles, positive youth participation, community pride and social connection.

The teams in our communities continue to work collaboratively with schools, community organisations and key stakeholders to identify local priorities and provide activities that meet community needs. Ongoing engagement with young people remains a key focus, ensuring programs remain relevant, inclusive and responsive to local interests and aspirations.

Building works are continuing at the Milingimbi Library to improve the service space and enhance the experience for community members. This includes ongoing support and visits from the Nhulunbuy Library team to assist with service development and operational improvements. The new library space will be a welcome addition to the Milingimbi community.

Disability Services

Disability Services continues to focus on providing a quality, community based, and led service, with local staff delivering support directly to members of the community. Recruitment is being prioritised to ensure the service continues to meet the needs of its participants, and also to build capacity within communities to support sustainable growth.

Recruitment has commenced for the Regional Manager – Disability Services after Mick Fallon's resignation. They will be responsible for overseeing and managing the service and its

staff, their NDIS expertise will ensure industry standards and compliance are met across all aspects of EARC's Disability Services. A focus on team-building both in community and the support office will ensure the service is well placed to execute operational delivery to a high standard. The Regional Coordinator position will provide the Regional Manager with support to strengthen operational oversight. Recruitment for this position is expected to be finalised simultaneously.

During this transitional phase an external contractor has been engaged to deliver accounts receivable and invoice support services. This will allow the accurate processing of NDIS accounts to continue without disruption to EARC's NDIS participants and their plans.

The Technical and Infrastructure team have begun to action the scoping and development of additional buildings which will aid in the expansion of Disability Services away from Aged Care Services. This will allow for a specialised service that can better provide individualised support to participants across EARC's communities.

Aged Care Services

The Aged Care team is actively preparing for upcoming quality and compliance audits. The preparatory work reinforces Council's commitment to delivering safe, high-quality and person-centred aged care services across East Arnhem communities.

East Arnhem Regional Council recently completed its first formal Aged Care Client Satisfaction Survey since transitioning to the new Support at Home program. The survey achieved an overall satisfaction rate of 91.5%, providing strong evidence that service delivery is meeting client expectations and quality standards.

Key results included:

- 98.3% of clients rated the quality of meals provided as satisfactory or better.
- 93.2% reported that staff listen to them and respond to their needs.
- 93.2% indicated they feel comfortable raising concerns or providing feedback.
- 96.6% agreed they receive the right assistance to meet their needs.
- 96.6% reported they are treated with respect and dignity by staff.

The survey also identified several opportunities for continuous improvement, including increased community outings and activities, recruitment of additional care staff, enhancements to facilities and transport arrangements, and ongoing review of culturally appropriate service delivery approaches. These findings will help inform future service planning and quality improvement activities.

The redevelopment of the Yirrkala Aged Care Facility continues to progress. Demolition works have been completed, and the site has been prepared for construction. To ensure continuity of care, services have been temporarily relocated to the Yirrkala Youth Drop-In Centre. The transition has been managed successfully with no disruption to client services, and all operational and environmental compliance requirements continue to be monitored through Council's risk management framework.

Congratulations to Patchouli Cross, who was recently recognised with an Aged Care Employee Day Award. This award acknowledges the dedication, professionalism and commitment of both Patchouli and her team to delivering high-quality care to older people across our communities. Her recognition reflects the outstanding contribution of Council's aged care workforce and the positive impact staff continue to have on the lives of clients and their families.

Nhulunbuy Library

Our new Library Manager has commenced at the Nhulunbuy Library and has begun settling into the role, providing support to library operations in Nhulunbuy.

Library Program Officer has continued community visits and is actively liaising with internal services to strengthen connections and improve access to mainstream library programs and resources across East Arnhem Land.

Library & Archives NT (LANT) Visit The Libraries and Archives NT (LANT) are visiting the the region, providing valuable support and engagement with library staff. The visit focused on strengthening partnerships, learning best practice in our context, and identifying opportunities to further enhance library services across East Arnhem communities. These visit always highlight the importance of ongoing collaboration between local libraries and the Northern Territory library network.

Support Coordination

Support Coordination remains a vital service in ensuring participants can effectively engage with the NDIS and access the supports required to live independently and participate fully in their communities. The team continues to adapt to evolving NDIS requirements while maintaining a strong commitment to person-centred service delivery. Particular focus continues to be placed on building participant capacity, maintaining continuity of supports, and advocating for improved access to services in remote communities.

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

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.7 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 Council's consideration and provides program updates from the Technical and Infrastructure Directorate. The updates pertain to capital projects and initiatives aligned with the 2026-2027 Annual Plan.

BACKGROUND:

As part of Council's Annual Plan, a range of projects and initiatives were tabled and subsequently approved by Council for the 2026-2027 financial year. Ongoing updates on these projects will be provided at each 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 and Infrastructure

122 - Building and Public Infrastructure Services

REPORT STORY:

122 – Fleet Services - (Report Owner – Imogen Weighill)

Recent Insurance claims**Milingimbi damage**

F0638 impact with BJ the buffalo



F0688 impact with Tree, handbrake not used

F0673 Vandalism



New Vehicles

F0731 Nhulunbuy Pool Vehicle



- F0730 Roads and infrastructure Vehicle, Nhulunbuy
Photo TBC
- New Trucks:
 - F0727 – Milingimbi
 - F0732 – Ramingining
 - F0735 – Yirrkala
 - F0739 – Galiwinku



F0714 – Gapuwiyak



116 – Lighting for Public Safety (Report Owner – Arvin Roping)**Repair and Maintenance of Public Streetlighting**

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	NIL	100% complete
Milingimbi	6 – LED street lights 6 – GFS200 solar street lights	17 August 2026 (mobilisation of plant equipment, subject to Sea Swift) 7 September 2026 (expected commencement)	Note: EWP to be mobilised from Galiwin'ku (Elcho Island) on 17 August 2026 via Sea Swift sea freight, subject to Sea Swift scheduling.
Ramingining	15 – LED street lights	21 September 2026 (mobilisation of plant equipment)	Note: EWP to be mobilised from Milingimbi via Sea Swift sea freight / MOPRA, subject to sea freight scheduling.

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
Gapuwiyak	Complete 100%	Complete 100%	Maintenance grading works 100% complete
Ramingining	7 – 13 August 2026	31 August 2026	Maintenance grading works underway
Galiwin'ku	31 August 2026	14 September 2026	Note: Subject to Sea Swift barge scheduling from Ramingining/Darwin
Milingimbi	31 August 2026	7 September 2026	Note: Subject to Sea Swift barge scheduling from Ramingining/Darwin

Gunyangara	17 September 2026	19 September 2026	Note: Subject to current production rates, grading maintenance underway at Ramininging
Gunyangara	18 September 2026	24 September 2026	Note: Subject to current production rates, grading maintenance underway at Ramininging

Notes:

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

119 – Local Road Upgrade and Construction (Report Owner – Arvin Roping)**Ramingining Barge Access Road Upgrades**

Mobilisation date: 13 August 2026

Works commencement: 15 August 2026

Expected completion: 31 August 2026

- Preworks road conditions undertaken internally by EARC prior to commencement of upgrade works
- Geotechnical testing of gravel quality has been undertaken (report has been supplied)
- Contractor to adhere to environmental waste management plans as instructed
- No new grounds are to be disturbed



T25-203418.1 Bawaka Homeland Access Road – Design, Supply and Construction of Concrete Floodway

- Survey and design phase, 12 August 2026 – 100% complete
- Mobilisation phase, 16 August 2026 100% complete
- Establishment of temporary traffic management plan and control, 16 August 2026 – ongoing
- Formwork and reinforcement (steel bars and/or mesh), 14 – 18 August 2026
- Concrete pour, 19 August 2026
- Rock pitching and associated protection works, 20 – 21 August 2026
- Cleanup and demobilisation. 22 August 2026
- Concrete curing for 7 days (25 MPa) & 28 days (32 MPa)



122 – Building Infrastructure Services (Report Owner – Bruce Hall)**Yirrkala Aged Care Facility**

- BR Constructions mobilized and set up the site 5/08/26.
- Demolition works commenced 7/08/26 and completed 12/08/26
- Backfilling and building pad preparation completed 15/08/26
- Preparation of the Building slab is continuing.



Image – Existing Aged Care Centre demolished, and area prepped for new build

Gapuwiyak and Galiwinku Child Care Centre upgrades

Compliance reports are being prepared by the consultant and will form part of the grant funding submissions for proposed upgrades to the Center's. Upon receipt of acceptance from the funding body, tender packages will be released.

Lot 370 Galiwinku – Fire damaged building

Demolition works were due to commence within the past fortnight. However, delays associated with barge movements have impacted the project schedule and postponed the commencement of works.

Lot 117 Milingimbi New Staff housing design concepts

EARC has received the concept drawings for the proposed staff accommodation development. The final design documentation and project costings are anticipated this month and will be reviewed upon receipt.



Galiwinku Toilet Block – Charter waiting area location

Base slab preparation has been completed, and the base slab has been poured. Blockwork is now complete and ready for core filling. The topping slab is scheduled for completion by 25th August.

**Miligimbi Toilet Block**

The project has experienced delays due to the unexpected discovery of asbestos during works.

Subsequent investigations have been completed, and a report has been prepared to quantify the extent of asbestos present.

Preparations for asbestos removal works are now being quantified in order to enable the project to move forward.

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

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT**3.8 Human Resources and Finance Report**

AUTHOR Ralph Reddy (Finance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approves the Finance and Human Resources Report for the period ended 31 July 2026.

SUMMARY:

This report is tabled to the Council to provide the Finance and Human Resources Report for the period ended 31 July 2026 for its approval.

BACKGROUND:

In accordance with section 17 of the Local Government (General) Regulations, the CEO must submit a finance report each month before a meeting of the Council. The Council has established a Finance Committee to consider this report in the months when Council does not meet.

The finance report for the period ended 31 July 2026 is attached to the report for consideration and the following points are highlighted in the report:

Finance Reports:

Financial Results
Income and Expense Statement – Actual vs Budget
Rates and Waste Charges Collection
Investments
Monthly Balance Sheet Report
Capital Expenditure – Actual vs Budget
Elected Members Allowances Report
Elected Members Professional Development Report
Cash and Equity Analysis
CEO Council Credit Card Transactions
Replacement and Contingency Reserves
Financial Results - Each Reporting Location

Human Resources Reports:

Employment Statistics
Position Vacancies
WHS Performance Report

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

ATTACHMENTS:

1. July 26 HR Report [3.8.1 - 4 pages]
2. July 26 WHS Performance [3.8.2 - 6 pages]

3. July 26 Council Reports Pages 1-6 [**3.8.3** - 6 pages]
4. July 26 Council Reports Income and Expenses [**3.8.4** - 1 page]
5. July 26 Council Reports Income and Expenses Notes [**3.8.5** - 1 page]
6. July 26 Council Reports Waste Charges Collection [**3.8.6** - 1 page]
7. July 26 Investment Report [**3.8.7** - 2 pages]
8. July 26 Council Balance Sheet and Notes [**3.8.8** - 5 pages]
9. July 26 Council Capital Expenditure [**3.8.9** - 1 page]
10. July 26 Council Elected Member Allowances Report [**3.8.10** - 1 page]
11. July 26 Council Elected Member Professional Development Expense [**3.8.11** - 1 page]
12. July 26 Council Cash and Equity Analysis [**3.8.12** - 1 page]
13. July 26 Council CEO Council Credit Card Transactions [**3.8.13** - 1 page]
14. July 26 Council Replacement and Contingency Reserves [**3.8.14** - 1 page]
15. July 26 Council Income and Expenses by Location [**3.8.15** - 11 pages]

Human Resources Report

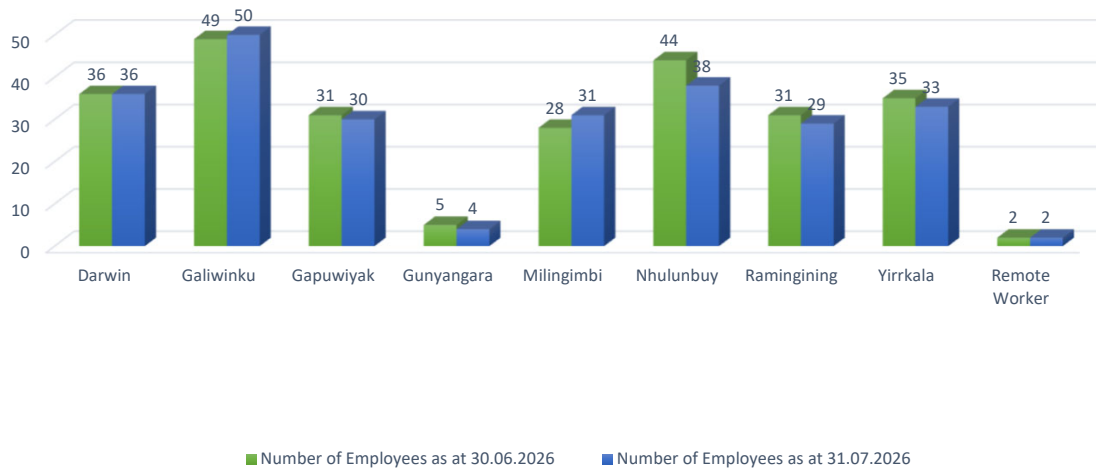
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Employment Statistics

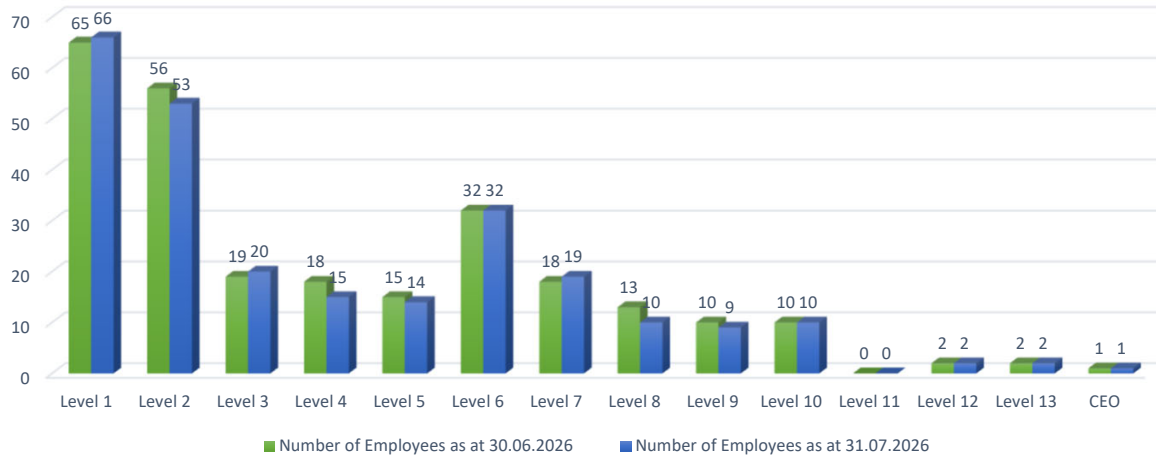
	31/07/2026	30/06/2026
Total Employees	253	261
Employment Costs Under Budget	\$1.0m	\$1.3m

Services	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance
Active Communities	70,852	130,505	(59,653)
Aged Care Services	120,657	278,199	(157,542)
Building and Infrastructure Services	44,273	95,587	(51,315)
Child Care Services	26,332	104,000	(77,669)
Community Media	1,452	2,332	(879)
Community Night Patrol and Sobering Up Shelter Services	95,280	150,222	(54,942)
Community Services	16,420	27,874	(11,454)
Council Services	111,846	198,002	(86,156)
Disability Services	81,859	116,935	(35,076)
Fleet and Workshop Services	6,380	20,102	(13,722)
Governance and CEO	34,739	56,530	(21,791)
Information Communication and Technology Services	20,817	43,255	(22,438)
Library Services	19,339	59,034	(39,694)
Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management	16,807	18,827	(2,020)
Municipal Services	116,873	238,500	(121,627)
People and Corporate Services	35,235	203,471	(168,236)
Support Coordination Services	-	28,969	(28,969)
Veterinary and Animal Control Services	26,513	36,988	(10,475)
Visitor Accommodation	5,760	10,730	(4,969)
Waste and Environmental Services	36,118	65,116	(28,998)
Youth Services	37,449	37,537	(88)
Total	925,001	1,922,714	(997,713)

Number of Staff by Location



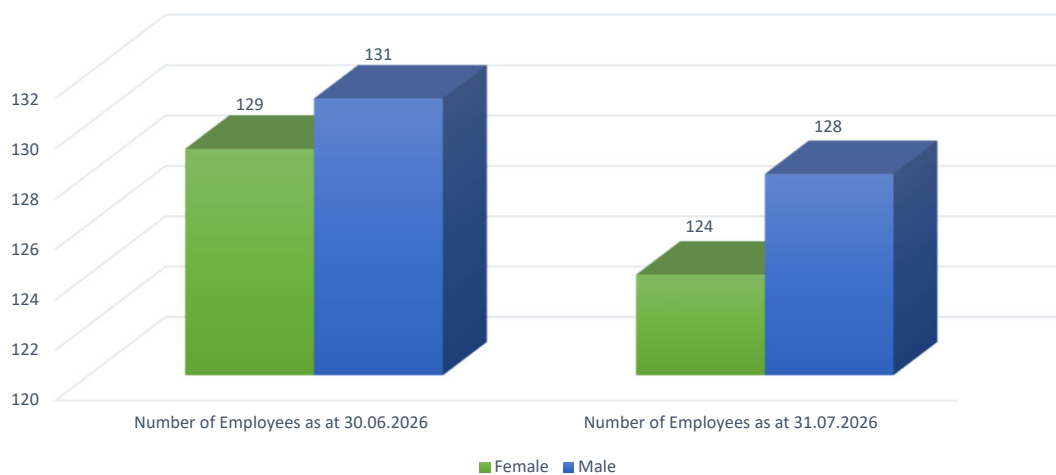
Number of Staff by Grade



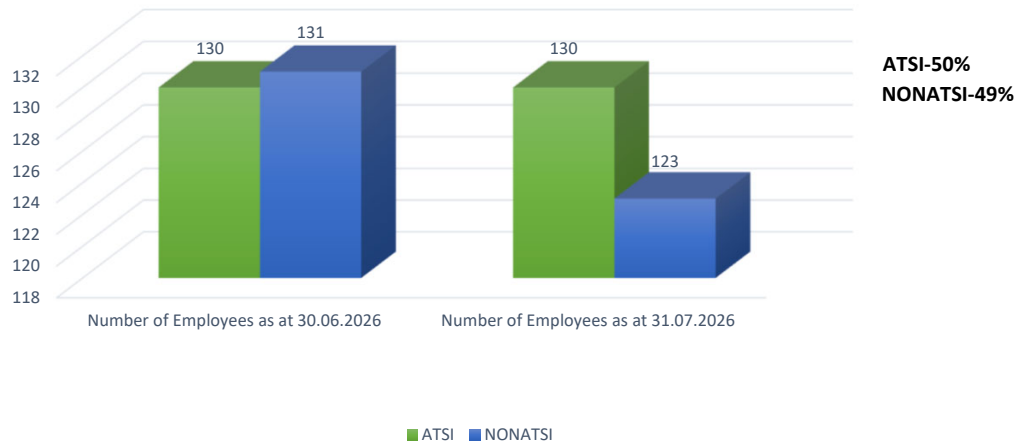
Number of Staff by Employment Type



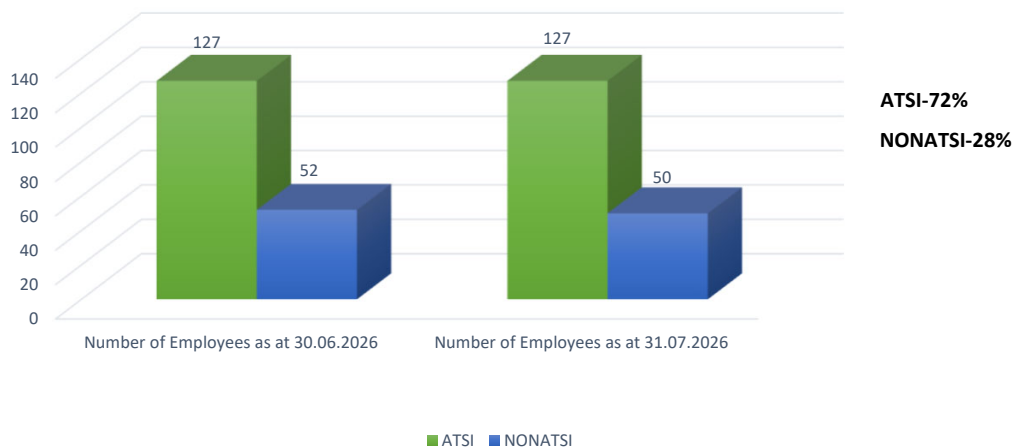
Number of Staff by Gender



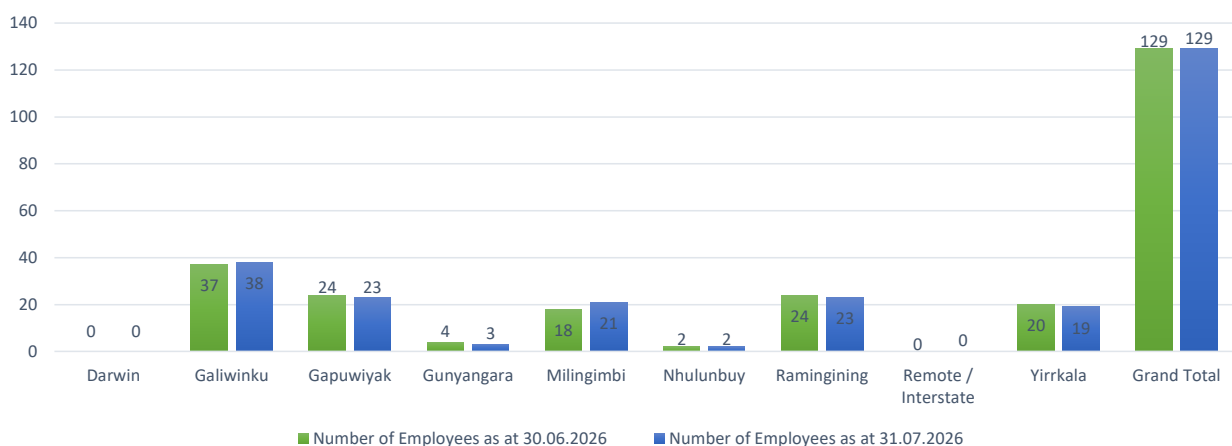
Total Number of Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Staff



Number of Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Staff in Communities



ATSI Employees by Community



VACANCIES AS AT 31.07.2026 - TOTALING TO 56 VACANCIES

Position	Community	Type of Employment	Level	No. of Vacancies
Active Communities Relief Coordinator	All Locations	External	Casual	1
Active Communities Worker	Gunyangara	Community	Casual	1
Active Communities Worker	Milingimbi	Community	Casual	2
Active Communities Worker	Gapuwiyak	Community	Casual	1
Active Community Worker	Milingimbi	Community	Fixed Term	1
Active Community Worker	Gapuwiyak	Community	Casual	1
Administration Support Officer - ACYS	Nhulunbuy	External	Full Time	1
Library & Cultural Heritage Worker	Gapuwiyak	Community	Casual	1
Library & Cultural Heritage Worker	Gapuwiyak	Community	Casual	1
Library and Cultural Heritage Worker	Milingimbi	Community	Community	2
ACDS Support Worker x2	Ramingining	Community	Casual	2
Aged Care Services - Supervisor	Yirraka	Community	Part Time	1
Aged Care Services - Support Worker	Galiwinku	Community	Casual	1
Aged Care Services - Support Worker	Galiwinku	Community	Casual	1
Aged Care Services Support Worker	Yirraka	Community	Casual	1
Aged Care Services Officer Cook	Ramingining	External	Full Time	1
Aged Care Services Operations Coordinator	Milingimbi	Internal	Full Time	1
Child Care Educator	Yirraka	Community	Full Time	1
Child Care Project Officer	Yirraka	Community	Full Time	1
Child Care Relief Coordinator	Nhulunbuy	External	Full Time	1
Child Care Team Leader	Yirraka	External	Full Time	1
Child Care Worker	Yirraka	Community	Casual	1
Child Care Worker	Yirraka	Community	Casual	1
CNP Officer	Galiwinku	Community	Parttime	1
CNP Officer	Ramingining	Community	Casual	1
Community Media Officer	Yirraka	Community	Casual	1
Community Night Patrol Officer	Milingimbi	Community	Casual	1
Council Services Manager	Yirraka	External	Full time	1
Customer Service Officer	Yirraka	Community	Casual	1
Municipal Services Officer	Galiwinku	Community	Full Time	1
Municipal Services Officer	Gunyangara	Community	Casual	1
Municipal Services Officer	Yirraka	Community	Casual	1
Municipal Services Supervisor	Galiwinku	External	Full time	1
Senior Cleaner	Ramingining	External	Casual	1
Strategic Officer - Waste and Environment	Darwin	External	Full Time	1
Veterinarian and Animal Control Supervisor	Galiwinku	Community	Casual	1
ACDS Support Worker	Gapuwiyak	Community	Casual	1
ACDS Support Worker	Gapuwiyak	Community	Casual	1
Aged Care and Disability Services Care Coordinator	Yirraka	External	Full Time	1
Disability Services Care Coordinator	Galiwinku	External	Full Time	1
Disability Services Support Worker	Milingimbi	Community	Casual	1
Disability Support Worker	Milingimbi	Community	Casual	1
Disability Support Worker (1)	Ramingining	Community	Casual	1
Disability Support Worker (2)	Ramingining	Community	Casual	1
Regional Coordinator -Disability Services	Darwin	External	Full time	1
Regional Manager – Disability Services	Darwin	External	Full Time	1
Payroll Officer	Darwin	External	Full Time	1
Senior Finance Officer	Darwin	Internal	Full Time	1
WHS Coordinator	Darwin	External	Full Time	1
Administration Support Officer – Tenancy and Leasing	Nhulunbuy	External	Full Time	1
Project Manager	Darwin	External	Full Time	1
Regional Manager - Fleet Services	Darwin	External	Full Time	1
Aged Care Services - Support Worker	Milingimbi	Community	Casual	1

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1. WHS Operations Update

July saw continued implementation of Council's Work Health and Safety Management System, with business units undertaking scheduled WHS activities including Toolbox Meetings and workplace inspections.

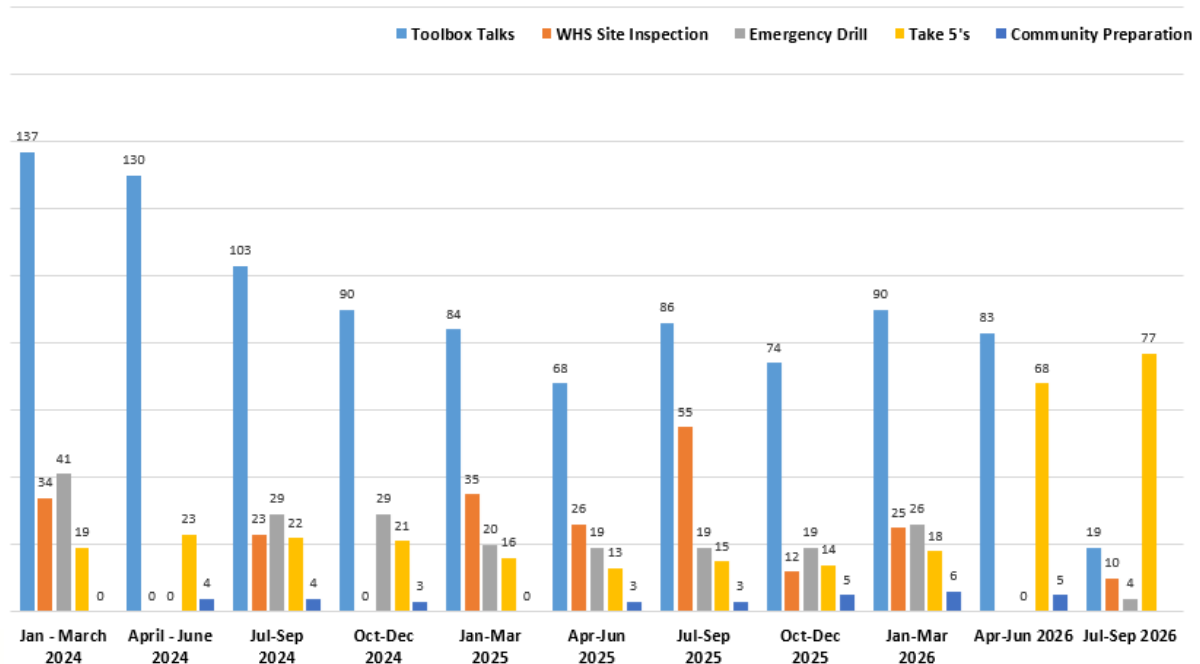
Toolbox Meeting completion varied across departments during July. Several business units achieved high levels of compliance, while others recorded lower completion rates, highlighting the need for continued focus on ensuring scheduled activities are completed consistently across all locations.

Completion of scheduled WHS Site Inspections also varied during the reporting period. While several departments completed inspections, several scheduled inspections remained outstanding.

Overall, July demonstrated ongoing commitment to WHS processes across Council. While several departments continue to achieve strong compliance with scheduled safety activities, the results highlight opportunities to improve the timely completion of activities to strengthen consultation, workplace monitoring and ongoing compliance across all service areas.

2. WHS Scheduled Task Performance

Quarterly Performance 2024-2026



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2.1 Department Toolbox Engagement

Aged Care & Disability Services	20%	Council Services	90%
Child Care	90%	Accommodation	100%
Active Communities & Youth Services	60%	Municipal Services	60%
Library Services	90%	Community Night Patrol & SUS	67%
Animal Management	100%	Support Office	N/A

2.2 Department WHS Inspection Engagement

Aged Care & Disability Services	0%	Council Services	60%
Child Care	0%	Accommodation	0%
Active Communities & Youth Services	20%	Municipal Services	33%
Library Services	0%	Community Night Patrol & SUS	50%
Animal Management	0%	Support Office	N/A

2.3 WHS Recommendation

Council currently schedules formal WHS Site Inspections on a quarterly basis. While this provides periodic oversight of workplace conditions, it is recommended that inspections be increased to monthly across all operational departments.

More frequent inspections enable hazards, unsafe conditions and non-conformances to be identified and addressed earlier, reducing the likelihood of incidents, improving corrective action timeframes and strengthening due diligence and continuous improvement. Monthly inspections also provide greater visibility of workplace trends, reinforce management commitment to safety and support ongoing consultation with workers.

This recommendation aligns with the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011* and *Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011*, which require a Person Conducting a Business or Undertaking (PCBU) to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the health and safety of workers and to maintain safe systems of work through the ongoing identification of hazards, assessment of risks and implementation of appropriate control measures.



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3. Safety Alerts

Three Safety Alerts were issued during July to raise awareness of key workplace health and safety risks across Council operations.

- **WHS Management System Review** – Advised staff of the commencement of Council's WHS Management System review, outlining upcoming documentation and system improvements while reinforcing that no immediate action was required and existing procedures should continue to be followed.
- **Managing Aggressive and Violent Behaviour** – Reinforced workers' rights to a safe workplace by providing guidance on recognising warning signs, responding to aggressive behaviour, de-escalation techniques and when to seek assistance or contact emergency services.
- **Preventing Complacency in the Workplace** – Highlighted the risks associated with familiarity and routine during vehicle operation, plant use and field activities. The alert encouraged workers to remain vigilant, use the Take 5 risk assessment process and continually assess changing workplace conditions.

These alerts supported Council's commitment to proactive hazard awareness, effective safety communication and reinforcing safe work practices across all service areas.

3.1 Alert 1: Managing Aggressive and Violent Behaviour

SAFETY ALERT
Together in Safety, Shaping a Safer Future 2026-015

Council employees may occasionally encounter members of the public, clients or visitors who display aggressive, abusive or violent behaviour. These situations can present a significant risk to the health and safety of workers.

Everyone has the right to a workplace free from violence, intimidation, threats and abuse.

RECOGNISE THE WARNING SIGNS

- Raised voice or yelling
- Swearing or abusive language
- Threatening or intimidating behaviour
- Refusing reasonable requests
- Signs of intoxication or drug impairment
- Damage to property or throwing objects

IF THE SITUATION ESCALATES

Do not attempt to physically restrain or confront the person.

- End the interaction if it is no longer safe and leave the area immediately if required.
- Seek assistance from a supervisor or nearby colleague.
- Contact Police (000) immediately if there is an immediate threat to safety.

If you would like a Safety Alert issued for your community or work area, please contact Jess Gibson on 0413 916 533 or at whs@eastarnhem.nt.gov.au



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3.2 Alert 2 & 3: Preventing Complacency in the Workplace & WHS Management System Review

4. Incidents Reported / Investigated

A total of three incidents were reported during July 2026. These comprised one injury involving a member of the public and two plant/property damage incidents. No regulatory notifiable incidents were recorded.

The incidents included:

- **Public Injury (Ramming):** A seven-year-old participant sustained a fingernail injury while skateboarding during a supervised activity. First aid was administered on site, and the participant was able to remain for the remainder of the activity before returning home.
- **Vehicle Damage (Municipal Services):** While undertaking waste collection activities, a Council vehicle sustained damage after an individual from the public threw rocks at the windscreen. The incident resulted in damage requiring replacement of the windscreen and wiper arm.
- **Plant Damage (Waste Facility – nil location entered):** During green waste handling operations, a tree branch became caught between the loader bucket and lift arm, damaging the hydraulic grease lines and requiring repairs to the plant.



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Overall, the incidents recorded during July were isolated events with no lost time injuries or notifiable incidents. The incidents highlight the importance of maintaining awareness of public interaction risks during field operations and ensuring plant is operated with due consideration of surrounding environmental hazards.

5. July Incident Summary

Type	Total	Summary
Personal Injury	1	Child participating in a supervised skateboarding activity sustained a fingernail injury. First aid was provided on site, and the participant was able to continue the activity before returning home.
Property Damage	2	1. Council vehicle sustained damage after a member of the public threw rocks at the windscreen during waste collection activities. The windscreen and wiper arm required replacement. 2. Loader sustained damage at the waste facility after a tree branch became lodged between the bucket and lift arm, damaging the hydraulic grease lines. No injuries were reported.

6. Incident Trend Analysis

The charts below provide an overview of incident trends to assist in monitoring Council's WHS performance.

- **Yearly Comparison** – Compares the total number of incidents reported in 2025 and 2026 by incident category.
- **Monthly Comparison** – Compares incidents reported from April to July 2026 by incident category. This provides a snapshot of recent incident trends, enabling emerging issues to be identified, corrective actions to be monitored and resources to be targeted towards areas of greatest risk.

5.1 EARC Incidents – Yearly Comparison

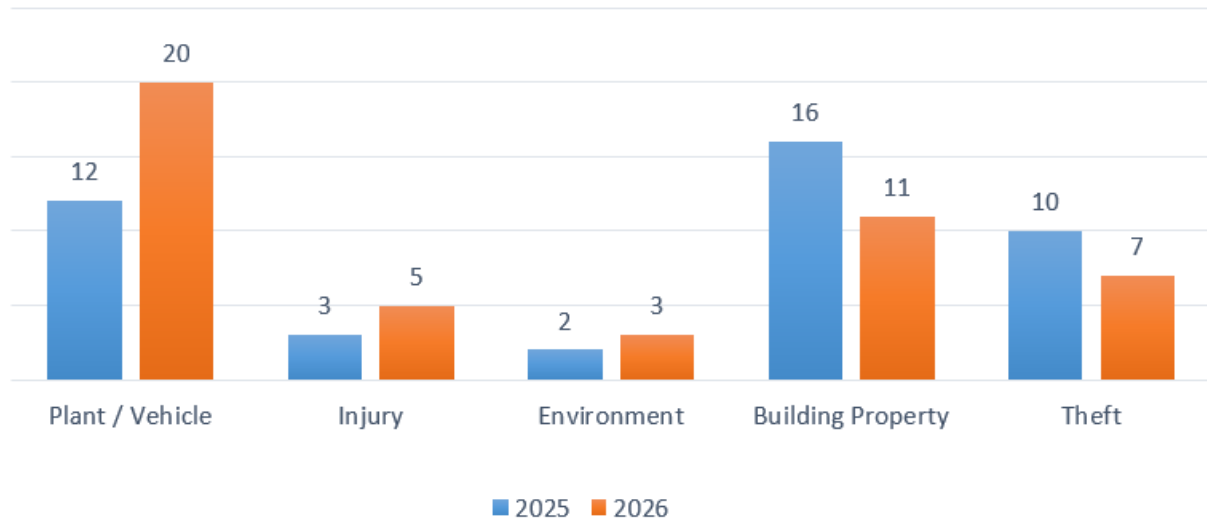
The yearly comparison indicates that Plant/Vehicle incidents have increased significantly, rising from 12 incidents in 2025 to 20 incidents in 2026, making this the highest reported incident category and an area requiring continued focus. Injury incidents have also increased from 3 to 5.



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Yearly Comparison



5.2 EARC Incidents – Monthly Comparison

The monthly comparison (April to July 2026) shows that Plant/Vehicle incidents have remained the most frequent incident type, although there has been a positive downward trend, reducing from four Plant/Vehicle incidents in both April and May to two in June and July.

Monthly Comparison



July 2026 Financial Results

Year to date figures in millions



Revenue

Current Year **\$1.95m**

Carried Forward
Grants **\$8.78m**



Expenditures

Actual **\$2.41m**

Committed **\$4.86m**



Net Operating Result

\$9.19m



Assets

\$108.83m



Fixed Assets Acquired

\$0.10m



Cash on hand

\$38.95m



Unexpended Grants

\$9.87m



Reserves

\$19.56m

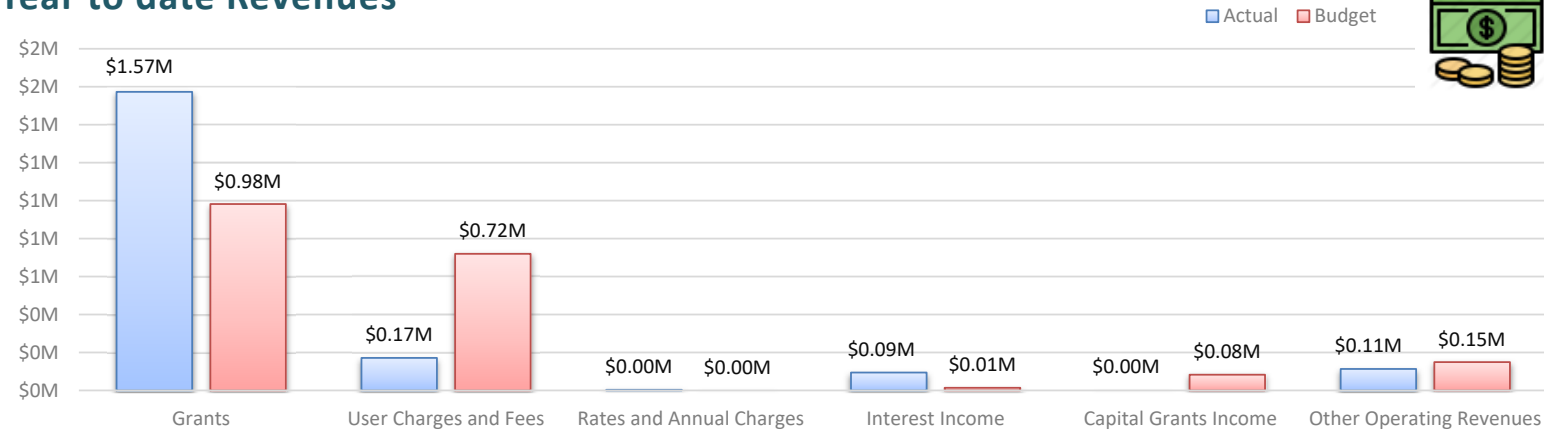


Unrestricted Cash

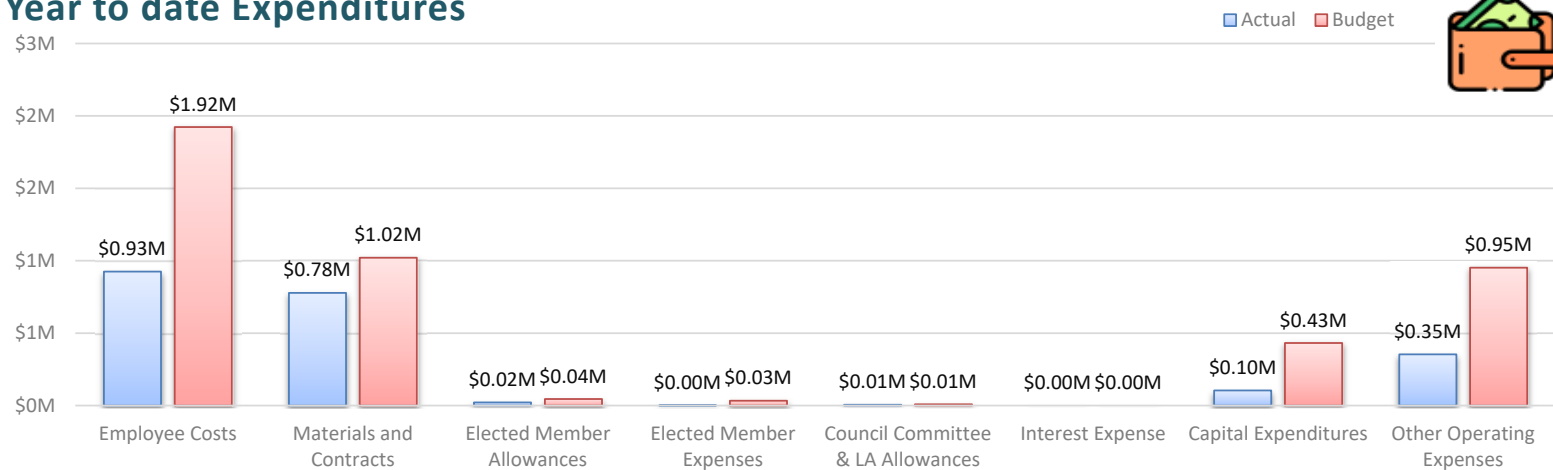
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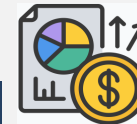
Year to date Revenues



Year to date Expenditures



Where the money was spent as of 31st July 2026



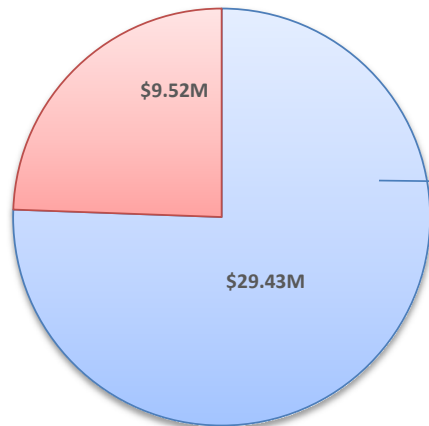
Services	Expenditures	
	Amount \$	%
Building and Infrastructure Services	5,645,294	12.35%
Aged Care Services	4,846,275	10.60%
People and Corporate Services	4,395,752	9.62%
Fleet and Workshop Services	4,028,522	8.81%
Municipal Services	3,319,528	7.26%
Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management	3,203,628	7.01%
Active Communities	3,151,271	6.89%
Council Services	2,642,992	5.78%
Community Night Patrol and Sobering Up Shelter Services	2,081,067	4.55%
Waste and Environmental Services	1,781,063	3.90%
Governance and CEO	1,723,123	3.77%
Child Care Services	1,567,056	3.43%
Disability Services	1,454,334	3.18%
Information Communication and Technology Services	1,245,889	2.73%
Local Road Upgrade and Construction	832,171	1.82%
Youth Services	804,219	1.76%
Local Commercial Opportunities	669,870	1.47%
Veterinary and Animal Control Services	607,237	1.33%
Library Services	570,917	1.25%
Community Services	518,451	1.13%
Visitor Accommodation	254,202	0.56%
Lighting for Public Safety	253,389	0.55%
Local Authorities Boards	54,740	0.12%
Community Media	47,267	0.10%
Community Events	17,720	0.04%
Total Council Expenditures*	45,715,977	

*Operating & capital expenditures excluding depreciation & internal allocations

Cash as of 31st July 2026

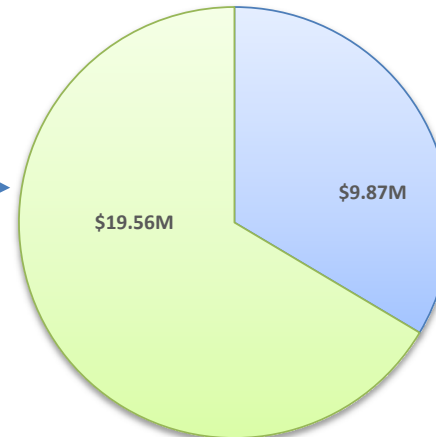


Total Tied and Unrestricted Cash \$38.95M



■ 76%, Tied ■ 24%, Unrestricted

\$29.43M Tied Cash Breakdown



■ 33.5%, Unexpended Grants Reserve ■ 66.5%, Specific Reserves

Tied = Cash to be used for a specific purpose such as a grant and usually guided by an agreement

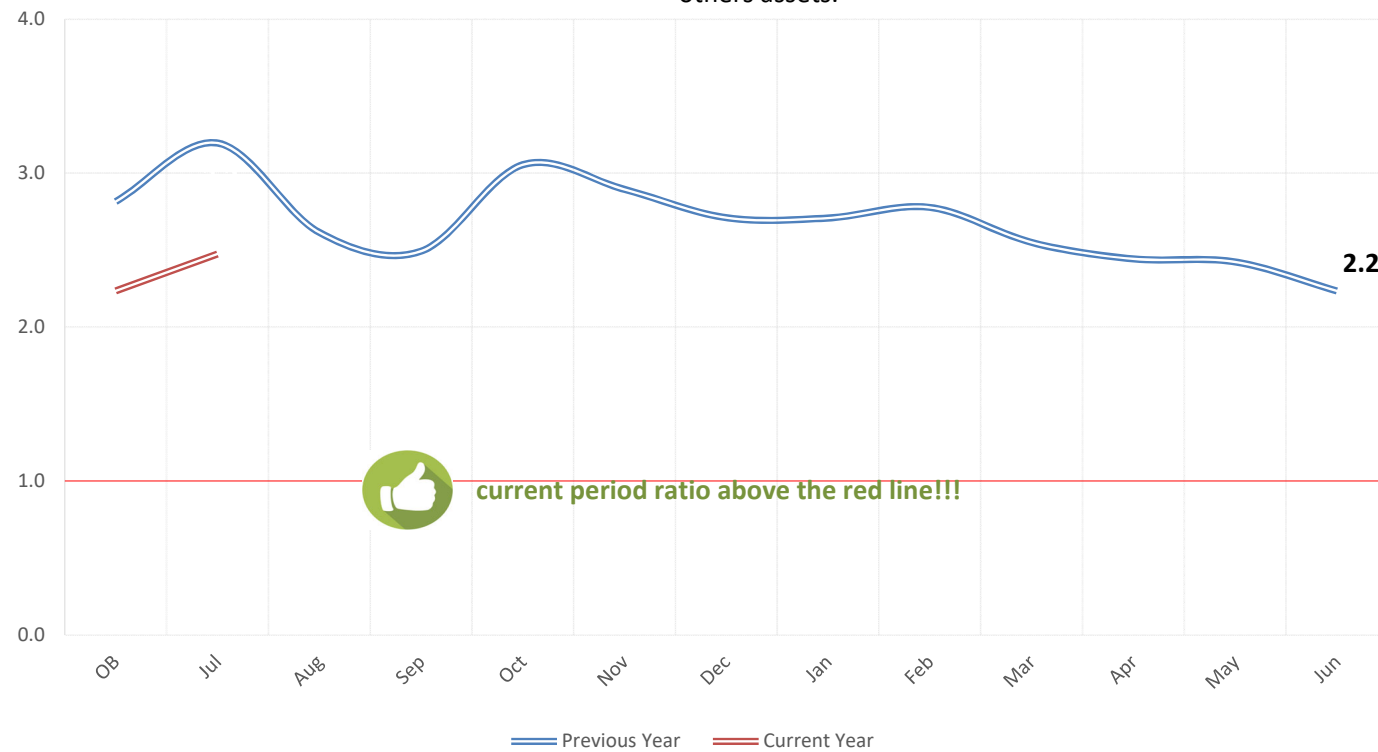
Untied/Unrestricted = Cash to achieve Councils goals at Councils discretion

 **Cash Ratio Formula** = $\frac{\text{Cash + Cash Equivalent}}{\text{Total Current Liabilities}}$



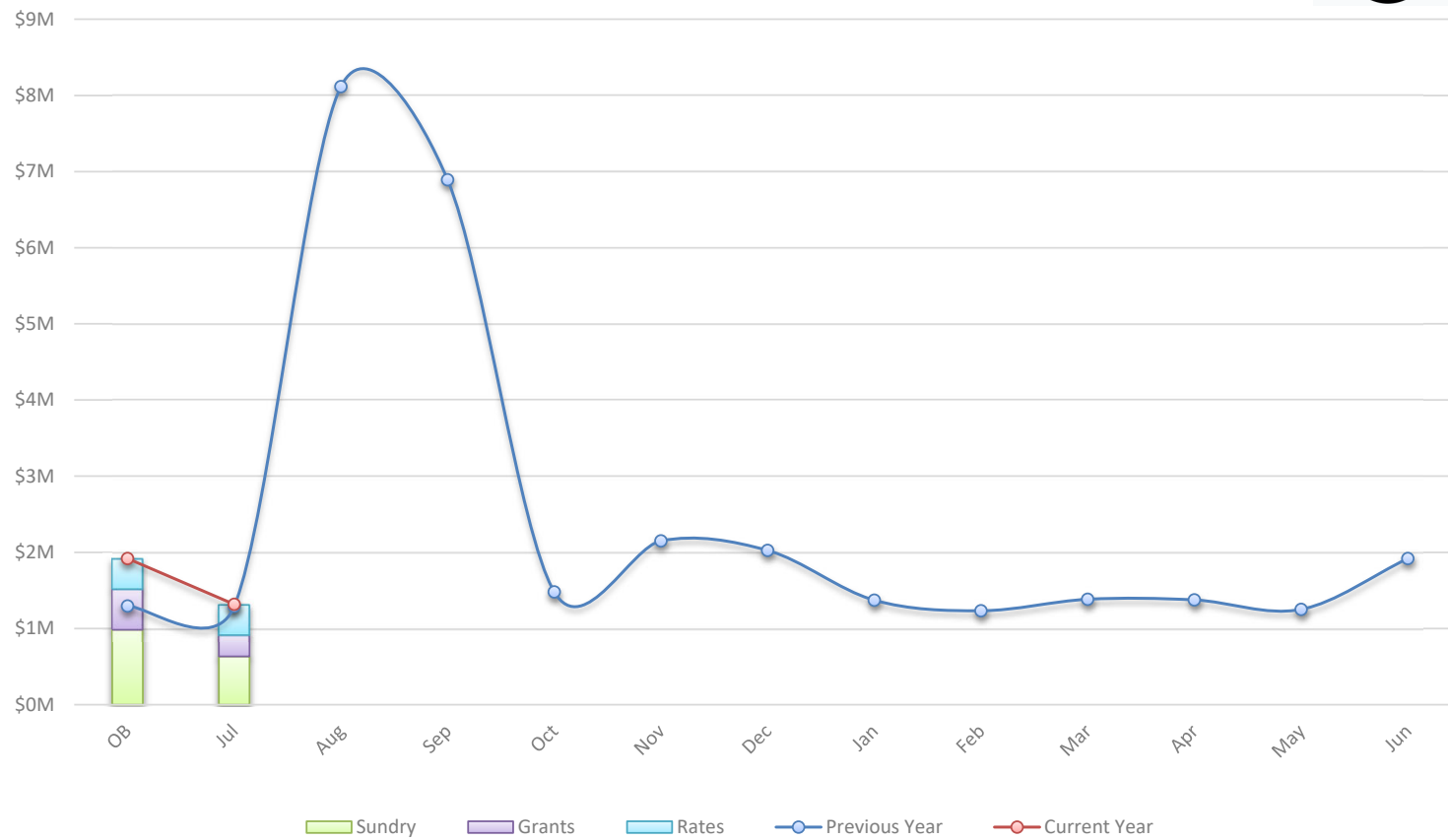


The Cash Ratio measures the Council's ability to pay its short term debts when they fall due. Current period ratio shows that Council currently has \$2.5 in cash for every \$1 of combined current liabilities and unexpended grants. If unexpended grants are returned to funding bodies, Council will still be able to pay its current liabilities without selling its others assets.



Debtors (Money owed to the Council)

Monthly Total



INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT

ACTUAL VS BUDGET

Year to date 31st July 2026

	Note	YTD Actuals \$	Commitments	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$ (Actuals + Commitments VS Budget)	YTD Variance %	Approved Annual Budget \$
OPERATING REVENUES							
Grants	A	1,573,097	-	982,058	591,039	60%	23,203,472
User Charges and Fees	B	171,345	-	719,285	(547,940)	(76%)	9,658,424
Rates and Annual Charges		3,422	-	-	3,422	100%	7,410,778
Interest Income	C	93,737	-	13,600	80,137	589%	1,140,488
Other Operating Revenues		113,181	-	149,214	(36,034)	(24%)	1,790,585
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES		1,954,783	-	1,864,158	90,625	5%	43,203,747
OPERATING EXPENSES							
Employee Costs	D	925,001	-	1,922,714	(997,713)	(52%)	23,075,053
Materials and Contracts	E	778,274	4,243,483	1,020,420	4,001,336	392%	13,980,061
Elected Member Allowances		21,623	-	44,987	(23,363)	(52%)	539,840
Elected Member Expenses		392	2,534	33,687	(30,762)	(91%)	317,098
Council Committee & LA Allowances		5,900	-	8,833	(2,933)	(33%)	48,000
Council Committee & LA Expenses		127	15,382	6,583	8,926	136%	36,743
Depreciation and Amortisation		329,076	-	298,598	30,478	10%	3,583,180
Other Operating Expenses	F	353,208	493,352	951,739	(105,179)	(11%)	11,322,482
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		2,413,600	4,754,751	4,287,561	2,880,790	67%	52,902,457
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		(458,817)	(4,754,751)	(2,423,403)	(2,790,165)	115%	(9,698,711)
Capital Grants Income		-	-	82,884	(82,884)	0%	994,604
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		(458,817)	(4,754,751)	(2,340,519)	(2,873,049)	123%	(8,704,106)
Remove Non-Cash Item							
Add back Depreciation Expense		329,076	-	298,598	30,478	10%	3,583,180
Less Additional Outflows							
Capital Expenditure	G	(104,138)	(100,811)	(432,356)	227,407	(53%)	(8,024,276)
Carried Forward Revenue for FY2028		-	-	-	-	0%	(1,480,889)
Transfer to Reserves		(696,340)	-	(685,719)	(10,621)	2%	(7,989,763)
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS		(800,478)	(100,811)	(1,118,076)	216,786	(19%)	(17,494,928)
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		(930,219)	(4,855,562)	(3,159,997)	(2,625,785)	83%	(22,615,854)
Add Additional Inflows							
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	H	8,782,667	-	6,566,675	2,215,992	34%	6,566,675
Transfer from General Equity		310,530	-	310,530	-	0%	3,726,364
Transfer from Reserves		1,026,901	-	1,026,901	-	0%	12,322,815
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS		10,120,099	-	7,904,108	2,215,992	28%	22,615,854
NET OPERATING POSITION - SURPLUS		9,189,879	(4,855,562)	4,744,111	(409,794)	100%	-

NOTES ON INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT ACTUAL VS BUDGET

A Grants YTD Actual higher than Budget

The Council has received the first installment for Indigenous Employment Initiative Program funding which is higher than what was budgeted for July 2026.

Grants	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance
Indigenous Employment Initiative Program	905,672	150,945	↑ 754,727
Public Library Service	-	32,008	↓ (32,008)
Regional Sobering Up Shelter, Nhulunbuy	195,980	35,429	↑ 160,551
Commonwealth Home Support Programme	-	75,749	↓ (75,749)
Remote Indigenous Broadcasting Service	-	9,040	↓ (9,040)
Youth, Sport and Recreation Program	-	188,178	↓ (188,178)
Community Child Care Fund	188,092	110,788	↑ 77,304
Community Night Patrol Services	-	185,773	↓ (185,773)
Remote Community Connector Program	91,291	33,473	↑ 57,818
East Arnhem Youth Alcohol & Other Drugs Service	175,512	-	↑ 175,512
2023-25 Care Finder NT PHN	16,550	6,068	↑ 10,482
Active Regional and Remote Communities	-	51,167	↓ (51,167)
NT Waste and Resource Management 2024-25	-	10,703	↓ (10,703)
Youth Diversion Program 2026 - 2028	-	25,000	↓ (25,000)
Support at Home	-	67,118	↓ (67,118)
Fair Work Commission Boost	-	618	↓ (618)
Total	1,573,097	982,058	↑ 591,039

B User Charges and Fees YTD Actual lower than Budget

Actual rental income, medicare subsidies and NDIS revenue are lower than budget.

C Interest Income YTD Actual higher than Budget

Actual interest on term deposits higher than budget.

D Employee Costs YTD Actual lower than Budget

Services	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance
Active Communities	70,852	130,505	↓ (59,653)
Aged Care Services	120,657	278,199	↓ (157,542)
Building and Infrastructure Services	44,273	95,587	↓ (51,315)
Child Care Services	26,332	104,000	↓ (77,669)
Community Media	1,452	2,332	↓ (879)
Community Night Patrol and Sobering Up Shelter Services	95,280	150,222	↓ (54,942)
Community Services	16,420	27,874	↓ (11,454)
Council Services	111,846	198,002	↓ (86,156)
Disability Services	81,859	116,935	↓ (35,076)
Fleet and Workshop Services	6,380	20,102	↓ (13,722)
Governance and CEO	34,739	56,530	↓ (21,791)
Information Communication and Technology Services	20,817	43,255	↓ (22,438)
Library Services	19,339	59,034	↓ (39,694)
Local Road Maintenance & Traffic Management	16,807	18,827	↓ (2,020)
Municipal Services	116,873	238,500	↓ (121,627)
People and Corporate Services	35,235	203,471	↓ (168,236)
Support Coordination Services	-	28,969	↓ (28,969)
Veterinary and Animal Control Services	26,513	36,988	↓ (10,475)
Visitor Accommodation	5,760	10,730	↓ (4,969)
Waste and Environmental Services	36,118	65,116	↓ (28,998)
Youth Services	37,449	37,537	↓ (88)
Total	925,001	1,922,714	↓ (997,713)

E Materials and Contracts YTD Actual plus commitments higher than Budget

Commitments mainly relates to Roads and Building and Infrastructure projects.

F Other Operating Expenses YTD Actual plus commitments lower than Budget

No grants repaid in July. Insurance for Council properties are yet to be paid.

G Capital Expenditure YTD Actual plus commitments lower than Budget

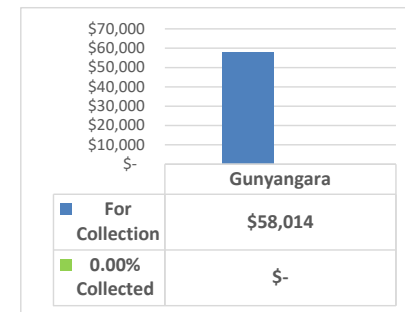
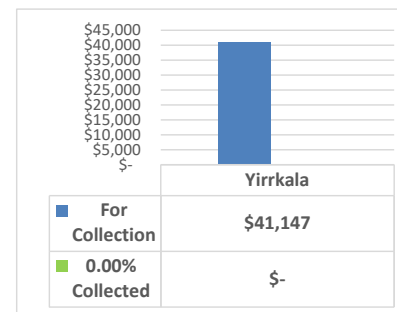
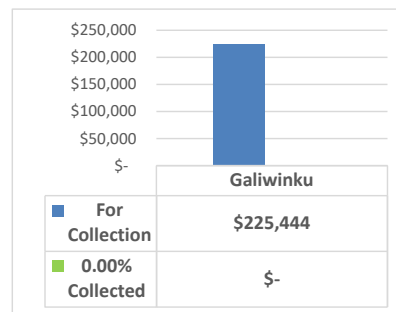
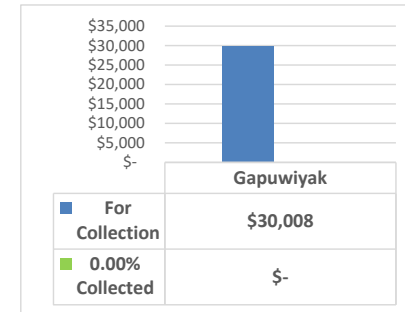
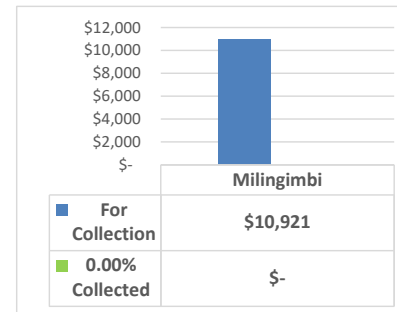
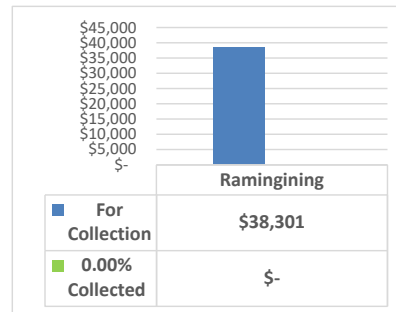
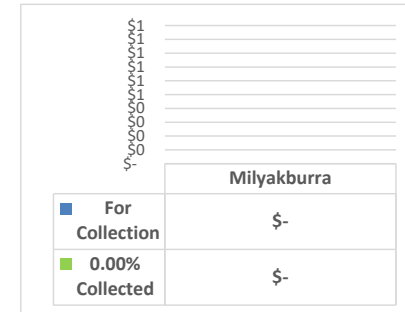
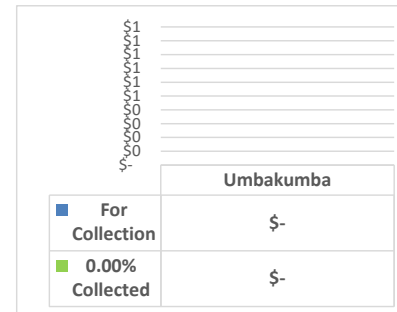
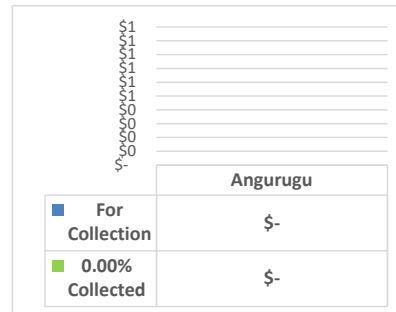
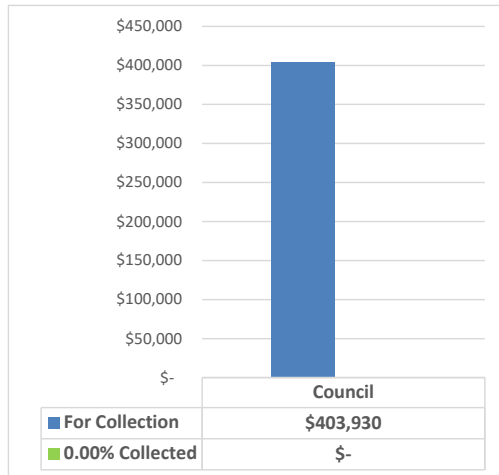
Actual spending relates to motor vehicles. Refer to the Capital Expenditures report.

H Carried Forward Grants Revenue YTD Actual higher than Budget

The FY2026-27 budget will be adjusted in the first revision to reflect the final/audited balance.



Rates and Waste Collection Charges as of 31st July 2026



*For Collection is rates outstanding from prior year plus billings during the current financial year 2027

ORDINARY COUNCIL

27 AUGUST 2026

East Arnhem Regional Council

Monthly Investment Report

As at July 31, 2026

Investment Portfolio											
Authorised Deposit Taking Institutions	Investment - \$	% of Total Investment	Within Diversification Limits	Type	Amount - \$	Rate - %	Term - days	Investment Date	Maturity Date		
Westpac Banking Corporation - Operational Account	\$ 11,933,249	30%	✓	Operation fund	\$ 751,012	-	-	-	-		
				Operation fund	\$ 10,982,237	-	-	-	-		
				Security TD (C)	\$ 200,000	3.75%	365	30-06-26	30-06-27		
Westpac Banking Corporation - Investment Account	\$ 6,437,791	16%	✓	Notice Saver	\$ 4,437,791	3.60%	31 day notice	23-12-22	-		
				Short Term TD	\$ 2,000,000	4.31%	92	30-09-25	30-09-26		
Australia and New Zealand Bank	\$ 489,836	1%	✓	Operation fund	\$ 489,836	-	-	-	-		
National Australia Bank	\$ 6,000,000	17%	✓	Short Term TD	\$ 2,000,000	4.25%	365	22-12-25	22-12-26		
				Short Term TD	\$ 2,000,000	4.25%	365	22-12-25	22-12-26		
				Short Term TD	\$ 2,000,000	4.25%	366	21-12-25	22-12-26		
TOTAL - Major Banks	\$ 24,860,876	64%	✓		\$ 24,860,876						
Bank of Queensland	\$ 12,000,000	31%	✓	Short Term TD	\$ 4,000,000	4.15%	365	13-02-26	13-02-27		
				Short Term TD	\$ 4,000,000	4.20%	365	13-02-26	13-02-27		
				Short Term TD	\$ 1,000,000	4.20%	184	13-07-26	13-01-27		
				Short Term TD	\$ 3,000,000	4.20%	184	13-07-26	13-01-27		
People's Choice Credit Union	\$ 1,186,682	3%	✓	Operation fund	\$ 186,682	-	-	-	-		
				Short Term TD	\$ 1,000,000	4.25%	365	20-02-26	20-02-27		
Traditional Credit Union	\$ 1,099,656	2%	✓	Operation fund	\$ 99,656	-	-	-	-		
				Short Term TD	\$ 1,000,000	4.40%	365	12-12-25	12-12-26		
TOTAL - Other banks & ADI's	\$ 14,286,338	36%	✓		\$ 14,286,338						
TOTAL Investment Funds	\$ 39,147,214	100%			\$ 39,147,214						

Investment per Category

Investment per Institution

*Diversification Limits

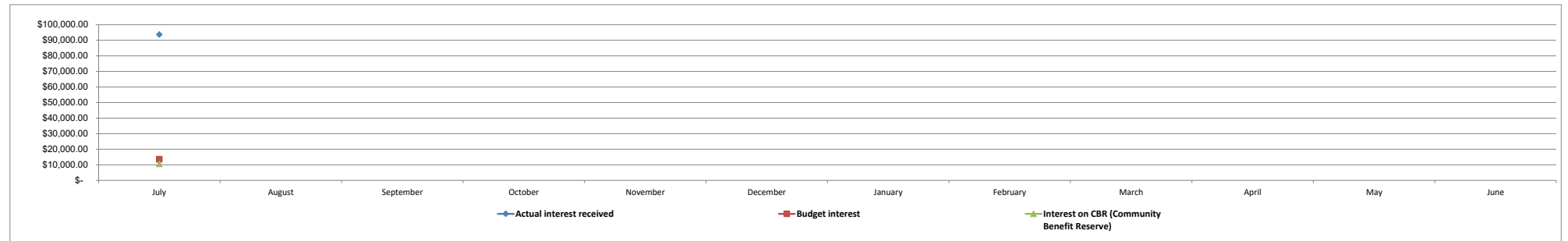
Category	Min	Max
Major Banks	15%	100%
Other banks & ADI's	0%	45%
Per institution	0%	40%

ORDINARY COUNCIL

27 AUGUST 2026

East Arnhem Regional Council

Monthly Investment Report
As at July 31, 2026

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MONTHLY BALANCE SHEET REPORT
 As at 31st July 2026

YTD Actuals	Note
\$	Reference

ASSETS

Cash		
Tied Funds	29,434,693	
Untied Funds/Unrestricted Cash*	9,515,884	
Total Cash	38,950,577	(1)
Accounts Receivables		
Trade Debtors	633,940	(2)
Grant Debtors	288,208	(2)
Rates & Charges	398,994	(2)
Less: Provision for Doubtful Debts	(547,512)	
Total Accounts Receivables	773,630	
Other Current Assets	680,138	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	40,404,345	
Non-Current Assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment	55,627,414	
Right-of-Use Assets	8,837,038	
Landfill Airspace	959,600	
Work In Progress	2,848,580	
Security Deposit	200,000	(1)
Other Non-Current Assets	16,733	
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	68,489,364	
TOTAL ASSETS	108,893,709	

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	16,958	(3)
ATO & Payroll Liabilities	131,526	(4)
Current Provisions	2,451,388	
Lease Liabilities	219,269	
Other Current Liabilities	554,581	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	3,373,722	
Non-Current Liabilities		
Lease Liabilities	9,303,442	
Landfill Rehabilitation Provision	1,632,329	
Provisions for Employee Entitlements	251,538	
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	11,187,309	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	14,561,031	
NET ASSETS	94,332,678	

EQUITY

Unexpended Grants Reserve	9,874,437	
Replacement and Contingency Reserve	19,560,256	
Asset Revaluation Reserve	31,147,691	
Accumulated Surplus	33,750,294	
TOTAL EQUITY	94,332,678	

* Refer to Cash & Equity Analysis "Cash Available before Liabilities"

NOTE TO MONTHLY BALANCE SHEET REPORT

Note 1. Details of Cash and Investments Held

Accounts	Amount
Westpac Banking Corporation	18,171,040
Traditional Credit Union	1,099,656
Australia and New Zealand Bank	489,836
Members Equity Bank	12,000,000
People's Choice Credit Union	1,186,682
National Australia Bank	6,000,000
Total Banks	38,947,214
Petty Cash/Cash Float	3,363
Total Cash	38,950,577
Total Banks	38,947,214
Security Deposit under non-current assets (Westpac)	200,000
Total Investment Funds*	39,147,214

* Refer to Monthly Investment Report

NOTE TO MONTHLY BALANCE SHEET REPORT

Note 2. Statement on Debts Owed to Council (Accounts Receivable)

AGE ANALYSIS - TRADE DEBTORS

DEBTORS	%	OUTSTANDING	CURRENT	> 30 DAYS	> 60 DAYS	> 90 DAYS
WTD Construction Pty Ltd	16%	100,536	66,209	-	-	34,327
National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	16%	100,420	100,420	-	-	-
JC Smith & Associates NT Pty Ltd	15%	92,697	-	-	-	92,697
Prudent Plan Management Previously Hadrill	6%	40,714	-	9,376	-	31,338
Debtor	6%	39,562	-	-	-	39,562
TOTAL TOP 5 DEBTORS	59%	373,929	166,629	9,376	-	197,923
Other Debtors	41%	260,012	230,154	281,191	38,515	170,459
TOTAL SUNDRY DEBTORS	100%	633,940	63,524	290,567	38,515	368,383

Reminder letters/emails sent for all overdue accounts.

Anglicare NT

AGE ANALYSIS - GRANTS DEBTORS

DEBTORS	%	OUTSTANDING	CURRENT	> 30 DAYS	> 60 DAYS	> 90 DAYS
Anindilyakwa Land Council	36%	104,875	-	-	-	104,875
Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation	64%	183,333	-	-	-	183,333
TOTAL GRANTS DEBTORS	100%	288,208	-	-	-	288,209

To follow up by Grants team

AGE ANALYSIS - RATES & CHARGES

RATE PAYERS	%	OUTSTANDING	CURRENT	> 30 DAYS	> 60 DAYS	> 90 DAYS
Rate payer 1	57%	228,225	-	2,012	-	226,213
Rate payer 2	9%	37,616	-	355	-	37,260
Rate payer 3	8%	32,982	-	252	-	32,730
Rate payer 4	8%	30,841	-	274	-	30,568
Rate payer 5	5%	20,131	-	154	-	19,977
TOTAL TOP 5 RATE PAYERS	88%	349,794	-	3,047	-	346,747
Other Rate Payers	12%	49,199	-	375	-	48,824
TOTAL RATES & CHARGES	100%	398,994	-	3,422	-	395,572

Following up with rate payers and reminder emails sent.

NOTE TO MONTHLY BALANCE SHEET REPORT

Note 3. Statement on Debts Owed by Council (Accounts Payable)

AGE ANALYSIS - TRADE CREDITORS

CREDITORS

	%	OUTSTANDING	CURRENT	> 30 DAYS	> 60 DAYS	> 90 DAYS
TERRITORY HOUSING RENT	75%	12,666	12,666		-	
Child Support Agency	14%	2,377	2,377	-	-	
UNITED VOICE	10%	1,769	1,769	-	-	
Australian Serv	1%	146	146	-	-	-
	0%	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL TOP 5 CREDITORS	100%	16,958	16,958	-	-	-
Other Creditors	0%	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL TRADE CREDITORS	100%	16,958	16,958	-	-	-

NOTE TO MONTHLY BALANCE SHEET REPORT

Note 4. Statement on Australian Tax Office (ATO) and Payroll Obligations

AGE ANALYSIS**CREDITORS**

	OUTSTANDING	CURRENT	> 30 DAYS	> 60 DAYS	> 90 DAYS
Australian Taxation Office (PAYG)	131,063	131,063	-	-	-
AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE - DEBTS	-	-	-	-	-
StatewideSuper-Trust The Local	463	463	-	-	-
TOTAL	131,526	131,526	-	-	-

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026	ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)	ANNUAL APPROVED BUDGET \$
Building	-	-	278,333	(278,333)	3,340,000
Infrastructure	-	-	131,773	(131,773)	1,581,276
Plant	-	-	-	-	1,150,000
Equipment	-	-	22,250	(22,250)	267,000
Motor Vehicles	104,138	100,811	-	204,949	1,686,000
TOTAL	104,138	100,811	432,356	(227,407)	8,024,276
Roads Expenditures*	304,126	975,529	288,275	991,379	5,559,306
Roads Expenditures Breakdown by Project:					
203314 - Maintain Local Roads - Ramingining	-	-	-	-	280,000
203315 - Maintain Local Roads - Milingimbi	-	-	1,250	(1,250)	300,000
203316 - Maintain Local Roads - Gapuwiyak	186,002	188,238	1,250	372,990	480,000
203317 - Maintain Local Roads - Galiwinku	-	-	667	(667)	448,000
203318 - Maintain Local Roads - Yirrkala	33,850	33,850	4,681	63,019	516,175
203319 - Maintain Local Roads - Gunyangara	-	8,130	3,633	4,497	228,600
203320 - Maintain Local Roads - Nhulunbuy	16,526	30,367	26,218	20,675	299,619
203411 - Construct & Upgrade Local Roads - Angurugu	-	-	52,138	(52,138)	625,654
203414 - Construct & Upgrade Local Roads - Ramingining	-	-	12,500	(12,500)	150,000
203415 - Construct & Upgrade Local Roads - Milingimbi	36	36	12,500	(12,428)	150,000
203416 - Construct & Upgrade Local Roads - Gapuwiyak	-	-	12,500	(12,500)	150,000
203417 - Construct & Upgrade Local Roads - Galiwinku	-	-	58,333	(58,333)	700,000
304220 - Local Road and Infra Program Round 2	67,711	67,711	-	135,423	-
304320 - Local Road and Infra Program Round 3	-	-	31,438	(31,438)	377,260
308218 - Construction of new road diversion section of Bawaka homelan	-	-	24,742	(24,742)	296,909
308220 - Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Round 4	-	-	33,773	(33,773)	405,278
309514 - Roads to Recovery 2024-2029	-	647,196	-	647,196	-
313018 - Design and Construct Floodway(s) on Bawaka Homeland Access R	-	-	12,651	(12,651)	151,810

Elected Members Allowances Report

1st July 2026 - 31st July 2026

Family Name	Given Name	YTD Councillor Allowance	YTD Councillor Meeting
Dhamarrandji	Evelyna	1,672	-
Mirritjawuy	Jason	1,672	1,000
Wunungmurra	Bobby	1,672	400
Wunungmurra	Wesley	1,665	-
Dhamarrandji	Lapulung	8,384	-
Marika	Marrpalawuy	1,672	-
Dhamarrandji	Stephen	2,903	1,000
Warraya	David	1,672	-
Yunupingu	Priscilla	1,672	-
Ganygulpa	Elizabeth	1,672	-
Bukulatjpi	Cyril	1,672	1,000
Mununggurr	Lirrpiya	1,672	1,000
Total		27,999	4,400

**maximum extra meeting is \$12,000.*

Elected Members - Professional Development Expense

As at 31st July 2026

Given Name	Term	Authority	Ward	Allocated PD \$	Expenses As of 31.07.2026	Balance As of 31.07.2026
Lapulung Dhamarrandji	Current	President	Gumurr Gattjirr Ward	7,500	-	7,500
Elizabeth Ganygulpa	Current	Elected Member	Gumurr Gattjirr Ward	7,500	-	7,500
Jason Mirritjaawuy	Current	Elected Member	Birr Rawarrang Ward	7,500	-	7,500
David Warraya	Current	Elected Member	Birr Rawarrang Ward	7,500	-	7,500
Stephen Dhamarrandji	Current	Elected Member	Gumurr Marthakal Ward	7,500	-	7,500
Evelyna Dhamarrandji	Current	Elected Member	Gumurr Marthakal Ward	7,500	-	7,500
Cyril Bukulatjpi	Current	Elected Member	Gumurr Marthakal Ward	7,500	-	7,500
Marrpalawuy Marika	Current	Elected Member	Gumurr Miwatj Ward	7,500	-	7,500
Priscilla Yunupingu	Current	Elected Member	Gumurr Miwatj Ward	7,500	-	7,500
Lirrpiya Mununggurr	Current	Elected Member	Gumurr Miwatj Ward	7,500	-	7,500
Wesley Wunungmurra	Current	Elected Member	Gumurr Miyarrka Ward	7,500	-	7,500
Bobby Wunungmurra	Current	Elected Member	Gumurr Miyarrka Ward	7,500	-	7,500
			Total	90,000	-	90,000

CASH & EQUITY ANALYSIS**31-Jul-2026****30-Jun-2026**

Cash	38,950,577	41,246,200
Less:		
Unexpended Grants Carried Over	(9,874,437)	(9,466,649)
Specific Reserves	(19,560,256)	(15,182,691)
Cash Available before Liabilities	9,515,884	16,596,861

Other Current Assets & Liabilities

Accounts Receivables & Other Current Assets	1,394,172	1,502,445
Less:		
Payables & other Liabilities	(643,469)	(2,077,201)
Employee Provisions Current	(2,451,388)	(2,422,016)
Employee Provisions NonCurrent	(251,538)	(314,187)
Net Other Current Liabilities	(1,952,223)	(3,310,959)

Net Cash Available	7,563,661	13,285,902
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Noncurrent Assets

Noncurrent Assets - excluding Right of Use Assets and Landfill Airspace	58,692,727	59,050,029
Less Revaluation Reserves	(31,147,691)	(31,277,821)
Noncurrent Assets Actual Carrying Value	27,545,036	27,772,208

Leases

Right of Use Assets	8,837,038	8,837,038
Less Lease Liabilities	(9,522,711)	(9,522,711)
Net impact on Equity	(685,674)	(685,673)

Landfill Airspace

Landfill Airspace Asset	959,600	959,600
Provision for Landfill Rehabilitation	(1,632,329)	(1,632,329)
Net impact on Equity	(672,729)	(672,729)

Equity

Total Equity	94,332,678	95,626,867
Less:		
Revaluation Reserve	(31,147,691)	(31,277,821)
Unexpended Grants Carried Over	(9,874,437)	(9,466,649)
Specific Reserves	(19,560,256)	(15,182,691)
Net Equity	33,750,294	39,699,707

Net Equity is made up of

Net Assets Carried	27,545,036	27,772,208
Net Impact of Leases	(685,674)	(685,674)
Net impact of Landfill Airspace	(672,729)	(672,729)
Net Cash Carried Forward	7,563,661	13,285,902
Net Equity	33,750,294	39,699,707

CEO Council Credit Card Transactions

Recorded in the month of July 2026

Cardholder Name: Dale Keehne

Transaction Date	Amount \$	Supplier's Name	Reason for the Transaction
3/07/2026	19	TAXIPAY AUSTRALIA MASCOT AUS	Taxi fare Darwin visit LGANT Meeting
6/07/2026	16	DARWIN RADIO 131008 DARWIN AUS	Taxi fare Darwin visit LGANT Meeting
6/07/2026	39	GM TAXIPAY MASCOT AUS	Taxi fare Darwin visit LGANT Meeting
16/07/2026	26	FAIRFAX SUBSCRIPTION PYRMONT AUS	Sydney Morning Herald Subscription
Total	100		

Replacement and Contingency Reserves As at 31st July 2026	1 July 2026 Beginning Balance \$			31 July 2026 Ending Balance \$
		From Reserves \$	To Reserves \$	
Fleet Replacement	3,833,649	(257,144)	229,963	3,806,468
Waste Management	4,085,535	(111,360)	63,829	4,038,003
Roads Replacement	4,468,237	(225,620)	30,742	4,273,359
Cemeteries Management	378,357	-	-	378,357
Buildings Replacement	492,395	(320,456)	173,245	345,185
Elections	119,390	-	-	119,390
Disaster Recovery	333,333	-	-	333,333
Public Infrastructure	2,857,871	-	-	2,857,871
Aged and Disability	2,234,324	(107,421)	187,940	2,314,844
Community Benefit	624,372	-	10,621	634,993
Unexpended Allocated Projects Carry Over	463,354	(4,900)	-	458,454
TOTAL	19,890,817	(1,026,901)	696,340	19,560,256

EACH REPORTING LOCATION

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026	Nhulunbuy & Darwin			
	ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)
OPERATING REVENUE				
Grants	576,759	-	367,161	209,598
User Charges and Fees	8,103	-	138,525	(130,421)
Rates and Annual Charges	3,422	-	-	3,422
Interest Income	93,737	-	13,600	80,137
Other Operating Revenues	4,025	-	52,242	(48,216)
Council Internal Allocations	724,447	-	689,111	35,335
Untied Revenue Allocation	(232,817)	-	(232,817)	0
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,177,677	-	1,027,822	149,855
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses	345,008	-	752,222	(407,214)
Materials and Contracts	473,416	857,875	466,677	864,614
Elected Member Allowances	21,623	-	44,987	(23,363)
Elected Member Expenses	392	2,534	33,687	(30,762)
Council Committee & LA Allowances	-	-	1,083	(1,083)
Council Committee & LA Expenses	-	-	416	(416)
Depreciation and Amortisation	329,076	-	298,598	30,478
Other Operating Expenses	172,373	219,311	573,385	(181,701)
Council Internal Allocations	(49,972)	-	(52,142)	2,170
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,291,915	1,079,719	2,118,913	252,722
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(114,239)	(1,079,719)	(1,091,091)	(102,867)
Capital Grants Income	-	-	61,110	(61,110)
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(114,239)	(1,079,719)	(1,029,982)	(163,977)
Remove Non-Cash Item				
Add Back Depreciation Expense	329,076	-	298,598	30,478
Less Additional Outflows				
Capital Expenses	(104,138)	(100,811)	(22,250)	(182,699)
Transfer to Reserves	(469,395)	-	(458,774)	(10,621)
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	(573,533)	(100,811)	(481,024)	(193,320)
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(358,696)	(1,180,531)	(1,212,407)	(326,819)
Add Additional Inflows				
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	5,150,962	-	2,745,640	2,405,322
Transfer from General Equity	310,530	-	310,530	-
Transfer from Reserves	441,865	-	441,865	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	5,903,358	-	3,498,036	2,405,322
NET OPERATING POSITION	5,544,662	(1,180,531)	2,285,628	2,078,503
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EACH REPORTING LOCATION

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026	Angurugu			
	ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)
OPERATING REVENUE				
Grants	-	-	-	-
User Charges and Fees	(8,788)	-	-	(8,788)
Rates and Annual Charges	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	-	-	-	-
Council Internal Allocations	-	-	-	-
Untied Revenue Allocation	5,289	-	5,289	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	(3,499)	-	5,289	(8,788)
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses	1	-	-	1
Materials and Contracts	-	-	52,138	(52,138)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-	-
Elected Member Expenses	-	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	-	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Expenses	-	-	-	-
Depreciation and Amortisation	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-
Council Internal Allocations	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1	-	52,138	(52,137)
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(3,500)	-	(46,849)	43,349
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-	-
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(3,500)	-	(46,849)	43,349
Remove Non-Cash Item				
Add Back Depreciation Expense	-	-	-	-
Less Additional Outflows				
Capital Expenses	-	-	-	-
Transfer to Reserves	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	-	-	-	-
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(3,500)	-	(46,849)	43,349
Add Additional Inflows				
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	336,386	-	-	336,386
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	31,236	-	31,236	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	367,622	-	31,236	336,386
NET OPERATING POSITION	364,121	-	(15,613)	379,735

EACH REPORTING LOCATION		Umbakumba		
INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026		ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)
OPERATING REVENUE				
Grants		-	-	-
User Charges and Fees		-	-	-
Rates and Annual Charges		-	-	-
Interest Income		-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues		-	-	-
Council Internal Allocations		-	-	-
Untied Revenue Allocation		-	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES		-	-	-
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses		-	-	-
Materials and Contracts		-	0	0
Elected Member Allowances		-	-	-
Elected Member Expenses		-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances		-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Expenses		-	-	-
Depreciation and Amortisation		-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses		-	-	-
Council Internal Allocations		-	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		-	0	0
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		-	(0)	(0)
Capital Grants Income		-	-	-
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		-	(0)	(0)
Remove Non-Cash Item				
Add Back Depreciation Expense		-	-	-
Less Additional Outflows				
Capital Expenses		-	-	-
Transfer to Reserves		-	-	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS		-	-	-
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		-	(0)	(0)
Add Additional Inflows				
Carried Forward Grants Revenue		55,759	-	55,759
Transfer from General Equity		-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves		-	-	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS		55,759	-	55,759
NET OPERATING POSITION		55,759	(0)	55,759
				(0)

EACH REPORTING LOCATION	Milyakburra			
	ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)
INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026				
OPERATING REVENUE				
Grants	-	-	-	-
User Charges and Fees	-	-	-	-
Rates and Annual Charges	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	-	-	-	-
Council Internal Allocations	-	-	-	-
Untied Revenue Allocation	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	-	-	-	-
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses	-	-	-	-
Materials and Contracts	-	0	-	0
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-	-
Elected Member Expenses	-	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	-	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Expenses	-	-	-	-
Depreciation and Amortisation	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	-	-	-	-
Council Internal Allocations	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	-	0	-	0
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	-	(0)	-	(0)
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-	-
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	-	(0)	-	(0)
Remove Non-Cash Item				
Add Back Depreciation Expense	-	-	-	-
Less Additional Outflows				
Capital Expenses	-	-	-	-
Transfer to Reserves	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	-	-	-	-
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	-	(0)	-	(0)
Add Additional Inflows				
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	850	-	-	850
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	850	-	-	850
NET OPERATING POSITION	850	(0)	-	850
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EACH REPORTING LOCATION

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026	Raminingining			
	ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)
OPERATING REVENUE				
Grants	181,223	-	97,890	83,334
User Charges and Fees	19,973	-	77,302	(57,329)
Rates and Annual Charges	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	1,403	-	4,676	(3,273)
Council Internal Allocations	-	-	12,500	(12,500)
Untied Revenue Allocation	39,362	-	39,362	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	241,961	-	231,730	10,231
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses	87,485	-	189,346	(101,861)
Materials and Contracts	7,730	698,169	72,489	633,410
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-	-
Elected Member Expenses	-	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,400	-	1,500	(100)
Council Committee & LA Expenses	127	4,118	667	3,578
Depreciation and Amortisation	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	25,149	39,575	54,259	10,466
Council Internal Allocations	136,035	-	145,078	(9,043)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	257,926	741,862	463,338	536,450
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(15,965)	(741,862)	(231,607)	(526,219)
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-	-
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(15,965)	(741,862)	(231,607)	(526,219)
Remove Non-Cash Item				
Add Back Depreciation Expense	-	-	-	-
Less Additional Outflows				
Capital Expenses	-	-	(27,500)	27,500
Transfer to Reserves	(20,555)	-	(20,555)	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	(20,555)	-	(48,055)	27,500
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(36,520)	(741,862)	(279,663)	(498,719)
Add Additional Inflows				
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	593,959	-	286,751	307,208
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	59,288	-	59,288	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	653,247	-	346,039	307,208
NET OPERATING POSITION	616,727	(741,862)	66,376	(191,511)
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EACH REPORTING LOCATION

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026	Milingimbi			
	ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)
OPERATING REVENUE				
Grants	166,124	-	93,830	72,294
User Charges and Fees	27,944	-	140,382	(112,438)
Rates and Annual Charges	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	2,680	-	4,526	(1,846)
Council Internal Allocations	-	-	12,500	(12,500)
Untied Revenue Allocation	41,855	-	41,855	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	238,603	-	293,093	(54,490)
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses	105,454	-	188,353	(82,899)
Materials and Contracts	33,499	282,296	63,662	252,133
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-	-
Elected Member Expenses	-	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,500	-	1,500	-
Council Committee & LA Expenses	-	4,018	667	3,351
Depreciation and Amortisation	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	34,900	35,778	52,592	18,086
Council Internal Allocations	135,099	-	136,268	(1,170)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	310,451	322,093	443,042	189,501
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(71,848)	(322,093)	(149,949)	(243,991)
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-	-
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(71,848)	(322,093)	(149,949)	(243,991)
Remove Non-Cash Item				
Add Back Depreciation Expense	-	-	-	-
Less Additional Outflows				
Capital Expenses	-	-	(263,440)	263,440
Transfer to Reserves	(64,283)	-	(64,283)	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	(64,283)	-	(327,723)	263,440
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(136,131)	(322,093)	(477,672)	19,448
Add Additional Inflows				
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	682,558	-	698,074	(15,515)
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	234,822	-	234,822	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	917,380	-	932,895	(15,515)
NET OPERATING POSITION	781,249	(322,093)	455,223	3,933
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EACH REPORTING LOCATION

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026	Gapuwiyak			
	ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)
OPERATING REVENUE				
Grants	236,342	-	125,009	111,332
User Charges and Fees	72,382	-	141,743	(69,361)
Rates and Annual Charges	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	91,766	-	77,385	14,381
Council Internal Allocations	-	-	12,500	(12,500)
Untied Revenue Allocation	38,287	-	38,287	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	438,776	-	394,924	43,853
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses	117,837	-	220,548	(102,710)
Materials and Contracts	195,187	360,508	61,988	493,707
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-	-
Elected Member Expenses	-	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	-	-	1,500	(1,500)
Council Committee & LA Expenses	-	2,974	2,250	724
Depreciation and Amortisation	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	49,841	81,627	107,170	24,298
Council Internal Allocations	170,282	-	172,774	(2,492)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	533,146	445,110	566,229	412,027
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(94,370)	(445,110)	(171,305)	(368,174)
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-	-
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(94,370)	(445,110)	(171,305)	(368,174)
Remove Non-Cash Item				
Add Back Depreciation Expense	-	-	-	-
Less Additional Outflows				
Capital Expenses	-	-	(82,500)	82,500
Transfer to Reserves	(53,382)	-	(53,382)	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	(53,382)	-	(135,882)	82,500
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(147,752)	(445,110)	(307,187)	(285,674)
Add Additional Inflows				
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	748,250	-	884,586	(136,335)
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	69,524	-	69,524	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	817,775	-	954,110	(136,335)
NET OPERATING POSITION	670,022	(445,110)	646,922	(422,009)
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EACH REPORTING LOCATION

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026	Galiwinku			
	ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)
OPERATING REVENUE				
Grants	170,752	-	155,414	15,338
User Charges and Fees	35,222	-	164,230	(129,007)
Rates and Annual Charges	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	4,909	-	6,518	(1,608)
Council Internal Allocations	-	-	-	-
Untied Revenue Allocation	62,974	-	62,974	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	273,858	-	389,135	(115,278)
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses	132,302	-	311,494	(179,192)
Materials and Contracts	25,748	239,002	140,754	123,996
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-	-
Elected Member Expenses	-	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,350	-	1,500	(150)
Council Committee & LA Expenses	-	3,540	2,250	1,290
Depreciation and Amortisation	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	37,936	93,326	79,892	51,370
Council Internal Allocations	193,419	-	196,213	(2,793)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	390,755	335,868	732,102	(5,480)
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(116,897)	(335,868)	(342,966)	(109,798)
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-	-
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(116,897)	(335,868)	(342,966)	(109,798)
Remove Non-Cash Item				
Add Back Depreciation Expense	-	-	-	-
Less Additional Outflows				
Capital Expenses	-	-	(36,667)	36,667
Transfer to Reserves	(67,986)	-	(67,986)	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	(67,986)	-	(104,653)	36,667
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(184,883)	(335,868)	(447,619)	(73,131)
Add Additional Inflows				
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	679,573	-	949,365	(269,792)
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	78,296	-	78,296	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	757,869	-	1,027,661	(269,792)
NET OPERATING POSITION	572,986	(335,868)	580,041	(342,924)
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EACH REPORTING LOCATION

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026	Yirrkala			
	ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)
OPERATING REVENUE				
Grants	241,897	-	125,171	116,726
User Charges and Fees	16,509	-	56,433	(39,923)
Rates and Annual Charges	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	8,361	-	3,767	4,594
Council Internal Allocations	-	-	15,619	(15,619)
Untied Revenue Allocation	37,067	-	37,067	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	303,834	-	238,057	65,778
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses	126,268	-	224,299	(98,031)
Materials and Contracts	42,695	1,778,552	137,559	1,683,687
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-	-
Elected Member Expenses	-	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,650	-	500	1,150
Council Committee & LA Expenses	-	397	83	313
Depreciation and Amortisation	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	30,265	21,056	61,978	(10,657)
Council Internal Allocations	118,088	-	121,021	(2,932)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	318,967	1,800,004	545,440	1,573,530
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(15,133)	(1,800,004)	(307,384)	(1,507,753)
Capital Grants Income	-	-	21,774	(21,774)
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(15,133)	(1,800,004)	(285,609)	(1,529,527)
Remove Non-Cash Item				
Add Back Depreciation Expense	-	-	-	-
Less Additional Outflows				
Capital Expenses	-	-	-	-
Transfer to Reserves	(17,356)	-	(17,356)	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	(17,356)	-	(17,356)	-
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(32,488)	(1,800,004)	(302,965)	(1,529,527)
Add Additional Inflows				
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	276,681	-	802,724	(526,043)
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	88,980	-	88,980	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	365,661	-	891,704	(526,043)
NET OPERATING POSITION	333,173	(1,800,004)	588,739	(2,055,570)

EACH REPORTING LOCATION

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026	Gunyangara			
	ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)
OPERATING REVENUE				
Grants	-	-	17,583	(17,583)
User Charges and Fees	-	-	671	(671)
Rates and Annual Charges	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Revenues	37	-	103	(66)
Council Internal Allocations	-	-	-	-
Untied Revenue Allocation	7,983	-	7,983	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	8,020	-	26,340	(18,320)
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses	10,647	-	36,453	(25,807)
Materials and Contracts	-	27,079	25,154	1,925
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-	-
Elected Member Expenses	-	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	-	-	1,250	(1,250)
Council Committee & LA Expenses	-	336	250	86
Depreciation and Amortisation	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	2,745	2,679	22,464	(17,040)
Council Internal Allocations	21,495	-	23,019	(1,524)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	34,886	30,095	108,590	(43,609)
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(26,866)	(30,095)	(82,250)	25,289
Capital Grants Income	-	-	-	-
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(26,866)	(30,095)	(82,250)	25,289
Remove Non-Cash Item				
Add Back Depreciation Expense	-	-	-	-
Less Additional Outflows				
Capital Expenses	-	-	-	-
Transfer to Reserves	(3,383)	-	(3,383)	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	(3,383)	-	(3,383)	-
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(30,249)	(30,095)	(85,633)	25,289
Add Additional Inflows				
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	257,689	-	199,536	58,153
Transfer from General Equity	-	-	-	-
Transfer from Reserves	22,890	-	22,890	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	280,579	-	222,426	58,153
NET OPERATING POSITION	250,330	(30,095)	136,793	83,442
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EACH REPORTING LOCATION

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT YEAR TO DATE 31 JULY 2026	EARC			
	ACTUALS YTD	COMMITMENTS	BUDGET YTD	VARIANCE YTD (ACTUAL + COMMITMENTS VS BUDGET)
OPERATING REVENUE				
Grants	1,573,097	-	982,058	591,039
User Charges and Fees	171,345	-	719,285	(547,940)
Rates and Annual Charges	3,422	-	-	3,422
Interest Income	93,737	-	13,600	80,137
Other Operating Revenues	113,181	-	149,215	(36,035)
Council Internal Allocations	724,447	-	742,230	(17,784)
Untied Revenue Allocation	0	-	(0)	0
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	2,679,229	-	2,606,389	72,840
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses	925,001	-	1,922,714	(997,713)
Materials and Contracts	778,274	4,243,483	1,020,420	4,001,336
Elected Member Allowances	21,623	-	44,987	(23,363)
Elected Member Expenses	392	2,534	33,687	(30,762)
Council Committee & LA Allowances	5,900	-	8,833	(2,933)
Council Committee & LA Expenses	127	15,382	6,583	8,926
Depreciation and Amortisation	329,076	-	298,598	30,478
Other Operating Expenses	353,208	493,352	951,739	(105,179)
Council Internal Allocations	724,447	-	742,230	(17,784)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	3,138,046	4,754,751	5,029,791	2,863,006
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(458,817)	(4,754,751)	(2,423,402)	(2,790,166)
Capital Grants Income	-	-	82,884	(82,884)
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(458,817)	(4,754,751)	(2,340,518)	(2,873,050)
Remove Non-Cash Item				
Add Back Depreciation Expense	329,076	-	298,598	30,478
Less Additional Outflows				
Capital Expenses	(104,138)	(100,811)	(432,356)	227,407
Transfer to Reserves	(696,340)	-	(685,719)	(10,621)
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	(800,478)	(100,811)	(1,118,076)	216,786
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(930,219)	(4,855,562)	(3,159,996)	(2,625,786)
Add Additional Inflows				
Carried Forward Grants Revenue	8,782,667	-	6,566,675	2,215,992
Transfer from General Equity	310,530	-	310,530	-
Transfer from Reserves	1,026,901	-	1,026,901	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	10,120,099	-	7,904,107	2,215,992
NET OPERATING POSITION	9,189,879	(4,855,562)	4,744,111	(409,794)
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NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.9 Correspondence Register

AUTHOR Paul Hyde Kaduru (Governance and Compliance Manager)**RECOMMENDATION****That Council notes the Correspondence Register.****SUMMARY:**

This report details the incoming and outgoing correspondence that Council has received and sent.

REPORT STORY:Incoming Correspondence

<u>Document Name</u>
Mayor of Brisbane to Cr Lapulung Dhamarrandji - 2027 Asia Pacific Cities Summit - Mayors' Forum – 20 July 2026
Yinjiya Guyula MLA_to_EARC 30 July 2026

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

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Invitation - Mayor of Brisbane to Cr Lapulung Dhamarrandji - 2027 Asia Pacific Cities Summit - Mayor [3.9.1 - 2 pages]
2. Yinjiya Guyula MLA to EARC [3.9.2 - 1 page]



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13 July 2026

Councillor Lapulung Dhamarrandji
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Dear President

Invitation to attend the 2027 Asia Pacific Cities Summit (2027APCS) & Mayors' Forum
'Cities on the Move: From Vision to Impact'

Brisbane will host the **2027APCS** from **15–17 September 2027**, and I invite your city to be part of this important event. Join mayors and city leaders, industry experts and innovators from across the Asia-Pacific region and beyond to build partnerships, share proven approaches, and turn ideas into action.

For the past three decades, the APCS & Mayors' Forum has united visionary cities to accelerate cooperation, drive innovation and advance sustainable development. As the region's most diverse mayoral gathering, the APCS empowers cities to exchange ideas, forge strategic partnerships and deliver practical outcomes for their communities.

About Brisbane

Brisbane is Australia's gateway to the Asia-Pacific and one of the nation's fastest-growing urban economies, now valued at more than \$200 billion. As host of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games, the city is delivering major infrastructure and strengthening its innovation-led economy, positioning Brisbane as a natural hub for global collaboration, investment and long-term partnerships.

Theme

The overarching theme for the 2027APCS is ***'Cities on the Move: From Vision to Impact'*** with three subthemes to be discussed:

- **Cities for Activation:** Connection. Co-creation. Legacy.
- **Cities for Innovation:** Transform. Advance. Scale.
- **Cities for Resilience:** Adapt. Strengthen. Thrive.

Who will attend

The APCS brings together an unmatched mix of public and private sector leaders from around the world. In 2023, when the APCS was last held in Brisbane, nearly 1,200 delegates from 171 cities, representing over 350 million people, including 118 Mayors and Deputy Mayors, joined the conversation.

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The Mayors' Forum

An exclusive, invitation-only program for Mayors and Deputy Mayors, the Mayors' Forum strengthens global networks, explores emerging trends and enables practical collaboration on future urban governance. The Forum concludes with the APCS Mayors' Accord, a declaration of shared priorities and commitments to building connected, innovative and resilient cities.

Additional opportunities for your city

- **Speaking opportunities:** Showcase your city's innovative projects and success stories aligned with the APCS themes.
- **City Leaders' Forum:** An exclusive platform for senior public servants to share insights, exchange strategies, and build powerful collaborations that deliver real impact for cities and communities.
- **Young Professionals' Program:** Engage emerging talent shaping the future of urban innovation.

Contact us

For further information, or to confirm your city's participation in the 2027APCS in Brisbane, please contact **Ms Nicole Andronicus** from my 2032 Host City, Global Relations and Economic Partnerships team by email at AsiaPacific.CitiesSummit@brisbane.qld.gov.au or by phone on **+61 7 3178 2377**. Alternatively, visit the APCS website at apcsummit.org or scan the QR code below.

I sincerely hope that I have the opportunity to welcome you to Brisbane for the 2027APCS.

Yours sincerely



Adrian Schinner
LORD MAYOR



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30 July 2026

Mr Keith Lapulung Dhamarrandji

President

East Arnhem Regional Council

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Dear Mr Dhamarrandji and Councillors,

I am writing regarding East Arnhem Regional Council's childcare services in Galiwin'ku, Gapuwiyak, and Yirrkala.

My Office has been contacted by several constituents who would like to see reliable childcare services open and accessible across all East Arnhem communities so that families can continue to work and meet their responsibilities.

I recognise that EARC is one of the major employers of Yolŋu across our region and plays an important role supporting jobs and services in remote communities and training our young people for these roles.

I believe there are strong and capable Yolŋu living in our communities who must be encouraged to train and work in childcare services, including in leadership and management positions.

I continue to support the Council's efforts to develop and build local capacity in this area and to create pathways for Yolŋu to take up these roles. I would appreciate an update on the current situation across our communities and offer my support in trying to achieve these goals.

Thank you for the work EARC continues to undertake across our communities.

Yours sincerely,

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4 Confidential Reports

5 General Business and Date of Next Meeting

6 Meeting Close