



HUMAN EQUALITY

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OPEN MINUTES for the Yirrkala Local Authority
28 January 2026

1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

The Chair opened the meeting at 11:46 AM.

Members in Attendance:

Graham Mungurrapin Maymuru (Chair)
Fabian Marika
James Dhurrkay
Adrian Gurrwiwi
Diplinga Marika
Lirrpiya Mununggurr

East Arnhem Council Officers:

Dale Keehne (Chief Executive Officer)
Signe Balodis (Director – Council Services)
Ralph Reddy (Finance Manager) - Attended online
Aaron McKenna (Senior Project Manager) - Attended Online
Adam Johnson (Relief Council Services Manager)
Paul Hyde Kaduru (Governance and Compliance Manager) - Attended online
Ben Waugh (External)

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 2025/41 RESOLVED (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/James Dhurrkay)

That the Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the absence of Priscilla Yunupingu, Marrpalawuy Marika and Djapirri Mununggirritj.
- (b) Notes the apology received from Priscilla Yunupingu, Marrpalawuy Marika and Djapirri Mununggirritj.
- (c) Notes Priscilla Yunupingu, Marrpalawuy Marika and Djapirri Mununggirritj 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 2025/42 **RESOLVED** (Fabian Marika/Lirrpiya Mununggurr)

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

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.5 Previous Local Authority Minutes

YIR 2025/44 **RESOLVED** (Fabian Marika/Adrian Gurruiwi)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes of the previous meeting held on 29 October 2025.

2 Looking Forward - Discussions and Decisions

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

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 Local Authority Action Items

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/51 **RESOLVED** (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/James Dhurrkay)

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

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.2 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 2025/45 RESOLVED (Fabian Marika/Adrian Gurruwiwi)

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.3 Council Services Report

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/46 RESOLVED (Adrian Gurruwiwi/James Dhurrkay)

That the Local Authority notes the Council Services report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.4 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 2025-2026 Annual Plan.

YIR 2025/47 RESOLVED (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/Adrian Gurruwiwi)

That Local Authority note the Technical and Infrastructure Services Report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

3.5 Human Resources and Finance Report

SUMMARY:

This report presents the financials plus employment statistics as of 31 December 2025 within the Local Authority area.

YIR 2025/48 RESOLVED (Adrian Gurruwiwi/Graham Mungurrapin Maymuru)

That the Local Authority receives the Human Resources and Employment information as of 31 December 2025.

4 General Business

4.1 Five Year Strategic Plan

YIR 2025/49 **RESOLVED (Graham Mungurrapin Maymuru/Lirrpiya Mununggurr)**

That the Local Authority endorses the community consultation report for the five year strategic plan.

The next meeting is to be held on 25 March 2026.

5 Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 03:06 PM

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