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OPEN MINUTES for the Yirrkala Local Authority
27 May 2026

1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

The Chair opened the meeting with a prayer at 11:43 am.

Members in Attendance:

Graham Mungurrabin Maymuru (Chair)

Cr. Marrpalawuy Marika

Cr. Priscilla Yunupingu

Adrian Gurruwiwi

Dipilinga Marika

Fabian Marika

Lirripiya Mununggurr

East Arnhem Regional Council Staff:

Dale Keehne (Chief Executive Officer)

Sonia Campbell (GM – Technical and Infrastructure Services) – Attended online

Vivek Gummalla (Strategic Coordinator – Council Services)

Labhjeet Bhullar (Administration Manager)

Paul Hyde Kaduru (Governance and Compliance Manager) – Attended online

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.3 Attendance

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/72 **RESOLVED** (Lirripiya Mununggurr/Dipilinga Marika)

That the Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the absence of Djapirri Mununggiritj and James Dhurrkay.
- (b) Notes the apology received from James Dhurrkay.
- (c) Notes James Dhurrkay is absent with permission of the Local Authority.
- (d) Determines Djapirri Mununggiritj is absent without permission of the Local Authority under Section 47(1) (0) of the Act.

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.4 Conflict of Interest

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/62 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Priscilla Yunupingu/Fabian Marika)

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

MEETING ESTABLISHMENT

1.5 Previous Local Authority Minutes

YIR 2025/63 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Marrpalawuy Marika/Lirripiya Mununggurr)

That the Local Authority approves the minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 March 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 2025/67 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Marrpalawuy Marika/Graham Mungurrapin Maymuru)

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

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.2 CEO Report

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/66 **RESOLVED** (Lirripiya Mununggurr/Fabian Marika)

That the Local Authority notes the CEO Report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.3 Council Services Report

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/69 **RESOLVED (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/Adrian Gurruwiwi)**

That the Local Authority notes the Council Services Manager's report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.4 Technical and Infrastructure Services Report

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/68 **RESOLVED (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/Fabian Marika)**

That Council notes the Technical and Infrastructure Services Report.

NOTING PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

2.5 Human Resources and Finance Report

SUMMARY:

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

YIR 2025/70 **RESOLVED (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/Adrian Gurruwiwi)**

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

3 Confidential Reports

RECOMMENDATION: Adrian Gurruwiwi/Cr. Marrpalawuy Marika

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:-

YIR 2025/74 **RESOLVED (Lirrpiya Mununggurr/Adrian Gurruwiwi)**

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

A lunch break was taken from 12:30 pm to 1:00 pm during the meeting.

4 Presentations and General Business

PRESENTATION

4.1 Presentation from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries

YIR 2025/64 **RESOLVED (Lirripiya Mununggurr/Adrian Gurruwiwi)**

That the Local Authority notes the updates provided by the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and invites them to attend the next Local Authority meeting to provide an update on the Barramundi Fishery reform.

PRESENTATION

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

YIR 2025/65 **RESOLVED (Lirripiya Mununggurr/Adrian Gurruwiwi)**

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

5 Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 04:20 pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Local Authority Ordinary Meeting held on 27 May 2026.