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OPEN MINUTES for the Yirrkala Local
Authority
21 October 2026

1 Meeting Establishment

YOW NGILIMURR BUKU'LUNGTHUN DHIYAK MEETINGU GA MALA DJARRYUN ROM

The Chair opened the meeting at 03:00 pm.

Members in Attendance:

Cr. Marrpalawuy Marika
Cr. Priscilla Yunupingu
Graham Mungurrabin Maymuru
Adrian Gurruwiwi
James Dhurrkay

East Arnhem Regional Council Officers:

Dale Keehne (Chief Executive Officer)
Shannon Cervini (Director – Council Services)
Labhjeet Bhullar (Council Services Manager)
Paul Hyde Kaduru (Governance and Compliance 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 2025/95 **RESOLVED** (Adrian Gurruwiwi/James Dhurrkay)

That the Local Authority:

- (a) Notes the absence of Diplinga Marika, Fabian Marika, Djapirri Mununggirritj and Cr. Lirripiya Mununggurr.
- (b) Notes that Apology is not received from members.
- (c) Notes Diplinga Marika, Fabian Marika, Djapirri Mununggirritj and Cr. Lirripiya Mununggurr 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 2025/96 **RESOLVED** (Cr. Marrpalawuy Marika/Cr. Priscilla Yunupingu)

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

2 Looking Forward - Discussions and Decisions

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DHUWAL DHARUK

LOOKING FORWARD - DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

- 2.1 Allocation of expiring LAPF Funding to the refurbishment of the Yirrkala Disability Services Centre

SUMMARY:

This report seeks recommendation from the Yirrkala Local Authority to allocate expiring Local Authority Project Funding, including carried forward funds, toward the refurbishment of the Yirrkala Disability Services Centre. The proposal commits an estimated total of \$178,595.06 to support delivery of critical disability services for the benefit of the community.

YIR 2025/97 **RESOLVED (Adrian Gurruwiwi/James Dhurrkay)**

That Local Authority recommends the allocation of \$178,595.06 expiring Yirrkala Local Authority Project Funding towards refurbishment to create a new Disability Services Centre in Yirrkala, and the allocation of other Local Authority Project Funding towards the conversion of the Child Care Centre into a Youth Centre.

3 Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 03:25 pm.

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