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ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

17th OCTOBER 2026

10:00am

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Date: 17th October 2026
Time: 10.00 am
Location: Council Chambers
22 Cameron Road, Batchelor NT 0845

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Russell Anderson
Chief Executive Officer

AGENDA

ORDINARY GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING

TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BATCHELOR

ON 17th OCTOBER 2026

The President of the Council, Mr. Ross McGorman will declare the meeting open at 10:00 am and welcome all in attendance.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land commonly referred to as Coomalie. I pay my respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

3. PERSONS PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

President	Ross McGorman
Deputy President	Chris Whatley
Councillor	Sharon Beswick
Councillor	Mae Mae Morrison
Councillor	Alan Roe
Councillor	Greg Strettles

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Russell Anderson
Executive Services Coordinator	Terrill Forrest

VISITORS PRESENT

4. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Date: 17th October 2026
Author: Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil.

PURPOSE

This report is to table for Council's record any apologies and requests for leave of absence received for the Ordinary General Meeting held on 17th October 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the apologies of..... for the Ordinary General Meeting held 17th October 2026.

Moved:

Seconded:

COMMENT

The council can choose to accept the apologies or requests for leave of absence as presented or not accept them. Apologies or requests for leave of absence that are not accepted by Council will be recorded as absence without notice.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Section 95 *Local Government Act 2019*.

1.07 Meetings of Council.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

5. ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

Date: 17th October 2026
Author: Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil.

PURPOSE

This report is to table, for Council's record, any requests, and permissions for Electronic Attendance.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council acknowledges and accepts attendance to the meeting of 17th October 2026 via electronic means.

Moved:

Seconded:

COMMENT

The *Local Government Act 2019* provides for a member who is not physically present at a meeting is taken to be present at the meeting if:

- (a) the member's attendance at the meeting by means of an audio or audio-visual conferencing system is authorised in accordance with a council resolution establishing a policy for attendance in such a manner.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Section 95 *Local Government Act 2019*.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

6. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Date: 17th October 2026
Author: Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil.

PURPOSE

Members and Staff are required to disclose an interest in a matter under consideration by the Council at a meeting of the Council by:

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the declarations of interest as listed for the Ordinary General Meeting held on 17th October 2026.

Moved:

Seconded:

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Sections 175 *Local Government Act 2019*.

CEO and Staff Code of Conduct.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

7. MOVING AGENDA ITEMS FROM PUBLIC TO CONFIDENTIAL

NIL

8. MOVING AGENDA ITEMS FROM CONFIDENTIAL TO PUBLIC

NIL

9. PETITIONS

NIL

10. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

10.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES OF 19th SEPTEMBER 2026

Date: 17th October 2026

Author: Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: [DRAFT PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES FOR 19TH SEPTEMBER 2026](#)

PURPOSE

Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held on 19th September 2026 are submitted to Council for confirmation that those Minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Public Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held on 19th September 2026 be confirmed as a

true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved:

Seconded:

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Section 101 *Local Government Act 2019*.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.



MINUTES

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Natasha Chapman

Acting Chief Executive Officer.

MINUTES

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STAFF PRESENT

Acting Corporate Services Manager	Luke Ackland
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Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil.

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RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/001

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- 21.6 CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINT PROGRESS REPORT - President McGorman
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21.7 REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF OUTSTANDING RATES AND ACCRUED INTEREST – AN235 – DP Whatley
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Moved: Clr Beswick

Seconded: DP Whatley

Carried

Meeting rules and maintaining order

Agenda's clear days before meeting

7. MOVING AGENDA ITEMS FROM PUBLIC TO CONFIDENTIAL

8. MOVING AGENDA ITEMS FROM CONFIDENTIAL TO PUBLIC

9. PETITIONS

NIL

10. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

10.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES OF 15th AUGUST 2026

Date: 19th September 2026

Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: [DRAFT PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES FOR 15th AUGUST 2026](#)

PURPOSE

Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held on 15th August 2026 are submitted to Council for confirmation that those Minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/002

That the Public Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held on 15th August 2026 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: [Cllr Strettles](#)

Seconded: [Cllr Beswick](#)

Carried

Discussion points not fully noted?

10.2 CONFIRMATION OF THE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF 26th AUGUST 2026

Date: 19th September 2026

Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: [DRAFT PUBLIC SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FOR 26th AUGUST 2026](#)

PURPOSE

Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 26th August 2026 are submitted to Council for confirmation that those Minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/003

That the Public Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 26th August 2026 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: [Cllr Morrison](#)

Carried

11. PRESIDENT REPORT

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Ross McGorman, President
Attachment: NIL

PURPOSE

To update Council on the activities of the President since the last Ordinary General Meeting (OGM) for the period of August 2026 to September 2026.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/004

That Council receives and notes the President's Report for the period of August 2026 to September 2026.

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: ~~Clr~~ Beswick

Carried

Wrote letter to Chief Minister

Batchelor Museum- Looking for Council support

Demountable referencing reinstatement- prior to announcement

12. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT.

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment: Nil

PURPOSE

To update Council on the activities of the Chief Executive Officer since the last Ordinary General Meeting (OGM) for the period of August to September 2026.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/005

That Council receives and notes the Chief Executive Officers Report for the period of August to September 2026.

Moved: ~~Clr~~ Roe

Seconded: ~~Clr~~ Strettles

Carried

Previous CEO designed carpark at Coomalie Bush Cemetery

13. FINANCE REPORTS

13.1 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT

Date:	19 th September 2026
Author:	Luke Ackland, Acting Corporate Services Manager
Attachment:	Nil

PURPOSE

To provide a summary of the financial position of Council for the period ending 31st August 2026. In accordance with the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 – Part 2 Division 7*, the preceding month's financial report must be presented to Council. Regulation 17(1) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* requires a monthly report from the Chief Executive Officer to provide council with the actual income and expenditure for the year to date; the most recently adopted annual budget; and details of any material variances between the most recent actuals and the most recently adopted annual budget.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/006

That Council;

- a) notes the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) certifies to the best of her knowledge, information, and the belief that the internal controls implemented by Council are appropriate, and that Council's financial report best reflects the financial affairs of Council; and
- b) receives and notes the monthly financial report for August 2026.

Moved: Cllr Beswick

Seconded: DP Whatley **Carried**

Additional Grants summary table added

Where is the procurement for Preston's mowing

Conflict of interest

Is contractor work being checked for completion – review quality control process before payment- to be reviewed by Council

Include works completed location in transactions table

14. REPORTS REQUIRING DECISIONS OF COUNCIL

14.1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATION REVIEW SUBMISSION

Date: 19th September 2026

Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Attachment: [Local Government Representation Review Discussion Paper](#)

PURPOSE

For Council to consider the current local government representation arrangements for Coomalie Shire and determine the matters for inclusion in a submission to the Local Government Representation Review Committee during the current consultation period.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/007

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled Local Government Representation Review Submission;
- b) requests the Chief Executive Officer to draft a submission to the Local Government Representation Review Committee detailing the following items for consideration:
 - Council supports the status quo, of three wards and two Elected Members for each ward.
 - Rejects to any suggestion of amalgamations within Coomalie Council

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: ~~Clr~~ Roe

Carried

14.2 2026 PRE-CYCLONE CLEAN UP

Date:	19 th September 2026
Author:	Luke Ackland, Acting Corporate Services Manager
Attachment:	Nil

PURPOSE

To address inequity and support rural residents in undertaking their own pre-cyclone clean-up, it is proposed that Council approve a temporary fee waiver for white goods requiring degassing.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/008

That Council;

- a) receives and notes report entitled 2026 Pre-Cyclone Clean Up;
- b) approves a fee waiver of \$104 (inc. GST) per item for the disposal of white goods requiring degassing at the Batchelor and Adelaide River Waste Management Facilities for the month of October 2026, while the pre-cyclone clean-up is active;
- c) authorises the Acting Chief Executive Officer (or delegated officer) to implement the waiver and communicate this to waste facility staff and the community; and
- d) notes that this is a time-limited measure for October 2026 only, consistent with previous Council decisions supporting white goods disposal during pre-cyclone clean-up periods.

Moved: ~~Clr~~ Strettles

Seconded: ~~Clr~~ Roe **Carried**

Clearly communicated on Council website and Facebook
Investigate if there is such thing as a certification for degassing

14.3 CONSIDERATION OF CUSTOMER SERVICE SOFTWARE UPGRADE – SNAP SEND SOLVE APP

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Andrew Roberts, Community Services Coordinator
Attachment: NIL

PURPOSE

To seek Council's consideration of the option to obtain adequate software access to enable improved Community engagement and satisfaction with reporting and rectification of issues across the Shire.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/009

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled Customer Service Software Upgrade – Snap Send Solve;
- b) does not approve the required funds of \$5,000 per annum for a 3-year period for full access to the Snap Send Solve app platform be referred to the First Budget Review 2026/27 and provisions to be included in the next two Financial Year budgets; and
- c) notes there will be a review of the ongoing service requirements prior to the renewal of any service agreement at the end of the three-year period.

Moved: Clr. Beswick

Seconded: DP Whatley

Carried 5/6 (Clr. Morrison not in room)

Ensure members of public can still report incidents via alternative means- phone, paper, email

Procedural Note:

Clr Morrison left the meeting at 11:04am

Clr Morrison returned to the meeting at 11:05am

14.4 ENDORSEMENT OF DRAFT WEED MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2026-2031

Date:	19 TH September 2026
Author:	Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment:	DRAFT Coomalie Weed Management Strategy 2026-2031

PURPOSE

For Council to endorse the Draft Weed Management Strategy 2026-2031.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/010

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled Endorsement of Draft Weed Management Strategy 2026-2031; and
- b) does not endorse the Weed Management Strategy 2026-2031 in current state; and
- b) defers until the next special meeting which includes a workshop.

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: ~~Clr.~~ Roe

Carried

14.5 FUTURE LAND USE PLAN FOR SECTION 2830 HUNDRED OF GOYDER (RUM JUNGLE LAKE)

Date:	19 th September 2026
Author:	Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment:	CCGC Rum Jungle Lake Rehabilitation Project Community and Stakeholder Engagement Report

PURPOSE

To seek Council's direction on the intended future land use for the portion of Section 2830 Hundred of Goyder (Rum Jungle Lake) that will be used as a Borrow Pit for the Rum Jungle Mine Rehabilitation Project by Department of Mining and Energy.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/011

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled Future Land Use Plan for Section 2830 Hundred of Goyder – Rum Jungle Lake; and
- b) confirms the preferred future land use after the rehabilitation of Council's Borrow Pit back to its natural biodiversity state:
 - 1. For low impact public recreation use
 - 2. Investigate the establishment of a wetlands are within borrow pit area
 - 3. To ensure Meniling Creek will not be impacted by any works
- c) requests the Chief Executive Officer to provide this information to the Department of Mining and Energy and work with the relevant project team to ensure the Borrow Pit rehabilitation takes the future land use into consideration.

Moved: Clr Morrison

Seconded: Clr Beswick

Carried

Request CEO to arrange briefing of borrow pit activity and what is to take place

Procedural Note:

DP Whatley left the meeting at 11:35am

DP Whatley returned to the meeting at 11:36am

14.6 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS – LGANT BOARD DIRECTORS

Date:	19 th September 2026
Author:	Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment:	2026 LGANT Board Director Nomination Information LGANT Board Director Nomination form

PURPOSE

To seek Council's endorsement of a nomination for an elected member to be considered for a LGANT Board Director position.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/012

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled Call for Nominations – LGANT Board Directors;
- b) nominates the following Elected Members for positions on the LGANT Board:

- 1. LGANT President – Nil
- 2. LGANT Vice President – Regional/Shires – Nil
- 3. LGANT Board Director – Regional/Shires – Clr Beswick and DP Whatley

c) directs the Chief Executive Officer to assist in the completion of the nomination forms and submit to LGANT by the closing date of 2 October 2026.

Moved: Clr Beswick

Seconded: Clr Roe **Carried**

14.7 LGANT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - CALL FOR MOTIONS

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment: [LGANT Calls for Motions Form](#)

PURPOSE

To seek Council's nomination for motions to be submitted for consideration at the LGANT Annual General Meeting on 11 November 2026.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/013

That Council;

a) receives and notes the report entitled LGANT Annual General Meeting - Call for Motions; and

b) approves the nomination of the below new motions:

1. Item 4- Advocacy for reinstatement of NT Government funding specifically for road maintenance support relating to council roads being used for the benefit of NT Gov initiatives

2. Item 5- 5. Advocacy for the amendment of the Bushfires Management Act 2016 to better support Councils across the NT in managing fire risk on Council managed lands including accidental ignitions.

3. Item 6- Advocacy for NT government to assist in addressing the ongoing 'Paper Road' issues prevalent across the Territory.

4. Item 3- Coordination of a collective waste management service provision across Top End Region of Councils.

5. Review of building code to allow occupation of single skin dwellings.

c) directs the Chief Executive Officer to discuss with LGANT the above new motions and submit the required Calls for Motions form for the six motions if appropriate and not already on LGANT's agenda by the closing date of 29 September 2026.

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: ~~Clr~~ Beswick

Carried

14.8 DISPOSAL OF ASSETS

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment: [Council Policy 2.2 Asset Management Policy](#)

PURPOSE

For Council to consider the disposal of Council assets as detailed in the report.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/014

That Council;

- a) receives and notes report Disposal of Assets;
- b) approves the disposal of the below items, by open auction and items to be delivered by Council staff;
 - portable toilet block and trailer
 - Hino 500 Tipper
 - John Deere ride on mower
 - old dog trailer
- d) delegates the Acting CEO to enter relevant agreements to enable the open auction through an agent and dispose of the approved items as per Council Policy 2.2 Asset Management Policy and report back the financial outcome of the disposals.

Moved: ~~Clr.~~ Beswick

Seconded: ~~Clr.~~ Strettles

Carried

Asset management meeting required

14.9 POLICY DEVELOPMENT – OUTDOOR SIGNAGE POLICY

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Luke Ackland, Acting Corporate Services Manager
Attachment: [DRAFT 4.06 Outdoor Advertising Sign Policy](#)

PURPOSE

To seek Council's adoption of the Outdoor Advertising Sign Policy. The policy provides guidance to staff when an advertiser seeks to exhibit advertising signs on or in a public area, or on or in premises visible from a public area within Coomalie Shire.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/015

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled Policy Development: DRAFT 4.06 Outdoor Advertising Sign Policy; and
- b) adopts Policy 4.06 Outdoor Advertising Sign Policy (as amended).

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: ~~Clr.~~ Morrison

Carried

14.10 POLICY DEVELOPMENT – 5.07 ROAD VERGE POLICY

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment: [5.7 Road Verge Policy](#)

PURPOSE

To seek Council's endorsement of the newly developed Council Policy 5.07 Road Verge Policy.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/016

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled Policy Development – 5.07 Road Verge Policy;
- b) adopts the new policy 5.07 Road Verges with the following amendments;
 - Add 2. Scope Term from 'Road Verge' to 'Nature Strip' and 'in townships of Adelaide River and Batchelor'
 - Policy Name change to '5.07 Nature Strip Policy'
- c) directs the Chief Executive Officer to communicate new policy requirements to the community and implement the required procedures to support the policy.

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: ~~Clr~~ Beswick

Carried

14.11 CHRISTMAS OFFICE CLOSURE

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Luke Ackland, Acting Corporate Services Manager
Attachment: [Nil](#)

PURPOSE

To seek Council's approval to close the Council Administration Office during the Christmas and New Year period.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/017

That Council authorises the closure of the Council Administration Office from 12:00pm on Thursday 24 December 2026 and reopening on Monday 4 January 2027.

Moved: ~~Clr~~ Morrison

Seconded: ~~Clr~~ Beswick

Carried

Procedural Note:

Acting Corporate Services Manger left the meeting at 12:10pm
Acting Corporate Services Manger returned to the meeting at 12:30pm

Lunch Break: 12:11pm,
Meeting resumed at 12:41pm

15. REPORTS FOR RECEIVING AND NOTING

15.1 REVIEW OF ACTIONS FOR THE SEPTEMBER OGM 2026

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer.
Attachments: [Actions for the September OGM 2026.](#)

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/018

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the Actions for the September 2026 OGM; and
- b) remove items: 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 18, 19,21 ,23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28

Moved: Clr Morrison

Seconded: Clr Beswick

Carried

15.2 COMPLAINTS, COMPLIMENTS AND SERVICE REQUEST REGISTER.

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Complaints, Compliments and Service Request tables.

PURPOSE

To update Council on complaints, compliments and service requests received during August - September 2026.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/019

That Council receives and notes the Complaints, Compliments and Service Request Register during August and September 2026.

Moved: Clr Morrison
Seconded: Clr Roe **Carried**

15.3 CHINNER ROAD STATUS REPORT

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment: Nil
Report Requested By: Councillor Strettles

PURPOSE

To inform Council on the status of Chinner Road maintenance.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/019/020

That Council receives and notes report entitled Chinner Road Status Report.

a) Council request that further reports of this nature, that awarded contractor and cost be in the agenda report

Moved: DP Whatley
Seconded: Clr Roe **Carried**

Clr Strettles emailed A/CEO 03/09/26 requesting agenda item for Chinner road that has not been addressed.

Elected Members should be able to complete their own Agenda items/reports

Elected Members want the agenda template emailed to them

15.4 CHRISTMAS EVENT UPDATE

Date: 19 September 2026
Author: Andrew Roberts, Community Services Coordinator
Attachment: Nil

PURPOSE

To provide Council with an update on planning for the new Community Christmas Event.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/021

That Council receives and notes the report entitled Community Christmas Event Update.

Moved: Clr. Strettles

Seconded: Clr. Roe

Carried

Procedural Note:

Clr Morrison left the meeting at 1:25pm,
Clr Morrison returned to the meeting at 1:27pm

15.5 COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS POLICY AND STRATEGY

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment: Council Policy 1.06 Council Communications Policy
Council Policy 2.6 Delegations Policy
REPORT REQUESTED BY: Councillor Strettles

PURPOSE

To provide Council with an explanation of the Council's Communications Policy and Strategy with a particular focus on Council's website and social media.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/022

That Council receives and notes the report entitled Council Communications Policy and Strategy;

3.5 add maintain 'current'

3.8 add 'Council should strive to update the Council Facebook with a social media post daily, likes can be received but no comments possible '

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: Clr Morrison

Carried

Agenda item does not reflect Clr Strettles request and request that his name be removed from agenda items 15.5 and 15.3.

Request Council staff to be more proactive with online presence (daily Facebook post with comments turned off) and updating Council website more frequently

16. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION.

16.1 INCOMING AND OUTGOING MAIL.

Date:	19 th September 2026
Author:	Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer.
Attachment:	Incoming and outgoing correspondence tables.

PURPOSE

Council is provided with items of correspondence both received and sent during the months of August 2026 to September 2026.

RESOLUTION: 26/09/19/023

That Council receives and notes the items of incoming and outgoing correspondence as tabled for August 2026 to September 2026 period; and

a) [Letter](#) 14/08/26 NT Emergency Services Symposium- Send email to Elected Members and inform of cost of attending.

b) If appropriate Council nominate DP Whatley to attend in person.

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: [Cllr](#) Beswick

Carried

Why was [Cllr](#) Roe email included in table

17. COUNCILLOR REPORTS.

17.1 DEPUTY PRESIDENT WHATLEY – TOPROC MEETING UPDATE

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/024

That Council receives and notes Deputy President Whatley's verbal update on the TOPROC meeting held on 4th September 2026.

Moved: DP Whatley

Second: President McGorman

Carried

18. USE OF THE COMMON SEAL.

18.1 USE OF THE COMMON SEAL: FORM 48 – DISCHARGE OF STATUTORY CHARGE

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment: Nil

PURPOSE

To seek Council's ratification for the use of its Common Seal on a Discharge of Statutory Charge form.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/025

That Council, pursuant to Section 38(2)(a)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2019*, ratifies the use of the Common Seal affixed to Section 83 Form 48 – Discharge of Statutory Charge for property AN681.

Moved: Clr. Roe
Seconded: Clr. Morrison **Carried**

19. LATE ITEMS AND URGENT BUSINESS.

19.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION: PA2026/0289 – SECTION 85 HUNDRED OF HOWARD

Date: 19th September 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment: NIL

PURPOSE

To provide Council with information regarding a subdivision proposal and to seek Council's comments for submission.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/026

That Council;
a) receives and notes the report entitled Development Application: PA2026/0289 – Section 85 Hundred of Howard;
b) respond in writing to Development Assessment Services (DAS) to confirm
i) Council's support to the proposed subdivision;
ii) That the landholder is responsible for the development of the access to the proposed lots at no cost to Council;
iii) that if the landholder is required to install additional electrical grid infrastructure within the Councils Road Reserve, further negotiations will be required;
iv) that if a cross over is required that it will be at the landowner's responsibility to meet Council's development requirements at their own cost.
c) notes that the subdivision represents an additional general rate and waste management charge when titles are finished.

Moved: Clr Beswick
Seconded: Clr Morrison **Carried**

19.2 RESPITE AND RECOVERY FACILITY (BATCHELOR)

Date:	19 th September 2026
Author:	Luke Ackland, Acting Corporate Services Manager
Attachment:	Correspondence to the Chief Minister

PURPOSE

To provide Elected Members with a brief update on the Northern Territory Government's announcement of the NT Respite and Recovery Facility in Batchelor, and to record Council's initial engagement and response.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/027

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled Respite and Recovery Facility (Batchelor); and
- b) does not support or approve the NT Government's decision to build a respite and recovery facility in entirety; and
- c) advise the NT Government that Council endorsement of the letter previously sent to the Minister and request that the Government stop the proposed facility
- d) lobby Federal and Territory Ministers to reverse decision.

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: Clr Roe

Carried

Investigate injunction options effectiveness and cost

Engage with advocacy groups in Darwin

Who owns the land

Clr Roe to draft letter with Clr Morrison and President reiterating concerns for Health Clinic and Police (Prime Minister, Minister of Families and Senator Hon/Federal Minister for Aboriginal Affairs Malarndirri McCarthy, Minister for Families Tanya Plibersek, Salena Uibo and Marion Scrimgeour)

Circulate Presidents letter to the Minister with the minutes

Include Facebook posts

Check legal rights/advise

Contact Danila Dilba Aboriginal Health Board CEO Rob McPhee

Procedural Note:

Clr Strettles left the meeting at 2:04pm,

Clr Strettles returned to the meeting at 2:06pm

MOTION: EXTENSION OF MEETING

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/019/028

That Council further extends the meeting by another further 2 hours.

Moved: Clr Beswick

Seconded: Clr Morrison

Carried

20. GENERAL BUSINESS.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/029

That Council;

- a) agenda items submitted by Councilors be accepted as is unless discussed between the author and CEO to agree on wording.
- b) request original agenda item as written 3 September 2026 re Chinner road be inserted into minutes
- c) request A/CEO to respond to all elected members out of session to the questions asked by Clr Strettles as per item b;and
- d) request that the A/CEO distribute agenda item template for submitting agenda items and outlining background and previous discussions

Moved: Clr Strettles

Second: DP Whatley

Carried

Remove Clr Strettles name from agenda items 15.5 and 15.3

21. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/030

That Council close the meeting to the general public in accordance with Regulation 51 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*.

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: Clr Morrison

Carried

Procedural Note:

The meeting was closed to the public at: 3:39pm

The confidential meeting opened at: 3:39pm

21.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE CONFIDENTIAL MEETING MINUTES OF 15th AUGUST 2026

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1) For section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(c) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to:

(iv) subject to ~~subregulation (3)~~ – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

21.2 REVIEW OF CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING 26th AUGUST 2026

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1) For section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(c) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to:

(iv) subject to ~~subregulation (3)~~ – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

21.3 REVIEW OF CONFIDENTIAL ACTIONS FOR THE SEPTEMBER 2026 OGM

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1)(e) information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.

21.4 PROPOSED CROWN LEASE – LOT 321 BATCHELOR

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1)(c) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to:

(i) Cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

Procedural Note:

DP Whatley left the meeting at 3:55pm,
DP Whatley returned to the meeting at 3:56pm

21.5 ONSITE FUEL TANK PURCHASE

CONFIDENTIAL: 51(1) For section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(c) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to:

(i) cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

Procedural Note:

President McGorman left the meeting at 4:09pm
~~Clr~~ Beswick left the meeting at 4:09pm
DP Whatley became Chair at 4:09pm

21.6 CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINT PROGRESS REPORT

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1)(f) subject to ~~subregulation (2)~~ – information in relation to a complaint of a contravention of the code of conduct.

Procedural Note:

President McGorman returned to the meeting and resumed Chair at 4:10pm
DP Whatley left the meeting at 4:10pm

21.7 REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF OUTSTANDING RATES AND ACCRUED INTEREST – AN235

51 Confidential information

(1) For section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.

Procedural Note:

DP Whatley returned to the meeting at 4:31pm

Clr Beswick returned to the meeting at 4:31pm

21.8 CEO RECRUITMENT 2026

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(a) information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual;

Procedural Note:

Clr Morrison left the meeting at 4:53pm,

Clr Morrison returned to the meeting at 4:54pm

MOTION: EXTENSION OF MEETING

RESOLUTION: CONF2026/09/019/039

That Council further extends the meeting by a further 1 hour (6:00pm)

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: Clr Strettles

Carried

22. CONFIDENTIAL GENERAL BUSINESS

NIL

23. CONFIDENTIAL LATE ITEMS

NIL

24. DECISIONS ARISING FROM THE CONFIDENTIAL SECTION OF THE COUNCIL.

NIL

25. RE-OPEN MEETING TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/040

That Council re-opens the meeting to the general public in accordance with Regulation 51 of *the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: Clr Beswick

Carried

Procedural Note:

The meeting was reopened to the public at 5:53pm

26. NEXT MEETING.

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on **Saturday 17th October 2026 at 10:00am.**

27. CLOSURE OF MEETING.

The meeting closed at 5:53pm

11. PRESIDENT REPORT

Date:	17 th October 2026
Author:	Ross McGorman, President
Attachment:	NIL

PURPOSE

To update Council on the activities of the President since the last Ordinary General Meeting (OGM) for the period of September 2026 to October 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the President's Report for the period of September 2026 to October 2026; and
- b) confirms the first Community Forums for 2026/27 will be held on _____ 2026 at Adelaide River/Bachelor.

Moved:

Seconded:

COMMENT

Meetings and events attended by the President.

Date	Meeting/Attendees	Purpose
17/09/2026	Batchelor Area School	Capacity relating to impact of Respite and Recovery Facility
	Batchelor Health Clinic	Capacity relating to impact of Respite and Recovery Facility
	Community Meeting	Batchelor community meeting re Government decision for Respite and Recovery Facility
	Phone call with A/CEO	Respite and Recovery Facility and correspondence drafting
19/09/2026	Council OGM	Monthly OGM
21/09/2026	Councillor Morrison	YiSSA and Respite Facility
22/09/2026	Department of Logistics and Infrastructure contact	Demountables relocation
23/09/2026	Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development	Interim CEO Position
	LGANT	Interim CEO Position
	Minister Malarndirri McCarthy Office	YiSSA
24/09/2026	Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development	Interim CEO Position
	Wagait Council President	Interim CEO Position and candidates
	Candidate discussion	Interim CEO Arrangements
28/09/2026	Candidate discussions	Interim CEO Arrangements

	Mission Australia	Relocation of demountables and site set up
	Briefing – DHLGCD and LGANT	Empowering the Bush
29/09/2026	Marion Scrymgour Office	YiSSA
30/09/2026	Candidate discussion	Interim CEO Position
	Council Special Meeting	Interim CEO
01/10/2026	McArthur Recruitment	CEO Recruitment actions
	Candidate discussions	Interim CEO negotiations
02/10/2026	Dheran Young and A/CEO	Batchelor tour and discussion re horses
	McArthur Recruitment	CEO Recruitment actions
		Remote jobs grant opportunity
03/10/2026	Candidate discussion	Interim CEO position
05/10/2026	ABC Interview	Respite and Recovery Facility
	Batchelor Area School Principal	Updated expected impact of Respite Facility
	McArthur Recruitment	CEO Recruitment actions
	Phone call A/CEO	Call Special Meeting
06/10/2026	Council Special Meeting	Interim CEO
	Meeting with A/CEO	Outstanding matters

Correspondence and advocacy work undertaken

Date	Details
17/09/2026	Letter to Chief Minister – Relocation of people from YiSSA Facility
23/09/2026	Council letter to Prime Minister and other Ministers – Respite and Recovery Facility

Council adopted the Community Engagement Plan 2026/27 in May 2026. I propose that Council confirms dates for the first Community Forum to take place before the end of 2026.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

NIL

12. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT.

Date:	17 th October 2026
Author:	Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer
Attachment:	Nil

PURPOSE

To update Council on the activities of the Chief Executive Officer since the last Ordinary General Meeting (OGM) for the period of September to October 2026.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receives and notes the Chief Executive Officers Report for the period of September to October 2026.

Moved:

Seconded:

BACKGROUND

The CEO report outlines the highlights leading up to the Ordinary General Meeting and activities of the operation that may be of interest to Council in the month ahead.

COMMENTS

Week commencing 14th September 2026

Meetings	- CEO of Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet - LGANT Annual Member Survey Interview - Pre-OGM Meeting with President - LGANT President and CEO Presentation to Council
Other	A/CEO unwell and not in attendance at OGM

Week commencing 21st September 2026

Meetings	- Meeting with President and Deputy President
Other	- Internal SLT

Week commencing 28th September 2026

Meetings	- Council Special Meeting - Burials and Cremations ACT meeting
Other	A/CEO on Annual Leave. Emma Dunne was A/CEO during this period.

Week commencing 5th October 2026

Meetings	- Council Special Meeting - Exit Interview - Mission Australia and Batchelor Services Introductory Meeting (police, health care, council and school).
Other	- Internal Staff Exit Interview

NOTIFICATIONS:

- On 10 October 2026, a wildfire commenced on Vacant Crown Land along Meneling Road and subsequently crossed two firebreaks before entering the Batchelor Waste Management Facility. Immediate response was undertaken by FERG With a contractor attending when safe to continue management. Fire entered green waste piles and one tip face. Notification to NT EPA was made on 11 October 2026 and officers will continue to work with NT EPA and council contractors to resolve the matter.

Grants:

- Confirmation of School Holiday Program grant for 2026/27 - \$4,000 across two major school holiday periods.

Corporate Services

- Development of multiple Meeting Agendas.
- Correspondence to complaints and public enquiries.
- Staff and resource planning.
- Annual audit process is under way. Draft Financial Statements completed by end of August and are with the auditors for approval. Annual Report writing commence but delayed. Will be ready for presentation to Council prior to 15 November 2026.
- First instalment of rates was 25 September 2026, ratepayers who haven't met this are now in arrears.

Community Services

- Christmas event planning.
- Age Moves weekly sessions in Batchelor. Returning to Aqua Aerobics in the coming month.

Council Services

- Regulatory Services
 - o Dog education and awareness for Adelaide River and Batchelor Pet owners.
 - o Abandoned vehicle notices issued.
 - o Overgrown vegetation and untidy allotment inspections.
 - o Vet Clinic Day scheduling and planning. Adelaide River clinic cancelled due to low booking volumes – all bookings transferred with consultation to Batchelor clinic to ensure service provision to residents.

Projects

Grant Source	Project Name	Project Description	Expected Completion
Black Spot 23-24	Haynes Road & White Horse Track	Formalise intersection and signage for road safety – Aligned with into R2R Project COMMENCED	Extension option to 30/06/2027
Black Spot 24-25	Solomon and Miles Road Intersection	Clear Sight Lines and improve road safety by installing turning lanes NOT COMMENCED	Extension option to 30/06/2027
Black Spot 24-25	Niks Crossing	Clear sight lines and install road furniture to improve safety NOT COMMENCED	Extension option to 30/06/2027
Waste and Resource Management Grant 2025-26	Rehabilitation of Adelaide River Waste Facility	Rehabilitation of landfill site including consultant design of staged works to be completed. Commencement of works with funds available. Not yet commenced	30/06/2027
Regional and Remote Burial Areas Grant 2025-26	Extension of Columbarium at Coomalie Bush Cemetery	Design and installation of extended columbarium plots at the Coomalie Bush Cemetery. Not yet commenced	30/06/2028

CONSULTATION

- President
- As per meeting list
- Executive Leadership Team

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

NIL

13. FINANCE REPORTS

13.1 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT

Date:	17 th October 2026
Author:	Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer
Attachment:	Nil

PURPOSE

To provide a summary of the financial position of Council for the period ending 30th September 2026. In accordance with the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 – Part 2 Division 7*, the preceding month's financial report must be presented to Council. Regulation 17(1) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* requires a monthly report from the Chief Executive Officer to provide council with the actual income and expenditure for the year to date; the most recently adopted annual budget; and details of any material variances between the most recent actuals and the most recently adopted annual budget.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

a) notes the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) certifies to the best of her knowledge, information, and the belief that the internal controls implemented by Council are appropriate, and that Council's financial report best reflects the financial affairs of Council; and

b) receives and notes the monthly financial report for September 2026.

Moved:

Seconded:

BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS DECISIONS

The monthly financial report Income and Expenditure Statement compares the actual income and expenditure to budget at two levels, firstly for the year to date (YTD), and secondly for the full year budget. Comparatives to full year are relevant if the income and expenditure is linear, otherwise the YTD budget comparison provides a clearer position. Ideally, the budget is accurately phased so that the amount allocated each month will match the pattern of income and expenditure.

COMMENT

Operating Income and Expenditure

Council's operating income is slightly lower than YTD, resulting from:

- Reduced additional kerbside waste collections for commercial entities across the region. Negotiations with businesses to determine actual number of bins required have been completed and invoices raised accordingly.
- Interest earned during 2025/26 period but received in 2026/27 was adjusted for during the EOFY audit process, reducing the YTD actuals for interest income.

Operating expenditure is less than YTD with the main variances resulting from:

- Some employee costs are recognised as payable from the beginning of the financial year however not yet expended. For example, training and uniforms costs are recognised from the beginning of the year as an employee could access training from 1 July 2026, even if it isn't spent immediately. Additionally, several positions within the organisation remain unfilled and therefore full salary budget is not being utilised currently.
- Materials and contracts are lower than YTD budget due to delays in engaging contractors for road maintenance program resulting from delayed tender outcomes.
- A portion of Elected Member Professional Development allowances are recognised as payable from 1 July 2026, even if not spent immediately, resulting in lower YTD expenditure.
- Depreciation expenses are lower than YTD budget, resulting from the changes in total assets held at the end of the last financial year. An adjustment to depreciation expense will be made at the first budget review based on the 2025/26 depreciation expenses.

Other expenses are higher than YTD budget as a result of the engagement of an external accountant to assist with the completion of the annual audit and preparation of the annual audited financial statements. It is intended to cover this expenditure by the underspent wages for the period with an adjustment at the first budget review.

Capital Works

- Adelaide River Oval - Driveway work completed.
- Adelaide River Cemetery Precinct works – Car parking/road upgrades completed.

Investments

- At 30 September 2026, Council held \$2.7M in term deposits.
- At 30 September 2026, Council's cash at bank contained \$1.24 Million of tied funding.
- Of the tied funding, \$826k is grant funding for programs and projects.

Grants

Council received the following grant funding in September 2026:

- Active Regional and Remote Communities Program 2026/27 Payment 1 - \$75,306

Rates

- 2026/27 Rates and Charges were issued in August 2026 with the first instalment due 25 September 2026.
- Any ratepayer who has not met their first instalment for 2026/27 or earlier years rates obligations are considered in arrears in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2019*.
- At 30 September 2026, Council's overdue rates are worth \$596k. The overdue rates balances relate to rates and charges from previous financial years and continue to accrue interest until payment is received.
- At 30 September 2026, \$169k is arrears from 2026-27 rates and charges, and \$427k is arrears from previous financial years.
- At 30 September 2026, there are 29 properties that have a rates credit due to direct debit or payment plans being in place. The total of these applied credits is \$28k.

Tax

Council is compliant with payment and reporting all tax liabilities as outlined below:

- Pay As You Go (PAYG Withholdings) have been lodged with the Business Activity Statements (BAS) each month. The September PAYG Withholdings will be submitted with the Business Activity Statement in October 2026.

- Business Activity Statements have been lodged by the due dates. The September BAS will be lodged by the due date of 21st October 2026.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Regulation 17 *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

Certification by the CEO to the Council

Council Name:	COOMALIE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL
Reporting Period:	30-Sep-26

That, to the best of the CEO's knowledge, information and belief:

- (1) The internal controls implemented by the council are appropriate; and
- (2) The council's financial report best reflects the financial affairs of the council.

CEO Signed



Date Signed

13 October 2026

Table 1.1 Monthly Income and Expenditure Statement

	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	Annual Budget \$
OPERATING INCOME				
Rates	1,313,183	1,310,717	2,466	1,310,717
Charges	469,172	469,172	0	469,172
Fees and Charges	73,901	147,755	(73,854)	255,015
Operating Grants and Subsidies	779,945	709,893	70,052	1,676,452
Interest / Investment Income	1,554	54,501	(52,947)	218,000
Commercial and Other Income	43,549	22,762	20,787	91,059
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	2,681,304	2,714,800	(33,496)	4,020,415
OPERATING EXPENDITURE				
Employee Expenses	316,944	429,103	(112,159)	1,581,118
Materials and Contracts	732,111	831,780	(99,669)	2,323,983
Elected Member Allowances	18,993	44,028	(25,035)	176,116
Elected Member Expenses	0	1,350	(1,350)	5,400
Council Committee & LA Allowances	964	1,250	(286)	5,000
Council Committee & LA Expenses	0	0	0	0
Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	317,902	399,642	(81,740)	1,598,564
Interest Expenses	0	0	0	0
Other Expenses	44,552	36,556	7,996	142,424
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	1,431,466	1,743,709	(312,243)	5,832,605
OPERATING SURPLUS / DEFICIT	1,249,838	971,091	278,747	(1,812,190)

Table 1.2 Monthly Operating Position

	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	Annual Budget \$
BUDGETED OPERATING SURPLUS / DEFICIT	1,249,838	971,091	278,747	(1,812,190)
Remove NON-CASH ITEMS				
Less Non-Cash Income	0	0	0	0
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	317,902	399,642	(81,740)	1,598,564
TOTAL NON-CASH ITEMS	317,902	399,642	(81,740)	1,598,564
Less ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS				
Capital Expenditure	693,474	163,300	530,174	644,790
Borrowing Repayments (Principal Only)	0	0	0	0
Transfer to Reserves	0	0	0	0
Other Outflows	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	(693,474)	(163,300)	(530,174)	(644,790)
Add ADDITIONAL INFLOWS				
Capital Grants Income	136,165	0	136,165	585,990
Prior Year Carry Forward Tied Funding	497,500	104,500	393,000	104,500
Other Inflow of Funds	0	0	0	0
Transfers from Reserves	0	0	0	167,926
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	633,665	104,500	529,165	858,416
NET BUDGETED OPERATING SURPLUS / DEFICIT	1,507,930	1,311,933	195,997	0

Table 2.1 Capital Expenditure and Funding
By class of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	Current Financial Year Budget \$
Buildings	0	0	0	0
Community Assets and Other Structures	0	0	0	104,500
Motor Vehicles	58,728	55,982	2,746	58,800
Plant and Equipment	0	0	0	0
Roads Infrastructure	634,746	107,318	527,428	481,490
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	693,474	163,300	530,174	644,790
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FUNDED BY:				
Capital Grants Income	136,165	0	136,165	481,490
Prior Year Carry Forward Tied Funding	295,459	104,500	190,959	104,500
Operating Income and Subsidies	0	0	0	0
Financial Assistance Grants - Roads	210,000	0	0	0
Reserves	58,728	58,800	(72)	58,800
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FUNDING	700,352	163,300	327,052	644,790

Table 3. Monthly Balance Sheet Report

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 September 2026	YTD Actuals \$	Note Reference*
ASSETS		
Cash at Bank		(1)
Tied Funds	1,245,407	
Untied Funds	2,870,776	
Accounts Receivable		
Trade Debtors	33,077	(2)
Rates & Charges Debtors	1,279,471	
Other Current Assets	148	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	5,428,878	
Non-Current Financial Assets	0	
Property, Plant and Equipment	16,540,739	
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	16,540,739	
TOTAL ASSETS	21,969,617	
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	616,927	(3)
ATO & Payroll Liabilities	(33,567)	(4)
Current Provisions	99,032	
Accruals	0	
Other Current Liabilities	16,940	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	699,332	(5)
Non-Current Provisions	19,675	
Other Non-Current Liabilities	0	
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	19,675	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	719,007	
NET ASSETS	21,250,610	
EQUITY		
Asset Revaluation Reserve	15,424,509	
Reserves	308,977	(6)
Accumulated Surplus	5,517,123	
TOTAL EQUITY	21,250,610	

Note 1. Details of Cash and Investments Held

\$2,708,977 held in investments as at 30 September 2026 (details in table below).

Tied funds include grant/project obligations, current provisions and tied reserve accounts.

Investments Summary

As at 30 September 2026

Category	Balance	Rate	Interest Frequency	Maturity Date
Fixed Term Deposit	\$400,000	5.10%	At Maturity	27/10/2026
Fixed Term Deposit	\$300,000	4.50%	At Maturity	12/11/2026
Fixed Term Deposit	\$350,000	4.52%	At Maturity	17/12/2026
Fixed Term Deposit	\$400,000	5.19%	At Maturity	31/12/2026
Fixed Term Deposit	\$400,000	5.09%	At Maturity	02/02/2027
Fixed Term Deposit	\$250,000	5.20%	At Maturity	08/03/2027
Fixed Term Deposit	\$300,000	5.38%	At Maturity	12/04/2027
Fixed Term Deposit	\$308,977	5.25%	At Maturity	15/06/2027
TOTAL	\$2,708,977			

Outstanding Grants Register

As at 31 September 2026

Date Received	Grant	Grant Amount	Funding Received to date	Council Contribution	Expended to date	Amount Remaining	Acquittal Due
Grants - TIED FUNDS							
3/05/2024	Immediate Priority Grant 2023-24 - Social Infrastructure	236,000.00	236,000.00	20,000.00	240,644.00	15,356.00	31/10/2026
27/06/2024	Community Place for People grant 2023-24	415,000.00	415,000.00	210,000.00	207,253.00	417,747.00	31/08/2026 extension pending
17/01/2025	Black Spot 2023-24 - Haynes Rd	18,000.00	-	-	1,080.00	16,920.00	30/06/2027
17/01/2025	Black Spot 2023-24 - Niks Crossing	66,000.00	-	-	-	66,000.00	30/06/2027
17/01/2025	Black Spot 2024-25 - Miles/Solomon	150,000.00	-	-	-	150,000.00	30/06/2027
22/08/2025	Roads to Recovery 2025-26	459,120.00	459,120.00	-	459,120.00	-	31/10/2027
19/12/2025	Waste and Resource Management (WaRM) 2025-26	104,500.00	104,500.00	-	-	104,500.00	31/08/2027
10/04/2026	Gamba Litchfield Neighbours Project 2025-26	20,000.00	20,000.00	-	15,130.00	4,870.00	
16/06/2026	Regional and Remote Burial Areas Grant 2026-26	51,500.00	51,500.00	-	-	51,500.00	31/08/2027
	Grant Totals:	1,520,120.00		230,000.00	923,227.00	826,893.00	
Subsidies - UNTIED FUNDS							
30/06/2026	Financial Assistance Grants 2026-27 Pre-Payment - General Purpose	32,555.00	32,555.00				15/11/2027
29/06/2023	Financial Assistance Grants 2026-27 Pre-Payment - Roads	600,018.00	600,018.00				15/11/2027
19/08/2026	Financial Assistance Grants 2026-27 Q1 Payment - General Purpose	6,970.00	6,970.00				15/11/2027
19/08/2026	Financial Assistance Grants 2026-27 Q1 Payment - Roads	38,376.00	38,376.00				15/11/2027
25/09/2026	Active Regional and Remote Communities Program 2026-27 Payment 1	75,306.28	75,306.28				15/11/2027
	Subsidies Totals:	753,225.28					

Note 2. Statement of Trade Debtors

	Current	Past Due 1 – 30 Days	Past Due 31–60 Days	Past Due 61-90 Days	Past Due 90+ Days	Total
Commercial Waste	6,601	13,677	246	-	3,958	\$ 24,482
Facility and Equipment Hire Fees	609	-	-	-	266	\$ 875
Regulatory Services	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
Road permits	318	318	-	-	602	\$ 1,238
Sundry Debtors	-	-	1,380	-	5,102	\$ 6,482
TOTAL	\$ 7,528	\$ 13,995	\$ 1,626	\$ -	\$ 9,928	\$ 33,077

Note 3. Statement on Trade Creditors

	Current	Past Due 1 – 30 Days	Past Due 31 – 60 Days	Past Due 61-90 Days	Past Due 90+ Days	Total
Air Liquide Australia Ltd	34.47	-	-	-	-	34.47
Australia Day Council NT	220.00	-	-	-	-	220.00
Batchelor Institute	1,754.50	-	-	-	-	1,754.50
Colemans Printing	-	4,065.44	-	-	-	4,065.44
Darwin Office Technology	278.92	-	-	-	-	278.92
Department of People, Sport and Culture	-	240.00	-	-	-	240.00
DTA Contractors Pty Ltd	520,432.51	-	-	-	-	520,432.51
Gaz NT Pty Ltd	5,516.50	-	-	-	-	5,516.50
Gilchrist Connell Pty Ltd	10,995.71	-	-	-	-	10,995.71
Integrated Land Information System	8,610.00	-	-	-	-	8,610.00
Jacana Energy	790.47	-	-	-	-	790.47
JLT Discretionary Trust	5,000.00	-	-	-	-	5,000.00
Kerr Trust	10,340.00	-	-	-	-	10,340.00
Employee Reimbursement	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
McArthur Pty Ltd	5,445.00	-	-	-	-	5,445.00
Nexia Edwards Marshall NT	4,620.00	-	-	-	-	4,620.00
Officeworks Ltd	1,400.56	-	-	-	-	1,400.56
Oolloo Investments Pty Ltd	19,404.00	-	-	-	-	19,404.00
PowerWater - Bills	5,971.06	-	-	-	-	5,971.06
Telstra	275.00	-	-	-	-	275.00

Top End Grub	1,788.80	-	-	-	-	1,788.80
VTG Waste & Recycling P/L	5,700.42	-	-	-	-	5,700.42
WEX Australia Pty Ltd	4,033.55	-	-	-	-	4,033.55
Total Accounts Payable	612,621.47	4,305.44	-	-	-	616,926.91

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

Council is compliant with all payment, reporting and tax liabilities:

- PAYG Withholdings have been lodged by the due dates. The September 2026 PAYG Withholdings will be submitted with the Business Activity Statement prior to 21 October 2026.
- Business Activity Statements have been lodged by the due dates. The September 2026 BAS will be lodged prior to the due date of 21 October 2026.

Note 5. Current Ratio

The Current Ratio measures Council's ability to pay short-term obligations or those due within one year. A Current Ratio that is higher than 1.00 is considered acceptable in contemporary financial management terms. Council's Current Ratio as at 31 August 2026 is 2.79.

Note 6. Reserve Accounts

Internally Restricted	Total (\$)
Asset Renewal Reserve	142,227
Batchelor Playground Reserve	2,750
Disaster Recovery Reserve	25,000
Election Expenses Reserve	14,000
Waste Management Reserve	100,000
Externally Restricted	
Disaster Recovery Reserve	25,000
TOTAL RESERVES BALANCE	308,977

Table 4. Member and CEO Council Credit Card Transactions for the Month

Cardholder Name: N CHAPMAN (A/CEO)

Transaction Date	Amount \$	Supplier's Name	Reason for the Transaction
1/09/2026	9.25	Australia Post	Postage
4/09/2026	145.98	Litchfield Outback Resort	Catering
10/09/2026	260.04	Microsoft	Monthly Software Subscription
21/09/2026	125.31	Litchfield Outback Resort	Diesel for machinery
30/09/2026	38.04	MailChimp	Monthly Software Subscription
Total	\$ 578.62		

Other Staff Card Transactions

Transaction Date	Amount \$	Supplier's Name	Reason for the Transaction
10/09/2026	185.00	Australia Post	Postage
21/09/2026	15.00	Batchelor General Store	Parks and Gardens supplies
22/09/2026	10.00	City of Darwin	Conference Parking
28/09/2026	19.60	Australia Post	Postage
Total	\$ 229.60		

Cheque Account Transactions

01 Sep 2026	PC010926-111157541 SuperChoice P-L		209.98
01 Sep 2026	Bank Transfer from CCGC CBA Cheque to CBA Credit Card N Chapman		392.39
01 Sep 2026	Bank Transfer from CCGC CBA Cheque to CBA Credit Card E Dunne		1,954.12
02 Sep 2026	Commonwealth Bank of Australia		94.59
02 Sep 2026	Commonwealth Bank of Australia		291.97
03 Sep 2026	PC030926-113579237 SuperChoice P-L		4,613.96
03 Sep 2026	SALARIES AND WAGES Coomalie Communi		28,589.97
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Bunnings Building Supplies P/L		86.52
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Top End Grub		1,582.19
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Darwin Mazda ana Miles Road Holdings Pty Ltd		336.00
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Ooloo Investments Pty Ltd		912.40
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Ooloo Investments Pty Ltd		478.50
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Ooloo Investments Pty Ltd		704.00
04 Sep 2026	Payment: VTG Waste & Recycling P/L		5,700.42
04 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		873.23
04 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		428.02
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Jacana Energy		174.86
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Jacana Energy		95.73
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Jacana Energy		790.47
04 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		94.11
04 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		68.81
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Trevor Sullivan		89.00
04 Sep 2026	Payment: VTG Waste & Recycling P/L		5,700.42
04 Sep 2026	Payment: TGS Diesel & Hydraulic Service & Repair		773.74
04 Sep 2026		Staff Reimbursement	89.00

04 Sep 2026	Payment: Bunnings Building Supplies P/L		360.87
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Integrated Land Information System		34.50
04 Sep 2026	Payment: AC Hall Services		400.00
04 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		107.56
04 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		328.13
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Telstra		275.00
04 Sep 2026	Payment: Jacana Energy		767.41
04 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		137.11
04 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		106.76
07 Sep 2026	Commonwealth Bank of Australia		1.09
07 Sep 2026	Direct Deposit rates returned		50.00
11 Sep 2026	Payment: Roadside Services & Solutions Pty Ltd		498.85
11 Sep 2026	Payment: Top End Grub		1,582.19
11 Sep 2026	Payment: Gleeming Cleaning Services		4,449.34
11 Sep 2026	Payment: Roadside Services & Solutions Pty Ltd		51.70
11 Sep 2026	Payment: VTG Waste & Recycling P/L		515.55
11 Sep 2026	Payment: Fingleaf Pool Products		130.00
11 Sep 2026	Payment: Captovate		165.00
11 Sep 2026	Payment: Agentur Pty Ltd		1,200.00
11 Sep 2026	Payment: Nexia Edwards Marshall NT		2,310.00
11 Sep 2026	Payment: Centreline Traffic Pty Ltd	Speed Signage Audit	6,050.00
11 Sep 2026	Payment: AC Hall Services		400.00
11 Sep 2026	Payment: CONSTRUCTION 101 PTY. LTD	Weed Management Strategy Consultant	6,600.00
11 Sep 2026		Staff Reimbursement	5.39
11 Sep 2026	Payment: Airpower (NT) Pty Ltd		60.82
11 Sep 2026	Payment: Telstra		34.95
11 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		127.51
11 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		30.87
11 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		124.47
11 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		1,444.92
11 Sep 2026	Payment: MVR		145.85
11 Sep 2026	EQUIPMENT RENTS		187.00
15 Sep 2026	Commonwealth Bank of Australia		5.28
15 Sep 2026	Commonwealth Bank of Australia		25.52
15 Sep 2026	Commonwealth Bank of Australia		85.36
15 Sep 2026	NBN Biz		322.52
16 Sep 2026	PC160926-122241933 SuperChoice P-L		4,657.41
16 Sep 2026	PC160926-121746376 SuperChoice P-L		769.42
17 Sep 2026	SALARIES AND WAGES Coomalie Communi		29,188.33
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Jacana Energy		148.42
18 Sep 2026	Payment: WEX Australia Pty Ltd		3,357.93
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Colemans Printing		675.40
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Practical Safety Australia Pty Ltd		9.30
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Area9 IT Solutions		99.00
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Jacana Energy		134.18
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Jacana Energy		208.05
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Jacana Energy		58.64
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Jacana Energy		572.79
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Jacana Energy		61.85
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Practical Safety Australia Pty Ltd		384.60
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Darwin Office Technology		313.77
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Nutrien AG Solutions		44.99
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Nutrien AG Solutions		124.85
18 Sep 2026	Payment: AC Hall Services		400.00
18 Sep 2026	Payment: Top End Grub		1,582.19
18 Sep 2026	Payment: MVR		849.25
21 Sep 2026	Direct Deposit rates returned		50.00
21 Sep 2026	Xero Australia Pty Ltd		250.00
22 Sep 2026	Vocus		2,511.30

25 Sep 2026	Payment: Telstra		1,219.30
25 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		425.24
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Jacana Energy		852.39
25 Sep 2026	Payment: PowerWater - Bills		310.11
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Air Liquide Australia Ltd		35.63
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Cadillac Transport Repairs		2,804.80
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Bunnings Building Supplies P/L		33.46
25 Sep 2026	Payment: HD Pumps - Humpty Doo/Winnellie		500.40
25 Sep 2026	Payment: VTG Waste & Recycling P/L		5,700.42
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Area9		515.13
25 Sep 2026	Payment: VTG Waste & Recycling P/L		5,700.42
25 Sep 2026	Payment: AC Hall Services		400.00
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Councilwise	Rating Software annual subscription	33,944.88
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Outback Batteries		300.00
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Think Water Virginia		133.17
25 Sep 2026	Payment: CJD Equipment		701.87
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Area9 IT Solutions		247.50
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Bunnings Building Supplies P/L		287.92
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Think Water Virginia		95.45
25 Sep 2026	Payment: The Big Mower		75.90
25 Sep 2026	Payment: VTG Waste & Recycling P/L		5,700.42
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Ooloo Investments Pty Ltd		1,877.50
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Luke Ackland		100.00
25 Sep 2026	Payment: The Big Mower		191.10
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Bunnings Building Supplies P/L		258.78
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Bunnings Building Supplies P/L		33.22
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Gaz NT Pty Ltd		330.00
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Batchelor Service Centre		401.60
25 Sep 2026	Payment: Top End Grub		1,651.06
Total			195,525.26

14. REPORTS REQUIRING DECISIONS OF COUNCIL

14.1 TOPROC REPRESENTATION

Date:	17 TH October 2026
Author:	Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer
Attachment:	NIL

PURPOSE: Council to consider the request from LGANT to become an associate member of TOPROC

RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

- a) Receives and notes the report entitled TOPROC Representation Request;
- b) Council provide the following feedback to TOPROC to either support/or not support LGANT's request
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 -
- c) Feedback to be reported back at TOPROC December 2026 meeting.

Moved:

Seconded:

BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS DECISIONS:

NIL

COMMENT:

Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) have written to the Chair of Top End Regional Organisations of Councils (TOPROC) with the request to renew its membership.

TOPROC member Council's to consider the request and report feedback at the December 2026 meeting.

CONSULTATION

Council

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

14.2 REQUEST FOR DONATIONS – BATCHELOR AREA SCHOOL

Date:	17 th October 2026
Author:	Emma Dunne, Council and Community Services Manager
Attachment:	Correspondence from Batchelor Area School

PURPOSE: To seek Council's approval to contribute to the Batchelor Area School (BAS) end of year Christmas Hamper.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receives and notes report entitled- Request for Donation- Batchelor Area School;
- b) that Council agrees to support the Batchelor Area School Christmas Hamper through the provision of ____ to the value of \$_____.

Moved:

Seconded:

BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS DECISIONS:

RESOLUTION 2024/11/19/019

That Council agrees to support the Batchelor Area School Christmas Raffle through the provision of vouchers to the value of \$200.00 (4 x \$50 vouchers).

Moved: Official Manager

Seconded: Official Manager

Carried

RESOLUTION 2022/11/15/18

That Council agrees to support the Batchelor Area School Christmas Raffle through the provision of 4 gift vouchers from Bunnings and Coles to a total value of \$200.00.

Moved: Clr. Noble

Seconded: Clr. Freeman

Carried

RESOLUTION 2021/11/16/12

That Council agrees to support the Batchelor Area School Christmas Raffle through the provision of Swimming Vouchers to the value of \$100.00.

Moved: Clr. Freeman

Seconded: Vice President. McClymont

Carried

COMMENT:

Council received correspondence from the Batchelor Area School seeking assistance for the end of year Christmas Raffle.

Council have provided assistance since 2021.

Council may wish to provide a cash donation for the purchase of prizes or offer of gift vouchers.

The funds raised will go towards new play equipment for BAS students from Preschool through to Year 12

CONSULTATION

Batchelor Area School

Council and Community Services Coordinator

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021

2.4 Coomalie Community Grants Policy

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council currently provides in-kind support to the Batchelor Area School annually.

Council currently has \$5200 available in the budget for the Coomalie Community Grants. This request falls outside the imminent release of the Coomalie Community Grants Round.

15. REPORTS FOR RECEIVING AND NOTING

15.1 REVIEW OF ACTIONS FOR THE OCTOBER OGM 2026

Date: 17th October 2026

Author: Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer.

Attachments: [Actions for the October OGM 2026.](#)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

a) receives and notes the Actions for the October 2026 OGM; and

b) remove items:

Moved:

Seconded:

ACTIONS ARISING

SHADED AREAS ARE FROM PREVIOUS OGM'S

NO.	ITEM	RESOLUTION	STATUS
#1	Preliminary Drafting Instructions – By-Laws	CEO to re-engage with Parliamentary Secretary to re-commence.	IN PROGRESS Email sent for status update
#2	Item 14.12 December OGM Smoke Free Workplace & Community Policy	RESOLUTION 2024/12/17/019 Designated signs to be erected and users of Council facilities to be introduced to this policy	IN PROGRESS – waiting for confirmation
#3	Item 8.2 Cemetery June Cemetery Plan	RESOLUTION CEM2025/06/10/004 b) endorses the DRAFT <i>Coomalie Bush Cemetery, Cemetery Plan 2025, as amended.</i>	IN PROGRESS Report to endorse Plan in future OGM
#4	Item 8.3 Cemetery June Policy	RESOLUTION CEM2025/06/10/005 b) endorses the DRAFT Cemetery Policy as amended.	IN PROGRESS Report to endorse Policy in future OGM
#5	March 2026 OGM Item 14.4 LGANT General Meeting Call for Motions	RESOLUTION: 2026/03/17/010 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled LGANT April 2026 General Meeting Call for Motions; b) requests the Chief Executive Officer to discuss with LGANT the below options to be submitted as Call for Motions, if not already on the LGANT Agenda 1. LGANT advocacy for increased Disaster Relief funding from NT and Federal Government, specifically relating to local government infrastructure 2. LGANT to develop an independent support and advocacy network for elected members 3. LGANT to coordinate Collective waste management service provision across the Top End Region of Councils 4. LGANT to advocate to reinstate NT Government funding specifically for road maintenance support relating to local council roads being used for the benefit of NT Government initiatives Moved: Clr Roe Seconded: DP Whatley Carried	SEEK TO REMOVE Updated resolution from September 2026 OGM
#6	May OGM 2026 Item 14.6 LGANT November 2026 Conference Attendance	RESOLUTION 2026/05/19/011 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled LGANT November 2026 Conference Attendance; b) confirms the attendance of the President McGorman, Clr Beswick, Deputy President Whatley, Clr Morrison and the CEO at the LGANT November 2026 Conference, including the dinner, in Alice Springs on 10 th and 11 th November 2026; and c) request the Acting Chief Executive Officer make all required bookings and registrations as early as possible in the 2026/27 Financial year with available professional development allowances. Moved: Clr Morrison Seconded: Clr Beswick Carried 5/1 Clr Strettles	COMPLETED – SEEK TO REMOVE

#7	June OGM 2026 Item 14.7 Adelaide River Community Meeting	RESOLUTION 2026/06/20/015 That Council a) receives and notes the report entitled Adelaide River Community Meeting; and b) approves the Myrtle Fawcett Park sign be relocated to the front of Myrtle Fawcett Park (Service Lane side); and c) requests report back to Council with list of issues at Adelaide River Community Meeting and status update, also advertise issues and status in Stop Press Moved: Clr. Roe Seconded: Clr. Beswick Carried	IN PROGRESS – Community communications issued. Working to relocate sign in collaboration with family.
#8	OGM 15 th August 2026 Item 14.1 Roads to Recovery 2026/27 Project Endorsement	RESOLUTION: 2026/08/15/009 That Council; a) receives and notes report entitled Roads to Recovery 2026/27 Project Endorsement; b) endorses the following projects, subject to indicative costs reported, acknowledging that funds may not be sufficient to cover all works and priorities will be worked through until funds are exhausted: 1. Chinner Road Floodways' Engineering design 2. Crater Lake Road Spring Engineering design 3. Heavy patching along Miles Road prior to wet season commencing 4. Solomon Road floodway crossing prior to wet season commencing c) requests the engineering reports and liaise with other councils regarding solutions to Chinner and Crater Lake Road be brought back to council re project expenditure d) requests that Chinner Road floodways' be maintained to standard as required prior to further investigation works prior to wet season commencing e) approves through operational roads budget the completion of the Adelaide River storm water repairs Moved: Clr Beswick Seconded: DP Whatley Carried	IN PROGRESS
#9	OGM August 15 th 2026 Item 14.3 Rum Jungle Bowls Club	RESOLUTION: 2026/08/15/011 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Rum Jungle Bowls Club and Associated approvals; b) approves the waiver of hire fees totalling \$2,704 inclusive of GST, for the term of the agreement with Rum Jungle Bowls Club, subject to their maintenance of the property as outlined in the user agreement c) authorises the Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, to finalise and execute the agreement, subject to any minor administrative amendments that do not materially alter the terms approved by Council; and d) notes that any consumption of alcohol at the facility must comply with all applicable statutory requirements and Council approvals. Moved: Clr Beswick Seconded: DP Whatley Carried	IN PROGRESS
#10	OGM August 15 th 2026 Item 14.4 Batchelor Unowned Horse Management	RESOLUTION: 2026/08/15/012 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Batchelor Unowned Horse Management; b) confirms the intention is to remove the entire population of unowned horses from the Batchelor township when a feasible option is determined; and c) requests the Chief Executive Officer to correspond to the CEO of the Department of Lands Planning and Environment, NT Police, Department of Health, Careflight, and Coomalie's local member to	IN PROGRESS - letters have been sent, awaiting responses

		seek their direct assistance in the removal of horses from Batchelor township. Moved: Clr Beswick Seconded: DP Whatley Carried <u>Discussion Points:</u> ACEO to reconnect with Sam Ford	
#11	OGM August 15 th 2026 Item 14.5 Promote Batchelor as a Tourist Destination	RESOLUTION: 2026/08/15/013 That Council; a) receives and notes the report Promote Batchelor as a Tourist Destination; and b) requests that CEO engage with NT Tourism and NT Parks and Wildlife and report back at January OGM Moved: Clr Beswick Seconded: DP Whatley Carried	IN PROGRESS – To be taken to January 2027 OGM
#12	OGM August 15 th 2026 Item 14.5 Request for support – History Taking Project	RESOLUTION: 2026/08/15/014 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Request for Council support- Community history sharing; and b) receives and notes the correspondence from a resident regarding the proposed community history sharing activities; and c) provide in-principle support for the proposal, subject to operational requirements and availability of Council resources; Moved: DP Whatley Seconded: Clr Roe Carried	IN PROGRESS – Correspondence to be sent to resident. Contacted CEO of BIITE – waiting for correspondence
#13	OGM August 15 th 2026 Item 15.2 Complaints, Compliments and Service Request Register	Flood Damage under Investigation Email 163.6.26 – check • Protocols on Documenting emails that come directly to Councillors	IN PROGRESS
#14	OGM August 15 th 2026 Item 15.6 Paper Roads Update Report	RESOLUTION: 2026/08/15/022 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Paper Roads Update Report. b) ask RMAC consideration of the matter and provide recommendation back to council c) request CEO to investigate responsibilities under land title Act and to elevate the matter to LGANT agenda relevant to Bushfires and Weed Management Act Moved: DP Whatley Seconded: Clr Beswick Carried	IN PROGRESS – Tabled at RMAC meeting 12 October 2026. Report to November OGM.
#15	OGM September 19 th 2026 Item 14.1 Local Government Representation Review Submission	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/007 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Local Government Representation Review Submission; b) requests the Chief Executive Officer to draft a submission to the Local Government Representation Review Committee detailing the following items for consideration: - Council supports the status quo, of three wards and two Elected Members for each ward. - Rejects to any suggestion of amalgamations within Coomalie Council Moved: DP Whatley Seconded: Clr Roe Carried	COMPLETED – SEEK TO REMOVE
#16	OGM September 19 th 2026 Item 14.2 2026 Pre-cyclone clean up	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/008 That Council; a) receives and notes report entitled 2026 Pre-Cyclone Clean Up; b) approves a fee waiver of \$104 (inc. GST) per item for the disposal of white goods requiring degassing at the Batchelor and Adelaide	COMPLETED – SEEK TO REMOVE

		River Waste Management Facilities for the month of October 2026, while the pre-cyclone clean-up is active; c) authorises the Acting Chief Executive Officer (or delegated officer) to implement the waiver and communicate this to waste facility staff and the community; and d) notes that this is a time-limited measure for October 2026 only, consistent with previous Council decisions supporting white goods disposal during pre-cyclone clean-up periods. Moved: Clr Strettles Seconded: Clr Roe Carried	
#17	OGM September 19th 2026 Item 14.3 Consideration of Customer Service Software Upgrade – Snap Send Solve App	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/009 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Customer Service Software Upgrade – Snap Send Solve; b) does not approve the required funds of \$5,000 per annum for a 3-year period for full access to the Snap Send Solve app platform be referred to the First Budget Review 2026/27 and provisions to be included in the next two Financial Year budgets; and c) notes there will be a review of the ongoing service requirements prior to the renewal of any service agreement at the end of the three-year period. Moved: Clr. Beswick Seconded: Clr. Whatley Carried 5/6 (Clr. Morrison not in room)	COMPLETED – SEEK TO REMOVE
#18	OGM September 19th 2026 Item 14.4 Endorsement of Draft Weed Management Strategy 2026-2031	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/010 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Endorsement of Draft Weed Management Strategy 2026-2031; and b) does not endorse the Weed Management Strategy 2026-2031 in current state; and b) defers until the next special meeting which includes a workshop. Moved: DP Whatley Seconded: Clr. Roe Carried	IN PROGRESS – Special Meeting to be booked with workshop
#19	OGM September 19th 2026 Item 14.5 Future Land use plan for Section 2830 Hundred of Goyder (Rum Jungle Lake)	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/011 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Future Land Use Plan for Section 2830 Hundred of Goyder – Rum Jungle Lake; and b) confirms the preferred future land use after the rehabilitation of Council’s Borrow Pit back to its natural biodiversity state: 1. For low impact public recreation use 2. Investigate the establishment of a wetlands are within borrow pit area 3. To ensure Meneling Creek will not be impacted by any works c) requests the Chief Executive Officer to provide this information to the Department of Mining and Energy and work with the relevant project team to ensure the Borrow Pit rehabilitation takes the future land use into consideration. Moved: Clr Morrison Seconded: Clr Beswick Carried	IN PROGRESS - CEO to arrange briefing of borrow pit activity
#20	OGM September 19th 2026 Item 14.6 Call for Nominations – LGANT Board Directors	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/012 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Call for Nominations – LGAN Board Directors; b) nominates the following Elected Members for positions on the LGANT Board: 1. LGANT President – Nil 2. LGANT Vice President – Regional/Shires – Nil 3. LGANT Board Director – Regional/Shires – Clr. Beswick and DP Whatley	COMPLETED – SEEK TO REMOVE

		c) directs the Chief Executive Officer to assist in the completion of the nomination forms and submit to LGANT by the closing date of 2 October 2026. Moved: Clr Beswick Seconded: Clr Roe Carried	
#21	OGM September 19th 2026 Item 14.7 LGANT AGM – Call for Motions	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/013 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled LGANT Annual General Meeting - Call for Motions; and b) approves the nomination of the below new motions: 1. Item 4- Advocacy for reinstatement of NT Government funding specifically for road maintenance support relating to council roads being used for the benefit of NT Gov initiatives 2. Item 5- 5. Advocacy for the amendment of the Bushfires Management Act 2016 to better support Councils across the NT in managing fire risk on Council managed lands including accidental ignitions. 3. Item 6- Advocacy for NT government to assist in addressing the ongoing 'Paper Road' issues prevalent across the Territory. 4. Item 3- Coordination of a collective waste management service provision across Top End Region of Councils. 5. Review of building code to allow occupation of single skin dwellings. c) directs the Chief Executive Officer to discuss with LGANT the above new motions and submit the required Calls for Motions form for the six motions if appropriate and not already on LGANT's agenda by the closing date of 29 September 2026. Moved: DP Whatley Seconded: Clr Beswick Carried	IN PROGRESS
#22	OGM September 19th 2026 Item 14.8 Disposal of Assets	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/014 That Council; a) receives and notes report Disposal of Assets; b) approves the disposal of the below items, by open auction and items to be delivered by Council staff; - portable toilet block and trailer - Hino 500 Tipper - John Deere ride on mower - old dog trailer d) delegates the Acting CEO to enter relevant agreements to enable the open auction through an agent and dispose of the approved items as per Council Policy 2.2 Asset Management Policy and report back the financial outcome of the disposals. Moved: Clr. Beswick Seconded: Clr. Strettles Carried	IN PROGRESS - Asset Management meeting to be scheduled
#23	OGM September 19th 2026 Item 14.9	Upload Policy 4.06 Outdoor Advertising Sign Policy to website	COMPLETED – SEEK TO REMOVE
#24	OGM September 19th 2026 14.10 Policy Development – 5.07 Road Verge Policy	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/016 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Policy Development – 5.07 Road Verge Policy; b) adopts the new policy 5.07 Road Verges with the following amendments; - Add 2. Scope Term from 'Road Verge' to 'Nature Strip' and 'in townships of Adelaide River and Batchelor' - Policy Name change to '5.07 Nature Strip Policy' c) directs the Chief Executive Officer to communicate new policy requirements to the community and implement the required procedures to support the policy. Moved: DP Whatley Seconded: Clr Beswick Carried	IN PROGRESS

#25	OGM September 19 th 2026 Item 16.1 Incoming and Outgoing Mail	RESOLUTION: 26/09/19/023 That Council receives and notes the items of incoming and outgoing correspondence as tabled for August 2026 to September 2026 period; and a) Letter 14/08/26 NT Emergency Services Symposium- Send email to Elected Members and inform of cost of attending. b) If appropriate Council nominate DP Whatley to attend in person. Moved: DP Whatley Seconded: Clr Beswick Carried	COMPLETED – SEEK TO REMOVE
#26	OGM September 19 th 2026 Item 19.1 Development application PA2026/0289 – Section 85 Hundred of Howard	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/026 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Development Application: PA2026/0289 – Section 85 Hundred of Howard; b) respond in writing to Development Assessment Services (DAS) to confirm i) Council's support to the proposed subdivision; ii) That the landholder is responsible for the development of the access to the proposed lots at no cost to Council; iii) that if the landholder is required to install additional electrical grid infrastructure within the Councils Road Reserve, further negotiations will be required; iv) that if a cross over is required that it will be at the landowner's responsibility to meet Council's development requirements at their own cost. c) notes that the subdivision represents an additional general rate and waste management charge when titles are finished. Moved: Clr Beswick Seconded: Clr Morrison Carried	COMPLETED – SEEK TO REMOVE
#27	OGM September 19 th 2026 Item 19.2 Respite and Recovery Facility (Batchelor)	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/027 That Council; a) receives and notes the report entitled Respite and Recovery Facility (Batchelor); and b) does not support or approve the NT Government's decision to build a respite and recovery facility in entirety; and c) advise the NT Government that Council endorsement of the letter previously sent to the Minister and request that the Government stop the proposed facility d) lobby Federal and Territory Ministers to reverse decision. Moved: DP Whatley Seconded: Clr Roe Carried	COMPLETED – SEEK TO REMOVE
#28	OGM September 19 th 2026 Item 20 General Business	RESOLUTION: 2026/09/19/029 That Council; a) agenda items submitted by Councilors be accepted as is unless discussed between the author and CEO to agree on wording. b) request original agenda item as written 3 September 2026 re Chinner road be inserted into minutes c) request A/CEO to respond to all elected members out of session to the questions asked by Clr Strettles as per item and d) request that the A/CEO distribute agenda item template for submitting agenda items and outlining background and previous discussions Moved: Clr Strettles Second: DP Whatley Carried	IN PROGRESS

15.2 COMPLAINTS, COMPLIMENTS AND SERVICE REQUEST REGISTER.

Date: 17th October 2026

Author: Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: Complaints, Compliments and Service Request tables.

PURPOSE

To update Council on complaints, compliments and service requests received during June 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Complaints, Compliments and Service Request Register during September and October 2026

Moved:

Seconded:

BACKGROUND

As per Councils *1.08 Customer Complaints* Policy the Council will receive a monthly report on numbers and nature of the complaints.

In the reporting period, Council had various complaints and investigations are completed.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS.

1.08 Customer Complaints Policy.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS.

NIL.

15.2 ATTACHMENT – COMPLAINTS, COMPLIMENTS AND SERVICE REQUEST REGISTER

SERVICE REQUEST FOR OCTOBER OGM 2026			
DATE	SERVICE REQUEST DESCRIPTION	ACTION	SOURCE
21.02.2026 21.02.2026 21.02.2026	Road maintenance – Chinner Road, Lake Bennett	Long term – in progress	Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve
22.02.2026	Road maintenance – Chinner Road, Lake Bennett	Long term- in progress	Snap Send Solve
25.02.2026	Road maintenance – Chinner Road, Lake Bennett	Long term- in progress	Snap Send Solve
06.03.2026	Road maintenance – Crater Lake Road, Batchelor	Long term – in progress	Service request
22.03.2026	Road maintenance – Chinner road and Stuart Highway, Lake Bennett	Long term – in progress and referred onto relevant department	Service request
07.04.2026	Road maintenance – Chinner Road	Long term – in progress	Service request
26.04.2026 26.04.2026 26.04.2026 26.04.2026 26.04.2026 26.04.2026 26.04.2026	Road maintenance- Chinner Road- Lake Bennett	Long term – in progress	Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve
26.04.2026	Sign maintenance – Lake Bennett	In progress	Snap Send Solve
28.04.2026	Sign maintenance – Lake Bennett	Under investigation	Snap Send Solve
28.04.2026	Sign maintenance – Lake Bennett	In progress	Snap Send Solve
28.04.2026 28.04.2026	Road maintenance and signage – Chinner Road	In progress	Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve
01.06.2026	Road Maintenance – Stapleton	In progress	Phone
18.06.2026 18.06.2026	Wild animal management	CLOSED	Service request Email
07.07.2026	Road maintenance – Cadogan Road, Lake Bennett	CLOSED	In person
31.07.2026	Road maintenance – Otto Creek Road, Lake Bennett	In progress – Scheduled in	Snap Send Solve

04.08.2026	Road Signage - Batchelor	CLOSED	Snap Send Solve
05.08.2026	Road maintenance – Heathers Lagoon Road and Chinner road, Lake Bennett	In progress	Email
09.08.2026	Road maintenance – Lake Bennett service road	Under investigation	Service request
10.08.2026 10.08.2026 10.08.2026 10.08.2026	Road maintenance- Chinner Road, Lake Bennett	Under investigation	Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve
11.08.2026 11.08.2026	Road maintenance – Chinner road, Lake Bennet	Under investigation	Service request Service request
12.08.2026 12.08.2026 12.08.2026	Road maintenance – Chinner road, Lake Bennet	Under investigation	Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve Snap Send Solve
12.09.2026	Wild animal management	CLOSED AND REFERRED ONTO RELEVANT DEPARTMENT	Snap Send Solve
14.09.2026	Hazard over road and road reserve	CLOSED	Email
14.09.2026	Road maintenance – Coach Road, Adelaide River	In Progress-Scheduled in	Service request
14.09.2026	Road maintenance – Chinner road, Lake Bennet	In Progress-Scheduled in	Email
15.09.2026	Public bin knocked over	CLOSED	Phone
16.09.2026	Waste management	CLOSED	Phone
21.09.2026	Dog Management	CLOSED	Phone
22.09.2026	Graffiti – Batchelor	CLOSED	Send Snap Solve
24.09.2026	Dog Management	CLOSED	Email
28.09.2026 08.10.2026	Irrigation	CLOSED	Email
08.10.2026	Road Maintenance	In progress-Scheduled in	Website
09.10.2026	Road Maintenance	In Progress	Website

COMPLAINTS FOR OCTOBER OGM 2026		
DATE	DESCRIPTION	SOURCE
23/09/2026	Alleged dog attack	Email
30/09/2026	Alleged dog attack	Phone
05/10/2026	Staff member complaint	Email

COMPLIMENTS FOR OCTOBER OGM 2026		
DATE	DESCRIPTION	SOURCE
14/09/2026	Compliments to Councils Road contractor. The contractor is professional, curtsey, does a good job.	Phone
15/09/2026	Compliments to the Coom Bush and Beyond Art show 2027, theme.	~~Captivate~~
18/09/2026	Compliments to having the pool reopen.	Phone
23/09/2026	Fantastic outcome. Sincere Thanks to you and the team for getting project across the line. OAWG is extremely pleased and greatly appreciates support and efforts.	Email

15.3 LGANT BOARD COMMUNIQUE

Date:	17 th October 2026
Author:	Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer
Attachment:	LGANT Board Meeting Communique

PURPOSE

To table the LGANT Board Meeting Communique following the board meeting held on 30th July 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report entitled LGANT Board Meeting Communique.

Moved:

Seconded:

BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS DECISIONS

NIL

COMMENT

The LGANT board meeting was held on 1st July 2026. LGANT has issued a communique following this meeting and requested that each member council table the communique at the next Ordinary General Meeting of Council. The intention of the LGANT board communiques will be to ensure ongoing and effective communication with member councils regarding LGANT's activities.

CONSULTATION

LGANT

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil



30 July 2026 ALGA Board Meeting Communique

The ALGA Board met on Thursday 30 July 2026.

The Board considered a focused agenda covering governance, risk, financial oversight and key policy decisions following the 2026 National General Assembly.

A key focus of the meeting was the consideration of the 244 motions debated at the 2026 National General Assembly. The Board discussed recommendations arising from the debate process and considered how these resolutions will inform engagement with the Australian Government over the coming year.

The Board agreed to undertake a governance review and identify improvements to the National General Assembly motions process.

The Board discussed ALGA's Disaster Recovery Funding Framework (DRFF) submission, which is due to the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) by 19 August. The Board supported the ALGA submission and its recommendations being that no council should be worse off by any proposed changes to disaster recovery funding.

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2 SEPTEMBER 2026 LGANT BOARD MEETING COMMUNIQUE

The LGANT Board met for on Wednesday 2 September at the LGANT office and online.

The Board received presentations from LGANT's Director Corporate Services on Local Buy and City of Darwin's Reece Ravlich, LGANT's representative on the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC), who provided an update on AWAC and current animal welfare issues.

The Board endorsed the end-of financial year financial summary that has been provided in anticipation of audited financials at the next Board meeting. The Board approved the LGANT roadworks program for 2026-2027, and continued their annual review of LGANT policies, approving the second tranche. The Board also provided in principle approval of a new investment policy and endorsed the engagement of an independent facilitator to complete a Board evaluation in early 2027, and the proposed timeline for the CEO's annual review.

In preparation for LGANT's upcoming Annual General Meeting, the Board endorsed briefing papers regarding the proposed amendments to the LGANT Constitution and a new set of Rules of Debate. The Board also approved renewal of the service agreement with WALGA for the member employee relations service.

The LGANT President provided an update on his activities since the last Board meeting including the 30 July 2026 ALGA Board meeting (refer communique at Attachment 1) and meetings with the Chief Minister, the Treasurer, both the Central and Tiwi Land Councils, and the NT Executive Council on Aboriginal Affairs (NTECAA). The President also made visits to Wagait Shire Council and Litchfield Council, as part of LGANT's annual council visit program.

The Board noted the CEOs report including a summary of her meetings, updates on the LGANT member survey and key advocacy activities (including bird flu, emergency waste management, cyber security and road safety) and events (including the Circular Economy Symposium, and preparations for the Procurement Symposium and LGANT November conference).

The Board also noted LGANT's cyber security review update, the forward Board calendar, recent submissions lodged, and incoming and outgoing correspondence.

The Board will next meet on 21 October 2026.

Attachments:

1. 30 July 2026 ALGA Board Meeting Communique

If you have any questions or wish to discuss these matters further, please reach out to Mary Watson, LGANT CEO, at mary.watson@lgant.asn.au or on 0417 864 183.

Alternatively, you can contact members of the LGANT Board:

President: Cr Peter Pangqueue	City of Darwin	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
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Municipal Director: Cr Mark Fraser	City of Palmerston	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Regional and Shires Director: Cr Peter Clee	Wagait Shire Council	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Regional and Shires Director Mayor Lynette De Santis	Tiwi Islands Regional Council	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Regional and Shire Director: Mayor James Woods	West Arnhem Regional Council	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

15.4 CHINNER ROAD STATUS REPORT

Date: 19TH September 2026
Author: Emma Dunne, Council and Community Services Manager
Attachment: Nil
Report
Requested By: Councillor Strettles

PURPOSE

To inform Council on the status of Chinner Road maintenance.

RECOMMENDATION

- a) That Council receives and notes report entitled Chinner Road Status Report;
- b) Council notes the progress from 9 September 2026 meeting.

Moved:

Seconded:

BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS DECISIONS

RESOLUTION: 2026/09/019/020

That Council receives and notes report entitled Chinner Road Status Report.

- a) Council request that further reports of this nature, that awarded contractor and cost be in the agenda report

Moved: DP Whatley

Seconded: Clr Roe

Carried

RESOLUTION: 2026/08/15/009

That Council;

- a) receives and notes report entitled Roads to Recovery 2026/27 Project Endorsement;

b) endorses the following projects, subject to indicative costs reported, acknowledging that funds may not be sufficient to cover all works and priorities will be worked through until funds are exhausted:

1. Chinner Road Floodway Engineering design
2. Crater Lake Road Spring Engineering design
3. Heavy patching along Miles Road prior to wet season commencing
4. Solomon Road floodway crossing prior to wet season commencing

c) requests the engineering reports and the outcome of liaising with other councils regarding solutions to Chinner and Crater Lake Road be brought back to Council to confirm expected project expenditure;

d) requests that the Chinner Road floodways be maintained to standard as required prior to the wet season commencing; and

e) approves the completion of the Adelaide River Storm Water network assessment and repairs using the operational roads budget.

Moved: Clr. Beswick

Seconded: DP Whatley

Carried

RESOLUTION: 2026/04/21/024

That Council receives verbal confirmation on update from Acting Chief Executive Officer regarding of Chinner Road Works.

Moved: Clr Strettles

Seconded: Clr Morrison

Carried

COMMENT

1. **What is the overall project plan to conduct the outstanding road repairs including information on the areas where the repairs will be conducted in order of priority**

As described in September's 2026 report

Chinner Road • Pot holing - labour and supply material • Edge repairs - labour and supply material • Culvert clearing • Clearing of downside of floodway's • Mobilisation and demobilisation to site
Chinner Road - Heavy patching chainage- 07.6km • Sub grade repairs and seal.

2. **What is the timeline for these repairs**

Majority of pot holing repairs has been undertaken, estimated time is 1 week to complete. Heavy patch repair will commence no later than the week of 19 October 2026 with expected completion time to be approximately 1 week with the only variable being the availability of sealing crews.

3. **What is the overall operational plan for maintenance of all the roadside drainage which causes a vast majority of the road damage**

Currently no operational plan for road maintenance and being carried out on as needed and identified basis, within budget availability.

4. **What is the timeline for this maintenance**

Scheduled to be completed in the next 2-3 weeks.

5. **What is the operational plan to replace all the missing road signs**

Currently no operational plan for road sign replacement and is being carried out on as needed and identified basis, within budget availability.

6. **In particular there were several safety road signs taken down by council. I request an explanation as to why speed signs were taken down where the speed is meant to be reduced from 80 kph to 40 kph**

Council officers have not removed any safety signage across the road network. Signage along Chinner Road has been reviewed with independent advice sought on appropriate locations and speed reduction sites.

7. **What is the timeline on replacement**

Any additional signs will be installed in the next couple of months.

8. **What is the operational plan to replace the roadside "cat eye" red and white road markers. These markers have either been destroyed by a slasher or burnt due to the lack of weed spraying**

Guidepost replacements will be undertaken after completion of road maintenance works to minimise traffic impacts and ensure safety along the road network.

9. What is the timeline on replacement

Guidepost replacements will be undertaken after completion of road maintenance works to minimise traffic impacts and ensure safety along the road network. With consideration to capacity and budget allowance along with priority.

10. What is the operational plan for quality control by council of all works conducted by contractors

The scope has been with instructions to the contractor regarding work priorities and timelines. The works will be inspected throughout the work period to ensure works are meeting the required standards. If works do not meet expectation the contractor will be required to address the issues identified within an agreed timeframe prior to invoice finalisation.

CONSULTATION

Acting CEO

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

16. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION.

16.1 INCOMING AND OUTGOING MAIL.

Date:	17 th October 2026
Author:	Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer.
Attachment:	Incoming and outgoing correspondence tables.

PURPOSE

Council is provided with items of correspondence both received and sent during the months of August 2026 to September 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the items of incoming and outgoing correspondence as tabled for September 2026 to October 2026 period.

Moved:

Seconded:

BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Documents are available to be shown on the big screen on the day of each Ordinary Council meeting if requested, with additional copies available on request to individual Elected Members.

COMMENT

The correspondence tables, inwards and outwards will be included in the agenda as part of the correspondence and information item.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Regulation 54 *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

16.1 ATTACHMENT: INCOMING and OUTGOING MAIL

INCOMING MAIL

Date	MI	SENDER	From	Subject
12/10/2026	2026-327	CCSM	NT EPA	Batchelor Waste Facility Fire
12/10/2026	2026-328	CCSM	PCM	New incident Logged- 14346
12/10/2026	2026-329	Acting CEO	LGANT	Briefings: NTES Higher Risk Weather Season
9/10/2026	2026-326	Mail	DHLC	Tenancy Batchelor
6/10/2026	2026-324	Acting CEO	LRCIP	Coomalie LRCI P4 2026/26 Annual Report Due 31 October
6/10/2026	2026-325	Acting CEO	City of Palmerston-Mayor	TOPROC Item: Structural Fire Support
5/10/2026	2026-320	Mail	Skydive Territory	Coomalie Council 2026-27 Rates Notice
5/10/2026	2026-321	Mail	ADCNT	Invitation to the 2027 NT Aus of the Year Awards
5/10/2026	2026-322	Acting CEO	Representative	Urgent- Response Req 1st Oct- Registered Statutory Charges
5/10/2026	2026-323	Acting CEO	Dementia Australia	Future Proofing Coomalie Shire
5/10/2026	2026-330	ACEO	Ratepater	Registered OSC
2/10/2026	2026-316	Acting CEO	Ratepayer	Urgent- Response Req By Thursday 1 Oct- Reg Stat Charge
2/10/2026	2026-317	Mail	LGANT	Register Now- LGANT November 2026 Conference- Alice Springs
2/10/2026	2026-318	Mail	Batchelor Area School	BAS Request for Xmas Raffle Donations 2026
2/10/2026	2026-319	CCSM	NT Local Government Representation Review	Coomalie Council LGRR Submission
1/10/2026	2026-315	Mail	NT Planning Commission	NT Planning Commission Hearing- Infil Development and Subdivision in Zone LR
30/09/2026	2026-304	Mail	Authorised Representative for Ratepayer	Urgent Response- Registered Stat Charge
30/09/2026	2026-305	Reception	LGANT	Newsletter
30/09/2026	2026-306	Acting CEO	LRCIP	NT Coomalie Annual Report
30/09/2026	2026-307	Acting CEO	Ratepayer	Coomalie Council Roadside Verde Policy 2026
30/09/2026	2026-312	Mail	Federal Member for Solomon	Batchelor Respite & Recovery Facility
30/09/2026	2026-313	CCSM	CDU Student	Request for Stakeholder Consult- Gamba Grass
30/09/2026	2026-314	Mail	MLA Office	Batchelor Respite & Recovery
29/09/2026	2026-302	CCSM	Ratepayer	Irrigation Pipe on Chinner Road
29/09/2026	2026-303	Acting CEO	Director Central Registry	Letter- Acting Chief Minister of NT
29/09/2026	2026-311	Mail	Ratepayer	Questions-NT GOV Compensation Package
25/09/2026	2026-300	Acting CEO	LGANT	Endorsement of Nominations- NT Heritage Council
25/09/2026	2026-301	Councillors	LGANT	Corro- Proposed Constitution amendments and rules of debate
25/09/2026	2026-308	CSC	Australia Day Council NT	Aus Day Council NT Community Grants Open

25/09/2026	2026-309	Mail	AFF NT Gov	Invitation to provide input into ABRES Pest Animal & Weed Survey
24/09/2026	2026-299	Acting CEO	Ratepayer	Formal Request for Legal Opinion and Suspension of Enforcement
23/09/2026	2026-295	Acting CEO	Ratepayer	Placement of Centre
23/09/2026	2026-296	Acting CEO	Ratepayer	RE: Placement of Centre
23/09/2026	2026-297	Acting CEO	Ratepayer	Thoughts
23/09/2026	2026-298	CCSM	Snap Send Solve	Snap Send Solve Council Approval
20/09/2026	2026-272	ACSM	NTG Tourism	Endorsement of Name change - Silkwood Recreation Area
18/09/2026	2026-294	ESC	LGANT	Correspondence - 2 September 2026 LGANT Board meeting communique
17/09/2026	2026-292	ACEO	Ratepayer	Demountable and Complaint Rubbish Rates
17/09/2026	2026-293	Mail	LGANT	Draft Model Policies
16/09/2026	2026-289	ACEO	NT Police	Assistance in Managing Unowned Horses in Batchelor
16/09/2026	2026-290	Mail	LGANT	EOI – Productivity Commission Roundtable on Planning, Infrastructure and AI
16/09/2026	2026-291	ACEO	NT Police	Assistance in Managing Unowned Horses in Batchelor

OUTGOING MAIL

Date	MO	SENDER	Recipient	Subject
12/10/2026	2026-123	CCSM	Ratepayer	RE: Verbally offered compensation package for Batchelor
12/10/2026	2026-134	CCSM	EPA	Batchelor Waste Facility Fire
11/10/2026	2026-133	CCSM	EPA	Batchelor Waste Facility Fire
9/10/2026	2026-131	CCSM	Dept Housing	Tenancy Batchelor
9/10/2026	2026-132	ACEO	Rookie Truckers	Filming in Coomalie Shire
5/10/2026	2026-128	CCSM	Representative	RE: Urgent- Response Required by 1 October- Registered Stat Charge
5/10/2026	2026-129	CCSM	Ratepayer	Request to see CEO
5/10/2026	2026-130	ACEO	LRCIP	Annual Report
2/10/2026	2026-127	CCSM	LGR	Coomalie Council LGRR Submission
1/10/2026	2026-126	Acting CEO	Representative	Urgent- Response Req by 1st October- Registered Stat Charges
29/09/2026	2026-122	CCSM	Road Reporting	Litchfield Park Road- Burnt out Vehicle
29/09/2026	2026-124	CCSM	Ratepayer	Lake Bennett Pre- Cyclone Hard Rubbish Collection Date
28/09/2026	2026-118	CCSM	Ratepayer	Correspondence for immediate attention
28/09/2026	2026-119	Acting CSM	Services Australia	Batchelor Respite & Recovery Facility
28/09/2026	2026-120	Acting CSM	Senator Mccarthy & Jacinta, Marion Scrymgour, Luke Gosling, Dheran Young, Selena Uibo	Batchelor Respite & Recover Facility

28/09/2026	2026-121	CCSM	Ratepayer	Additional Information request
25/09/2026	2026-116	CCSM	Department Housing	6 Mardango Crescent
25/09/2026	2026-117	CCSM	Contractor	RFQ Documents
24/09/2026	2026-111	CCSM	Ratepayer	Request for photos- Waste on Council Road Reserve
24/09/2026	2026-112	CCSM	Snap Send & Solve	SSS Council Approval
24/09/2026	2026-113	ACEO	Ratepayer	CCGC Correspondence- Review of Rateability
24/09/2026	2026-114	CCSM	HWLE Lawyers	Due Diligence Request
24/09/2026	2026-115	CCSM	HWLE	Due Diligence Request
23/09/2026	2026-107	ACEO	Ratepayer	RE: Placement of Centre
23/09/2026	2026-108	RLMC	Batchelor Butterfly Farm	Abandoned Vehicles
23/09/2026	2026-109	ACEO	Missions Australia	Introducing Mission Australia
23/09/2026	2026-110	CCSM	Snap Send & Solve	SSS Council Approval
22/09/2026	2026-106	ACEO	Ratepayer	Pre- Cyclone Clean Up
18/09/2026	2026-104	ACEO	Development Assessment Services	'PA2026/0289 Section 00085 Hundred of Howard' - New Application Submitted
18/09/2026	2026-105	CCSM	DLPE	Request Assistance with recent Subdivision Proposal
17/09/2026	2026-099	ACEO	Rate payer	Demountable and Rubbish Rate
17/09/2026	2026-100	ACEO	Ratepayer	Batchelor Airstrip Horses
17/09/2026	2026-101	CCSM	Dep Housing Local Government and Community Development	Invitation to contribute to the evaluation of the implementation of the Burial and Cremation Act 2022
17/09/2026	2026-102	CCSM	Ratepayer	letter of correspondence 17.09.2026
17/09/2026	2026-103	ACEO	Chief Minister	Respite Facility in Batchelor
16/09/2026	2026-098	CCSM	Ratepayer	Water Pipe Across Chinner Road

17. COUNCILLOR REPORTS.

NIL

18. USE OF THE COMMON SEAL.

18.1 RETRSPECTIVE USE OF COMMON SEAL: FORM 48 – DISCHARGE OF STATUTORY CHARGE

Date:	17 th October 2026
Author:	Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer
Attachment:	Nil

PURPOSE

To seek Council's ratification for the use of its Common Seal on a Discharge of Statutory Charge form.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council, pursuant to Section 38(2)(a)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2019*, ratifies the use of the Common Seal affixed to Section 83 Form 48 – Discharge of Statutory Charge for property AN487.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Previous Decisions

RESOLUTION CONF2022/11/15/45 – Confidential resolution relating to registration of Overriding Statutory Charges on properties.

COMMENT

Council has previously registered an Overriding Statutory Charge on property AN487.

The property was scheduled for settlement of sale at the Lands Title Office in early October 2026. For the sale to proceed and the debt to be cleared, Council was required under Section 256 of the *Local Government Act 2019* to apply to remove the Overriding Statutory Charge upon the payment of the debt which the charge applied to. Council lodged a Section 83 Form 48, Discharge of Statutory Charge with the Land Titles Office for this property at the time of settlement and received final payment for the outstanding rates balance.

This report seeks to ratify the use of the Common Seal on the *Section 83 Form 48, Discharge of Statutory Charge* for property AN487.

Pursuant to the *Local Government Act 2019*;

Section 38

(1) *A council acts:*

- (a) *through local authorities, council committees, officers, staff and agents to whom the council has delegated powers or authorised to act on its behalf; or*
- (b) *through officers or other persons authorised by this Act (or a by-law) to act on the council's behalf; or*
- (c) *under its common seal.*

- (2) *The affixing of the common seal to a document:*
- (a) *must be authorised or ratified by resolution of the council; and*
 - (b) *must be attested by the signatures of the CEO and at least one member of the council.*

The Section 83 Form 48 was lodged and the property sale has settled with Council receiving payment for the balance of outstanding rates and charges. All matters relating to outstanding rates between the ratepayer and Council are resolved.

CONSULTATION

Acting Corporate Services Manager

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Land Titles Act 2000

Local Government Act 2019

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no expenses to Council for this process.

18.2 USE OF THE COMMON SEAL: FORM 48 – DISCHARGE OF STATUTORY CHARGE AN46

Date:	17 th October 2026
Author:	Russell Anderson, Chief Executive Officer
Attachment:	Nil

PURPOSE

To seek Council's ratification for the use of its Common Seal on a Discharge of Statutory Charge form.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council, pursuant to Section 38(2)(a)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2019*, ratifies the use of the Common Seal affixed to Section 83 Form 48 – Discharge of Statutory Charge for property AN46.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Previous Decisions

RESOLUTION CONF2022/11/15/45 – Confidential resolution relating to registration of Overriding Statutory Charges on properties.

COMMENT

Council has previously registered an Overriding Statutory Charge on property AN487.

The property was scheduled for settlement of sale at the Lands Title Office in early November 2026. For the sale to proceed and the debt to be cleared, Council was required under Section 256 of the *Local Government Act 2019* to apply to remove the Overriding Statutory Charge upon the payment of the debt which the charge applied to. Council lodged a Section 83 Form 48, Discharge of Statutory Charge with the Land Titles Office for this property at the time of settlement and received final payment for the outstanding rates balance.

This report seeks to ratify the use of the Common Seal on the *Section 83 Form 48, Discharge of Statutory Charge* for property AN46.

Pursuant to the *Local Government Act 2019*;

Section 38

(1) *A council acts:*

- (a) *through local authorities, council committees, officers, staff and agents to whom the council has delegated powers or authorised to act on its behalf; or*
- (b) *through officers or other persons authorised by this Act (or a by-law) to act on the council's behalf; or*
- (c) *under its common seal.*

(2) *The affixing of the common seal to a document:*

- (a) *must be authorised or ratified by resolution of the council; and*

(b) must be attested by the signatures of the CEO and at least one member of the council.

The Section 83 Form 48 was lodged and the property sale has settled with Council receiving payment for the balance of outstanding rates and charges. All matters relating to outstanding rates between the ratepayer and Council are resolved.

CONSULTATION

Acting Corporate Services Manager

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Land Titles Act 2000

Local Government Act 2019

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no expenses to Council for this process.

19. LATE ITEMS AND URGENT BUSINESS.

19.1 LGANT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

20. GENERAL BUSINESS.

NIL

21. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council close the meeting to the general public in accordance with Regulation 51 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*.

Moved:

Seconded:

Procedural Note:

The meeting was closed to the public at:

The confidential meeting opened at:

21.1 CONFIRMATION OF CONFIDENTIAL MEETING MINUTES OF 19th SEPTEMBER 2026

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1) For section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(c) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to:

(iv) subject to subregulation (3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

21.2 CONFIRMATION OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF 6th OCTOBER 2026

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1) For section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(c) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to:

(iv) subject to subregulation (3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

21.3 REVIEW OF CONFIDENTIAL ACTIONS FOR THE OCTOBER 2026 OGM

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1)(e) information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.

21.4 PRESENTATION OF DRAFT AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2025/2026

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1)(e) information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.

22. CONFIDENTIAL GENERAL BUSINESS

NIL

23. CONFIDENTIAL LATE ITEMS

23.1 RATES DISPUTE OSC – SECTION 1254

51 Confidential information

(1) For section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.

23.2 RATES DISPUTE FINNIS RIVER ABORIGINAL LANDS TRUST

51 Confidential information

(1) For section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.

23.3 RATES CONCESSION REQUEST – AN 614

51 Confidential information

(1) For section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.

23.4 REQUEST TO LIFT OSC – AN 283

51 Confidential information

(1) For section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.

23.5 RATES WAIVER REQUEST AND REMOVAL OF OSC – AN 235

51 Confidential information

(1) For section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.

24. DECISIONS ARISING FROM THE CONFIDENTIAL SECTION OF THE COUNCIL.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council move the following items into Open:

Moved:

Seconded:

25. RE-OPEN MEETING TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council re-opens the meeting to the general public in accordance with Regulation 51 of *the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*

Moved:

Seconded:

Procedural Note:

The meeting was reopened to the public at

26. NEXT MEETING.

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on **Saturday 21st November 2026 at 10:00am.**

27. CLOSURE OF MEETING.

The meeting closed at