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# AGENDA ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY, 19 MARCH 2015 ELLIOTT

The Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council will be held in Elliott on Thursday, 19 March 2015 at 10:00am.

Edwina Marks
Chief Executive Officer



# **COUNCIL PRAYER**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, we trust you will guide and bless this meeting of the Barkly Regional Council. We pray that you will ensure that all discussions and decisions made today are just and fair as they will affect all people within the Barkly Region. We also pray for your guidance to ensure that all our dealings are appropriate to all those whom we represent and will reflect an equitable and honest approach to the issues to be discussed today.

**Amen** 

# **AGENDA**

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14.1 Elliott Local Authority - Nominations for Vacancies
The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (a) (e) of the Local
Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government
(Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains 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; AND information provided
to the council on condition that it be keep confidential.

# 15 CLOSE OF MEETING

# **CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**ITEM NUMBER** 2.1

TITLE Council Meeting Minutes - 19 February 2015

REFERENCE 130573

**AUTHOR** Courtney Barber, Executive Assistant to the CEO

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council confirm that the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 19 February 2015 in Tennant Creek are true and accurate.

19 March 2015

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

1 Unconfirmed Minutes - Ordinary Council Meeting - 19.02.2015.pdf



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# **MINUTES**

# ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2015 TENNANT CREEK

The Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Tennant Creek on Thursday, 19 February 2015 at 9:30am.

Edwina Marks
Chief Executive Officer

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# 1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

Meeting commenced at 9:39am with President Shaw as chair. "Welcome to Country" was provided by Ms. Francine McCarthy; Patta Corporation and the Council prayer was read by President Shaw

# 1.1 ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

President Barb Shaw

Cr. Ray Aylett

Cr. Bob Bagnall

Cr. Ada Beasley

Cr. Tony Boulter

Cr. Pat Braun

Cr. Noel Hayes

Cr. Lucy Jackson

Cr. Jennifer Mahoney

Cr. Tim Price

Cr. Hal Ruger

Cr. Joyce Taylor

# 1.2 STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Edwina Marks; Chief Executive Officer Peter Ryan; Director Human Resources David Heron; A/Director Communities Hilton Logan; A/Director Operations Barb Dalloway; Governance Officer

Courtney Barber; Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer

Regan Randle; Executive Assistant to the President

# 1.3 APOLOGIES

Cr. Narelle Bremner

# 1.4 ABSENT WITHOUT APOLOGIES

Nil

# 1.5 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST - COUNCILLORS AND STAFF

There were no declarations of interest at this Ordinary Council Meeting meeting.

# 2. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

# 2.1 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - 11 DECEMBER 2014

# MOTION

That Council confirm the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 11 December 2014 at Tennant Creek.

Moved: Cr. Boulter Seconded: Cr. Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 1/15

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# 3. BUSINESS ARISING REPORT

#### 3.1 PAST MEETING DECISION/ACTION LIST - 11 DECEMBER 2014

#### MOTION

That Council note the Past Meeting Decision/Action List from its Meeting on 11 December 2014

Moved: Cr. Ruger Seconded: Cr. Hayes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 2/15

# 4. LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

## 4.1 AMPILATWATJA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING - 19 NOVEMBER 2014

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Ampilatwatja Local Authority meeting minutes of the 19<sup>th</sup> November 2014
- b) Adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes.
- c) Note the continuing action list

Moved: Cr. Beasley Seconded: Cr. Boulter

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 3/15

# 5. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

Nil

# 6. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

# 7. RESCISSION MOTIONS

# 7.1 RECISION OF MOTION 259/14 - TENNANT CREEK LANDFILL

# MOTION

That Council

a) Rescind Motion 259/14 that was resolved at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 20 November 2014 as reads below:

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Endorse the expenditure of \$40,000 to engage Tonkin Consulting to complete a plan to address the management of the landfill.

Moved: Cr. Bagnall Seconded: Cr. Boulter

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 4/15

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#### 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BUSINESS ARISING

# 8.1 FINANCE AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING - 14 JANUARY 2015

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Accept the minutes of the Finance and Operations Committee Meeting held on 14 January 2015
- b) Adopt the recommendations contained within the minutes

Moved: Cr. Taylor Seconded: Cr. Aylett

## **AMENDMENT**

That Council

- a) Accept the minutes of the Finance and Operations Committee Meeting held on 14 January 2015 with changes on item 6; Cr. Ruger was not the mover, this should be Cr. N. Hayes
- b) Adopt the recommendations contained within the minutes.

Moved: Cr. Ruger Second: Cr. Aylett

The amendment was won and on becoming the motion was put and carried

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 5/15

# 9. GENERAL BUSINESS AND MATTERS FOR NOTING REPORTS

# 9.1 ELLIOTT HOUSING COMMUNITY MEETING - 3 FEBRUARY 2015

# MOTION

That Council

 a) Receive and note the minutes of the Elliott Housing Community Meeting held on 3 February 2015

Moved: Cr. Bagnall Seconded: Cr. Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 6/15

# 9.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE - CR. TONY BOULTER

# MOTION

That Council

a) Pull the item from the agenda due to it no longer being required

Moved: Cr. Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Jackson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resoltuion 7/15

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# 9.3 LOCAL AUTHORITIES - THE FIRST SIX (6) MONTHS

#### MOTION

That Council

a) Receive and note the report

Moved: Cr. Price Seconded: Cr. Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 8/15

# 9.4 LOCAL AUTHORITY SNAPSHOT

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note the report.

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Boulter

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 9/15

# 9.5 TRIAL FOR CAT 816F LANDFILL COMPACTOR

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Endorse the purchase of the CAT 816F Landfill Compactor for \$110,000 plus GST
- b) Vary the existing 2014/15 budget accordingly and report the impact back to Council at its March meeting.

Moved: Cr. Aylett Seconded: Cr. Boulter

# **AMENDMENT**

That Council

- Refer the item to the Finance and Operations Committee and report back to the March Ordinary Council Meeting.
- b) As part of that report include the financial detail of the impact of the change to the budget

Moved: Cr. Bagnall Seconded: Cr. Taylor

The amendment was won and on becoming the motion was put and carried CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 10/15

# 9.6 TENNANT CREEK LOCAL AUTHORITY - VACANT POSITION - ORDINARY MEMBER NOMINATION

### MOTION

That Council

(a) Receive and note the need to reopen nominations to fill two (2) vacancies on the Tennant Creek Local Authority that has arisen due to resignations

Moved: Cr. Taylor Seconded: Cr. Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 11/15

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# 9.7 AMPILATWATJA LOCAL AUTHORITY - ADDITIONAL ORDINARY MEMBER NOMINATION

#### MOTION

That Council

- (a) Receive and note the report
- (b) Extend nominations to fill one (1) vacancy on the Ampilatwatja Local Authority for a further 28 day period.

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Jackson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 12/15

# 9.8 POLICIES: FOOTPATH POLICY, VERGE POLICY AND RATES CONCESSION POLICY

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Adopt the CP000012 Footpath Policy appended to this report
- B) adopt the CP000034 Verge Policy appended to this report
- C) Adopt the CP000036 Rates Concession Policy appended to this report as recommended by the Audit Committee on 11 November 2014

Moved: Cr. Boulter Seconded: Cr. Jackson

LOST

#### 9.9 COUNCILLOR SURVEY AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Endorse the priority list
- b) Lock in the professional development calendar across the year
- c) Instruct the Chief Executive Officer to work with LGANT and other providers to procure training as part of Councillor Professional Development.
- d) Invite regional Councillors to attend a short pre Council meeting the day before the Tennant Creek Council meetings to discuss the business papers.

Moved: Cr. Bagnall Seconded: Cr. Boulter

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 13/15

President Shaw expressed her dissatisfaction and embarassment at the comments made by one Elected Member as part of the Elected Member Professional Development survey.

# MOTION

That Council break for morning tea at 10:37am

Moved: Cr. Price Seconded: Cr. Braun

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 14/15

# MOTION

That Council return to session at 11:04am

Moved: Cr. Aylett Seconded: Cr. Boulter

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 15/15

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# 9.10 CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE POLICY AND HANDBOOK

#### MOTION

That Council

a) Adopt the draft Code of Meeting Practice and Handbook

Moved: Cr. Jackson Seconded: Cr. Hayes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 16/15

# 9.11 CODE OF CONDUCT LEGAL ADVICE

# MOTION

That Council receive and note the report.

Moved: Cr. Bagnall Seconded: Cr. Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 17/15

# 9.12 COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIOS POLICY

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Adopt the draft Councillor Portfolio Policy
- b) Confirm the allocation of Councillors to portfolios to the March Ordinary meeting.

Moved: Cr. Ruger Seconded: Cr. Boulter

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 18/15

# 9.13 COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE

# MOTION

That Council

a) Receive and note the report outlining the attendance of Councillors for meetings of Council for the year 2014

Moved: Cr. Price Seconded: Cr. Boulter

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 19/15

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# 9.14 COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2017

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Write to the NT Electoral Commission and the Department of Community Services and Regions to recommend a series of workshops about 'the role of the Councillor in the year prior to the elections
- b) Hold at least two workshops in Tennant Creek during 2016 to support the above
- c) Submit a motion to LGANT reflecting the above

Moved: Cr. Boulter Seconded: Cr. Taylor

# **AMENDMENT**

That Council

- a) Write to the NT Electoral Commission and the Department of Community Services and Regions to recommend a series of workshops about 'the role of the Councillor in the year prior to the elections
- b) Hold at least two workshops in regional communities during 2016 to support the above
- c) Submit a motion to LGANT reflecting the above

Moved: Cr. Boulter Seconded: Cr. Hayes

The amendment was won and on becoming the motion was put and carried CARR

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 20/15

## 9.15 CULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# MOTION

That Council

- a) Set up a Cultural Advisory Committee as a Committee of Council as part of a strategic approach to strengthening the cultural framework of the organisation
- b) Adopt the proposed Terms of Reference
- c) Schedule these meetings quarterly
- d) Include attendance at these meetings as part of Special Meeting Allowance Policy

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Jackson

# **AMENDMENT**

That Council

- a) Set up a Cultural Advisory Committee as a Committee of Council as part of a strategic approach to strengthening the cultural framework of the organisation
- b) Conduct a closed workshop with all Aboriginal Elected Members to further consider the terms of reference of the Committee
- c) The revised terms of reference be submitted back to Council for endorsement at its next meeting

Moved: Cr. Aylett Second: Cr. Braun

The amendment was won and on becoming the motion was put and carried

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 21/15

Cr Joyce Taylor left the Meeting, the time being 11:58 am

Cr Jennifer Mahoney left the meeting, the time being 12:01 pm

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# 9.16 COMMUNITY EVENTS AND COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Refer to the Local Authorities for comment
- b) Set up a Community Events Committee as a Committee of Council
- c) That this committee have delegated authority to lead, coordinate and decide the Australia Day Awards and community event.
- d) Appoint one (1) Councillor to the Committee and invite representation from the Tennant Creek Local Authority
- e) The President to be ex-officio of the Committee
- f) Invite expressions of interest from the community with an expectation to determine two (2) community membership positions

Moved: Cr. Bagnall Seconded: Cr. Boulter

LOST

#### MOTION

That Council break for lunch at 12:04pm

Moved: Cr. Aylett Seconded: Cr. Boulter

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 22/15

#### MOTION

That Council return to session at 12:45pm

Moved: Cr. Braun Seconded: Cr. Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 23/15

Cr Joyce Taylor and Cr Jennifer Mahoney were present on resumption of meeting, the time being 12:45pm

# 9.17 REVIEW OF ELECTORAL REPRESENTATION

# MOTION

That Council

a) Resolve to undertake a review of Barkly Regional Councils electoral representation.

Moved: Cr. Ruger Seconded: Cr. Jackson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 24/15

# 9.18 SUBMISSIONS INTO THE REVIEW OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2008

# MOTION

That Council

- a) Make a submission to LGANT in relation to the Disciplinary Committee process
- b) That further submissions be developed in relation to financial sustainability and governance and present to the March meeting for submission by the due date.

Moved: Cr. Boulter Seconded: Cr. Hayes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 25/15

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# 9.19 LGANT - CALL FOR POLICY AND ACTION MOTIONS

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Forward motions to LGANT for consideration at its April 2015 meeting
- b) Endorse the draft submission to be put forward to this meeting

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Jackson

#### **AMENDMENT**

That Council

- a) Forward motions to LGANT for consideration at its April 2015 meeting
- b) Circulate draft motions for endorsement before submission to LGANT
- b) Endorse the draft submission to be put forward to this meeting

Moved: Cr. Ruger Second: Cr. Aylett

The amendment was won and on becoming the motion was put and carried

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 26/15

# 9.20 REMOTE HOUSING FORUM - MARCH 2015 - DARWIN

#### MOTION

That Council

 a) Nominate one (1) Elected Member to attend the Remote Housing Forum in Darwin on 12 and 13 March 2015

Moved: Cr. Jackson Seconded: Cr. Price

# **AMENDMENT**

That Council

- Nominate Cr. Hayes to attend the Remote Housing Forum in Darwin on 12 and 13 March 2015
- b) Invite a representative of the Elliott Local Authority to attend the Remote Housing Forum in Darwin on 12 and 13 March 2015.

Moved: Cr. Boulter Second: Cr. Bagnall

The amendment was won and on becoming the motion was put and carried

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 27/15

# 9.21 KIMBERLEY ZONE OF WALGA AND REGIONAL COLLABORATIVE GROUP FORUM

# MOTION

That Council

a) Endorse The President and Chief Executive Officer or their delegate to attend the Kimberley Zone of WALGA and Regional Collaborative Group Forum between 2 and 4 May 2015 in Darwin NT with a registration fee of \$650 per delegate.

Moved: Cr. Boulter Seconded: Cr. Jackson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 28/15

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# 9.22 ALGA NATIONAL CONFERENCE

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Support the President, Deputy President and Chief Executive Officer to attend.

Moved: Cr. Jackson Seconded: Cr. Taylor

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 29/15

# 9.23 TENNANT CREEK ALCOHOL MANAGEMENT PLAN DISCUSSION PAPER

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Make a response submission to The Department of Business on the Tennant Creek Alcohol Management Plan Discussion Paper

Moved: Cr. Taylor Seconded: Cr. Boulter

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 30/15

#### 9.24 TENNANT CREEK BOWLING CLUB LEASE

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Invite Expressions of Interest from the local community in relation to the usage of the site by advertisement
- c) Instruct the Chief Executive Office to write to the Executive of the club thanking them for their commitment to the Tennant Creek community throughout the operation of the Club.

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Jackson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 31/15

# 9.25 ORGANISATIONAL CHANGE MANAGEMENT PLAN HEALTH CHECK 2014

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note the report.

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 32/15

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# 9.26 RATIFICATION OF THE COMMON SEAL

#### MOTION

That Council ratify the execution of the following document under Council's Common Seal.

- 16.12.2014 Extension School Nutrition to 30 June 2015; Dept. Prime Minister and Cabinet.
- 16.12.2014 Extension Elliott Playgroup to 30 June 2015; Dept. Prime Minister and Cabinet
- 17.12.2014 Department of Community Services; International Women's Day funding - \$2,000
- 19.01.2015 Department of Sport and Rec; Active Remote Communities 2014/15 -\$224,400.00
- 02.02.2015 Department of Health; Service Agreement Variation and Service Plan; Disability In Home Support 01.01.2015 to 28.02.2015

Moved: Cr. Taylor Seconded: Cr. Boulter

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 33/15

Cr Bob Bagnall left the meeting, the time being 1:55pm

# 10. PRESIDENT REPORT

# 10.1 PRESIDENTS REPORT

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note the Presidents Report.

Moved: Cr. Price Seconded: Cr. Hayes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 34/15

#### 10.2 PRESIDENTIAL MINUTE

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Write to the Director General of Licencing expressing our dissatisfaction at the recent decision to abandon voluntary restrictions and urge them to exercise their legislative powers to maintain restriction arrangements
- b) Write to the Minister urging his support for the continuation of the voluntary restrictions given their positive effect on the reduction of crime and hospital admissions
- c) Write to the Commissioner of Police urging his support for the continuation of the voluntary restrictions given their positive effect on the reduction of crime
- d) Write to the Liquor Accord urging their support for the continuation of the voluntary restrictions given that their activities have directly reduced crime and hospital admissions
- e) Invite Julie Rannard, Director of the Department of Business to Tennant Creek to discuss the Tennant Creek and the Barkly region licencing issues and the recent Liquor Accord project urging her support for the continuation of the voluntary restrictions

Moved: President Shaw

CARRIED

Nine (9) for the motion Two (2) against motion

Resolution 35/15

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# 11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

## 11.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT - DECEMBER 2014 / JANUARY 2015

# MOTION

That Council receive and note the report.

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Beasley

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 36/15

# 11.2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OPERATIONS REPORT - DECEMBER 2014 / JANUARY 2015

# MOTION

That Council

 a) Receive and note the report of the activities within the Operations Directorate for the month of December 2014 and January 2015.

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Beasley

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 37/15

### 11.3 A/DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT - JANUARY 2015

#### MOTION

That Council

 a) Receive and note the report of the activities within the Corporate Services Directorate for the month of January 2015

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Beasley

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 38/15

# 11.4 A/DIRECTOR COMMUNITIES REPORT - DECEMBER 2014 / JANUARY 20015

## MOTION

That Council receive and note the report

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Beasley

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 39/15

# 11.5 DIRECTOR OF PEOPLE AND SAFETY REPORT - DECEMBER 2014 / JANUARY 2015

# MOTION

That Council

 Receive and note the appended report of the activities within the People and Safety Directorate for the months of December 2014 and January 2015

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Beasley

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 40/15

Peter Ryan; Director People and Safety welcomed Vienna and Crystal Johnson, sitting as part of the public gallery, to Council. Vienna and Crystal are undertaking school placement experience with the Barkly Regional Council during 2015.

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# 11.6 PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT - DECEMBER 2014 / JANUARY 2015

#### MOTION

That Council

 a) Receive and note the report of the activities in the Public Relations Directorate during December 2014 and January 2015

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Beasley

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 41/15

# 12. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Nil

# 13. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Nil

# 13.1 MATTER OF URGENCY

#### MOTION

Cr. Hayes sought to introduce a late item to the meeting.

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Taylor

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 44/15

# MOTION

That Council

a) Delegate to the CEO to write to the Minister of Indigenous Affairs, Senator Nigel Scullion, bringing to his attention the tardiness of the Central Land Council in supplying leases to Council despite applications for all regional holdings being lodged in January 2013 and requesting that Council allocate budget for payments from 1 July 2014

Moved: Cr. Boulter Seconded: Cr. Taylor

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 43/15

# 14. DECISION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 2:09pm

# **RESOLVED**

Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act, 2008 as the items lists come within the following provisions:-

Moved: Cr. Price Seconded: Cr. Hayes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 44/15

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# 14.1 CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES - 11 DECEMBER 2014

The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (e) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information provided to the council on condition that it be keep confidential.

#### MOTION

That Council confirm the minutes of the Confidential items held on 11 December 2014 at Tennant Creek.

Moved: Cr. Hayes Seconded: Cr. Taylor

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 45/15

# 15. RESUMPTION OF MEETING

# MOTION

That Council move back into open session at 2:16pm

Moved: Cr. Boulter Seconded: Cr. Hayes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 46/15

# 16. CLOSE OF MEETING

President Shaw closed the meeting at 2:18pm Next Ordinary meeting of Council to be held in Elliott on Thursday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Barb Shaw Council President

Edwina Marks Chief Executive Officer

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# **BUSINESS ARISING**

**ITEM NUMBER** 3.1

TITLE Past Meeting Decision/Action List - 19 February 2015

REFERENCE 131024

**AUTHOR** Courtney Barber, Executive Assistant to the CEO

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council note the Past Meeting Decision/Action List from its Meeting on 19 February 2015

19 March 2015

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

# **ATTACHMENTS**:

1 Action List - Ordinary Council Meeting - 19.02.2015 - V2.pdf



February 19, 2015

Meeting Date	Subject	Resolution	Action Officer	Action/Task	Completed Status
18 October 2012	Boundary Signs	That Boundary signs be erected	Director Operations	Project Plan and design underway for submission to Council in November 2014	Design is still being ratified. Dept. of Infrastructure want sign dimensions and letter heights before they approve signs on their roads. A design and quote has been obtained from Alice Springs. Getting second quote and design from local supplier in Tennant Creek.
20 June 2013	Cultural Awareness training for Staff	That Cultural Awareness training be provided to all Staff members	Director Human Resources	Date to be locked in for training to commence	Training to take place 10/11/14 through to 20/11/14. Pilot has completed. Framework to be reported to Council March 2015. COMPLETED
30 June 2014	Tennant Creek Roundabouts	Modifications to the roundabouts at: Ambrose Street / Peko Road Ambrose Street / Garnett Street	Director Operations	Modification assessment to be undertaken in October 2014	Council have approved further investigation of roundabout including traffic management plan this is with Opus for finalisation.
21 August 2014	Alpurrurulam Local Authority Meeting - 16 July 2014	RESOLVED 153/14  That Council receive the Alpurrurulam Local Authority meeting minutes of the 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2014, note the continuing action list and adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes.	CEO	Recommendation B Community Coordinator to follow up the viability of a safe house LA confirmed the need and for funding to be sourced	Safe house application included as part of Councils Indigenous Advancement Strategy funding application lodged in October 2014.
21 August 2014	Alpurrurulam Local Authority Meeting - 16 July 2014	RESOLVED 153/14  That Council receive the Alpurrurulam Local Authority meeting minutes of the 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2014, note the continuing action list and adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes.	Director Operations	Recommendation C Boundary fence for the community to be repaired – Investigate ownership	Managed by CLC, LA Chair to follow up and report back in December 2014

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18 September 2014	Elliott Feasibility Study	RESOLVED 193/14  That Council  (a) receive and note the report  (b) Circulate the report for Community feedback in particular the Elliott Local Authority and provide that information back to Council for further consideration.	CEO	To provide report back to Council on feedback received from the Elliott Community and Local Authority	Initial consultation with Elliott Local Authority conducted. Public consultation date set for 16 December 2015. Feedback completed. Further investigations commenced with Newcastle Waters Station for Ampol block.
16 October 2014	Elliott Local Authority Meeting - 23 September 2014	RESOLVED 210/14  That Council  a) Receive and note the Elliott Local Authority meeting minutes of the 23rd September 2014  b) Note the continuing action list c) Adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes.	Director Operations / Governanc e Officer	Recommendation 1 A feasibility be conducted of the cost of the drop toilets vs installing portaloos in the short term (12mnths)	Quotes have been obtained. There is no current budget. Quote to be submitted to LA for consideration in February 2015.
16 October 2014	Ali Curung Local Authority Meeting - 30 September 2014	RESOLVED 212/14  That Council  a) Receive and note the Ali Curung Local Authority meeting minutes of the 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2014  b) Note the continuing action list  c) Adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes.	Director Operations	Recommendation B That the \$30,000 that was allocated for the upgrade of the Ali Curung Community Park be expended.	Proposal to be developed for an oval regeneration program. Current greening has commenced. This project has the potential to be used as a training program for local community involvement.
16 October 2014	Minutes - Juno Committee Meeting - 29 August 2014	RESOLVED 213/14  That Council a) note the minutes of the Juno Committee Meeting held in Tennant Creek on 29 August 2014 b) adopt the recommendations contained within the minutes	Director Operations	Recommendation 2 An audit be conducted to determine the current Juno site	Council to undertake an audit on the status of current infrastructure during December 2014. Deferred until April 2015.

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16 October 2014	Minutes - Juno Committee Meeting - 29 August 2014	RESOLVED 213/14  That Council a) note the minutes of the Juno Committee Meeting held in Tennant Creek on 29 August 2014 b) adopt the recommendations contained within the minutes	Director Operations	Recommendation 3 Feasibility with options for future planning; what purposes would be compatible.	Council to develop a brief to identify a consultancy to undertake a site feasibility study
16 October 2014	Minutes - Juno Committee Meeting - 29 August 2014	RESOLVED 213/14  That Council a) note the minutes of the Juno Committee Meeting held in Tennant Creek on 29 August 2014 b) adopt the recommendations contained within the minutes	CEO	Recommendation 4 Seek support from Office of Northern Development for potential funding for a feasibility and/or master plan.	Enquiry submitted to the Office of Northern Development during November awaiting response. Followed up 9 March 2015, still no response.
20 November 2014	Alpurrurulam Laundry	RESOLVED 257/14  That Council  (a) Endorse the additional rectification costs of \$49,775 (incl GST) required to complete the Alpurrurulam laundry by the end of November 2014.  (b) Provide an update to the Alpurrurulam Local Authority to its next meeting	Director Operations Director Operations	That the funds be expended.  That a report be provided to the next Alpurrurulam Local Authority being held on 24 February 2015	The weather has impacted on the completion of the laundry. The last of the services will be connected and then the washing machines will be installed. There is currently a total of 2 weeks work to be completed before finalisation.  COMPLETED Launch to be arranged.

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20 November 2014	Regional Water Parks	RESOLVED 258/14  That Council  a) Receive and note the report b) Allocate the amount of \$206,600 to complete the waterparks in Elliott and Ali Curung out of the 2014/15 budget c) Allocate the amount of \$76,134 for the ablution amenities for the waterparks out of the 2014/15 budget d) Place the report on the Local Authority agendas for Ali-Curung and Elliott to request additional financial support e) Instruct the CEO to provide a report back to Council about the impact of the variation to its next Council meeting f) Provide the amended project plan for the water parks as part of that report	Director Operations  Director Operations  Director Operations  CEO	That the funds be expended.  That a report be provided to the Ali Curung LA at the next meeting being held 17 February 2015.  That a report be provided to the Elliott LA at the next meeting being held 3 February 2015.  That a report be provided to council at the March 2015 meeting.	PMP revised in January with an action plan. Waiting for extension of time for grant money. Site service plans and subdivision plan required for the Ali Curung site. Planning approval requires these plans. Water parks will then need to be re- tendered. Progress report submitted to February Council.
20 November 2014	Australia Day Annual General Meeting and Territory Tidy Towns Forum	RESOLVED 262/14  That Council  a) Receive and note the report b) Support the original motion of Council to not support Council's involvement in the Territory Tidy Towns Program c) Commence our own Barkly Regional Council Community Pride Campaign	Director Operations / CEO	That the establishment of the Community Pride Campaign begin.	CCs advised to develop program for 2015 at their March meeting.
11 December 2014	Ali Curung Local Authority Meeting - 25 November 2014	RESOLVED 294/14  That Council  a) Receive and note the Ali Curung Local Authority meeting minutes of the 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2014  b) Adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes. c) Note the continuing action list	Operations  Grants  Manager	Recommendation b): That an immediate tidy-up of the bus shelter at the highway entrance be undertaken and  That Council seek funding to expand the size of the shelter	Community Coordinator organise a community working group to tidy their bus shelter.  To be deferred to the DOI

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11 December 2014	Elliott Housing Crisis	That Council  (a) Write to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs Senator Nigel Scullion informing him about the housing crisis in Elliott as a matter of urgency (b) Include the contents of this report as part of that correspondence and any other relevant reports and research (c) Facilitate a meeting between the relevant range of stakeholders (BRC, NLC, Traditional Owners, Housing Reference Group, community) to determine the next steps to progress this issue (d) Explore funding to scope the financial extent of renewal and repair required (e) Advocate and lobby for funding from the Commonwealth and Territory Governments for a housing renewal and upgrade program for the North and South camps and Malinja outstation.	CEO  CEO  Grants Manager	Prepare and distribute correspondence to the Minister.  Facilitate a stakeholder meeting  Explore funding opportunities  Advise MacDonnell	COMPLETED 12.12.2014  COMPLETED 03.02.2015  Pending
December 2014	Tender Group Councils	That Council  (a) Endorse participation in a joint tender for the delivery of aged care services in Central Australia led by MacDonnell Regional Council  (b) if successful, develop and endorse a service level agreement between the MacDonnell and Barkly Regional Councils	020	Regional Council of Councils endorsed participation	TENDER DECEMBER. COMPLETED
19 February 2015	Council Meeting Minutes - 11 December 2014	That Council confirm the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 11 December 2014 at Tennant Creek.  Resolution 1/15	EA to the CEO	That the confirmed minutes of the 11 December be loaded to the website  That the unconfirmed minutes of 19 Feb be loaded to the website	COMPLETED 20.02.2015 COMPLETED 20.02.2015
19 February 2015	Past Meeting Decision/Action List - 11 December 2014	That Council note the Past Meeting Decision/Action List from its Meeting on 11 December 2014  Resolution 2/15	EA to the CEO	That the Action list be updated and distributed	COMPLETED 25.02.2015

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Meeting Date	Subject	Resolution	Action Officer	Action/Task	Completed Status
19 February 2015	Rescission of Motion 259/14 - Tennant Creek Landfill	That Council  a) Rescind Motion 259/14 that was resolved at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 20 November 2014 as reads below:  That Council  a) Receive and note the report b) Endorse the expenditure of \$40,000 to engage Tonkin Consulting to complete a plan to address the management of the landfill.  Resolution 4/15	Director Operations	That work cease relating to Resolution 259/14	COMPLETED
19 February 2015	Trial for CAT 816F Landfill Compactor	That Council  a) Refer the item to the Finance and Operations Committee and report back to the March Ordinary Council Meeting.  b) As part of that report include the financial detail of the impact of the change to the budget  Resolution 10/15	Director Operations	Refer to report to the Finance and Operations Committee Meeting	Referred to next F & O Committee meeting. Date to be finalised.
19 February 2015	Tennant Creek Local Authority - Vacant Position - Ordinary Member Nomination	That Council  (a) Receive and note the need to reopen nominations to fill two (2) vacancies on the Tennant Creek Local Authority that has arisen due to resignations  Resolution 11/15	EA to the CEO / Governanc e Officer	Nominations be advertised in the TD Times, around the township and on the website. Opens Friday 27 Feb and closes on Thursday March 26.	COMPLETED 25.02.2015
19 February 2015	Ampilatwatja Local Authority - Additional Ordinary Member Nomination	That Council  (a) Receive and note the report  (b) Extend nominations to fill one (1) vacancy on the Ampilatwatja Local Authority for a further 28 day period.  Resolution 12/15	Governanc e Officer / Community Co-Ord	Extension of nominations be advertised around the community and on the website.	COMPLETED 20.02.2015

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19 February 2015	Councillor Survey and Professional Development Priorities	That Council  a) Endorse the priority list b) Lock in the professional development calendar across the year c) Instruct the Chief Executive Officer to work with LGANT and other providers to procure training as part of Councillor Professional Development. d) Invite regional Councillors to attend a short pre Council meeting the day before the Tennant Creek Council meetings to discuss the business papers.	CEO	Professional Development Calendar  Work with LGANT and other providers to procure training	Professional development calendar for Councillors to be lined up with CEO review with Sue Davy  Meeting set up with LGANT March 2015
		Resolution 1/15	CEO	Invite Councillors to attend pre Tennant Creek Council Meetings	Regional invitations to be sent out in April 2015. Calendar finalised March 2015
19 February 2015	Code of Meeting Practice Policy and Handbook	That Council  a) Adopt the draft Code of Meeting Practice and Handbook  Resolution 16/15	EA to the CEO	Implement the policy and advise all parties.	COMPLETED
19 February 2015	Councillor Portfolios Policy	That Council  a) Adopt the draft Councillor Portfolio Policy b) Confirm the allocation of Councillors to portfolios to the March Ordinary meeting.  Resolution 18/15	EA to the CEO	Implement the policy and advise all parties  Confirm allocation to the March Council Meeting	COMPLETED
19 February 2015	Council Elections 2017	That Council  a) Write to the NT Electoral Commission and the Department of Community Services and Regions to recommend a series of workshops about 'the role of the Councillor in the year prior to the elections b) Hold at least two workshops in regional communities during 2016 to support the above c) Submit a motion to LGANT reflecting the above  Resolution 20/15	CEO CEO	Prepare and send correspondence.  Hold 2 workshops in 2016  Submit Motion to LGANT	COMPLETED

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Meeting Date	Subject	Resolution	Action Officer	Action/Task	Completed Status
19 February 2015	Cultural Advisory Committee	That Council  a) Set up a Cultural Advisory Committee as a Committee of Council as part of a strategic approach to strengthening the cultural framework of the organisation  b) Conduct a closed workshop with all Aboriginal Elected Members to further consider the terms of reference of the Committee  c) The revised terms of reference be submitted back to Council for	Director HR CEO	Set up the Advisory Committee  Conduct a closed workshop	COMPLETED 19.02.2015
		endorsement at its next meeting Resolution 21/15	CEO	Revised ToR be submitted to March Council Meeting	
19 February 2015	Review of Electoral Representation	That Council  a) Resolve to undertake a review of Barkly Regional Councils electoral representation.	CEO	Review of the BRC Electoral Representation	IN PROGRESS. Extension being sought until 31 May 2015
		Resolution 24/15			
19 February 2015	Submissions into the Review of the Local Government Act 2008	That Council  a) Make a submission to LGANT in relation to the Disciplinary Committee process b) That further submissions be developed in relation to financial sustainability and governance and present to the March meeting for submission by the due date.	CEO	Submission to LGANT re: Disciplinary Committee  Further submissions be developed and submit to the March Council Meeting	COMPLETED
		Resolution 25/15			
19 February 2015	LGANT - Call for Policy and Action Motions	That Council  a) Forward motions to LGANT for consideration at its April 2015 meeting b) Circulate draft motions for endorsement before submission to LGANT b) Endorse the draft submission to be put forward to this meeting  Resolution 26/15	CEO	Submit motions to LGANT  Circulate motions to Councillors for endorsement	COMPLETED
19 February 2015	Remote Housing Forum - March 2015 - Darwin	That Council  a) Nominate Cr. Hayes to attend the Remote Housing Forum in Darwin on 12 and 13 March 2015 b) Invite a representative of the Elliott Local Authority to attend the Remote Housing Forum in Darwin on 12 and 13 March 2015.  Resolution 27/15	EA to the President	Registration to the forum to be submitted and relevant travel arrangements organised.	COMPLETED. CR AYLETT ALSO ATTENDING.

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Meeting Date	Subject	Resolution	Action Officer	Action/Task	Completed Status
19 February 2015	Kimberley Zone of WALGA and Regional Collaborative Group Forum	That Council  a) Endorse The President and Chief Executive Officer or their delegate to attend the Kimberley Zone of WALGA and Regional Collaborative Group Forum between 2 and 4 May 2015 in Darwin NT with a registration fee of \$650 per delegate.  Resolution 28/15	EA to the CEO	Registration to the forum to be submitted and relevant travel arrangements organised.	COMPLETED 26.02.2015 That the President to nominate a delegate to attend on her behalf.
19 February 2015	ALGA National Conference	That Council  a) Receive and note the report b) Support the President, Deputy President and Chief Executive Officer to attend.  Resolution 29/15	EA to the CEO	Registration to the forum to be submitted and relevant travel arrangements organised.	President Shaw delegated, Cr. Tony Boulter to attend on her behalf along with the CEO.  COMPLETED 26.02.2015
19 February 2015	Tennant Creek Alcohol Management Plan Discussion Paper	That Council  a) Receive and note the report b) Make a response submission to The Department of Business on the Tennant Creek Alcohol Management Plan Discussion Paper Resolution 30/15	CEO	Response submission to the DOB on the TCAMP Discussion paper	COMPLETED
19 February 2015	Tennant Creek Bowling Club Lease	That Council  a) Receive and note the report  b) Invite Expressions of Interest from the local community in relation to the usage of the site by advertisement  c) Instruct the Chief Executive Office to write to the Executive of the club thanking them for their commitment to the Tennant Creek community throughout the operation of the Club.	Public Relations Officer	Advertise in the TD Times EOI  Prepare and send correspondence.	COMPLETED Advertised on Friday 13 March.  COMPLETED Letter sent to Club 9 March 2015.
		Resolution 31/15			Current proposal circulated for comment.

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Meeting Date	Subject	Resolution	Action Officer	Action/Task	Completed Status
19 February 2015	Ratification of the Common Seal	That Council ratify the execution of the following document under Council's Common Seal.  • 16.12.14: Extension School Nutrition to 30 June 2015; Dept. PMC  • 16.12.14: Extension Elliott Playgroup to 30 June 2015; Dept. PMC  • 17.12.14: Department of Community Services; IWD funding - \$2,000  • 19.01.15: Department of Sport and Rec; Active Remote Communities 2014/15 - \$224,400.00  • 02.02.15: Department of Health; Service Agreement Variation and Service Plan; Disability In Home Support 01.01.2015 to 28.02.2015  Resolution 33/15	EA to the CEO	Update the Common Seal register	COMPLETED 20.02.2015
19 February 2015	Presidential Minute	Write to the Director General of Licencing expressing our dissatisfaction at the recent decision to abandon voluntary restrictions and urge them to exercise their legislative powers to maintain restriction arrangements     Write to the Minister urging his support for the continuation of the voluntary restrictions given their positive effect on the reduction of crime and hospital admissions	CEO	Prepare and send correspondence to the Direct. Gen. of Licencing.  Prepare and send correspondence to the Minister.	All Letters put on hold as voluntary restrictions reinstated.  Invitation extended to the Director DOB to attend Tennant Creek.
		<ul> <li>c) Write to the Commissioner of Police urging his support for the continuation of the voluntary restrictions given their positive effect on the reduction of crime</li> <li>d) Write to the Liquor Accord urging their support for the continuation of the voluntary restrictions given that their activities have directly</li> </ul>	CEO	Prepare and send correspondence to the Commissioner of Police	
		reduced crime and hospital admissions  e) Invite Julie Rannard, Director of the Department of Business to Tennant Creek to discuss the Tennant Creek and the Barkly region licencing issues and the recent Liquor Accord project urging her support for the continuation of the voluntary restrictions  Resolution 35/15	CEO	Prepare and send correspondence to the Liquor Accord.  Send invitation to Julie Rannard, Direct. Of DOB to visit Tennant Creek.	

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Meeting Date	Subject	Resolution	Action Officer	Action/Task	Completed Status
19 February 2015	Late Item by Cr. Noel Hayes – CLC Leases	Delegate to the CEO to write to the Minister of Indigenous Affairs, Senator Nigel Scullion, bringing to his attention the tardiness of the Central Land Council in supplying leases to Council despite applications for all regional holdings being lodged in January 2013 and requesting that Council allocate budget for payments from 1 July 2014  Resolution 2/15	CEO	Prepare and send correspondence to the Minister Indigenous Affairs.	COMPLETED Letter was sent February 2015.

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# LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING



**ITEM NUMBER** 4.1

**TITLE** Elliott Local Authority Meeting - 3 February 20015

REFERENCE 131030

**AUTHOR** Courtney Barber, Executive Assistant to the CEO

# **RECOMMENDATION**

# That Council

- a) Receive and note the Elliott Local Authority meeting minutes of the 3 November 2015
- b) Adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes.
- c) Note the continuing action list

# **ATTACHMENTS**:

- 1 Unconfirmed Minutes Elliott Local Authority Meeting 03.02.2015.pdf
- 2 Elliott Local Authority Action List from 3 Feburary 2015 mtg.pdf



# MINUTES OF THE ELLIOTT LOCAL AUTHORITY

Held on Tuesday 3 February 2015
Council Conference room, 1 Brown Street

# 1. MEETING OPENED 9:33 am

# 1.1. MEMBERS PRESENT

Cr. Ray Aylett Ex Officio Cr. Bob Bagnall Ex Officio

Mona Rennie Local Authority Member
Cristopher Neade Local Authority Member
Peter Mullan Local Authority Member
Wade Nish Local Authority Member
Joshua (Jnr) Jackson Local Authority Member
Jeremy Jackson Local Authority Member

# 1.2. ALSO PRESENT

Barbara Shaw Barkly Regional Council President
Edwina Marks Barkly Regional Council CEO

Dave Heron Barkly Regional Council A/ Director Communities

Mark Ellenden Barkly Regional Council CC

Barb Dalloway Barkly Regional Council Elliott Governance officer
Sharen Lake Barkly Regional Council Community Service Manager

Sue Willie Dept. Children's and Family

Dianne Mayers Remote AOD Worker Elliott Health Centre
Maria Marriner Dir. of Alcohol Strategy, NT Dept. of Business

Chloe Parkinson Student

## 1.3. APOLOGIES

Jody Nish Local Authority Member

Jill Kliener Department of Local Government and Community Services

Tony Lake Aust. Government Engagement Coordinator

# 1.4. ABSENT WITHOUT APOLOGY - NIL

#### 1.5. NOMINATIONS

Nominations for the 2 vacancies remain open till 9<sup>th</sup> of February 2015. Three (3) nominations received to date.

# 2. PREVIOUS MEETING/ BUSINESS ARISING

That the Minutes of the Elliott Local Authority meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2014 are accepted.

MOVED: Peter Mullan

SECONDED: Wade Nish CARRIED

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# 2.1. Action List - Regional Council Actions

Mark Ellenden went through the action item list, updated for the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February meeting. The following action will stay on the Action list;

**Action:** ELLIOT FEASIBILITY STUDY BRC will seek "stronger regions funds" to build a multi – purpose building – but site issues still remain.

Action: BASKETBALL LIGHTS BRC to follow up and lights to be installed.

# 3. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS - NIL . Safe House report was distributed

# 4. LOCAL AUTHORITY COMMUNITY PROJECTS \_UPDATE

- Greening Surrounds at ANZAC memorial BRC discussion with RJCP about pouring a slab, new plantings on the site.
- Cemetery update, Jodie Nish has done extensive research on trees and grave markings. Next Step is a project plan with costs before the next mtgs
- New Signs BRC making decision on standard signs across the Council area
- Playground equipment.

# 5. COUNCIL REPORTS

# 5.1. CEO Report

**Water Parks** – Barkly Regional Council waiting for approval to vary extension date and Barkly Regional Council are looking at how to fund \$300,000 approx, to upgrade shade area and add ablution block.

#### 5.2. Barkly Regional Council Annual Report and Regional Plan 2014- 2015

The reports were distributed for members to review.

# 5.3. Complaints

A graphic- based external complaints form was distributed for use by community members.

#### 5.4. Elected Members report

- Cr Bagnall reported that a Housing meeting will happen today at the Basketball court with senior Govt people invited. The meeting came about following a report he made to council in Dec 2014 about the housing crisis
- President Shaw congratulated Chris Neade on his Aust Day Award as Elliott Citizen of the year. She also congratulated Jodie Nish for her leadership on the LA Cemetery project.

# 5.5. The Community Coordinator report was distributed prior to the meeting

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#### **6 GENERAL BUSINESS**

## 6.1 ALCOHOL MANAGEMENT PLAN – Maria Marriner NT, Dept of Business.

Minister Scullion has written to LA Chair, Chris Neade to inform the LA that he intends not to support / approve the Elliott Local Board's Alcohol Management Plan. In his letter, the Minister suggested some options for Alcohol management on the community and these were discussed by members and the following resolution was put to the meeting;

#### Resolution

That the Elliott Local Authority apply to the Northern Territory Government through the Director – General of Licencing, for a Liquor Permit System

MOVED: Cr Bob Bagnall
SECONDED: Mona Rennie CARRIED

The Department of Business has submitted a range of priorities to support reducing harm from alcohol in the Community to the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet. The funding stream is for reducing harm from Alcohol. BRC CEO took members through a process to identify consensus on the priority order of six possible projects.

Outcome in priority order;

- 1. Permit System \$120, 00.00 to fund 1 Aboriginal worker for 2 years.
- 2. Alcohol Education \$30,000.00.
- 3. Support Safe House \$30,000.00
- 4. Football Oval \$50,000.00.
- 5. 21 Seater Bus \$200,000.00.
- 6. Ablution Block \$100,000.00

**ACTION:** Letter to be sent to PM&C to advise of the above priorities.

### Resolution

That the Elliott Local Authority write to Minister Scullion to advise him of the above resolution and to thank him for considering to provide funding assistance for activities identified in the Elliott AMP which were prioritised at this meeting, with NTG and Department of Premier and Cabinet officers present.

MOVED: Peter Mullan
SECONDED: CR Aylett

CARRIED

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## 6.2 REVIEW OF ELECTORAL REPRESENTATION

Dave Heron, BRC took members through the purpose, timeline & scope of the review. Following discussion, members put the following;

- That the Yapakurangu Ward name be changed as Yapakurangu is a Warlpiri word and doses not reflect the language groups in the Ward.
- Given this ward is the biggest in the Council Region, that the numbers of representatives go from 2 to 3.

**Action:** That BRC contact the NT Electoral Commission to find out when they can visit the Homelands and Outstations in the Ward. BRC can accompany NTEC when a meeting is planned.

## 7. MEETING CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

The Meeting closed at 11.15am The next meeting is Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2015.

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# ELLIOTT LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING DECISIONS ACTIONS from 03 February 2015 MEETING

DATE ASSIGNED	DECISION	ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN	COMMENTS
6 May 2014	Golf Course Greens Program and Management Plan Golf Club members preference for Tifgreen 328 hybrid couch	Ex Dir Communities to locate a supervisor to enable RJCP to undertake this job	Discussion started with RJCP and aim to start project in March 2015
6 May 2014	Community Project Funding 2012/13 That it be a recommendation to BRC that the remaining \$23,500.00 funding be committed to North Camp Basketball court upgrade	Community Co-ordinator to develop scope of works	Community Co-ordinator to advice funding released but work to begin Follow up on purchase orders
25 August 2014	Cemetery	Tennant Creek are the only Gazetted cemeteries.	Graves to be marked and LA Cemetery upgrade project plan be put together by Jodie and Barb  Following update of Burial register  PENDING
4 November 2014	Local Authority support for project funding applications		CC draft a letter containing quotes from LA members regarding programs to be signed by chair to support funding applications PENDING
3 Feb 2015	Local Authority write to Director- General of Licensing, NT to request an Alcohol Permit system for Elliott		BRC drafted letter and Chair of Local Authority signed and letter sent 12 February 2015 COMPLETED
3 Feb 2015	Local Authority write to Dept of PMC to advise of priorities of projects to support implementation of an Alcohol Permit system for Elliott		BRC drafted letter and Chair of Local Authority signed and letter sent 12 February 2015 COMPLETED
3 Feb 2015	Local Authority write to Minister Scullion to advise of the decision of the LA to apply for a permit system from the NT govt.	actions/ recommendations	BRC drafted letter and Chair of Local Authority signed and letter sent 12 February 2015 COMPLETED

Elliott Local Authority Action list 3 February 2015 Meeting

## LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING



**ITEM NUMBER** 4.2

TITLE Ali Curung Local Authority Meeting - 17 February 2015

REFERENCE 131031

AUTHOR Courtney Barber, Executive Assistant to the CEO

## **RECOMMENDATION**

## That Council

- a) Receive and note the Ali Curung Local Authority meeting minutes of the 17 February 2015
- b) Adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes.
- c) Note the continuing action list

## **ATTACHMENTS**:

- 1 Unconfirmed Minutes Ali Curung Local Authority Meeting 17.02.2015.pdf
- 2 Ali Curung Action List FINAL 17 Feb mtg.pdf



## ALI CURUNG LOCAL AUTHORITY

Held Tuesday 17 February 2015 Council Conference Room

## 1. MEETING OPENED at 10:15am

## 2. ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

#### 2.1 MEMBERS PRESENT

Cr. Noel Hayes (Chair Person) Ex Officio Cr Lucy Jackson Ex Officio

Alston Nelson Local Authority Member
Charlie Poulson Local Authority Member
Edith Hanlon Local Authority Member
Ronald Brown Local Authority Member
Zeza Egan Local Authority Member

#### 2.2 ALSO PRESENT

David Heron Barkly Regional Council A/Director Communities
Barb Dalloway Barkly Regional Council Governance Officer
Mark Parsons Barkly Regional Council Community Coordinator

Brooke Douglas Barkly Regional Council Administration

Jill Kleiner Dept. Local Government & Community Services
David Curtis Snr. Dept. Local Government & Community Services
Robert Cullen Barkly Regional Council Zone Manager Night Patrol

Colleen Court Ali Curung Clinic Manager

Malcom Mill National Disability Insurance Agency

John Mason Prime Minister & Cabinet
Chris Beatson Department of Health CDR
Mark Russell Department of Health CDR

## 2.3 APOLOGIES

President Barb Shaw Ex Officio

Edwina Marks CEO Barkly Regional Council

Jason Mather Ali Curung Police

Andrew Tsavaris Local Authority Member

#### 2.4 ABSENT WITHOUT APOLOGY

Peter Corbett Local Authority Member
Phillip Dobbs Local Authority Member
Graham Beasley Local Authority Member

## 2.5 Resignations from the Local Authority

Nil

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## 3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING (24th November 2014)

That the Minutes of the previous meeting be confirmed as an accurate record

Moved: Edith Hanlon
Seconder: Zeza Egan
CARRIED

### 3.1 Business arising:

## 3.1.1 Amendment to Alcohol take away hours

Julie Renard will meet Cr. Hayes to meet follow up letter he wrote about restrictions to take-away licensing laws. Ms Renard is hoping to make a decision within 2-3 months after speaking to the 2 roadhouses and the Community. The Local Authority will be required to submit their reasons as to why the alcohol times should be changed

#### Action

Cr Jackson to meet with Ms Renard on 5 March 2015 in Tennant Creek as Cr Hayes is unavailable that week.

#### 3.1.2 Report on outstanding action items

Bus shelter location changed at request of the Authority to a location near trees).

### Recommendation

I move that the Local Authority pay for the relocation out of their budget.

Moved: Zeza Egan Seconder: Edith Hanlon

CARRIED

Street lights- contractor has been appointed to fix street lights in Ali Curung and Murray Downs within the next fortnight.

## 4. COUNCIL REPORTS

- **4.1 CEO report**; Dave Heron reported on behalf of the CEO on;
  - the 2014 Annual report with the financial information of the Council in 2014.
     The Council has permission to use the photograph of a deceased person on the front of the annual report
  - Financial report- distributed
  - Water Park Council has engaged a project manager to start construction and a majority of the budget will be spent on creating the park.

Discussed the external complaints forms for use in all BRC communities

Cr. Hayes called Jill Kleiner to present the 'big money story'. Jill presented the Local Authority budget on a pie chart, representing public information, agency services, contracts (power and water), core services, social services (aged care, safe house), fencing program, housing etc. The Local Authority concluded they would like both options to recognize budget efficiently.

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#### 4.2 Elected Members Report

No report as Council has not had a meeting in 2015.

#### 4.3 Acting Community Coordinator report

- The council and municipal workers have been working hard to get grass shorter despite setbacks (only 3 council workers with licences).
- Positive to see community members coming into the office, working towards improving community relationships
- 4 new staff employed at the council Bianca Patrick (safe house), Boyd Simpson (sport and Rec), Lucasta Rockland (Council Office) and David Brown (Aged Care).
- Dead tree in park, which has a lot of cultural significance. The Council will relocate it and correct cultural protocols will be followed.
- An additional 3 lawn mowers have been purchased for lease into the community to increase the number of tidy yards in Ali Curung.
- Safe house all back and running with school nutrition working on 110 meals per day.
- The airstrip Council has replaced the windsock. The council is required to check the airstrip twice a month and report to Department of Infrastructure. Acting ESO Mark Parsons will check airstrip if there is bad weather.
- Respite centre will be cleaned once a month. Pest control was sprayed and the plumbing problems will be addressed. Suggested by Cr. Hayes that the gates are locked each day
- Cr Hayes requested that a procedures manual be presented at next meeting
- EPA Environment protection agency. Discussed the opening the dump/ tip. Required to send off documentation, currently waiting on confirmation.

## 4.4 Local Authority member reports

4.4.1 Outcome of Local Authority Planning on community fund priorities

Priority 1 - At the Park Meeting Place, two BBQs installed

## Recommendation

I move that the Ali Curung Local Authority budget be used to purchase 2 BBQs at a cost \$14,377, plus installation costs.

Moved: Ronald Brown Seconder: Charlie Poulson

**CARRIED** 

- Priority 2- Bough shade -Would like shade cloth over 2 sides.
- 4.4.2 Training of Chairs/ Deputy Chairs in Tennant Creek Training on Local Authority will be in March 2015. Cr Noel Hayes will be absent. Cr. Lucy Jackson and Zeza Egan will attend.

## 5 <u>VISITOR PRESENTATIONS</u>

NILL

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#### 6 GENERAL BUSINESS

#### 6.1 Review of Cemeteries

Jill Kleiner stated the government needs to submit reviews on proposed changes on the cemeteries act. The intent of the new act is to ensure human remains are treated with dignity and respect including as much of customary traditions that still occur around burials.

#### Recommendation

I move that a community meeting be held with the four language groups to talk about cemeteries and cemetery plans

Moved: Ronald Brown Seconder: Edith Hanlon

CARRIED

#### Action

Dept of Local Govt and Community Services to organise the meeting in the main park.

#### 6.2 Review of Electoral Representation

The Review is looking at the names and numbers of Wards of the Barkly Region. It was suggested that Alyawarr ward be split with 2 members elected from the north and 2 members elected from the south.

## Recommendation

I move that the Local Authority support a suggestion that Alyawarr Ward be split with 2 members elected from the north and 2 members elected from the south.

Moved: Ronald Brown Seconder: Edith Hanlon CARRIED

## 6.2 Local Authority members raised RJCP's work in the community. Resolution

I move that a formal complaint letter be written about concerns in relation to RJCP and request BRC CEO approach RJCP to ask what they are doing to support RJCP in Ali Curung and request a update on the activities in Ali Curung.

Moved: Alston Nelson Seconder: Edith Hanlon

CARRIED

## 9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND MEETING CLOSE

Meeting closed at 1:01PM. Next meeting is Tuesday 31st March 2015

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## **ALI CURUNG LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION LIST Dated 17 February 2015**

DATE ASSIGNED	DECISION	ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN	COMMENTS
25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	One Bus Shelter is in wrong spot Location needs to be changed	Community Coordinator will Liaise with Tennant Creek Works Manager on best way to Rectify this.	Quote to move the bus shelter to the other side of park facing west. \$ 2,360.00 to move it. Can this be funded by LA budget?  COMPLETED as Local Authority agreed to fund this from their community
25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Air Strip Council to replace windsock and to do daily checks of the run way	ESO agreed to undertake these checks from the 26 <sup>th</sup> November  The Community Coordinator to: follow up with Dol to bring their attention to recent grading of the airstrip which has not removed pebbles and larger objects Install windsocks Put up a large sign in the office outlining Council staff obligations regarding the Airstrip, so all temporary staff are aware of BRC obligations	COMPLETED
25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Street lights Not working need checking some blinking on and of intermittently	Commence audit in November and schedule monthly. Organise bulbs to be replaced.	Audit to be done 11 February. <b>COMPLETED</b> on 6 March 2015
25 Nov	Support Police for Amendment to alcohol sales at Wycliffe Well and Wauchope roadhouses to reduce take away hours.	Council to draft letter of support to NT Licensing Chairman	COMPLETED Letter sent 27/11/2014 LA member + A/CC met Ms Julie Rannard on 5 March 2015; next step is collecting information to develop a case.
25 Nov	Night Patrol	Night patrol to report as part of Community Coordinator report to LA on work with police, clinic and Community Safety Plans	A/ CC will pass on Night patrol report at LA meetings. New clinic manager and CC will liaise with her in late Feb 2015.  COMPLETED

<sup>1 |</sup> Page ACTION LIST for Ali Curunng Local Authority meeting updated 17/2/15

## LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING



**ITEM NUMBER** 4.3

TITLE Tennant Creek Local Authority Meeting - 4 March 2015

REFERENCE 130574

**AUTHOR** Courtney Barber, Executive Assistant to the CEO

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Tennant Creek Local Authority meeting minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015
- b) Adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes.
- c) Note the continuing action list

## **ATTACHMENTS**:

- 1 Unconfirmed Minutes Tennant Creek Local Authority 04.03.2015.pdf
- 2 Action List Tennant Creek Local Authority 04.03.2015.pdf



## **MINUTES**

## TENNANT CREEK LOCAL AUTHORITY Held Wednesday 4 March 2015 Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road.

## 1. MEETING OPENING

Chair Jenni Kennedy opened the meeting at 5:05pm and welcomed Chris Neade; Chair of the Elliott Local Authority and Jody Nish; Deputy Chair from the Elliott Local Authority. Both are currently visiting Tennant Creek for Governance Training.

## 2. ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

## 2.1 Members Present

President Barb Shaw
Cr. Joyce Taylor
Cr. Tony Boulter
Cr. Hal Ruger
Jenni Kennedy
Mitchell Healy

Ex Officio
Ex Officio
Ex Officio
Chairperson
Deputy Chairperson

Len Holbrok Local Authority Member
Jason Newman Local Authority Member

#### 2.2 Also Present

Edwina Marks
David Heron
Barkly Regional Council Chief Executive Officer
Barkly Regional Council Director Corporate Services
Barkly Regional Council Governance Officer

Courtney Barber Barkly Regional Council Executive Assistant to the CEO

2.3 Apologies

Cr. Pat Braun Ex Officio Cr. Narelle Bremner Ex Officio

Steve Edgington Local Authority Member

## 2.4 Absent without Apology

Trish Caterer Local Authority Member

## 3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

## 3.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

## MOTION

That the Minutes of the Tennant Creek Local Authority held 26 November 2014, be accepted as true and accurate.

Moved: Cr. Joyce Taylor Second: Mitch Healy

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 01/15

## 4. ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

## 4.1 CONTINUING ACTION LIST

## MOTION

That the Continuing Action List be received and noted

Moved: Mitch Healy Second: Cr. Joyce Taylor

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 02/15

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## 5. ITEMS FOR DECISION

## 5.1 TENNANT CREEK MASCOT

Discussions occurred surrounding the original concept of having an ant and that this design was not favourable. It was suggested that it be put to Community Consultation for feedback.

#### MOTION

That the Tennant Creek Local Authority

- a) Place an advert in the Tennant and District Times from their Local Authority funding budget, to invite the community for feedback, ideas and suggestions for the design of a Tennant Creek Mascot.
- b) Table those suggestions for discussion at the next Tennant Creek Local Authority Meeting on 6 May 2015
- Develop guidelines to ensure that the Mascot reflects local identity and does not breach any copyright.

Moved: Cr. Joyce Taylor Second: President Barb Shaw

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 03/15

## **MOTION**

That the Tennant Creek Local Authority

- a) Create a competition for the design of the Tennant Creek Mascot
- b) Allocate prize money for 1<sup>st</sup> prize; \$300, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize; \$200 and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize \$100 from their Local Authority funding budget.

Moved: Mitch Healy Second: Cr. Hal Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 04/15

## 5.2 PLAYGROUND AT ELDORADO PARK; FENCING OPTION

#### MOTION

That the Tennant Creek Local Authority

- a) Proceed with the fencing option as outlined in the attachment presented for Item 5.2 with appropriate safety options from the Tennant Creek Local Board 2013/14 funding budget of \$25,000
- Utilise the balance of the budget to cover freight, powder coating and installation.

Moved: Len Holbrok Second: Mitch Healy

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 05/15

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## 6. CORRESPONDENCE OR REPORTS FROM THE COUNCIL

#### 6.1 CEOREPORT

#### MOTION

That the Tennant Creek Local Authority receive and note the CEO Report

Moved: Mitch Healy Second: Cr. Ruger

Resolution 06/15

CARRIED UNAN.

## 6.2 CEO REPORT ON COMPLAINTS RECEIVED CONCERNING SERVICE DELIVERY

CEO; Edwina Marks provided an overview of the complaints received over the December 2014 and January 2015.

The CEO highlighted the current anti-social issues being experienced at Lake Maryanne and that Council have been working with the NT Police to ensure that the gates to the reserve are closed at 5:00pm.

Concerns were raised about feedback received from the community about the early closing time; and were advised by the CEO, that these measures have been requested by the NT Police as a short term measure.

The CEO also raised that a new plan of management needs to be developed for the site in conjunction with the Traditional Owners as the current agreement expires within the next 12 moths. It was advised that this is a good opportunity for the community to provide feedback about the way in which the area should be used. Council will be convening discussions with TO's with a view to commencing discussion about a new Management Plan.

#### MOTION

That the Tennant Creek Local Authority

a) Receive and note the report

Moved: Cr Taylor Second: Cr Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 07/15

## 6.3 BUDGET (YEAR TO DATE FINANCIALS)

## MOTION

That the Tennant Creek Local Authority

a) Receive and note the report

Moved: Cr. Taylor Second: Mitch Healy

CARRIED UNAN.

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## 7. ITEMS WHICH THE AUTHORITY IS REQUIRED TO CONSIDER ON A PERIODIC BASIS

## 7.1 REVIEW OF THE 2014/15 REGIONAL PLAN AND 2013/14 ANNUAL REPORT

#### MOTION

That the Tennant Creek Local Authority

 a) Receive and note the report regarding the review of 2014/15 Regional Plan and 2013/14 Annual Report

Moved: Mitch Healy Second: Cr. Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 09/15

## 8. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS

## 8.1 2014/15 COMMUNITY PROJECT FUND PRIORITIES - PROGRESS REPORT ON THE THREE HIGHEST PRIORITIES

## <u>PRIORITY 1 – Upgrade to the Civic Hall; Audio Conference Centre</u> MOTION

That the Tennant Creek Local Authority

a) Request Member; Steve Edgington to provide a written brief about the upgrade.

Moved: Mitch Healy Second: Cr. Boulter

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 10/15

## 8.1 2014/15 COMMUNITY PROJECT FUND PRIORITIES - PROGRESS REPORT ON THE THREE HIGHEST PRIORITIES

## PRIORITY 2 - Beautification to Tennant Creek

#### MOTION

That the Tennant Creek Local Authority

- Nominate Len Holbrok to meet with Barkly Regional Council officer to discuss possible sites for additional trees to be planted on verges. And that Len Holbrok to provide discussion notes back to the next Local Authority Meeting
- b) Discussions commence to develop a beautification plan for Tennant Creek.
- c) That guidelines be developed surrounding a beautification plan for Tennant Creek.
- Invite the Department of Infrastructure to the next Local Authority Meeting to discuss their own main street activity

Moved: Len Holbrok Second: Cr. Taylor

CARRIED UNAN.

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## 8.1 2014/15 COMMUNITY PROJECT FUND PRIORITIES - PROGRESS REPORT ON THE THREE HIGHEST PRIORITIES

## PRIORITY 3 - Temporary Shade Structures

#### MOTION

That the Tennant Creek Local Authority

- a) Obtain quotations for a purpose built commercial marquee with a range of size options
- b) Table this information at the next meeting

Moved: President Barb Shaw Second: Jason Newman

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 12/15

## 8.2 STREET LIGHTS

CEO; Edwina Marks provided the Local Authority with an update on a recent complaint lodged by a Local Authority Member. The complaint was actioned and the Local Authority were reminded that requests can come at a high cost. The outcome of rectification works for street lighting had a final cost to Council of approximately \$9,000.

## 8.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNANCE TRAINING

Chair; Jenni Kennedy provided an update to the Local Authority about the Governance training that herself and Deputy Chair; Mitch Healy had attended earlier in the day.

## MOTION

That the Barkly Regional Council Governance Officer provide a 10 minute presentation about the training at the next Local Authority Meeting.

Moved: Mitch Healy

Second: President Barb Shaw

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 13/15

## 9. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Nil

## 10. OTHER BUSINESS

## 10.1 TENNANT CREEK ALCOHOL MANAGEMENT PLAN DISCUSSION PAPER MOTION

That the Authority

 a) Receive and note the Tennant Creek Alcohol Management Plan Discussion Paper.

Moved: Mitch Healy Second: Cr. Taylor

CARRIED UNAN.

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## 10.2 BORELLA RIDE PLAQUE

## MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Support the erection of a bronze statue of Albert Borella in Tennant Creek.
- b) Request Jason Newman on behalf of the Local Authority to explore options, including approaching other towns that have complimentary infrastructure including signage
- Request Jason Newman to provide a full report back to the next Local Authority Meeting
- d) That the CEO on behalf of the Local Authority write to the Chief Minister advising of the Local Authority's intention and asking for support from the NT Government.

Moved: Jason Newman Second: Len Holbrok

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolution 15/15

## 11. ITEMS TABLED

11.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting – 19 February 2015

Cr. Taylor left the meeting; the time being 6:56pm

## 12. CLOSE OF MEETING

Jenni Kennedy closed the meeting at 7:01pm

## 13. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 6 May 2015

## TENNANT CREEK LOCAL AUTHORITY - ACTION LIST - 4 March 2015

DATE ASSIGNED	DECISION	ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN COMMENTS
13 October 2014	Mascot for Tenant Creek	a) Place an advert in the Tennant and District Times from their Local Authority funding budget, to invite the community for feedback, ideas and suggestions for the design of a Tennant Creek Mascot.
		b) Table those suggestions for discussion at the next Tennant Creek Local Authority Meeting on 6 May 2015
		c) Develop guidelines to ensure that the Mascot reflects local identity and does not breach any copyright.
		d) Create a competition for the design of the Tennant Creek Mascot
		e) Allocate prize money for 1 <sup>st</sup> prize; \$300, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize; \$200 and 3 <sup>rd</sup> prize \$100 from their Local Authority funding budget.
4 March 2015	Eldorado Park fencing	a) Proceed with the fencing option as outlined in the attachment presented for Item 5.2 with appropriate safety options from the Tennant Creek Local Board 2013/14 funding budget of \$25,000
		b) Utilise the balance of the budget to cover freight, powder coating and installation.
4 March 2015	Community Project Funding – Priority 1 Upgrade to the Civic Hall	a) Request Member; Steve Edgington to provide a written brief about the upgrade.  Governance officer scheduled to meet with the LA Member to discuss on 10/03/2015
4 March 2015	Community Project Funding – Priority 2 Beatification of Tennant Creek	a) Nominate Len Holbrok to meet with Barkly Regional Council officer to discuss possible sites for additional trees to be planted on verges. And that Len Holbrok to provide discussion notes back to the next Local Authority Meeting
		b) Discussions commence to develop a beautification plan for Tennant Creek.

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4 March	Community Project Funding -	c) That guidelines be developed surrounding a beautification plan for Tennant Creek.  d) Invite the Department of Infrastructure to the next Local Authority Meeting to discuss their own main street activity  a) Obtain quotations for a
2015	Priority 3 Temporary Shade Structures (Commercial Marquee)	purpose built commercial marquee with a range of size options  b) Table this information at the next meeting
4 March 2015	Governance Presentation	That the Barkly Regional Council Governance Officer provide a 10 minute presentation about the training at the next Local Authority Meeting.
4 March 2015	The Borella Ride	a) Support the erection of a bronze statue of Albert Borella in Tennant Creek.  p) Request Jason Newman on behalf of the Local Authority to explore options, including approaching other towns that have complimentary infrastructure including signage  p) Request Jason Newman to provide a full report back to the next Local Authority Meeting  d) That the CEO on behalf of the Local Authority write to the Chief Minister advising of the Local Authority's intention and asking for support from the NT Government.

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## **NOTICE OF MOTION**

**ITEM NUMBER** 6.1

TITLE Position Vancancy Advertising

REFERENCE 131202

**AUTHOR** Courtney Barber, Executive Assistant to the CEO

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

a) Advertise all positions vacant in the Tennant and District Times

## **SUMMARY:**

Cr. Narelle Bremner has hereby given notice of motion for discussion on having each position vacancy advertised locally in the Tennant and District Times.

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## **BACKGROUND**

Cr. Narelle Bremner has hereby given notice of motion for discussion on having each position vacancy advertised locally in the Tennant and District Times.

Cr. Bremner states about supporting local people in jobs and ensuring that positions be advertised in the Tennant and District Times as well as online. Many people of the Barkly Region do not have access to a computer and therefore it is crucial to ensure that all local people have the opportunity.

## ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Nil

## **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Nil

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

**ITEM NUMBER** 9.1

TITLE Leave of Absence - President Barb Shaw

REFERENCE 131044

**AUTHOR** Courtney Barber, Executive Assistant to the CEO

## RECOMMENDATION

That Council

(a) Grant President Barb Shaw a leave of absence for the period of 16 March 2015 up to and including 29 March 2015

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(b) That Cr. Boulter will act as President for the period of 16 March 2015 up to and including 29 March 2015.

## SUMMARY:

The CEO has received written notice from President Barb Shaw for leave of absence from Presidential duties commencing 16 March 2015 up to and including 29 March 2015.

Cr. Boulter is currently Deputy President and for this period of absence of the President, Cr. Boulter will act as President.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The CEO has received a written notice from President Barb Shaw for leave of absence from Presidential duties commencing 16 March 2015 up to and including 29 March 2015.

## ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Nil

## **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Nil

## **ATTACHMENTS**:

**ITEM NUMBER** 9.2

**TITLE** Deputy President Position - February / June 2015

REFERENCE 131115

**AUTHOR** Courtney Barber, Executive Assistant to the CEO

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council

a) Receive and note that the new Deputy President, Cr. Tony Boulter for the February to June 2015 period as per the four (4) month rotating roster.

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b) Receive and note that Cr Tony Boulter will be Acting President during the period 16 March – 31 March 2015.

## **BACKGROUND**

At the April 2013 meeting, Council adopted a rotation table based on four (4) month intervals for appointment as Deputy President.

Cr. Taylor concluded her rotation in August 2013. At the August 2013 meeting, Cr. Price, who was next in turn, withdrew from the position and it was resolved that Cr. Boulter would act as Deputy President for the period August/December 2013 and the rotation proposal be reviewed.

At the September 2013 meeting Cr. Boulter resigned from the Deputy President position and Cr. Bremner was appointed for the September/December 2013 time period. Due to the cancellation of the January 2014 meeting Cr. Bremner continued as Deputy President through to February 2014.

At the February 2014 meeting it was resolved that Cr. Aylett would act as Deputy President for the February/June 2014 period.

At the June 2014 meeting it was resolved that Cr. Noel Hayes would act as Deputy President for the June/October 2014 period.

At the October 2014 meeting Cr. Pat Braun withdrew from acting as Deputy President for the October 2014/February 2015 period. Subsequently Cr. Bob Bagnall was elected as the Deputy President for the October 2014/February 2015 period

As per the below table Cr. Boulter is due to act as Deputy President for the February/June 2015 period.

Elected Member	Period
Cr. Joyce Taylor	April/August 2013 Completed
Cr. Tim Price	August/December 2013 Withdrew from the position
Cr. Tony Boulter	August/September 2013 Completed (withdrew after one (1) month)
Cr. Narelle Bremner	September 2013/February 2014 <i>Completed</i>
Cr. Ray Aylett	February/June 2014 <i>Completed</i>
Cr. Noel Hayes	June/October 2014 Completed
Cr. Pat Braun	October 2014/February 2015 Withdrew from the position
Cr. Bob Bagnall	October 2014/February 2015 Completed
Cr. Tony Boulter	February/June 2015
Cr. Joyce Taylor	June/October 2015
Cr. Narelle Bremner	October 2015/February 2016

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

**ITEM NUMBER** 9.3

TITLE Indigenous Advancement Strategy

REFERENCE 131160

**AUTHOR** Edwina Marks, Chief Executive Officer

## RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the report.

## **SUMMARY:**

Council has received advice from the Commonwealth in relation to the Indigenous Advancement Strategy funding round. Council has been successful in a number of programs however funding is significantly lower than previous levels.

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## **BACKGROUND**

## **Indigenous Advancement Strategy grant funding selection process**

The Indigenous Advancement Strategy grant round has announced its results. The amounts requested and received are as follows.

## Barkly Regional Council Indigenous Advancement Strategy

•	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
Program	Requested	Received	Requested	Received	Requested	Received
		_				_
Workforce Development	641,310	0	705,441	0	775,985	0
Night Patrol	3,565,500	2,418,991	3,922,050	2,418,991	4,314,255	2,418,991
School Nutrition Program	1,039,350	1,015,500	1,123,285	677,000	1,215,613	0
Youth Development	1,080,000	0	1,188,000	0	1,306,800	0
Elliott Community Radio	100,000	36,537	110,000	0	121,000	0
Elliott Playgroup	130,000	67,600	140,000	33,800	151,000	0
Animal Welfare	400,000	0	440,000	0	484,000	0
Overhead	839,539	0	720,733	0	1,010,046	0
	7,795,699	3,538,628	8,349,509	3,129,791	9,378,699	2,418,991

Council has taken a strong media position in relation to the cuts to youth development and animal welfare. In addition the Chief Executive Officer has met with the Regional Manager in Alice Springs on the 11 March and will meet with Prime Minister and Cabinet the following week to discuss the offer and go into negotiation.

Attached is an impact statement developed by the Regional Program Manager for Community Services.

## ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Currently the youth development area supports 26 jobs across the region. The Elliott Playgroup supports two part time jobs. Overall 27/28 positions are Indigenous positions with 18 positions on community. The lack of support in the play group, youth development and animal welfare area puts all of these programs in jeopardy for Barkly Regional Council delivery.

## **Media Activity**

The below outlines the media activity completed by the President and The Chief Executive Officer.

- 1. ABC National B. Shaw
- 2. ABC NT B. Shaw
- 3. NT News B. Shaw
- 4. Central Australian Advocate B. Shaw
- 5. Tennant & District Times B. Shaw
- 6. Guardian E. Marks
- 7. Department Local Government E. Marks
- 8. LGANT E. Marks
- 9. IAD Meeting S. Lake
- 10. NITV S. Spencer
- 11. Central Australian Presidents B. Shaw

## **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

The Chief Executive Officer has met with Mark Coffey, PMC Regional Manager Alice Springs on 11 March 2015.

The Chief Executive Officer will meet with Andre Burgess Manager of PMC Tennant Creek in the week commencing 16 March 2015.

Sharen Lake Regional Program Manager Community Services has attended the Institute of Aboriginal Advancement meeting held in Alice Springs on 10 March 2015.

Council has released figures to LGANT and the Department of Local Government. Council has released a media statement in relation to its youth development and environmental management areas.

## **ATTACHMENTS**:

1 Youth Programs in the Barkly Region.pdf



Youth Programs in the Barkly Region

Aboriginal young people are among the most disadvantaged groups in Australia, this has been documented through a large variety of Research Papers, Trends & Issue Papers for example from Australian Institute of Criminology, Surveys measuring the social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal Children, Antisocial behaviour, Self Harm and Physical Activity. The Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody highlighted the importance of organised physical activity as a prevention tool for antisocial behaviour of youths, particularly as a diversionary strategy from the criminal justice system. Compared with other Australians, Indigenous youths/people are more likely to be unemployed, die at a younger age, leave school earlier and spend more time in jail. Given the social and geographic isolation of our communities in the Northern Territory, and within the Barkly Region which has a service area of 323,000 sq km, lack of activities precipitates boredom, low self-esteem and depression, impacting directly inward and implode on community.

Although our programs have a youth focus, there is a community preference for all ages to access the service to engage in intergeneration and culturally relevant activities. Where activities are targeted at young people, yet open to and inclusive of all ages, they provide a medium for cross-generational interaction which emphasis on building connections (such as youth to youth, youth to adult, as well as between community groups) and requires coherent program design and implementation.

It must be noted that the Barkly Region has the highest Suicide Rate in the Northern Territory.

With the loss of our Indigenous Sports and Recreation Program Funding and Youth Development, the immediate impacts will be:

Loss of employment for 16 staff throughout the Barkly Region including full time and part time positions

Alpurrurulam = 3

Arlparra = 2

Elliott = 3

Ampilatwatja = 3

Ali Curung = 2

Tennant Creek = 3 including our *Regional Youth, Sports and Recreation Coordinator* and two Regional Support Officers.

This equates to 16 families losing their income, impacting directly on the community. Staff have completed certificate training in Sports and Recreation to ensure they are appropriately skilled and trained in ensuring programs are designed and implemented strategically to tackle broader social issues and have our Regional Council wrap around effect of a holistic approach to community Safety and Wellbeing, Employment Opportunities, Building Community Capacity and partnerships to support initiatives on the ground, including the Federal Governments Remote School Attendance Strategy.

Further impacts will be the children attendance ratio's as we would only have staff working in the Outside School Care Hours Program, which Ampilatwatja currently has 90 children attending, we would see burn out in our staff again impacting on staff retention, age appropriate activities including the loss of our newly formed AFL teams which staff focus on ages 10-17 years.

With the loss of this program Council and community members will again see the impact of poor health outcomes that have only in the past 2+ years increased dramatically. One evidence base for this is the children at Arlparra Community where the Youth, Sports and Recreation Coordinator has documented a dramatic improvement of children with the provision of one meal a day provided at the program. There has been a decrease in scabies and general hygiene (not so many dirty noses for example). Our communities will see the loss of organised sporting activities, intercommunity competitions, and daily sports activities, recreation programs such as bush trips, multi-media and computer classes to name a few.

The loss of this program has the potential of further disempowering communities as Sports and Recreation is entrenched in their culture and values.

**ITEM NUMBER** 9.4

TITLE Annual Strategic Planning and Budget Development program

19 March 2015

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

REFERENCE 131163

**AUTHOR** Edwina Marks, Chief Executive Officer

## RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the report

## SUMMARY:

Council is required to prepare its Strategic plan and budget as part of its annual calendar. Key dates have been set down for the budget workshops, community exhibition and adoption periods.

## **BACKGROUND**

Council is required to undertake an annual strategic management plan and budget preparation process.

Key dates have been set aside for the budget workshops, community exhibition and adoption periods.

These are as follows:-

Annual Management Plan and Annual Budget process.2015

Rates Modelling 05 May Elected Members workshop (Draft 1) 21 May

Public consultation period opens 11 June - 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2015

Elected Members approve draft for public

Consultation 18 June Tennant Creek Local Authority presentation 22 June

Regional LA's as per LA meeting schedule

Public meeting Tennant Creek & region
Finance and Operations Committee
Audit Committee
Council adopts AMP/AB
Circulate with rates notices

25 June
01 July
16 July
20 July

Councillor Strategic Plan review

23 – 24 May 2015 – Wauchope Hotel, Wauchope. Accommodation and travel will be provided.

## ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Nil

## **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Consultation periods for the Budget and Strategic Plan are expected to be between

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

**ITEM NUMBER** 9.5

TITLE Tennant Creek Regional Economic Development Committee

19 March 2015

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

REFERENCE 131165

**AUTHOR** Edwina Marks, Chief Executive Officer

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the report.

## SUMMARY:

The Tennant Creek Regional Economic Development Committee has developed a strategic plan with a range of actions of stakeholders. These actions are updated at every meeting. Recently the REDC met with the City of MT Isa to progress inter jurisdictional issues such as a potential gas pipeline from Mt Isa to Tennant Creek.

#### **BACKGROUND**

On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> of February, Greg Marlow, Jason Newman, Steve Baldwin, Rebecca Healy and Steve Edgington convened a meeting at the Mount Isa City Council Chambers.

MC Steve Baldwin chaired the meeting and Jason Newman gave a presentation on the potential benefits of Tennant Creek and Mount Isa developing a partnership across the border that would lobby for an Infrastructure Corridor (Gas, Rail, Road, Water, NBN, Power) in addition creating a partnership that would address the health and other social factors affecting both regions. It was widely accepted that the construction of Gas Pipeline from Tennant Creek to Mount Isa would have the following benefits.

- Support bolt on opportunities and creating enhanced viability of projects on the Barkly HWY including Bootu Creek Manganese Mine, Ammaroo Phosphate Project, Wonarah Phosphate Mine and further Spur lines undiscovered. Creating additional customers for the pipeline operators.
- Estimated \$400m cheaper that the Alice Springs to Moomba route.
- Creation of an Infrastructure Corridor from the Northern Territory to Mount Isa (i.e. Gas, Rail, Road, Water, NBN, Power).
- Transport Logistics improving the ability for economic growth in the region.
- Greater community support and employment potential from towns that are prepared for major projects.
- Rescue preparation and emergency services costs are already established on the Barkly HWY and budgeted for.
- The Tennant Creek to Mount Isa working group can assist with local content requirements for the submission to Northern Territory Government.
- Established local labour force with capacity to transfer skills for construction.
- Provide another source of gas for new and existing customers in North West Queensland possibly at a more competitive price.
- Establish a strategic energy corridor with the potential for multi-use
- Provide NT gas supply to the Queensland domestic gas market as well as to supplement LNG export.
- Cheaper option to maintain as within close distance to the National Highway between Tennant Creek and Mount Isa.
- Connect to existing facilities at Mount Isa already servicing the Carpentaria Gas pipeline.

- Established communities at Tennant Creek and Mount Isa have sufficient industry contractors with servicing capability and experience to construct and maintain a pipeline.
- Increase economic base of Tennant Creek to Mount Isa.

## Attendees

- Mayor Tony McGrady
- Deputy Mayor Brett Peterson
- CEO MITEZ Glen Graham
- Chamber North West Travis Crowther
- Chamber North West Garry Murry
- Chamber North West Ryan MacKenzie
- Glencore Trevor Gray
- Regional Development Australia Paul Woodhouse
- MP Rob Katter
- Incitec Pivot Tim Lawrence
- Stanwell (powerstation) Paul Smith

The following motion was moved by the Mayor;

## **MOTION**

That this meeting of the Tennant Creek Regional Development Committee, the Mount Isa, City Council, The Mount Isa Chamber of Commerce, representatives from the private sector, the State member for Mount Isa and MITEZ agree to the establishment of a working group to work for the economic development, cultural, tourism and social development of our two regions. The working group shall consist of two reps from each of the above organisations together with one rep from the private sector and the State member for Mount Isa together with four others nominated by the TCREDC and that the working group is empowered to work for the economic development of the two regions. Carried Unan.

#### MEDIA

REDC members did several radio interviews and provided information to the TD Times for Fridays paper.

## Develop the North article

http://www.northweststar.com.au/story/2890507/develop-the-north/

Editorial article

http://www.northweststar.com.au/story/2890522/editorial-so-many-benefits-in-using-mount-isa-as-link-for-gas-pipeline/

Original article (Monday 16<sup>th</sup>)

http://www.northweststar.com.au/story/2538400/mount-isa-option-for-a-major-gas-pipeline/

## **INCORPORATED ENTITY**

The Committee is currently exploring the costs involved in establishing an incorporated entity to enable an economic group to be formed to;

- Employ a CEO/project officer
- Receive funding and grants
- Drive a community based organisation (inviting Mt Isa to be members)
- Provide local liaison with business and the construction industry for future Gas, Rail, Inland Port etc
- Liaise with research hubs like DKA to provide advice
- Create an economic forum that is not reliant on the political environment (MITEZ has been operating for over 15 years vs TC Economic Committees tend to change when Government does)

The general activity and management of this association will fall on the working group (formed by the REDC) and not the REDC itself.

## Strategic action plan

The Tennant Creek Regional Economic Development Committee has developed a strategic plan with a range of actions of stakeholders. The table is attached as a quarterly update.

## ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

## **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Nil

ATTACHMENTS:
1 REDC REPORT UPDATE MARCH 2015.pdf

## **REDC REPORT UPDATE MARCH 2015**

TNT; Dol; Jason Newman; Edwina Marks	BRC	REDC and LTAC members Jason Newman and Edwina Marks to use Tourism NT market research results, NT Department of Infrastructure and Barkly Regional Council capital works and town beautification programs, to maximise impact of landscaping mindful of tourism priorities. <b>Timing:</b> by April 2015.	Town beautification projects have been referred to the Tennant Creek Local Authority and are currently being costed. Council will work in conjunction with DOI to maximise effect.  Council has allocated capital expenditure to the Tennant Creek Cemetery and Lake Maryanne reserve for minor beautification works.
TNT; Steve Baldwin; Jason Newman; Edwina Marks	BRC	REDC and LTAC members Steve Baldwin, Jason Newman and Edwina Marks to work with Tourism NT to investigate most effective location, promotion and signage for the Visitor Information Centre. <u>Timing</u> : by September 2014.	Completed
Edwina Marks	BRC	REDC member Edwina Marks to work with relevant organisations in the installation of new local language signage at selected points across the region. <b>Timing</b> : by August 2015.	Council is working on boundary signage that reflects the local identity and language. Currently being costed and reported to Council in March and April 2015.As above.
Steve Baldwin; Jason Newman; Edwina Marks; Bob Bagnall	LTAC	REDC and LTAC members Steve Baldwin, Jason Newman, Edwina Marks and Bob Bagnall to support the development of audio tour guide for Tennant Creek and Barkly region. <u>Timing</u> : by March 2015.	The Borella ride concept is currently being developed by the Tennant Creek Local Authority.
All REDC	BRC	REDC to support Barkly Regional Council establish priorities for the upgrade of camping, walking and cycling and playground facilities that support tourism activity. <b>Timing:</b> by December 2014.	Council has allocated Local Authority to the El- Derado Park and Lake Maryanne Dam as part of its 2014/15 budget.
Barbara Shaw; Edwina Marks		REDC members Barbara Shaw and Edwina Marks to lead a review of Council procurement criteria and processes to maximise regional business contracts. <u>Timing</u> : by January 2015.	Council is currently investigating a grow local campaign. Council has developed a local weighting for all tender procurement processes.

Dol; DoCS; Edwina Marks	LGANT (Peter McLinden)	EDO and REDC member Edwina Marks with the Department of Infrastructure (Darcy Dunbar), Department of Community Services (Greg Taylor) and LGANT (Peter McLinden) to identify synergies in the prioritisation, coordination and delivery of capital works in the Barkly region. <u>Timing</u> : by February 2015.	Council and DOI have shared data about capital and civil works with an aim to develop a singular document.
Edwina Marks; Barbara Shaw, Trevor Sanders		EDO to facilitate a meeting with REDC members from Anyinginyi, Barkly Regional Council and Julalikari Council to explore options in relation to their organisations becoming developers. <u>Timing</u> : by December 2014.	On hold currently due to IAS announcements and impact on programs.
Dol (Darcy Dunbar); Edwina Marks	LGANT (Peter McLinden)	REDC member Edwina Marks to meet with Department of Infrastructure (Darcy Dunbar) and LGANT (Peter McLinden) to align and prioritise roads that matter in an economic development sense. <b>Timing:</b> by November 2014.	Council, DOI and LGANT have shared data with the view to create a road hierarchy management plan for the Barkly region.
DCM; Edwina Marks		EDO in conjunction with REDC member Edwina Marks to draft a joint letter from the REDC and Barkly Regional Council to request the Northern Territory Planning Commission schedule development of Tennant Creek Masterplan.  Timing: by November 2014.	Council has met with the NT Planning Commission on the 24 February. The Commission has informed Council that they will be reviewing the current regional planning framework during 2015. They have accepted an invitation to speak to Council once that process is underway. The revision of this framework will provide a significantly improved spatial plan that will address any masterplanning issues. This will be funded by the Commission.
Edwina Marks	BRC; JCAC; AHAC	REDC member Edwina Marks to propose a regular meeting with CEOs of Barkly Regional Council, Julalikari Council Aboriginal Corporation and Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation with a view to review training and skills development requirements. <b>Timing</b> : by January 2015.	All organisations are a part of a number of committees and research projects including Resetting the relations, whole of community education project with Charles Darwin University. This is aimed at the whole education sector.  Council also invites other organisations to training sessions where ever possible including WHS, governance and leadership training.

DCM; Edwina Marks	Barkly Regional Council	EDO with support of REDC member Edwina Marks, to create a local jobs exchange noticeboard for use by Barkly Regional Council, local training providers and community organisations. Noticeboard could be both hardcopy and electronic to be used by local employers to advertise job vacancies and job seekers. Noticeboard could promote employment support options, such as driving training for car and truck licences, workfocused literacy and numeracy, and OH&S knowledge. Timing: by November 2014.	Currently VET training is under review. The Council has provided a response to the review through LGANT. In addition Council is working with stakeholders to find out information about training and education and IAS cuts.  To be progressed.
DCM; Tony Civitarese; Trevor Sanders; Edwina Marks	BRC; JCAC; AHAC; CDU; TCHS; PAK; GTNT; Dept of Corrections; RTOs; Businesses active in training	EDO with support of REDC members Tony Civitarese, Trevor Sanders and Edwina Marks to organise a forum of key stakeholders (Barkly Regional Council, Julalikari, Anygininyi, CDU Tennant Creek, Tenant Creek High School, Papulu Apparr-kari Language Centre, Group Training NT, Department of Corrections, RTOs and businesses active in training) to discuss coordination of course provision and sharing of resources. Timing: by November 2014.	IAS announcements completed late March. To be progressed once funding positions are known
Tony Civitarese, Trevor Sanders; Edwina Marks		REDC members Tony Civitarese, Trevor Sanders and Edwina Marks to include school-business liaison opportunities as a topic at Training Stakeholders Forum. <u>Timing</u> : by November 2014.	Council currently has two school placements running. This item also came up as a point of interest in the whole of community education initiative.
Tony Civitarese; Trevor Sanders; Edwina Marks		REDC members Tony Civitarese, Trevor Sanders and Edwina Marks to include these topics at Training Stakeholders Forum.  Timing: by November 2014.	To be progressed
DCM; DoB (Mary Martin); Edwina Marks		EDO with support of REDC member Edwina Marks to contact Department of Business - Business and Skilled Migration (Mary Martin) to investigate mechanisms to increase the profile of labour opportunities in the Barkly <b>Timing:</b> by September 2014.	Chamber of Commerce has investigated these options. Breakfast workshop held in 2014 to Tennant Creek business community

DCM; DoB; Edwina Marks		EDO with support of REDC member Edwina Marks to increase delivery of initiatives which provide governance and financial management guidance to not-for-profit, Indigenous and community organisations, tapping into the NT Department of Business' Non-Government Organisations Business Support Program. <u>Timing</u> : by September 2014.	Professional development calendar currently under development with LGANT. Information from Chamber of Commerce, CDU and Department of Business received.
DCM; Edwina Marks	Chamber of Commerce	EDO with support of REDC member Edwina Marks, to liaise with the Chamber of Commerce to establish a 'buy local' initiative. <u>Timing:</u> by November 2014.	Local buy initiative explored with LGANT through LG sector. Council to commence 'grow local' campaign.
DCM; NTG; Edwina Marks	Barkly Regional Council; ICN-NNT	EDO with support of Barkly Regional Council CEO (REDC member Edwina Marks) work with Barkly Regional Council, ICN, and NT Government to identify key procurement officers and networks, identify key existing unrealised procurement opportunities for the region, and develop tactics to maximise procurement. <b>Timing:</b> by November 2014.	Regional Procurement list to be developed
DCM; Edwina Marks	Barkly Regional Council	EDO with support of REDC member Edwina Marks to support Barkly Regional Council to enable people to stay on country through considering mechanisms of retention of population and expenditure on communities (such vouchers for local community stores, more activity in communities, looking after country employment). <b>Timing:</b> by January 2015	Council is currently advocating through REDC, Local Authorities and media for local jobs. Council is working with JCAC to progress RJCP initiatives across region.
All REDC		REDC members to liaise with their organisational, professional and business networks for inclusion of the article on the REDC Strategic Plan in their newsletters and noticeboards. <u>Timing</u> : by November 2014.	REDC reports provided to Council quarterly.

**ITEM NUMBER** 9.6

TITLE LGMA National Congress and Business Expo

REFERENCE 131126

**AUTHOR** Courtney Barber, Executive Assistant to the CEO

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

a) Nominate an Elected Member and the Chief Executive Officer or their delegate to attend the 2015 LGMA National Congress and Business Expo including the Indigenous Employment and Leadership Roundtable 28 April – 1 May in Darwin.

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## SUMMARY:

An Elected Member and The Chief Executive Officer or their delegate to attend the 2015 LGMA National Congress and Business Expo including the Indigenous Employment and Leadership Roundtable 28 April – 1 May in Darwin.

## **BACKGROUND**

The 2015 LGMA National Congress and Business Expo will be held in Darwin from Wednesday 28 April to Friday 1 May 2015. This includes the Indigenous Employment and Leadership Roundtable. (28 April – 29 April)

This year's Congress is the first major national event on creating value proposition in the context of local government in Australia. A value proposition is a collection of reasons explaining why a person or company should engage with your organisation.

Attendees will benefit from interactive breakout sessions, panel discussions and new ideas to take back to their organisation to define and drive a value proposition at an organization wide level that delivers results.

The four (4) day forum will be held at the Darwin Convention Centre. Day one (1) and two (2) of the forum will focus on Indigenous Employment and Leadership in Local Government. Day three (3) and four (4) of the forum will focus on value proposition.

The registration fee for the four (4) days is \$1375 early bird (LGMA Member) or \$1675 early bird (non LGMA member) per delegate. Early bird registration is to be completed before 11 April.

## ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Please note that the Indigenous Employment Forum that Cr. Price and Director HR are attending in Darwin on 20/21 May is not related to this forum.

## **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Nil

## **ATTACHMENTS**:

**ITEM NUMBER** 9.7

TITLE Rates Concession Policy

REFERENCE 131151

**AUTHOR** Courtney Barber, Executive Assistant to the CEO

Ordinary Council at its meeting on 20 November 2014 resolved that the matter be deferred to the meeting to be held on 19 February

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2015.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

a) Adopt the CP000036 Rates Concession Policy appended to this report as recommended by the Audit Committee on 11 November 2014

## **SUMMARY:**

Council adopted its Policy and Procedural framework at its February 2014 Ordinary meeting. Accordingly Council is systematically reviewing all of its corporate and administrative policies. The above policy has been reviewed throughout October for Councils consideration and endorsement.

## **BACKGROUND**

At its February 2014 meeting the Council adopted a Policy Framework and a new template for Policies. All existing policies were rescinded and replaced with policies written in the new format. New policies are being developed where this is necessary and the aim is to have a full set of Council policies developed over the next year.

It is recommended that the following Policy (appended to this Report) be adopted:

 CP000036 Rates Concession policy as recommended by the Audit Committee at its meeting on 11 November 2014. (Deferred from the 20 November 2014 Ordinary Council Meeting)

## ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Council will implement processes and procedures to assist the implementation of each policy.

## **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Nil

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

1 CP000038 - Policy - Rates Concession - March Council Meeting.pdf



TITLE:	Rates Concession	n Policy		
DIVISON:				
ADOPTED BY:	Council			
DATE OF ADOPTION:		DATE OF REVIEW:	1 November 2018	
MOTION NUMBER:				
POLICY NUMBER:	CP000038	CP000038		
AUTHORISED:	Chief Executive Office	er		

#### THIS POLICY APPLIES TO:

All employees of the Barkly Regional Council and Elected Members

#### **PREAMBLE**

The aim of all policy is for Councillors to provide strategic input into the effective operational framework of the organisation under S.11 of the Local Government Act

#### SUMMARY

The Policy sets out the circumstances under which consideration will be given to granting a rate concession (that is, a reduced or deferred payment). It provides guidelines for Council Officers in the exercise of delegated authority. Concessions may be granted in instances of financial hardship, to correct anomalies in the rating system or where there is some public benefit.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

To establish the circumstances under which applications for concession or exemption from rates and charges may be granted.

The authority to levy rates on property is vested in the Council by the *Local Government Act*. In some circumstances it may be considered appropriate for the payment of rates to be deferred or for a rates concession to be granted. Efficient administration of the Council's rating system requires that officers have the authority to act on Council's behalf and this policy sets out the framework under which this delegated authority may be exercised.

### BACKGROUND

The Local Government Act (Part 11.8) provides that a Council may grant a rate concession unconditionally or on conditions determined by the Council. This concession may be in the form of a waiver of all or part of rates payable or in the form of a deferment.

A concession may be granted:

- On the grounds of financial hardship on application by a person who establishes to the Council's satisfaction that the person will suffer financial hardship if the concession is not granted. (Section 165)
- To correct anomalies in the operation of the rating system: The Council may grant a
  rate concession to a ratepayer or ratepayers of a particular class if satisfied that it is

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necessary to do so in order to correct anomalies. A concession of this type may be granted on the Council's own initiative or on application by an affected ratepayer. (Section 166)

- For the purpose of public benefit: The Local Government Act provides that the Council may grant a rate concession under this section on its own initiative or on application by a ratepayer if satisfied that the concession will advance one or more of the following purposes:
  - Securing the proper development of its area;
  - Preserving buildings or places of historical interest;
  - Protecting the environment;
  - Encouraging cultural activities;
  - Promoting community health or welfare;
  - Encouraging agriculture;
  - Providing recreation or amusement for the public.

However, a rate concession of this type may only be granted if authorised under a policy formally adopted by resolution of the Council and is subject to limitations and conditions specified in that policy. (Section 167)

#### **POLICY STATEMENT**

The Local Government Act (Part 11.8) provides that under certain circumstances a Council may grant a rate concession unconditionally or on conditions determined by the Council. Discretionary rebates are reviewed on a case-by-case basis and may only be granted where applicants meet at least one of the prescribed eligibility criteria set out in the Local Government Act.

Applications must be made in writing, explaining the need for financial assistance. Sufficient information and supporting documentary evidence so as to satisfy the statutory and assessment criteria must be included.

### Financial Hardship

Barkly Regional Council recognises that individuals can experience difficulty in meeting their responsibilities for the payment of rates and that it may be appropriate where financial hardship has been demonstrated to grant a concession in respect to the payment of rates. The concession granted can be either a waiving of rates levied (i.e. abandonment), or a deferment (for recovery at a later time).

Relief from payment of rates on the grounds of financial hardship will only apply to a natural person(s) who use the rated property as their principal place of residence.

Relief from payment of rates on the grounds of financial hardship will not apply to:

- Self-employed persons operating their business from their place of residence
- Businesses
- Clubs or organisations that hold a licence to sell liquor and/or operate gaming machines

The concession granted will be either a waiving of rates levied, or a deferment.

- · Rates waived will not be recovered at a future time;
- Rates deferred will be recovered at a future time either when the ratepayer's circumstances change or when the property is sold. Until paid, deferred rates remain a charge against the land.

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Where it is considered that a concession in respect of financial hardship is not warranted the Council may allow property owners who are unable to pay their rates by the due date to enter into an arrangement to pay by instalments according to an agreed schedule, with no interest being charged or recovery action being undertaken while the arrangement is being maintained.

#### Rating Anomalies

Barkly Regional Council may grant a rate concession to a ratepayer or ratepayers of a particular class if satisfied that it is necessary to do so in order to correct anomalies. A concession of this type may be granted on the Council's own initiative or on application by an affected ratepayer.

Rates waived will not be recovered at a future time.

#### Public Benefit

Barkly Regional Council will give consideration to granting a rate concession on its own initiative or on application by a ratepayer if satisfied that:

- The ratepayer is a community services organisation defined as an organisation that
  - Is incorporated on a not-for-profit basis for the benefit of the public;
  - Provides community services without charge or for a charge that is below the cost to the body of providing the services; and
  - Does not restrict its services to persons who are members of the body.
- 2 The concession will advance one or more of the following purposes:
  - Securing the proper development of its area;
  - Preserving buildings or places of historical interest;
  - Protecting the environment;
  - Encouraging cultural activities;
  - Promoting community health or welfare;
  - Encouraging agriculture;
  - Providing recreation or amusement for the public.

The quantum of any concession will be decided on a case-by-case basis depending on the circumstances of the organisation with the maximum concession to be 75% of the applicable rate

Where it has been decided that a concession would be appropriate this will be achieved in the following manner;

The rate payer will pay the rates before the due date and upon receipt the Council will donate to the organisation an amount equivalent to 75% of the rates paid by the organisation as a community grant. The intent of this procedure is to provide transparency. To be eligible for a concession rates must be paid before the due date.

### **Community Associations and Crown Leases**

Council recognises that incorporated community associations which have been granted tenancy of a property by way of a Crown Lease for a specific purpose, may experience difficulty in meeting their responsibilities for the payment of rates whilst in the process of substantially achieving the purpose of that Crown Lease.

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Council Policy is that where the specific purpose of the Crown Lease satisfies the requirements of Part 11.8 of the *Local Government Act*, Council will waive (abandon) all rates until such time as the associations concerned have substantially achieved the purpose of the relevant Crown Lease and are therefore deemed to be in occupation of the parcels of land in question.

#### **Council Budgets**

From the adoption of this Policy the annual budget of the Council will provide an estimated amount to allow for the refund of rates where a concession has been granted on the grounds of public benefit.

Note: Section 144 of the *Local Government Act* contains a list of land that is exempt from rates under that Act. This list includes:

- Land belonging to a religious body consisting of:
  - o a church or other place of public worship; or
  - a place of residence for a minister of religion associated with a church or other place of public worship; or
  - a place of residence for the official head in the Territory of the religious body;
  - an institution for religious teaching or training;
- A public hospital;
- Land used for a non-commercial purpose by a public benevolent institution or a public charity;
- A kindergarten, pre-school, school, university or other tertiary educational institution;
- Land recognised by the council as a youth centre;
- A public library or public museum

### Fees and Charges

Garbage and other charges are essentially a fee for service provided and will not be waived.

### LEGISLATION, TERMINOLOGY AND REFERENCES

NT Local Government Act

### IMPLEMENTATION AND DELEGATION

The CEO has delegated authority to implement this policy and to make decisions in relation to rates concessions, deferred payments and the waiver of interest and other penalties which may be applicable.

#### **EVALUATION AND REVIEW**

This Policy is to be reviewed every four (4) years, and may be reviewed at other times at the discretion of Chief Executive Officer.

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### **GENERAL BUSINESS AND MATTERS FOR NOTING**

**ITEM NUMBER** 9.8

TITLE Code of Meeting Practice amendment

REFERENCE 131210

**AUTHOR** Edwina Marks, Chief Executive Officer

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the amendment to allow attendance at Council and Local Authority meetings by phone, where physical attendance cannot be achieved.

19 March 2015

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#### SUMMARY:

Council's current code of meeting practice was adopted in February 2015. As such it is based upon the Local Government Act (2008) and Councils Tennant Creek By-laws. An amendment is proposed to the above adopted policy that allows Councillors or Local Authority Members to attend by phone to an official meeting in the event of an emergency to support quorum.

In addition, this code of meeting practice policy affects Local Authorities where procedural matters arise and they are not covered in any relevant policy affecting Local Authorities or the Local Government Act.

### **BACKGROUND**

Nil

### ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Councillors would need to clearly supply evidence that they are attending and have attended by phone. This is expected to only occur during an emergency.

#### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Advise Local Authority committee members and Councillors of this change.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS AND MATTERS FOR NOTING**

**ITEM NUMBER** 9.9

TITLE Ratification of the Common Seal

REFERENCE 131068

**AUTHOR** Courtney Barber, Executive Assistant to the CEO

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council ratify the execution of the following document under Council's Common Seal.

 05.03.2015 – Department of Health: Funding Agreement Indigenous Environmental Health Service; 01/01/15 – 30/06/15

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#### **SUMMARY:**

The Local Government Act provides for Council to authorise or ratify the execution of documents under Council seal.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Government agencies require formal agreements with Council for the provision of agency services and these agreements are normally required to be endorsed under Seal of the Council and witnessed by the CEO and one member of the Council. All of the contracts and agreements listed in the recommendation have been endorsed by the CEO and a Councillor or Council President.

The following documents were signed under the Common Seal between 18 February 2015 and 11 March 2015

Date Signed	Funding Agency/ Document Description	Project Description	Project Amount if applicable	Signed by
05-Mar-15	Department of Health	Funding Agreement: Indigenous Environmental Health Service	01/01/15 – 30/06/2015	President Barb Shaw     CEO; Edwina Marks

#### ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

The Council is a corporate entity and is required to enter into binding legal agreements from time to time and the affixing of the Common Seal to such an agreement is the equivalent of a corporate signature.

The Local Government Act Provides;

Section 26 (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.

### **ATTACHMENTS**:

### PRESIDENT REPORT

**ITEM NUMBER** 10.1

TITLE Presidents Report

REFERENCE 130981

**AUTHOR** Regan Randle, Executive Assistant to The President

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the Presidents Report.

### **SUMMARY:**

The President Reports to Council her activities since the last Ordinary Council Meeting.

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BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

### **BACKGROUND**

The President, as part of her role attends a range of meetings and public engagement activities. Accordingly meetings, appointments, functions, media commitments, civic receptions and committee meetings have been listed below.

20.02.2015 -	The Borella Ride Departure Ceremony, Ninkka Nuyunu Cultural Centre,
00 00 0045	Tennant Creek
20.02.2015 -	Alcohol Reference Group Meeting with the Chief Minister and Cabinet, Tennant Creek
24.02.2015 -	Northern Territory Planning Committee, Tennant Creek
24.02.2015 -	Regional Economic Development Committee Meeting, Tennant Creek
02.03.2015 -	International Women's Day Meeting, Tennant Creek
03.03.2015 -	Disciplinary Committee Meeting, Tennant Creek
04.03.2015 -	Welcome to Local Authority Chairs and Vice Chairs to there training,
	Tennant Creek
04.03.2015 -	National Disability Insurance Agency, Meeting with Bruce Bonyhady,
	Jennifer Cullen, Joan McKenna Kerr, Paul Calcott, Sue Ham, Alex
	Madsen, Jason Scott - Tennant Creek
04.03.2015 -	Tennant Creek Local Authority, Tennant Creek
08.03.2015 -	International Women's Day Breakfast, Tennant Creek
10.03.2015 -	Local Government Association Northern Territory Meeting, via teleconference
10.03.2015 -	Audit Committee Meeting update with Audit Chair Rex Mooney and Chief Executive Officer
10.03.2015 -	Elliott Local Authority Selection Panel, Tennant Creek
10.03.2015 -	Media Releases regarding the Funding cuts to Barkly Regional Council
12.03.2015 -	Agenda briefing with Chief Executive Officer, Tennant Creek
12.03.2015 -	Monthly newspaper Column Meeting with Public Relations and Events
12.03.2015 -	Manager
12.03.2015 -	Luncheon with the Artists from Barkly Arts who have hand painted ceramic pots for the Council Chambers
13.03.2015 -	Meeting with Michael Gorey from the Centralian Advocate, Tennant Creek
13.03.2015 -	Regional Economic Development Mt Isa Working Group Meeting, Tennant
10.00.2010	Creek

### **ATTACHMENTS**:

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 11.1

TITLE Chief Executive Officers - February 2015 Report

REFERENCE 131139

**AUTHOR** Edwina Marks, Chief Executive Officer

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the report.

### **SUMMARY:**

The report provides an overview of the activities of the Chief Executive Officer during February 2015

### **BACKGROUND**

#### **Local Authorities**

Local Authority (LA's) have been affected significantly by sorry business in a range of communities over the proceeding month with only three of the Local Authorities achieving quorum. Strategies have been implemented with Community Co-ordinators to mitigate this to help assist travel and collection. However Councillors will need to work closely with the Community Coordinators at the local level to ensure that meeting quorums are achieved.

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### **Councillor development and training**

Councillors currently have completed a Meeting policy and practice workshop with LGANT and Rodney Donne in March. The aim of this workshop was to improve the efficiency of the meetings and practice a range of meeting procedures.

### Strategic Planning workshop and budget development

Councillors are preparing for a 1 and half day strategic planning session offsite, tentatively marked for 23 and 24 May 2015.

#### **OCMP**

Council will review organizational structures in line with its revised and new budget during May 2015.

### **Review of the Local Government Act**

Submissions have been provided to LGANT as part of its call for motions. The submission included motions about cultural policy, NTEC 2017 elections and disciplinary processes and code of conduct.

#### **Australia Post**

Council has been advised that there is a new licencee for the Tennant Creek Post office. Attached is a copy of their letter.

#### **Anti-Social Behaviour**

Council has seen an increase in anti-social activity over the February period in relation to recreational infrastructure and are working with Police NT and the Tennant Creek Safety Committee to propose strategies to the Tennant Creek Safety Committee. In addition the TCSC has set up a youth committee to work on youth related issues and crimes across Tennant Creek.

#### **Master Plan for Purkiss Reserve**

Council has advanced the masterplan concept with Hames Sharley for the Purkiss Reserve precinct and is in the process of receiving an updated proposal.

### Indigenous Advancement Strategy grant funding selection process

The Indigenous Advancement Strategy grant round has announced its results. The amounts requested and received are as follows.

### Barkly Regional Council Indigenous Advancement Strategy

	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
Program	Requested	Received	Requested	Received	Requested	Received
Workforce Development	641,310	0	705,441	0	775,985	0
Night Patrol	3,565,500	2,418,991	3,922,050	2,418,991	4,314,255	2,418,991
School Nutrition Program	1,039,350	1,015,500	1,123,285	677,000	1,215,613	0
Youth Development	1,080,000	0	1,188,000	0	1,306,800	0
Elliott Community Radio	100,000	36,537	110,000	0	121,000	0
Elliott Playgroup	130,000	67,600	140,000	33,800	151,000	0
Animal Welfare	400,000	0	440,000	0	484,000	0
Overhead	839,539	0	720,733	0	1,010,046	0
	7,795,699	3,538,628	8,349,509	3,129,791	9,378,699	2,418,991

Council has taken a strong media position in relation to the cuts to youth development and animal welfare. In addition the Chief Executive Officer has met with the Regional Manager in Alice Springs on the 11 March and will meet with Prime Minister and Cabinet the following week to discuss the offer and go into negotiation.

### **Major Tenders**

Council will go to tender for the Elliott and Ali Curung Waterpark during March/April with a view to having appointments and work completed by 31 July 2015.

### **MEETINGS / EVENTS**

Meetings, appointment, functions, media commitments, civic receptions and committee meetings that the Chief Executive Officer has attended since the last Ordinary Council Meeting; (Does not include Operational Meetings such as staff meetings)

- 16.02.2015 Commencement of the Purkiss Reserve Football Change Rooms construction
- 18.02.2015 Councillor Development Workshop; Tennant Creek
- 18.02.2015 CEO Review; Tennant Creek
- 19.02.2015 Ordinary Council Meeting; Tennant Creek
- 20.02.2015 The Borella Ride; Tennant Creek
- 20.02.2015 Cr. Ray Aylett; Tennant Creek
- 22.02.2015 Interviews for Director Communities; Alice Springs
- 23.02.2015 Interviews for Director Communities; Alice Springs
- 03.03.2015 Helen Walton, NDIS; Tennant Creek
- 04.03.2015 Malcolm Mill, NDIA; Tennant Creek
- 04.03.2015 Tennant Creek Local Authority Meeting; Tennant Creek
- 05.03.2015 Batchelor Institute; Tennant Creek
- 10.03.2015 Cr. Tony Boulter
- 10.03.2015 Audit Committee Meeting; Tennant Creek
- 10.03.2015 Elliott Local Authority Nomination selection Panel; Tennant Creek
- 11.03.2015 WCE Tennant Creek Reference Group Meeting; Tennant Creek
- 11.03.2015 Cr. Tony Boulter
- 12.03.2015 President Barb Shaw and Cr. Tony Boulter, Agenda Briefing; Tennant Creek
- 12.03.2015 Presidential Luncheon; Tennant Creek
- 13.03.2015 Tennant Creek/Mt Isa Working Group Meeting
- 13.03.2015 Jenny Upton, NDS: Tennant Creek

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 11.2

TITLE A/Director Corporate Services - February 2015 Report

REFERENCE 130581

AUTHOR Susan Wright, A/Director Corporate Services

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council

a) Receive and note the report of the activities within the Corporate Services Directorate for the month of February 2015

19 March 2015

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### **SUMMARY:**

This report details the activities of the Corporate Services Directorate for February 2015.

### **BACKGROUND**

During the period, the Grants Manager was also acting as Director of Corporate Services while the Director of Corporate Services was Acting Director of Community Services.

Supporting the Finance team has been the focus of the month. The team has had various people leave their positions and have members on leave or working in other areas temporarily.

Cross positioning is still occurring which is helpful for the overall picture of the finance structure and tasks. There are three 6 month contract positions being filled to help with the shortfall in Finance and these should all be in place by the end of the month.

### **Finance**

The Finance Report for February is attached.

#### **Grants**

The Grants report for February is attached.

### ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Nil

#### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Nil

### **ATTACHMENTS**:

- 1 Finance Report February 2015.pdf
- 2 Grants Unit Report February 2015.pdf



FINANCE REPORT
AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2015



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Finance Report to 28 February 2015						
	Annual Budget	Year to Date Budget	28 February 2015	\$ Variance	% Variance	Budget
Operating Income & Expenditure Statement		,				0
Revenue						
Grants Subsidies Contributions	13,930,777	9,287,185	12,008,564	2,721,380	19.54%	1,922,213
Rates	2,953,046	1,968,697	3,090,023	1,121,326	37.97%	-136,977
User Charges	1,526,519	1,017,679	476,786	-540,894	-35.43%	1,049,733
Other Revenues	6,528,179	4,352,119	3,233,245	-1,118,874	-17.14%	3,294,934
	24,938,521	16,625,681	18,808,618	2,182,937	8.75%	6,129,903
Expenditure						
Employee Costs	15,715,308	10,476,872	10,602,319	125,447	0.80%	5,112,989
	7,079,734	4,719,823	5,498,347	778,524	11.00%	1,581,387
Depreciation Amortisation & Impairment	0	0	1,960,767	1,960,767		
Other Expenses	1,567,200	1,044,800	1,672,605	627,805	40.06%	-105,405
	24,362,242	16,241,495	19,734,037	3,492,543	14.34%	4,628,205
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	576,279	384,186	-925,419	-1,309,605	-227.25%	
Depreciation Amortisation & Impairment	0		1,960,767	1,960,767		
Notional Surplus/(Deficit)	576,279	384,186	1,035,348	651,162	112.99%	
Capital Income & Expenditure Statement Revenue						
Grants Subsidies Contributions	2,510,000	1,673,333	200,000			2,010,000
Expenditure Contracts & Materials	5,230,000	3,486,667	400,567			4,829,433
Capital Surplus/(Deficit)	-2,720,000	-1,813,333	99,433			



## Cash & Investment Balances as at 28 February 2015

Westpac Bank National Australia Bank Operating AAA Investment

4,401,573 2,428,981

6,830,554

### **Debtor Balances as at 28 February 2015**

NT Government Commonwealth Government Dump Access	330,904 98,741 15,030
Sundry Debtors Library Debtors NT Government	82,100 1,168
4th Installment due 24 April 2015 Current Oustanding	1,074,669 397,207 677,462
Rates	1.074.660



TITLE Grants Unit Report

REFERENCE February 2015

AUTHOR Susan Wright, Grants Manager

### SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS

**COMMUNITY:** Across All Communities

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL#	AMOUNT
Oct 2014	IAS School Nutrition	1,2,3,5,7	\$1,015,500
	IAS Night Patrol	1,2,3,5,7	\$2,418,991

COMMUNITY: Elliott

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL#	AMOUNT
Oct 2014	IAS Elliott Community Radio	1,2,3,5,7	\$36,537
	IAS Elliott Playgroup	1,2,3,5,7	\$67,600

#### \*Goals

#1 - Maximise regional development opportunities to grow a dynamic and sustainable community with strong opportunities for people.

#2 - Support community capacity building through community engagement to develop communities which have the capacity to actively participate in, and add value to, their communities through their own endeavours.

#3 — Ensure services, programs and assets support community wellbeing, to provide quality services, programs and infrastructure to make our communities safe and healthy and actively listen to and inform our communities.

#4 - Be a strong regional leader in governance and to have strong, fair and effective representative and corporate governance.

#5 - Identify and build meaningful partnerships.

#6 - Proactively gather evidence to ensure that Barkly Regional Council can support and measure our progress.

#7 - Em brace cultural diversity and treat people with equity and respect to ensure we are an inclusive and harmonious region.

### **APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED THIS MONTH**

COMMUNITY: Elliott

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL#	AMOUNT
February 2015	ABA – Elliott Vehicle – Community Services	1,2,3,5,7	\$64,221.59

COMMUNITY: Ampilatwatja

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL#	AMOUNT
February 2015	ABA – Ablution Block upgrade	1,2,3,5,7	\$93,143.60

### **UNSUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS**

### COMMUNITY:

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	REASON UNSUCCESSFUL	AMOUNT
January 2015	RAAASS – Multi Media	Budget item (wage) did not fit within their scope of funding.	\$24,000.00
Oct 2014	IAS Workforce Development		\$641,310
	IAS Youth Development		\$1,080,000
	IAS Animal Welfare	No councils were funded for animal management	\$400,000

### SNAPSHOT

Indigenous Advancement Strategy

· ·	0,	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
Program		Requested	Received	Requested	Received	Requested	Received
Workforce Development		641,310	) (	705,44	1 (	775,985	0
Night Patrol		3,565,500	2,418,991	3,922,05	0 2,418,991	4,314,255	2,418,991
School Nutrition Program		1,039,350	1,015,500	1,123,28	5 677,000	1,215,613	0
Youth Development		1,080,000	) (	1,188,00	0 0	1,306,800	0
Elliott Community Radio		100,000	36,537	7 110,00	0 0	121,000	0
Elliott Playgroup		130,000	67,600	140,00	33,800	151,000	0
Animal Welfare		400,000	) (	440,00	0 0	484,000	0
Overhead		839,539	) (	720,73	3 (	1,010,046	0
		7,795,699	3,538,628	8,349,50	9 3,129,791	9,378,699	2,418,991

### **OUTSTANDING APPLICATIONS**

COMMUNITY: Across all Communities

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL#	AMOUNT
	DSS – Volunteer – Building Effective Volunteers (4.5 years, first yr \$44,000, \$59,000, \$64,000, \$69,000, \$74,000)	1,2,3,4,5,7	\$44,000.00
	DSS – Community Capacity Building – Barkly Region Youth Governance Straetey (3.5 years, first year \$50,000, \$100,000 each year after)	1,2,3,4,5,6,7	\$50,000.00
	DSS – Aged Care Service – Strengthening Employee Capacity (2.5 years, first year \$50,000, \$100,000 next two years)	1,2,3,5,7	\$50,000.00

COMMUNITY: Arlparra

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL#	AMOUNT
	DSS – Aged Care - Vehicle	1,2,3,5,7	\$16,800.00

### **ACQUITTED APPLICATIONS**

**COMMUNITY: ALL COMMUNITIES** 

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL#	FUNDING BODY	AMOUNT
	Indigenous Women in Sport	1,2,3,5,7	Commonwealth	

#### SUMMARY

Applications currently being worked on are the Special Purpose Grants for the region. BRC will be submitting applications as follows:

Tractor & Slasher for Elliott – new and used prices will be sourced. This will be passed up to the Finance and Operations Committee for review. Rubbish Truck for Alpurrurulum – new and used prices will be sourced. This will be passed up to the Finance and Operations Committee for review. Compactor for Tennant Creek Tip. Recommendations will be passed up to the Finance and Operations Committee for review.

Other Applications include:

Centre Corp - for support for the Multi Media project in Elliott

Arts NT Quick Response Program – for support for the E Town Boys and Desert Sevenz to attend the Wide Open Spaces Festival.

### **COMMUNITY: All Communities**

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL#	AMOUNT APPLIED	AMOUNT RECEIVED	FUNDING BODY	Successful/Unsuccessful
	DSRR – Purkiss Reserve Masterplan	1,2,3,4,5,6,7	\$36,000	\$36,000	NTG - DSRR	successful
January 2015	ERF		\$36,000	\$36,000	DSS	successful
November 2014	IRP LLN Project	2,3,6,7	\$47,976.62	\$47,976.62	DOB	successful
	Youth Week	2,3,7	\$4,000	\$2,500	NTG	successful
	Australia Day		\$8,000	\$3,000	NTG	successful
Oct 2014	International Women's Day	1,2,3,5,7	\$5,000	\$2,000	NTG	successful
September 2014	Barkly Tilt Tray Truck	3,7	\$220,512.00		LGACS - MES	unsuccessful
August 2014						
	ARC funding rolled over	2,3,7	\$204,000	\$204,000		successful
	IRP LLN Project	2,3,6,7	\$26,625.72	\$26,625.72	DOB	successful
	Ampilatwatja After School	3	\$1272.80	\$1272.80	Commonwealth	successful
July 2014	Strengthening Local Authorities	2,4,7	\$200,000	\$200,000	NTG	successful
	APRA – Multi Media	1,2,3,5,7	\$45,000		Corporate	unsuccessful
	MAGNT – TC Library Upgrade	1,2,3,4,5,6,7	\$94,171.96		NTĠ - MAGNT	unsuccessful
	ACAR – 10 HACC Positions	1,2,3,5,7	\$303,062		COMM-DSS	unsuccessful

### COMMUNITY: Ampilatwatja

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL #	AMOUNT APPLIED	AMOUNT RECEIVED	FUNDING BODY	Successful/Unsuccessful
January 2015	Ampilatwatja Staff Housing	1,2,3,4,5,7	\$125,000.00	\$125,000.00	LGACS - SPG	successful
	CBF – CAYLUS Ablution block	1,2,3,5,7	\$199,547.50		NTG - CBF	unsuccessful

COMMUNITY: Alpurrurulam

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL #	AMOUNT APPLIED	AMOUNT RECEIVED	FUNDING BODY	Successful/Unsuccessful
	Rubbish Truck	3,7	\$301,206.59		LGACS - SPG	unsuccessful

COMMUNITY: Ali-Curung

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL #	AMOUNT APPLIED	AMOUNT RECEIVED	FUNDING BODY	Successful/Unsuccessful
	Basketball Court	1,2,3,5,7	332,709.95		LGACS - SPG	unsuccessful

**COMMUNITY:** Arlparra

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL #	AMOUNT APPLIED	AMOUNT RECEIVED	FUNDING BODY	Successful/Unsuccessful
	Barkly Water and Waste Management Plan	1,2,3,5,6,7	\$50,000.00		LGACS - MES   SPG	unsuccessful
	Septic Truck	3,7	\$209,486.50		LGACS - MES SPG	unsuccessful
	Road Works	3,7	\$54,164.00	\$54,164.00	LGACS - MES SPG	successful

**COMMUNITY:** Elliott

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL #	AMOUNT APPLIED	AMOUNT RECEIVED	FUNDING BODY	Successful/Unsuccessful
	Elliott Tractor and Slasher	3,7	\$70,532.00		LGACS — MES SPG	unsuccessful

COMMUNITY: Wutunugurra

DATE	PROJECT/PROGRAM	ALIGNS TO GOAL#	AMOUNT APPLIED	AMOUNT RECEIVED	FUNDING BODY	Successful/Unsuccessful
	Tilt box Trailer	3,7	\$3,103.68		LGACS - MES SPG	unsuccessful

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 11.3

TITLE Director People and Safety - February 2015 Report

REFERENCE 130978

**AUTHOR** Peter Ryan, Director of People and Safety

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council

a) Receive and note the report of the Director People and Safety for the month of February 2015

19 March 2015

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

### **SUMMARY:**

This is an outline of the Directorate's activities for the month of February 2015

### **BACKGROUND**

February saw the departure of Senior HR Advisor, a contract HR specialist, and the arrival of a Permanent full time Senior HR Advisor. The Senior HR Advisor will be managing the operational aspects of the Human Resources Department thus freeing the Director up to concentrate on the ongoing strategic demands of the job.

A new Employee Induction was introduced to the organisation which incorporated induction for all current employees in the matters of Finance, Human Resource Management and Workplace Health and Safety. 51 employees were inducted in Tennant Creek with another 30 to be finalised. The team will then head to the communities in the coming weeks to complete this for all employees. This is a compliant induction process and will be included for all new starters with council in the future. The initial inductions were carried out in the Council's training room over a one (1) week period commencing on February 16.

The Director and Learning and Development Coordinator, have successfully negotiated phase II funding for the Literacy and Numeracy Training for our Aboriginal staff members in both Arlparra and Ampilatwatja. This funding comes about as a 50% partnership between the Council and the Department of Business. This will see a second round of training being supplied following the successful pilot project carried out towards the end of 2014. It appears that upwards of 30 employees will be given the opportunity to have this training on the two communities. Further information on this will be forthcoming as the training progresses.

Ten staff members from across the organisation are currently undergoing a 10 week training program in Certificate IV Training and Assessment. This will give us a whole new body of trainers to utilise in the ongoing training and development of our staff members. The feedback from those undergoing the course has been extremely good and it is hoped that all current trainees will be able to complete the course.

WorkSafeNT visited our offices during the month who are based in Alice Springs and responsible for compliance in our area. He conducted an interview with the Director and the Workplace Health & Safety Manager in relation to our compliance with the WHS act. It is pleasing to report the following comments made by WorkSafeNT following their visit to Tennant Creek:

'WorkSafeNT is satisfied that Barkly Regional Council has demonstrated ongoing progress in improving the organisation's management of Work Health and Safety'

These comments are a big step forward for Council in its ongoing attempts to be compliant and bring about a safety culture within the ranks of Council.

A decision coming out of the audit committee has seen the transfer of Payroll to Finance. Council's Payroll/Housing Officer, received notification in writing of this upcoming change during the month and the transfer will take effect on the 16<sup>th</sup> of March 2015. In the meantime, training in payroll with the Civica organisation has been arranged for April. This training will be the first step in bringing total control of payroll back to Council after several years of being under the stewardship of Civica.

### **CURRENT WORK / PROJECTS**

WORK / PROJECTS	COMMENTS	ACTION
REVAMP INDUCTION	Designed an induction procedure for	IN PROGRESS
PROCEDURES	current and new employees. The first	
	round of induction was conducted in	
	Tennant Creek with 51 employees	
	attending. A survey was sent to the	
	attendees with 10 completing. Critiques	
	were generally positive approximately	
	70% of the response being in the	
	"Strongly Agree" or "Agree" categories.	
	Currently looking at the best way to	
	implement induction in the communities.	
FUNCTIONAL REVIEW	This project is to find out role of	ON HOLD
	administration officer positions in the	
	communities. Analysis has been	
	conducted in Elliott, Ali Curung and	
	Ampilatwatja and five (5) reports have	
	been drawn out of the findings. The	
	findings were inconsistent job titles and	
	Position Descriptions, overstaffing,	
	overloaded, different salary brackets and	
DECDUITMENT	unauthorised work being performed.	IN DDOODECC
RECRUITMENT	Research is underway to discover the benefits of various Recruitment	IN PROGRESS
INFORMATION SYSTEM		
	Information Systems. A system has been selected and is currently on trial.	
CONTRACT AUDIT	Discovering the state of record keeping	IN PROGRESS
CONTRACT AUDIT	of employee contracts, as well as various	IN PROGRESS
	anomalies in employee contracts.	
	Recommendations are to be made	
	shortly.	
Find out the possibility	According to WALGA, the Barkly	IN PROGRESS
of adopting Local	Regional Council needs to cancel the	
Government Industry	expired EBA agreement from Fair Work	
Award 2010	Australia. Before that employees need to	
	elect to either stay with the EBA or go	
	with the Local Government Industry	
	Award 2010.	
Organisational Climate	Questions for the upcoming	IN PROGRESS
Survey	Organisational Climate Survey (OCS) are	
	currently being written. OCS will be	
	conducted via Survey Monkey and will be	
	released via e-mail on 16 March with a	
	survey completion date of 2 April.	
	OCS Report expected to be published on	
EIE	13 April.	IN DDOODESS
Equal Employment	Work has begun on the Council's Equal	IN PROGRESS
Opportunity Policy and	Employment Opportunity (EEO) policy	
Procedure	and procedure. Senior HR Advisor is	
	scheduled to attend 3 EEO workshops in	
	Alice Springs on 30 – 31 March.	
	First draft of the EEO policy is anticipated to be released for review on or about 7	
	April.	

Working with Children Clearances  A new Working with Children (W) Clearance policy and procedure been drafted.		IN PROGRESS
	Upon policy implementation, Human Resources will be performing a 100% audit on the WWC program to ensure compliance and accountability of all Clearances in order to be ready for any spot, no-notice inspections which SAFE NT may elect to perform.	
Aboriginal Career Development	Draft report prepared and circulated to management with a view to submitting to the first meeting of the BRC Cultural Advisory Committee which the date is yet to be set.	IN PROGRESS

WORK / PROJECTS	COMMENTS	ACTION	
RISK ASSESSMENT - COUNCIL PREMISES	WHS induction training delivered to a majority of the Tennant Creek based staff. Community services staff still to be inducted.	ON-GOING	
	Work has begun with depot staff on bringing the depot into whs compliance. Progress has been made, however there is still much to be accomplished before achieving compliance.		
	Security upgrade at the depot is underway. Quotes have been requested.		
	Arranging for plant to be registered according to legislation. To be completed when an external provider arrives from Alice Springs.		
WHS COMMITTEE	Inaugural meeting of the whs committee was conducted with only 3 people in attendance. Another email request to be sent later this month to gauge response.	ON-GOING	
WHS COURSES	Test and tag course is tentatively scheduled to be conducted this month in alice springs.	ON-GOING	
	Fire warden safety training scheduled to be conducted at the end of march.		

Table 1: Current HR work and projects.

### **HR ISSUES**

Issue	No of Cases	Comments	Action
Disciplinary issues	3	<ul><li>1 – Written warning issued</li><li>1 – Termination on performance grounds</li></ul>	See Comments
		1 – Not sustained	
Workers Comp Claims	0		
Grievances	1	Investigation determined that the grievance was not work related.	See Comments
Performance Issues	0		

Table 2: HR Issues in February 2015

### **STAFFING**

Chart 1 provides the total number of BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL employees at the end of each month from July 2014 to January 2015.

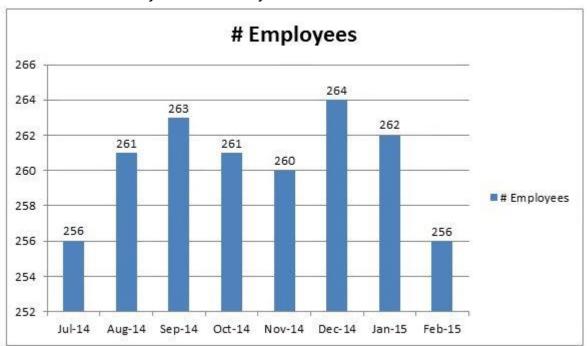


Chart 1. Total number of employees

Table 3 and Chart 2 below provides information about Indigenous and Non-Indigenous employees at Barkly Regional Council, broken down by gender, on 28 February 2015.

Staff	Male	Female	Total	%
All Staff	153	103	256	100%
Indigenous	106	65	171	66%
Non-Indigenous	47	38	85	34%

Table 3: Total number of Indigenous and Non-Indigenous employees – 28 February 2015

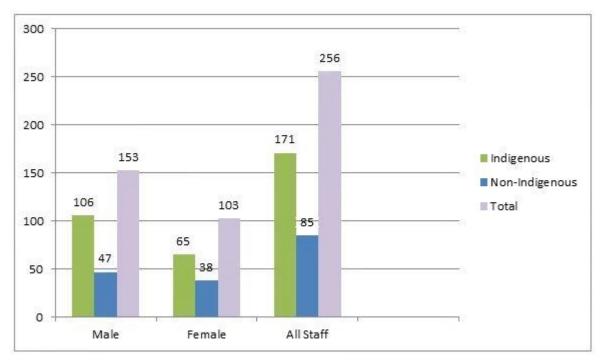


Chart 2.0: Total number of Indigenous and Non-Indigenous employees – 28 February 2015

Chart 3 below provides the number of employees those who have joined the Barkly Regional Council each month from July 2014 to February 2015.

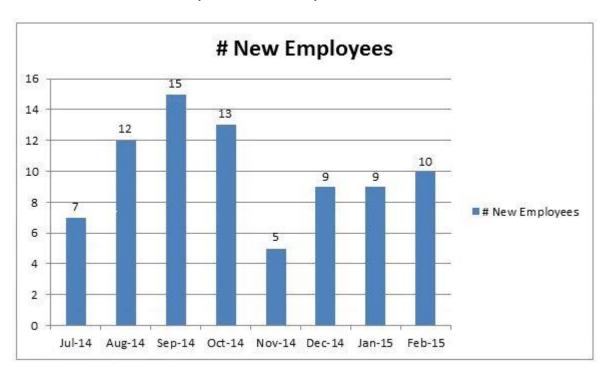


Chart 3: Number of employees who joined the Barkly Regional Council from July 2014 to February 2015

The chart 4.0 below provides the number of employees who have left the Barkly Regional Council each month from July 2014 to February 2015.

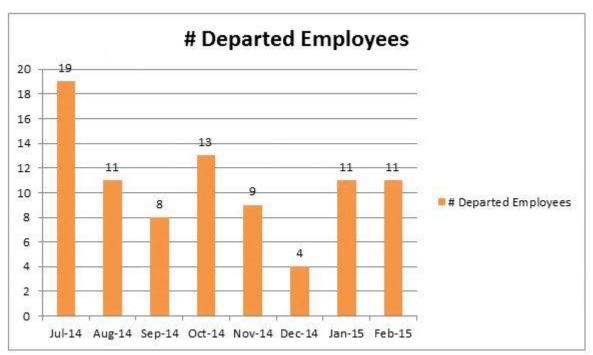


Chart 4: Number of employees left the Barkly Regional Council July 2014 to February 2015

Chart 5 below provides the number of employees completed a training course in February 2015.

NOTE: Data to be supplemented due to current Annual Leave of Learning and Development Coordinator.



Chart 5: Number of employees who completed a training course in February 2015.

Chart 6 provides information about the number of helpdesk request made in February 2015

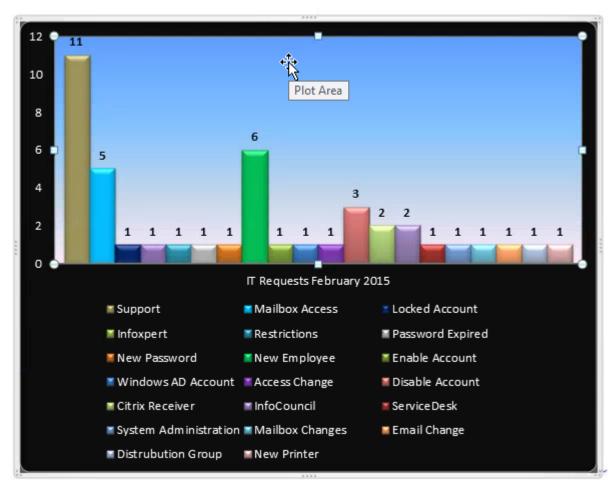


Chart 6: Number of Help Desk Requests in February 2015

### ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Nil

### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Nil

### **ATTACHMENTS**:

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 11.4

**TITLE** Executive Director Operations - February 2015 Report

REFERENCE 131034

**AUTHOR** Hilton Logan, A/Director Operations

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council

a) Receive and note the report of the activities within the Operations Directorate for the month of February 2015.

19 March 2015

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

#### SUMMARY:

The report addresses Operations and Infrastructure activities for the month of February 2015.

### **OPERATIONS REPORT FEBRUARY 2015**

#### General

We have appointed a Facility / Asset Manager, commencing 15 April 2015. The delivery objectives and position description are proposed to yield better delivery outcome and increased efficiencies for the operations directorate.

### **Update on Waterparks at Ali Curung and Elliott**

We have received approval for extension of time for the grant funding with a new deadline of 31 July 2015. The updated project management and action plan will be tabled at the Ali Curung and Elliott Local Authority meetings in February.

Once approvals have been received from all parties we will tender the water parks as per our procurement policy. Delivery is expected before the end of July 2015.

Both the Ali Curung and Elliott sites require a site services plan and survey plan for Department of Planning as the final stage for approvals.

Council is just completing its procurement process for services in early March.

### **Update on \$3.6m Purkiss Reserve Upgrade**

The possession of site for the Swimming Pool Complex and the Football Change Rooms was 16 February and 9 February 2015 respectively. Construction on both sites has commenced and is on track for completion on time. The swimming pool complex is 31 weeks and due for completion late September 2015. The football change rooms contract period is 12 weeks and due for completion late April 2015

### **Alpurrurulam Laundry Contract**

The laundry facility is nearing completion. The machines are installed and equipped with tokens and training has taken place. The water pressure in the community could affect the machines operating at full capacity. Council have procured a pressure pump to overcome this issue.

The completion of the laundry and opening launch is expected in March 2015. Councillors will be advised accordingly.

### **Housing Management Programme (HMP) Fencing**

The new fencing and repair works at Ali Curung community is expected to be completed in early March 2015.

Council has completed scoping the fencing works at Wutunugurra. The supply and installation has been awarded. A smooth transition after the completion of works at Ali Curung to Wutunugurra will occur and will be timely with the amount of rain in the area.

Council will inspect Alpurrurulam Community in March 2015 and the scope of works will be delivered to HMPI for approval. Once again, Council is expecting a smooth transition after the completion of works at Wutunugurra.

This is the final community to be completed under this contract. The Department of Housing is pursuing additional funding to fence the communities of Tara and Canteen Creek. The department has requested we assist in managing this work if approved.

### **Tennant Creek Waste Management Scoping Study**

Council rescinded this at the February 2015 ordinary Council meeting.

### **Trial of CAT 816F Landfill Compactor**

At the January 2015 ordinary council meeting a detailed report was attached explaining the financial impact on the Council and the reasons for the recommendation. The Executive Council decision to refer the purchase of the plant to the Finance and Operations meeting in March has cost implications.

Council has trialed this compactor at a cost of \$120,000 over 6 months. An extension of the dry hire will cost an extra \$36,000 over 3 months. The plant has been proven to extend the life of the landfill and the purchase of this plant is \$120,000. The recommendation on purchasing this plant was based on Councils budget requirements and consideration of the risks. There is a risk in purchasing any plant that there will be maintenance issues. The bigger risk is not having this type of plant to extend the life of the landfill. The longer a decision is taken the greater the expense to the Council.

### **Supply and Installation of Boundary Signage**

The size of the boundary signs require further investigation as a 4m x 4m sign is larger than most urban city signs and there are questions remaining over the indigenous artwork and the durability of this artwork. The major question is that the artwork would have to be digital and the life of that artwork in the NT sun is limited to 1-2 years before turning black.

The frame details have been sent out for pricing by local contractors and Council will liaise with the Department of the Chief Minister regarding recently prepared tourism signage.

Due to the required further investigation and the Council budget constraints it is recommended to develop a cost estimate and an installation program for the 2015/16 budget.

### **Tennant Creek Depot Operations**

- · Central core services are continuing.
- Slashing and weed control are the major issues at present.
- The Field Service Mobile Maintenance mechanic in Ali Curung is working well and maintaining services at Alparra, Ampilatwatja and Ali Curung.
- The Depot has taken over some of the Fleet Management responsibilities allowing better control of repairs and maintenance, equipment listing and the transfer of fleet. There are internal issues that are being resolved.

### Movement of plant and equipment within the Region

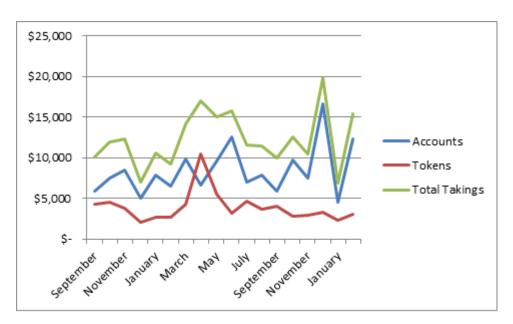
• A strategy is being developed to resolve indiscriminate movement of vehicles and plant in the communities and will be completed by June 2015.

### **Waste Management**

Although the landfill is operating effectively there has been recommendations made by Tonkin Consulting that will be implemented. Council has received several complaints through the finance department. The majority of these complaints are due to the lack of signage at the landfill site and this is being addressed.

### **Token Takings**

Month	Amount
September 2013	\$10,130
October 2013	\$11,995
November 2013	\$12,270
December 2013	\$ 6,980
January 2014	\$10,520
February 2014	\$ 9,160
March 2014	\$14,110
April 2014	\$10,450
May 2014	\$15,075
June 2014	\$12,595
July 2014	\$11,615
August 2014	\$11,455
September 2014	\$ 9,995
October 2014	\$12,535
November 2014	\$10,430
December 2014	\$19,860
January 2015	\$6,850
February 2015	\$15,360



### **Weed Control**

Staff have completed a certified training course in horticulture regarding weed eradication and handling of poisons.

No footpath repairs carried out. Council will conduct an audit on the footpaths in Tennant Creek and address any issues by the end of April 2015

### Maintenance of Parks, Gardens, Cemetery

All parks, gardens and the cemetery are managed and maintained through regular scheduled works. Work at the cemetery included weed control.

### Broken Glass / Vandalism / Break and Entering

There was a break in at the Landfill office.

Cleaning of broken glass on our street and footpaths remains a focus for Council.

The skate park has been vandalized with bollards smashed and the new fountain plumbing broken.

### **Small Projects**

Maintenance of council properties are carried out periodically including mowing and maintenance of irrigation systems.

- 96 Staunton Street: Maintain lawns and gardens as required.
- 9 Jubilee Street: Maintain lawns and gardens as required.
- 9 Griggs Street: Maintain lawns and gardens as required.
- Mow and whipper snip the grounds of all Council owned houses.
- Monitor and maintain irrigation systems on all Council properties including Parks and Reserves.
- R & M carried out on council buildings where and when required.

### **Fleet Officer**

Registration of council fleet and plant is up to date except a grader at Alparra, which requires new windows before registration can be completed. Fleet and plant policies are being reviewed along with impacts on procurement and retention.

#### **Insurance claims**

Council currently has 3 claims pending.

One claim has been resolved.

Location	Description	Comments	Status	
Tennant Creek	Reg: 914 003	BRC vehicle side swiped by another vehicle turning into Purkiss Reserve. Low impact damage resulted with no medical treatment required.	Police were informed and insurance claim has been lodged.	
Ali Curung	Reg:	BRC community vehicle reversed into gate. Vehicle to have sustained minor scratches to door panel	Awaiting response from CC to determine extent of damage and receive pictures.	
Ali Curung	Reg: 612046	Police backed into bus	Police report received. Awaiting outcome.	

Paterson Street Contract The period contract has been extended.

**Community Airstrips Contract** Operational.

Elliott median Strip Contract Operational.

Roads to Recovery (R2R) A new program of works is being prepared for this

financial year and will be completed by end of

March 2015.

Community Work Alpurrurulam and Alparra road maintenance will be

part of the R2R program.

Flammables Strategy is being developed in conjunction with

Tennant Creek Fire Station.

**Depot** The proposed new storage shelter for the depot is

being reviewed due to budget constraints.

Plant & Machinery The new Mobile Field Service Maintenance

program implemented.

Municipal Tip The 2000 CAT 816F Compactor on dry hire from

Phillips Earthmoving has been extended until April

2015.

**Verges** Routine maintenance works carried out.

Peko Park Depot staff are still working on a landscaping

strategy for Peko Park.

**Rear Laneway Policy** Rear laneway audit has been completed. A

proposed update to the laneway policy will be submitted at the April 2015 Council Meeting.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.5

TITLE Director Communities - February 2015 Report

REFERENCE 131047

**AUTHOR** David Heron, A/Director Communities

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council

a) Receives and notes the report of the activities of the Communities Directorate for the month of February 2015

### **SUMMARY:**

This report outlines the activities of the Communities Directorate over the past month.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Over the period the Acting Director of Communities attended:

- Ali Curung Local Authority
- Councillor Development Workshop
- February Council Meeting
- Finance Reference Group
- LGMA Challenge Workshop
- Communities Senior Managers Workshop
- Various meetings internally and with external stakeholders

During the period the senior managers and coordinators gathered in Tennant Creek for a 4 day workshop where several information and skills workshops were conducted to support them in their roles.

#### Ali Curung

Operations have been delivered in accordance with the service delivery plans with very few complaints being received at the office. In fact in has been reported that many community members are visiting the office looking for employment and to discuss community issues. The Local Authority has a successful meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> February.

#### **Alpurrurulam**

Services have been delivered in accordance with the plans despite the aging equipment. There has been good efforts from staff who have worked hard and stepping up where there is no municipal supervisor in place at the moment. An new Aged Care Coordinator has joined the team.

### **Ampilatwatja**

Ceremony has disrupted a few services but the crew has still been keeping the basics going with municipal and essential services being delivered in the town and the Homelands. The team has been providing assistance to community members willing to mow and look after their yards. A new fence has been erected around the landfill in accordance with the council plan and budget.

#### **Elliott**

Several breakdowns have restricted some functions and manual options have had to be activated to deliver the services. Concerns are raised as it appears from the mechanics report that the centres tractor may be unrepairable. The Borella Ride visited the community on 23<sup>rd</sup> February and entertained the locals. The building for RJCP has been erected in the council yard but is still to be finished. Construction on the new clinic has begun and is expected to be completed in July 2015.





### Wutunugurra

The municipal crew has been working on fire prevention measures and has been supporting community members in maintaining their yards with the provision of equipment and labour. The Local Authority did not have a quorum and the meeting still has not determined the use of the local authority budget.

### **Night Patrol**

Report Attached

### ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Nil

### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Nil

### **ATTACHMENTS**:

1 Night Patrol Feb Report.pdf

# Barkly Regional Council Night Patrol Community Report for February 2015

### Epenarra: 196 People Assisted. Total Number of Children Assisted 114

During February Epenarra has experienced operational issues due to weather conditions, funerals and sorry business. Night Patrol is assisting in getting children home after Sports & Rec at night. There have been no reports of substance abuse or sniffing. Night Patrol is continuing to monitor people movement in the community. All staff will undertake a Certificate 111 in Community Night Patrol in the coming months. There currently is a staff of three at Epenarra.

### Canteen Creek: 602 People Assisted. Total Number of Children Assisted 179

During February Canteen Creek night patrol has been operating well. The main assistance has been to children and regular checks for alcohol. Canteen Creek Night Patrol has concentrated on children attending Sports and Rec and getting them home safely at night. During February, Night Patrol has employed one additional staff member. Night Patrol is continuing to monitor people movement in the community. Night Patrol is also doing patrols to Hatches Creek on Wednesdays. There has been sorry business and funerals during February. There currently is a staff of four at Canteen Creek. All staff will undertake a Certificate 111 in Community Night Patrol in the coming months.

### Alpurrurulam: 1330 People Assisted. Total Number of Children Assisted 316

During February Alpurrurulam Night Patrol has experienced operational issues due to weather conditions, sorry business and funerals. There have been no reports of substance abuse during February. Stopping alcohol coming into the community, children wandering around at night and family feuds are still a concern. Night Patrol is an active member of the Alpurrurulam Community Action Safety Committee. There is currently a staff of four in Alpurrurulam. All staff will undertake a Certificate 111 in Community Night Patrol in the coming months. During February night patrol received their new night patrol vehicle supplied by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.

### Elliott: 289 People Assisted. Total Number of Children Assisted 92

During February Elliott has been operating well. The main focus has been in getting children home safe and having an active presence during Sports & Rec times. Night Patrol has also given assistance to clients by taking them to safe areas or homes at night. Night Patrol continues to work extensively with local police and providing extra resources when called upon by Police. There have been no reports of substance abuse during February. Elliott

Night Patrol is an active member of the Elliott Community Safety Action Committee. There is a staff of four in Elliott, with one additional casual night patroller on call when required. All staff will undertake a Certificate 111 in Community Night Patrol in the coming months.

### Ali Curung: 281 People Assisted. Total Number of Children Assisted 160

During February Ali Curung night patrol has been operating well. Night Patrol has concentrated on children attending Sports and Rec at night and ensuring they get home safely. There have been no reports of substance abuse during February. Alcohol is still a concern in the community. Night Patrol is working with local Police during operational times, and is an active member of the Ali Curung Community Safety Action Committee. Ali Curung Night Patrol has a full crew of four staff. All staff will undertake a Certificate 111 in Community Night Patrol in the coming months.

### Mungkarta: 71 People Assisted. Total Number of Children Assisted 10

During February Mungkarta has been working well. Night Patrol has concentrated on children attending the Sports and Rec area in the evenings and ensuring they get home safely. The main assistance has been for children, and security checks for alcohol. There have been no reports of substance abuse or sniffing. There is a staff of three at Mungkarta. All staff will undertake a Certificate 111 in Community Night Patrol in the coming months.

### Arlparra: 656 People Assisted. Total Number of Children Assisted 195

During February Night Patrol has concentrated on children attending Sports and Rec, conducting patrols for any signs of alcohol coming into the community and regular patrols to Homelands. Night Patrol has experienced operational issues due to the weather conditions, funerals and sorry business. There have been no reports of substance abuse or sniffing during February. The main assistance has been for children, and resolving family disputes. Arlparra Night Patrol is working with local Police during operational times. One additional staff member has been recruited during February to now have a night patrol staff of four at Arlparra. All staff will undertake a Certificate 111 in Community Night Patrol in the coming months.

### Ampilatwatja: 23 People Assisted. Total Number of Children Assisted 23

During February Ampilatwatja has experienced operational issues due to weather conditions, funerals and sorry business. Night Patrol has focused on getting children home at night and also helping with Sports and Rec. During this period there have been no reports of substance abuse or sniffing. During February Night Patrol has also done security checks on people coming into the community. There is a staff of 4 night patrollers at Ampilatwatja. Night Patrol is in the process of negotiating a MOU with Ampilatwatja School and other

service provider's to improve school attendance. All staff will undertake a Certificate 111 in Community Night Patrol in the coming months.

### Tara: 407 People Assisted. Total Number of Children Assisted 101

During February Tara has concentrated on children and done security checks on people coming into the community. During this period there have been no reports of substance abuse or sniffing. The night patrol is operating well with 4 staff members. The Main focus has been getting children home at a reasonable hour at night. Night Patrol is a member of the Ti Tree Community Safety Action Committee. All staff will undertake a Certificate 111 in Community Night Patrol in the coming months.

### Murray Downs: 0 People Assisted. Total Number of Children Assisted 0

During February we have advertised the Vacant Night Patrol Positions at Murray Downs at Ali Curung service centre. We have also approached the Respected Elders of the community in regards to suitable locals for the positions. We are in process of re-advertising and following up on potential night patrol staff.

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.6

TITLE Public Relations - February 2015 Report

REFERENCE 131089

**AUTHOR** Ktima Heathcote, Public Relations and Events Manager

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

a) Receive and note the report

### **SUMMARY:**

The report provides an overview of the activities of the Press Relations and Events Manager during February and early March 2015.

19 March 2015

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### **President's Column**

The President's column for 2015 continues to be published in the *Tennant and District Times*.

#### **Borella Ride**

Tennant Creek community members and visitors were invited to wave The Borella Ride team off on Friday, February 20, in a special ceremony held at Nyinkka Nyunyu from 8.30am-10am. The Borella Ride - the NT's flagship ANZAC Centenary event - symbolically retraced Albert Borella's trip, which included walking, horse riding, hitching a lift on a horse-drawn mail cart and a train ride, from Tennant Creek to Darwin. TV presenter Ray Martin hosted the event joined by distinguished guests including the Chief Minister Adam Giles, Member for Lingiari Warren Snowdon, Territory Senators Nigel Scullion and Nova Peris, Barkly Regional Council President Barb Shaw, Borella's 81-year-old son and Victoria Cross recipient, Keith Payne VC OAM.

### **International Women's Day**

The International Women's Day breakfast, held on Sunday, 8 March, 2015 was a great success with positive feedback coming back from the community via Facebook and word of mouth. Up to 200 people, including 30 men, turned up to the breakfast with more than \$400 raised from gold coin donations. An exhibition of photos of young women from the Tennant Creek High School with mentors from the local community and elders from Pulkapulkka Kari Nursing Home was held at Nyinnka Nyunyu Art & Culture Centre. A quilted banner, featuring panels from various women's groups around the community, was also on display along with photos and memorabilia from past International Women's Day events.

### **Skate Park Competition**

A winner was chosen in mid-February to put a mural on the bench at the Skate Park in Purkiss Reserve. However, he declined the offer and so it is suggested that the other competition entrants each receive a skateboard and then join a series of workshops, under the auspices of a professional graffiti or stencil artist, to decorate the Skate Park at a later date.

#### Website

The launch of the new Barkly Regional Council website has been delayed a few weeks due to a few teething problems and other commitments, such as preparations for International Women's Day. Design and training has been completed with the uploading of website content an ongoing process.

#### **Media Releases**

Regular media releases, including the International Women's Day event and the recent cuts in the Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) funds, continue to be distributed. A reporter from ABC Radio Rural Hour came to Tennant Creek to cover the International Women's Day event. NITV aired a news report on Tuesday, 10 March regarding the slashing of 28 jobs, 27 of them Aboriginal, in the council's youth development area come June/July this year due to cuts in IAS funds. The NT News and the Tennant & District Times also printed stories. A joint media release between councils and Aboriginal organisations in Central Australia on the IAS funding cuts will be released shortly. Other media across the country have been approached to spread the message about the ill-effects of the IAS funding cuts. The CEO has also been interviewed by ABC Radio Alice about the Local Authority requesting voluntary restrictions for alcohol sales for the licencees located near Ali Curung.

### **Barkly Buzz**

The first quarter of the Barkly Buzz 2015 is due mid-April. Material is currently being gathered.

### **National Awards for Local Government Submission**

The annual National Awards for Local Government recognise the important role of local governments in delivering targeted quality services to Australians in urban and regional communities. A submission was made in February for Council's Sport and Recreation team (Community Services) under the Arts category which shows excellence in community engagement and participation. Over the past four years the Sport and Recreation team, along with five communities in the Barkly, have created three DVDs, *Barkly Desert Cultures*, the *Alyawarr Sessions* and *Binge Thinking Not Drinking*, as part of a long-term multi-media youth engagement strategy in the Barkly region.

### **LGMA Management Challenge 2015**

Six staff members have finished the first task of the 2015 LGMA Management Challenge, creating a video and infographic that examines how to attract and retain staff in remote local government areas. The video and infographic has been accepted and the next step takes the team to Katherine for a Challenge Day.

### ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Nil

### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Nil

### **ATTACHMENTS**:

There are no attachments for this report.