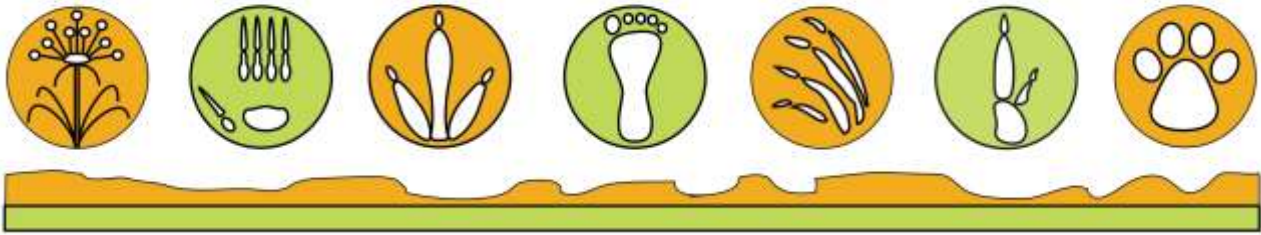


# BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



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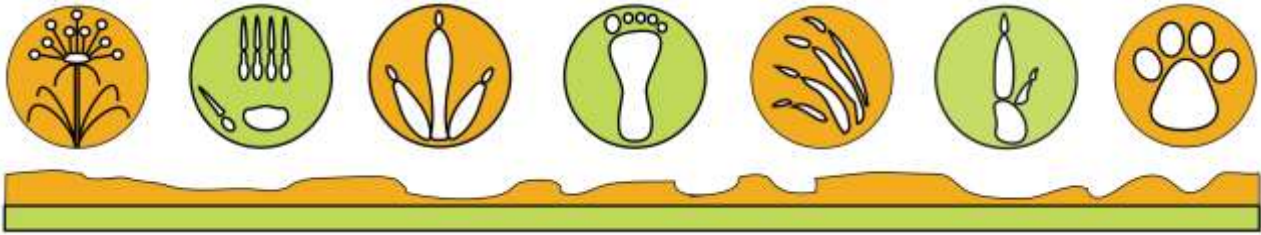
### ALI CURUNG LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

**MONDAY, 9 AUGUST 2021**

Barkly Regional Council's Ali Curung Local Authority will be held in on Monday, 9 August 2021 at 1:00pm.

**Steven Moore**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

# BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



## 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**

## WELCOME TO COUNTRY

**I respectfully acknowledge the traditional owners past and present of this land on which we are meeting, the Alywarr, Warlpiri, Kaytetye, Warumungu people.**

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# AGENDA

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## **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 2.1  
**TITLE** Confirmation of Previous Minutes.  
**REFERENCE** 325536  
**AUTHOR** Tim Hema, Area Manager - Ali Curung

### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **That the Authority**

- (a) Confirm the minutes of the local Authority meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021 as a true and accurate record.

### **SUMMARY:**

<This should set out what the report is about, why it was written and why it is relevant.>

### **BACKGROUND**

### **ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1 [↓](#) Ali-Curung-La-Minutes-12.07.2021.pdf



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## MINUTES ALI CURUNG LOCAL AUTHORITY

The Ali Curung Local Authority of the Barkly Regional Council was held in on Monday, 12 July 2021 at 1:00pm.

**Steven Moore**  
Chief Executive Officer

Meeting commenced at 1:20PM with Noel Hayes as chair.

**1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE**

1.1 Elected Members Present

Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin  
 Cr Noel Hayes  
 Andrew Tsavaris  
 Peter Corbett  
 Ned Kelly  
 Jerry Rice  
 Derek Walker

1.2 Staff And Visitors Present

Steve Edgington – Member for Barkly  
 Ron Plummer  
 Tim Hema – BRC  
 Peter Wood – Fortune Agribusiness  
 Michael McGregor – PIC  
 Neil Pomfref – PIC  
 Fran Kilgamff  
 Diana Popic – APONT  
 Jasmine Lyons – APONT  
 Valda Shannon – AIS

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

Cr Lucy Jackson  
 Troy Koch – BRC

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

1.5 Disclosure Of Interest

There were no declarations of interest at this Ali Curung Local Authority meeting.

**2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**2.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**MOTION**

**That the Authority**

- (a) Confirm the minutes of the Local Authority meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021 as a true and accurate record.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: LA Member Andrew Tsavaris**

**Seconded: LA Member Jerry Rice**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

Resolved *ACLA 67/21*

**3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

<b>3.1 ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES</b>	
<b>MOTION</b>	
<b>MOTION</b>	
That the Authority	
(a) Receive and note the Report	
<b>RESOLVED</b>	
Moved: LA Member Andrew Tsavaris	
Seconded: LA Member Jerry Rice	<b>CARRIED UNAN.</b>
<i>Resolved ACLA 68/21</i>	

**4. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**

<b>4.1 MONTHLY CEO REPORT</b>	
<b>MOTION</b>	
That Council	
A) Receive and note the Operations Directors Report	
<b>RESOLVED</b>	
Moved: LA Member Andrew Tsavaris	
Seconded: LA Member Peter Corbett	<b>CARRIED UNAN.</b>
<i>Resolved ACLA 69/21</i>	

**5. FINANCE**

<b>5.1 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT</b>	
<b>MOTION</b>	
That the Authority	
a) Receive and note the report.	
<b>RESOLVED</b>	
Moved: LA Member Andrew Tsavaris	
Seconded: LA Member Peter Corbett	<b>CARRIED UNAN.</b>
<i>Resolved ACLA 70/21</i>	

**6. AREA MANAGERS REPORT**



**6.1 AREA MANAGERS REPORT - JUNE 2021****MOTION**

That the Authority

- (a) Receive and note the report.

**RESOLVED**

Moved: LA Member Andrew Tsavaris

Seconded: LA Member Jerry Rice

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved ACLA 71/21*

Steve Edgington to find update on the roadworks at Ali Curung LA to invite Territory Families to discuss strategies around young children committing crimes in community.

**7. GENERAL BUSINESS****7.1 POWER OUTAGES - USE OF BACK-UP GENERATOR****MOTION**

That the Authority

- (a) Receive and note the report

**RESOLVED**

Moved: LA Member Andrew Tsavaris

Seconded: LA Member Peter Corbett

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved ACLA 72/21*

BRC to send letter to PAWA inviting to attend LA meeting to explain use of Generator.

Steve Edgington – requested copy of letter before he makes enquiries.

**7.2 PURCHASE OF PUBLIC ADDRESS (PA) SYSTEM****MOTION**

That the Authority

- (a) Select preferred quote.  
(b) Request Council Approval of expenditure of Local Authority funds.

**RESOLVED**

Moved: LA Member Peter Corbett

Seconded: LA Member Jerry Rice

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved ACLA 73/21*

This motion was deferred pending advise from Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin that Ali Curung has new PA equipment already back in Tennant Creek. Area manager to confirm if this PA meets the needs of the local Authority

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

*Nil*

**9. OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING**

*Nil*

**10. REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL**

*Nil*

**11. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN**

*Nil*

**12. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS**

**12.1 SINGLETON HORTICULTURE PROJECT**

**MOTION**

**That the Authority**

- a) Receive and note the presentation.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: LA Member Peter Corbett**

**Seconded: LA Member Andrew Tsavaris**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved ACLA 74/21*

**12.2 ABORIGINAL PEAK ORGANISATION OF THE NT (APONT) - LA PRESENTATION**

**MOTION**

**That the Authority**

- (a) Receive and note the presentation.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: LA Member Andrew Tsavaris**

**Seconded: LA Member Peter Corbett**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved ACLA 75/21*

**13. OTHER BUSINESS**

**13.1 CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING DATE.**

**MOTION**

**That the Authority**

- (a) Confirm the next Ali Curung Local Authority meeting to be held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: LA Member Andrew Tsavaris**

**Seconded: LA Member Jerry Rice**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved ACLA 76/21*

**14. CLOSE OF MEETING**

Meeting closed at 3:45PM

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 5 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ali Curung Local Authority Meeting HELD ON Monday, 12 July 2021 AND CONFIRMED Monday, 9 August 2021.

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Noel Hayes  
Chair

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Tim Hema  
Area Manager

## **ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	3.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Action items from Previous Minutes.
<b>REFERENCE</b>	325546
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Tim Hema, Area Manager - Ali Curung

### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **That the Authority**

- (a) Receive and note report.
- (b) Remove items that have been completed.

### **SUMMARY:**

<This should set out what the report is about, why it was written and why it is relevant.>


### **BACKGROUND**

### **ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**


### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**


### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1 [↓](#) Action list as at 09.08.2021.pdf

 BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL	<b>ALI CURUNG LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION LIST</b>	<b>As of 09/08/2021</b>
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	MEETING DATE	TASK / PROJECT	ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN	BUDGET SOURCE	ACTION LEADER	COMPLETED/STATUS
1.	01/04/2019	Solar lighting installed at Front and Central Park areas.	Lights & Poles to be installed.	LA	BRC Area Manager	Ongoing
2.	22/06/2020	Cemetery Gate Upgrade	Fabricate gate entry from current supplies/resources.	BRC	BRC Area Manager	Almost completed
3.	22/06/2020	Repair/Replace damaged Meter Boxes (x4)	Purchase Order raised for best Quote.	LA	BRC Area Manager	X2 boxes completed
4.	08.02.2021	Compressor and Tyre machine installed Murray Downs	Confirm location and install inside secure cage.	LA	BRC Area Manager	Received items.
5.	22/06/2020	Tree Planting –Various Community areas	Selection of correct tree type and quantities. Advise LA and request quotes.	LA	BRC Area Manager	Ongoing
6.	10.08.2020	Procurement Portable Toilets & Trailers	Toilets ordered	LA	BRC Area Manager	Pending Registration
7.	15.06.2020	PA System for council	Request Quotes	LA	BRC Area Manager	Pending Quotes

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL		ALI CURUNG LOCAL AUTHORITY			As of 09/08/2021	
		ACTION LIST				
8.	12.07.2021	Letter to PAWA regarding use of generator.	Letter to be drafted and approved. Copy also sent to Local member.	LA	BRC Area Manager	<b>Letter to be drafted</b>
9.						

<p>BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL</p> 	<p>ALI CURUNG LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION LIST</p>	<p>As of 09/08/2021</p>
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**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	4.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Monthly CEO Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	324899
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Troy Koch, Area Manager - Alpururulam

**RECOMMENDATION****That Council****A) Receive and note the Operations Directors Report****SUMMARY:**

This month has been a very busy month for me as I have come into Tennant Creek to take on the role of Acting Director of Operations whilst recruitment takes place to fill the position. I would like to thank the Council Staff in Tennant Creek who have been incredibly supportive of me whilst I am covering this position. Having been in the communities for such a long time, you tend to overlook what a great and supportive team we have in Tennant Creek.

I travelled to the communities this month for the local authority meetings with quorum being achieved at Ali Curung, Alpururulam and Elliott. Unfortunately, we did not achieve a quorum in Wutunugurra, Ampilatwatja and Arlparra. This was due to several funerals in the communities and LA members had to travel to meet their cultural obligations and could not get back to their communities in time for the LA Meetings.

Mayor McLaughlin and I attended the Alpururulam local authority meeting and visited Ampilatwatja together it was a great experience to travel with the Mayor, who was well received in the communities that we visited. The communities were ecstatic with the positive feedback that they received from the Mayor and CEO in regards to these visits.

Unfortunately, I was not able to attend the Ali Curung local authority due to other travel commitments, the Area Manager Tim Hema advised me that the meeting went very well. I did attend the Elliott LA Meeting, which was a very good and positive meeting. Ray and the team in Elliott continue to do a great job.

Donna Eddie is doing a good job in Wutunugurra covering the Community Coordinator position whilst recruitment is taking place. Tim Hema and I are supporting Donna whilst she is in Acting Community Coordinator role.

During a visit to Elliott I also attended the Northern Barkly Permit Committee Meeting (formerly the Alcohol Management Committee) which was a very good meeting attended by a Liquor Commission Representative, our Member for Barkly Steve Edgington and the Federal Member for Lingjari Warren Snowden. It was great to see that this process has moved quickly of late and there are only a couple of steps to go through to complete the process and implement an approved permit system.

Michelle Heinen has stepped up to cover the Area Managers Position in Alpururulam whilst I am away and is doing a great job.

We are holding interviews shortly to fill the Handy Man position for the infrastructure in Tennant Creek and hope to have the position filled in the coming weeks.

Barkly Regional Council has received a gift of two Wash Water Trailers from the Northern Territory Government. The trailers are to be used for community events. Both trailers will be based in Tennant Creek initially, with one trailer allocated to Tennant Creek and one trailer for the communities. The trailer allocated to the communities will be managed from Tennant



Creek and transported around communities communities as required to cater for their community events.

Richard and the team at the TC Depot have done an outstanding job this month, receiving compliments in regards to how well the public areas around Tennant Creek are being maintained as well as addressing complaints from the public in a quick and timely manner. The Tennant Creek Cemetery is looking the best it has looked for years and with the construction of the chapel commencing we will end up with a fantastic asset for the community.

This month we had conducted a bin audit around town; this was done to ensure council is up to date on household and businesses in town having the correct amount of bins allocated to suit needs. A big thank you to Richard and the Depot team for doing such a good job and for supporting me whilst I am in Acting Director of Operations role.

**BACKGROUND**

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**ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT**

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**BUDGET IMPLICATION**

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**ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

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**CONSULTATION & TIMING**

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

## **FINANCE**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 5.1  
**TITLE** Monthly Finance Report  
**REFERENCE** 325609  
**AUTHOR** Makhaim Brandon, Administration Officer

### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **That the Authority**

- a) Receive and note the report.

### **SUMMARY:**

### **BACKGROUND**

### **ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1 [↓](#) 0902\_001.pdf

Barkly Regional Council  
 Local Authority Allocation  
 Project: 405 Ali Curung

**INCOME**  
 LA Grants Received  
 Grants Received  
**INCOME TOTAL**

**EXPENDITURE**  
 LA Funding Expended  
 Approved Minutes  
 Expenditure Date

Budget	Income and Expenditures					Total
	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021		
\$ 578,548.18	\$ 83,980.00	\$ 83,980.00	\$ 83,980.00	\$ 83,980.00	\$ 83,980.00	\$ 578,548.18
<b>\$ 578,548.18</b>	<b>\$ 83,980.00</b>	<b>\$ 83,980.00</b>	<b>\$ 83,980.00</b>	<b>\$ 83,980.00</b>	<b>\$ 83,980.00</b>	<b>\$ 578,548.18</b>
\$ 49,640.00						\$ 49,640.00
\$ 27,272.73						\$ 27,272.73
\$ 31,617.30	\$ 31,617.30					\$ 31,617.30
\$ 25,236.36	\$ 15,700.35					\$ 25,236.36
\$ 2,978.18	\$ 2,978.18					\$ 2,978.18
\$ 4,035.79	\$ 4,035.79	\$ -				\$ 4,035.79
\$ 12,066.05	\$ 12,066.05					\$ 12,066.05
\$ 2,080.00	\$ 2,080.00					\$ 2,080.00
\$ 10,520.00	\$ 10,520.00					\$ 10,520.00
\$ 5,627.27	\$ 4,982.33	\$ 644.94				\$ 5,627.27
\$ 9,200.00	\$ 9,200.00					\$ 9,200.00
\$ 5,800.00		\$ 5,800.00				\$ 5,800.00
\$ 562.73		\$ 562.73				\$ 562.73
\$ 24,354.00		\$ 24,354.00				\$ 24,354.00
\$ 9,455.88		\$ 9,455.88				\$ 9,455.88
\$ 6,765.00		\$ 6,765.00				\$ 6,765.00
\$ 4,481.01		\$ 4,481.01				\$ 4,481.01
<b>\$ 387,871.74</b>	<b>\$ 83,980.00</b>	<b>\$ 61,263.56</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 390,562.62</b>
<b>\$ 190,676.44</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 22,716.44</b>	<b>\$ 83,980.00</b>	<b>\$ 83,980.00</b>	<b>\$ 83,980.00</b>	<b>\$ 187,985.56</b>

May-17 Kubota Tractor  
 Dec-17 Shade Sail  
 LitterMaster 9000  
 Lighting Softball Grounds  
 Mowers & Whipper Snippers  
 Apr-20 Air Compressor  
 Apr-20 Solar Lighting & Poles  
 Apr-20 Flag Poles and Flags  
 Jul-20 Slasher  
 Jul-20 Tandem Car Trailer  
 Feb-18 Animal Management Activities  
 LA Funding Committed  
 Feb-18 Animal Management Activities  
 Jul-20 Tandem Car Trailer  
 Oct-20 Portable Toilets  
 Feb-21 Shade Sale Over waterpark  
 Feb-21 Meter Boxes  
 May-21 Air Compressor & Tyre Changer

**EXPENDITURE TOTAL**

Balance of funds to be committed



## **AREA MANAGERS REPORT**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 6.1  
**TITLE** Area Managers Report - July 2021  
**REFERENCE** 325582  
**AUTHOR** Tim Hema, Area Manager - Ali Curung

### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **That the Authority**

(a) Receive and note the Report

### **SUMMARY:**

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### **BACKGROUND**

### **ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 [↓](#) Ali Curung Area Managers Report -July 2021.pdf
- 2 [↓](#) Local Authority report 7 Ali Curung July 2021.pdf
- 3 [↓](#) Local Authority report 7 Murray Downs July 2021.pdf



## AREA MANAGER REPORT – Ali Curung

Month – July 2021

### VISITORS TO ALI CURUNG:

- Housing NT.
- Territory Families
- Dept of Education
- Power and Water
- NT Health.
- Northern Transportables
- Census Mob
- Barkly Backbone
- BRC Staff – Tennant creek
- LLN trainer – Kailless
- T&J
- Stronger Families
- Language centre
- ARRCs –mobile respite
- Telstra / DIPL

### GENERAL:

- Kinjurra road extension roadworks Update: Bitumen Contractor.
- New Rec Hall Build Update: Waiting Architect /building permit approvals ( est: 2 weeks)
- New House Builds
- New meter box – Main Park/Softball oval
- MCCST meeting
- July LA meeting – Quorum
- Landfill works

### HIGHLIGHTS:

### ISSUES:

<b>DEPOT</b>	<p><i>Supervisor; Terry James Staff: Robert Simpson, Mathew Walker , Aiden Morgan, Tony Dinnie, Will Curtis</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Hard Rubbish / Small Rubbish</i></li> <li>• <i>Landfill works</i></li> </ul>
<b>ESSENTIAL SERVICES</b>	<p><i>ESO Murray Aldridge</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Relief ESO's Justin Walker.</i></li> </ul>

Barkly Regional Council – Ali Curung Area Manager Report July 2021



<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>	<p>Admin Staff: <b>Amanda Roberts-McCoy , Shereena Casson</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Both Staff continue working towards Cert III Admin</li> <li>• Post Office / Centrelink duties as normal.</li> <li>• Covid-19 Safety Action Plan in place</li> </ul>
<b>AM TRAVEL</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eppenarra / Tennant Creek</li> </ul>
<b>YSR</b>	<p>Team Leader: <b>Vicky McCoy</b> Staff: <b>Kevin Roberts-McCoy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Month started off slow but picked up. With kids doing heaps of activities over the school holidays.</li> <li>• Took kids around community for a couple of bush trips which they enjoyed catching lizards. Unfortunately only found bush tomatoes.</li> <li>• Vicki and Kevin went into Tennant for a weeks YSR recall.</li> <li>• Huge thanks to Benny and the wonderful team from Community Safety who ensured program still went ahead while they were away.</li> <li>• Community Safety was also helpful over the school holidays helping YSR out where they could.</li> <li>• Great to have them on board working with YSR.</li> <li>• Overall, month was great no problems.</li> </ul>
<b>AGED CARE</b>	<p>Team Leader: <b>Nadia Simpson</b> Aged Care Staff: <b>Gideon Nzimande, Elaine Drive , Fayleen Lauder</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff Vacancy- Currently Advertising</li> <li>• Clients: Bush trips collecting bush medicine</li> <li>• Clients: Town shopping</li> <li>• Collecting Firewood clients</li> <li>• New Trailer – Aged care</li> <li>• Manager visit</li> </ul>
<b>SAFE HOUSE</b>	<p>Co-ordinator: <b>-Pending</b> Staff: <b>Nadia Simpson, Shereena Casson &amp; Amanda Roberts-McCoy</b></p>

Barkly Regional Council – Ali Curung Area Manager Report July 2021

**BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>New Cordinator recruited –start 25 August</i></li><li>• <i>On-call staff managing call outs.</i></li></ul>
<b>NIGHT PATROL</b>	See attached reports

**OTHER.**



## COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT – July 2021 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT, ALI CURUNG

**Staff Members:** Team Leader: Damien Brown  
Community Safety Officers: Craigwyn Glenn, Cynthia Smith, Ralph McCoy, Charvella Jackson

**Hours of Operation:** Monday to Friday 5.00 pm – 11.00 pm

### Operational Brief:

The community Safety team has worked consistently throughout July, but overall the service worked well throughout the month. We now have 2 patrols running at Ali Curung. We have also been trailing infrared scopes to location person of interest.

### Recruitment:

The Ali Curung team now has 5 staff and we are finalising the 6<sup>th</sup> and final position. I expect to have the last position finalised in the first weeks of August.

### Concerns raised/Community issues

No concerns raised, however we are aware that there have been ongoing issues with young children breaking in around the Community.

### Goals and Objectives:

The goals and objectives for the service in July was to increase our presence in the community with our 2<sup>nd</sup> patrol and provide consistent service – this was achieved overall as while service delivery was relatively consistent, our 2<sup>nd</sup> patrol has commenced. The 2<sup>nd</sup> vehicle is now patrolling with 1 position still being finalised.

### Training

The Community Safety Staff attended the ongoing LL & N training in June held at Ali Curung.

### Major Incidents/Events:

There was one major incident involving a large disturbance in the Community involving children stealing a motor vehicle. Ali Curung team also assisted police in a transporting a person from Ali Curung safe house to Ampilatwatja.

### Statistical Report:

Not available for this period.

### Report prepared by

Tjiangu Thomas  
Community Safety Manager

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**COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT – July 2021  
LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT, MURRAY DOWNS**

**Staff Members:** Team Leader: Vacant  
Community Safety Officers: Caroline Spratt, Nathan Campbell

**Hours of Operation:** Monday to Friday 5.00 pm – 10.00 pm

**Operational Brief:**

Throughout July, the Murray Downs team has worked consistently with the exception of some gaps in service due to Staff absences. Nathan Campbell has stepped down from the Team Leader Position due to personal reasons.

**Recruitment:**

The recruitment has been completed and we are final stages of the recruitment process for the Team Leader role at Murray Downs.

**Concerns raised/Community issues**

No concerns tabled for this meeting.

**Goals and Objectives:**

The goal for the Murray Downs Community Safety team was for the service delivery to go back to a regular 5 night per week service, which was not achieved on the whole.

**Training**

No Staff Training was conducted.

**Major Incidents/Events:**

Nil major incidents reported to the Community Safety Team at Murray Downs.

**Statistical Report:**

Nil statistical report available for this meeting.

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## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 7.1  
**TITLE** Ehrlichiosis Disease in dogs  
**REFERENCE** 325608  
**AUTHOR** Makhaim Brandon, Operations Administration Officer

### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **That the Authority**

- a) Receive and note the report

### **SUMMARY:**

Council has asked the local authorities for feedback on if they have noticed an increase in ticks or any dogs with the symptoms etc. and if they have any ideas on how to best get some educational materials out to people in the communities about how important tick treatment is.

### **BACKGROUND**

### **ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1 [↓](#) 20210727 BRC\_AMRRIC\_Ehrlichiosis\_low res.pdf

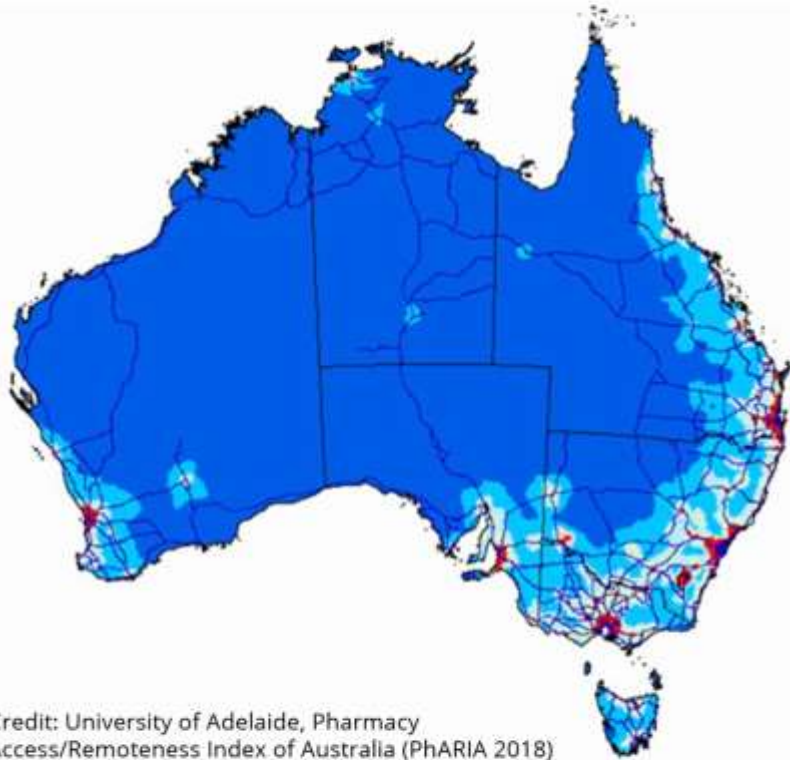


## AMRRIC update - Ehrlichiosis in underserved communities



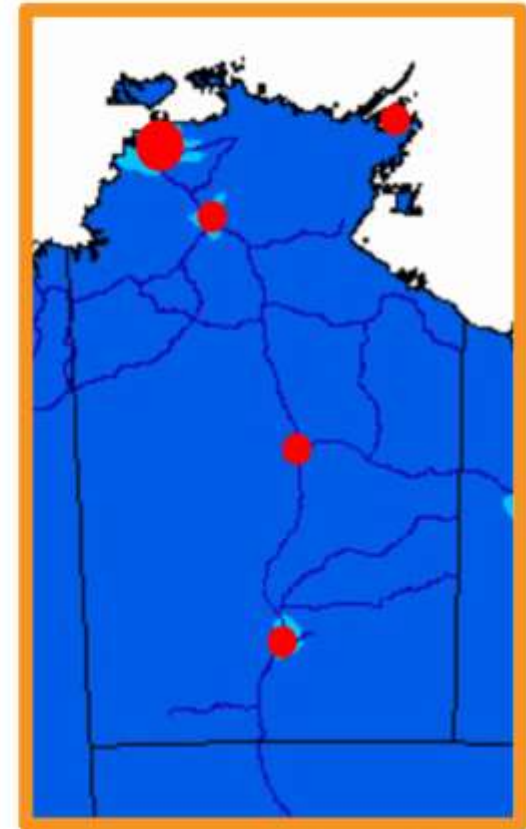
Dr Bonny Cumming, AMRRIC Program Manager – Strategic Delivery, AMRRIC

# Australian Remoteness



Credit: University of Adelaide, Pharmacy  
Access/Remoteness Index of Australia (PhARIA 2018)  
<https://www.adelaide.edu.au/hugo-centre/services/pharia#pharmacy-aria-categories>

- 1 Highly Accessible
- 2 Accessible (Group a)
- 3 Accessible (Group b)
- 4 Moderately Accessible
- 5 Remote
- 6 Very Remote



## Permanent vet clinics in NT





Limited access to animal health products & services, combined with seasonally favorable climatic conditions result in companion animals with extreme parasite burdens

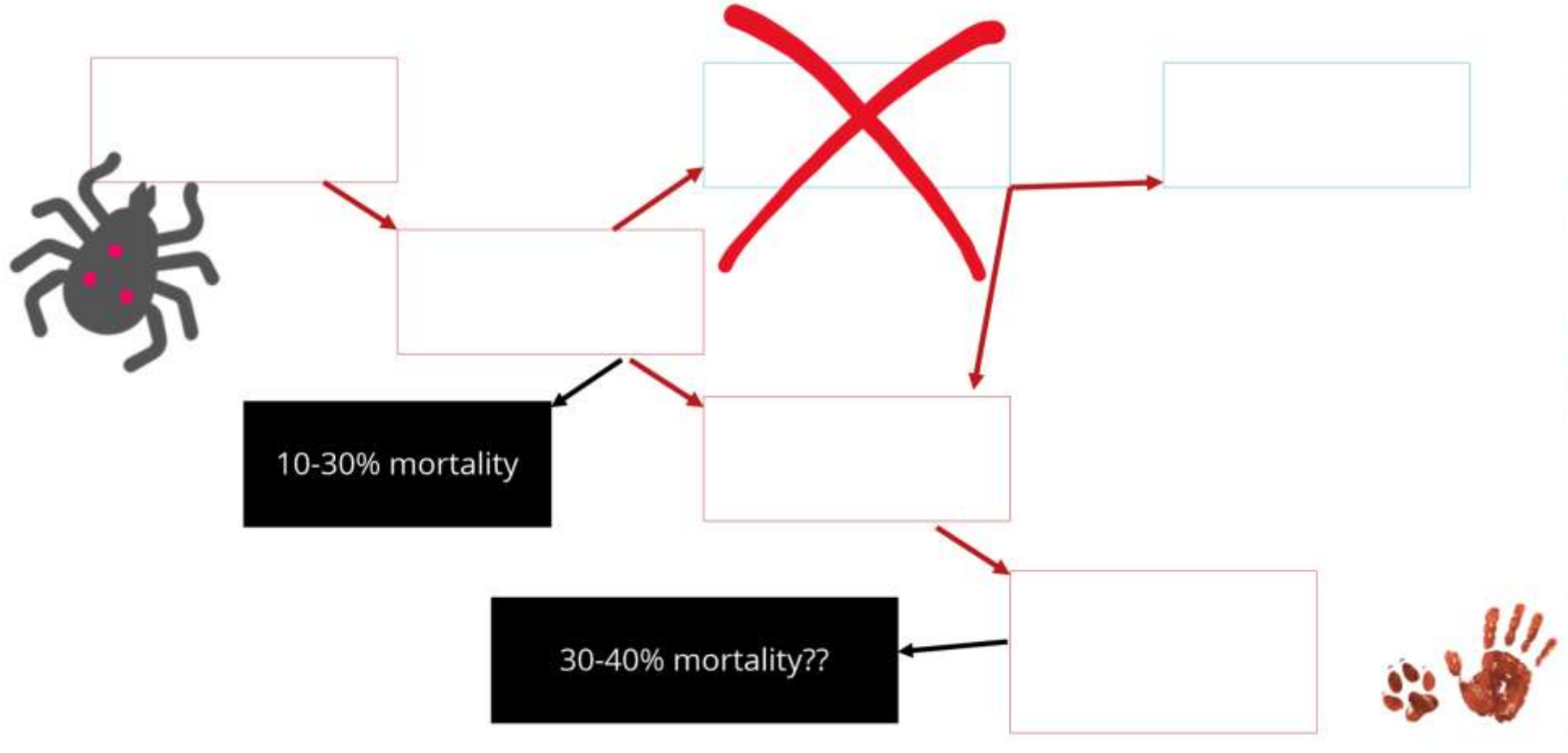




## The challenges

- Remoteness
- Infrequent (sometime absent) veterinary services
- Sub-optimal parasite control
  
- 28day treatment course
  - Access?
  - Compliance?
  - Cost?

# How serious is this disease?



## ***E canis* impacts**

- Estimated prevalence up to 100% in some communities
- Mortalities between ~10-30%
- Chronic cases → Animal Welfare crisis?





# The value of companion animals

- The social and emotional benefits of animal companionship
- Incorporation into culture and kinship systems
- Hunting aids
- Keeping unwanted visitors at bay (people, rodents, snakes etc)
- A source of warmth



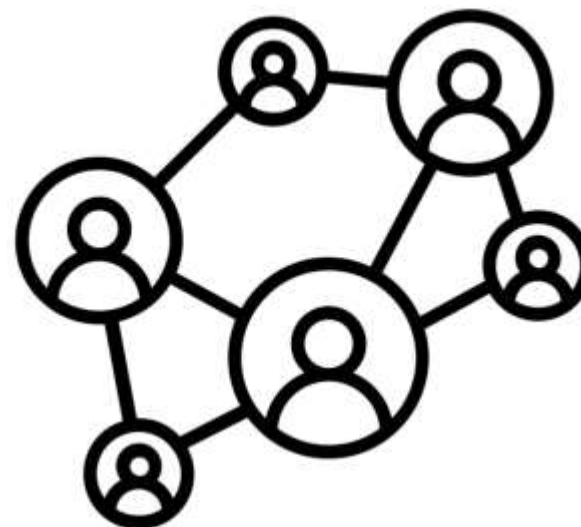


## *E. canis* impacts

- trauma for people witnessing dogs dying in large numbers
- public health risks and disposal of deceased carcasses

## AMRRIC's ehrlichiosis advocacy – early in the response

- Reached out to Chief Veterinary Officers, Departments of Health – Public Health Units, Indigenous organisations and remote Local Government Authorities, Vet Service Providers, Tick-Borne Disease experts, NAQS, WHA
- Shared national remote community vet service provision mapping
- Offered sample collection capacity
- Facilitated supply of discounted tick preventative products
- Communicated detections with community-level animal management stakeholders, and provided context-specific advice on tick mitigation strategies
- Briefed the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet - National Indigenous Australian's Agency



# AMRRIC-DEVELOPED EHRlichiosis & TICK PREVENTION EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

**Tick Sickness**



There is a new tick sickness called Ehrlichiosis



Dogs get the sickness from ticks. Sick dogs...

- Sleep lots and are tired
- Get skinny
- Don't want to eat food
- Get mucky or cloudy eyes




If your dog looks like this and is not feeling good, talk to your vet. Environmental Health Worker or AMRRIC about medicine for your dog.



**Dog Tick Sickness**

There is a new tick sickness in Australia called **Ehrlichiosis** and it's making **DOGS SICK**



Dogs get the sickness when bitten by a tick that has the Ehrlichiosis germ

-  Dogs are tired and sleep lots
-  Dogs don't want to eat
-  Dogs lose weight and get skinny
-  Dogs eyes go cloudy

**Dogs can die from this sickness!**



Stop dogs from getting or spreading tick sickness. Give dogs regular tick medicine.

**4 Ways to Stop TICK SICKNESS**

Stop your dog getting tick sickness (Ehrlichiosis)

-  1. Use a good tick collar like Killix or Seresto.
-  2. Give dogs regular medicine like Nexgard or Bravecto.
-  3. Keep your grass nice and short and keep dogs away from bushy areas
-  4. Speak to housing mob and get your house sprayed for ticks.

 Don't let your dog get the tick sickness. Do the steps to help your pet!





# Human health risks

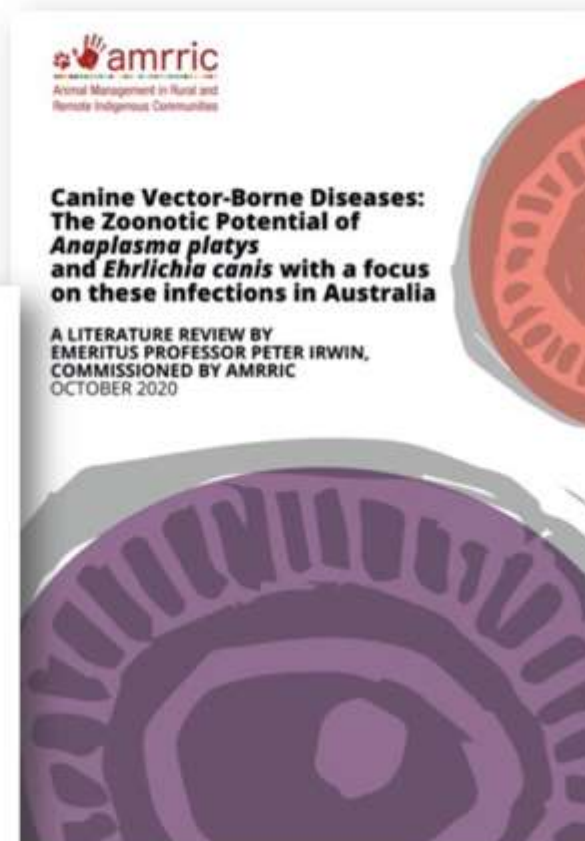
## Concluding Remarks

There is little doubt that the recent detection of *E. canis* in Australia will have significant ramifications for canine health in this country. Whilst the full extent of this outbreak is not understood at the time of writing, the continual movement of dogs around the country, travelling with their owners and via commercial or rescue operations, represents a significant risk for the widespread dissemination of CME. Additionally, the capacity of its vector tick to establish in many environments raises further concern about *E. canis* becoming endemic throughout Australia.

The implications of *E. canis* (and *A. platys*) for human health are more difficult to predict. As described in sections 3.3 and 4.3 of this review, the total number of confirmed cases of human ehrlichiosis and anaplasmosis attributed to these organisms number less than a dozen worldwide. Furthermore, there is evidence that for *E. canis* at least, cases in humans are restricted to Central and South America and appear to be associated with a strain of *E. canis* that differs genetically, albeit in a minor way, from most isolates found in dogs in other parts of the world.

We should not ignore the zoonotic potential of these organisms, however. The relative paucity of reported human cases associated with *E. canis* and *A. platys* should be considered with respect to the fact that these organisms are rarely, if ever, screened for by medical diagnostic laboratories, routinely or even during deeper investigations. The fact that most published cases have originated from just two research groups is very pertinent to this consideration. Whilst critics might consider these studies irrelevant or, worse, attribute them to laboratory failures such as contamination, we should be careful not to dismiss them. Increasingly, animal-associated pathogens have been recognised for their ability to cause illness in people – the recent case of a haemoplasma infection in Queensland, in a person with extensive animal contact is a case in point (Alcorn et al., 2020).

It would seem prudent to remain vigilant for unexplained febrile illnesses in people who live closely with dogs, especially where ectoparasite control measures are suboptimal, when tick burdens are consequently high.



# Human health risks – AMRRIC’s view

In remote communities that experience:

- high tick burdens
- sub-optimal parasite control at both dog and environmental level
- a high burden of chronic disease,

**a precautionary approach to *E canis* is warranted.**

*AMRRIC has developed a proposal to work with renowned researchers to investigate the zoonotic potential of *E canis* and *Anaplasma platys* (another tick borne disease); this proposal is under consideration by Australian Government Department of Health, Agriculture and NIAA*



# AMRRIC's more recent ehrlichiosis advocacy and efforts

- Hosted two stakeholder workshops in Darwin in December 2020
  - One focused on animal population impacts; one focused on potential human health impacts
- Continued to advocate to, and assist jurisdictional authorities in their respective responses to this disease, including becoming a member of the Northern Territory Government's Ehrlichiosis Management Working Group
- Running a trial to assess the feasibility of administration of different tick preventatives that can be administered at community-wide scale and are effective in preventing ehrlichiosis transmission
- Fundraising and seeking pharmaceutical company support to enable the supply of effective tick control products to community stakeholders in impacted regions
- Visited Canberra to advocate the devastating impact of this disease and need for improved resourcing to Federal Government Ministers and Departmental Chiefs
- Delivered LGA focused webinar on E canis impacts and management strategies





## Managing Ehrlichiosis – AMRRIC’s view

Effective management of Ehrlichiosis requires a collaborative, transdisciplinary One Health approach, of which Ehrlichiosis management is part of a broader animal health and management program delivered primarily through local capacity.

*AMRRIC have proposals currently under consideration with Australian Government Departments to improve local capacity, enhance biosecurity surveillance and support animal management programs through regular data collection and anti-parasitic treatment administration.*



# Benefits of effective animal management



IMPROVED ANIMAL  
HEALTH AND WELFARE



IMPROVED HUMAN  
HEALTH AND  
WELLBEING



ENHANCED EMPATHY  
DEVELOPMENT



IMPROVED  
COMMUNITY AMENITY  
AND SAFETY



FEWER UNWANTED  
ANIMALS



REDUCED NEGATIVE  
IMPACTS ON WILDLIFE  
AND ECOSYSTEMS



REDUCED  
BIOSECURITY RISKS



# Further information

- AMRRIC Resources:
  - [Ehrlichiosis FAQs](#)
  - [Tick Prevention Advice](#)
  - [Zoonotic potential literature review](#) (authored by Emertius Professor Peter Irwin)
  - [Educational Resources](#) including animation, posters, lesson plans
  - Webinar; [What the new dog disease, Ehrlichiosis, means for Local Government](#)
  - [Ehrlichiosis communications package](#)
- [Australian Government Outbreak Website](#)
- [NT Government Guidelines for Veterinarians](#)
- Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (WA) – [Ehrlichiosis in dogs](#)
- Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (NT) – [Ehrlichiosis disease in dogs](#)
- Department of Primary Industries and Regions (SA) – [Ehrlichiosis disease in dogs](#)
- Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (QLD) – [Canine Ehrlichiosis](#)
- Department of Primary Industries (NSW) – [Ehrlichia canis](#)
- Agriculture Victoria website – [Ehrlichiosis](#)
- Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment (TAS) – [Ehrlichiosis in dogs](#)





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## **REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 10.1  
**TITLE** July Council Meeting  
**REFERENCE** 325592  
**AUTHOR** Millicent Nhepera, Governance Officer

### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **That the Authority**

- a) Receive and note the report

### **SUMMARY:**

<This should set out what the report is about, why it was written and why it is relevant.>

### **BACKGROUND**

The July Council meeting before the Council goes into caretaker mode. Early voting for the local government elections commences on the 16 of August 2021, and Election Day is Saturday 28 August 2021.

One important thing to note from the meeting was the resignation of Cr Ray Aylett, effective 27 July 2021. Council thanked Cr. Aylett for his 12 years of service to Barkly Regional Council.

Council approved three community benefit funds. These were to Barkly Regional Arts Inc., Tennant Creek Christmas Tree Committee, and the Barkly Rodeo.

Director of Corporate Services, Sharen Lake was appointed the new Council representative of the Barkly Regional Deal Interim Governance Table. This is to replace the former Director of Operations who has left Council.

### **ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

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### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

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### **ATTACHMENTS:**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 13.1  
**TITLE** Confirmation of Next Meeting Date.  
**REFERENCE** 325532  
**AUTHOR** Tim Hema, Area Manager - Ali Curung

### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **That the Authority**

- (a) Confirm the next Ali Curung Local Authority meeting to be held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

### **SUMMARY:**

<This should set out what the report is about, why it was written and why it is relevant.>

### **BACKGROUND**

### **ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.