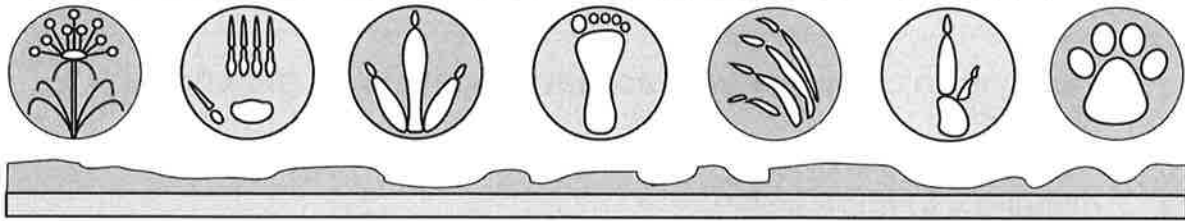


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AGENDA

AMPILATWATJA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING WEDNESDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER 2018

The Ampilatwatja Local Authority will be held in Ampilatwatja on Wednesday, 12 September 2018 at 10.30am.

**Steven Moore
Chief Executive Officer**

AGENDA

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Nil

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Nil

18 CLOSE OF MEETING

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



ITEM NUMBER 2.1
TITLE Confirmation of Previous Minutes
REFERENCE 257096
AUTHOR Robert Smith, Area Manager - Ampilatwatja

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the report.
- b) Confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 15 of August as a true and accurate record.

SUMMARY:

BACKGROUND

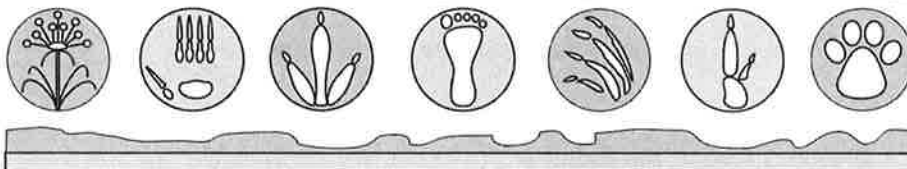
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ATTACHMENTS:

1 Ampilatwatja Agenda 15.08.2018.PDF

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MINUTES

AMPILATWATJA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING WEDNESDAY, 15 AUGUST 2018

The Ampilatwatja Local Authority was held in Ampilatwatja on Wednesday, 15 August 2018 at 10.30am.

Steven Moore
Chief Executive Officer

Meeting commenced at 10:55am with Donald Simpson as chair.

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

Ricky Holmes
Donald Simpson
Leslie Morton
Peter Morton
Ada Beasley
Jeanie Beasley

1.2 Staff And Visitors Present

Steven Edgington
Troy Koch
Robert Smith
Katie Young

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

Theresa McKeeman
Anita Bailey
Warren Snowden

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

1.5 Disclosure Of Interest

There were no declarations of interest at this Ampilatwatja 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 on the 18th of July as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ricky Holmes

Seconded: LA Member L Morton

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 45/18

3. ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the report.
- b) Note all actions completed and remove from the action list.

RESOLVED**Moved:** LA Member A Beasley**Seconded:** LA Member J Beasley**CARRIED UNAN.***Resolved 46/18***3.2 PORTABLE TOILETS -****MOTION****That the Authority**

- a) Approve of funds for Portable Toilets at football field.

RESOLVED**Moved:** Cr. Ricky Ricky Holmes**Seconded:** LA Member D Donald Simpson**CARRIED UNAN.***Resolved 47/18***3.3 PLAYGROUND SHELTER****MOTION****That the Authority**

- a) Approve the allocation of funds to be spent on shelter for the playground.

RESOLVED**Moved:** Cr. Ricky Holmes**Seconded:** LA Member L Morton**CARRIED UNAN.***Resolved 48/18***4. AREA MANAGERS REPORT****4.1 JULY AREA MANAGERS REPORT****MOTION****That the Authority**

- a) Receive and note the report.

RESOLVED**Moved:** Cr. Ricky Holmes**Seconded:** LA Member D Simpson**CARRIED UNAN.**

Resolved 49/18

5. LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS BREAKDOWN

Nil

6. REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Nil

7. CEO REPORT ON CURRENT BRC SERVICES IN LA AREA

7.1 DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ricky Holmes

Seconded: LA Member P Morton

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 50/18

8. BRC'S RESPONSE TO LA ISSUES RAISED

Nil

9. SERVICE DELIVERY ISSUES REPORTS IN THE LA AREA

Nil

10. REGIONAL COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEAR

Nil

11. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S POLICY ON DELEGATION OF POWERS AND FUNCTIONS

Nil

12. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN

12.1 BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL - REGIONAL PLAN & BUDGET 2018-2019

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member D Simpson

Seconded: LA Member L Morton

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 51/18

13. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED BUDGET PRIORITIES FOR THE LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA FOR THE NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR

Nil

14. BRC'S RESPONSE TO SERVICE DELIVERY COMPLAINTS IN THE LA AREA

Nil

15. OTHER BUSINESS**15.1 CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING DATE****MOTION****That the Authority**

- a) Confirm the next Ampilatwatja Local Authority meeting be held on 12th of September.

RESOLVED**Moved: Cr. Ricky Holmes****Seconded: LA Member A Beasley****CARRIED UNAN.***Resolved 52/18***15.2 AMPILATWATJA JULY FINANCE REPORT****MOTION****That the Authority**

- a) Receive and note the report.

RESOLVED**Moved: LA Member P Morton****Seconded: LA Member D Simpson****CARRIED UNAN.***Resolved 53/18***15.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY OPERATIONS POLICY****MOTION****That the Authority**

- a) Receive and note the report.

RESOLVED**Moved: LA Member J Beasley****Seconded: LA Member P Morton****CARRIED UNAN.***Resolved 54/18***16. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS***Nil***17. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC***Nil***18. CLOSE OF MEETING – 12:15pm**

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ampilatwatja Local Authority Meeting HELD ON Wednesday, 15 August 2018 AND CONFIRMED Wednesday, 12 September 2018.

Donald Simpson
Chairperson

Robert Smith
Area Manager

ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING



ITEM NUMBER 3.1
TITLE Action list Ampilatwatja September 18
REFERENCE 257100
AUTHOR Robert Smith, Area Manager - Ampilatwatja

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and Note the report.
- b) Note all completions and remove from action list.

SUMMARY:

BACKGROUND

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ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

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ATTACHMENTS:

1 1 Ampilwatja Action List August 18.pdf

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL		AMPILATWATJA LOCAL AUTHORITY			Updated 20 June 2018	
TASK / PROJECT		ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN			ACTION LIST	
MEETING DATE			BUDGET SOURCE	ACTION LEADER	COMPLETED/STATUS	
16/11/17	Horse trough in Atnwengerrpe	A/M has spoken to Amaroo station About cattle in Atnwengerrpe for a solution.		area Manager	Simon to get quotes for the materials [NOTE this item is no longer getting done August LA Meeting has decided not a good idea]	
09/05/2018	Shelter for softball oval's	A/M PO done		A/M	Ongoing Funding has been approved and PO done waiting for delivery	
09/05/2018	Shelter for all 4 football oval's	A/M PO done		A/M	Ongoing Funding has been approved and PO done waiting for delivery	
09/05/2018	Portable Absolution toilet for softball oval	A/M PO done		A/M	Ongoing Funding has been approved and PO done waiting for delivery	
09/05/2018	LA approved allocation of \$21,109.00 from LA funding for playground shelter at Ampilatwatja	Starting date for Pederson builders is on the 4 th of August 2018 COMPLETED on 17/08/2018	LA Funding	A/M	Ongoing Shade Shelter has been completed	

AREA MANAGERS REPORT



ITEM NUMBER 4.1
TITLE August Area Managers Report for Ampilatwatja
REFERENCE 258995
AUTHOR Robert Smith, Area Manager - Ampilatwatja

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority
A; Receive and Note the report

SUMMARY:

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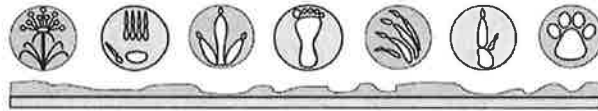
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BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



AREA MANAGER REPORT –Ampilatwatja

Month – August 2018

GENERAL:

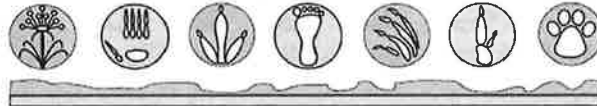
- All essential services completed for the month.
- First Aid Training conducted for ESO, Aged Care and some staff from Ali Curung and Arlparra for 2 days Wednesday and Thursday in the month of August.
- Visit from NT Housing group to discuss Room to Breathe and Housing Renovations held outside the Store a very good turn out Good to see the Community getting together to try and resolve the over crowding in the houses..
- ESO Marco relieving Greg Carney at Arlparra for 2 weeks while Greg takes a well deserved break.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Jacinta is back to work after leave she had Teasha from Caylus here for a week doing a hair salon for the Ladies which was a great success she may be back later in the year.
- Free WIFI has been installed at the basketball court for all to enjoy NBN modem has been installed and is now up and running.
- The new Shade Shelter for the Playground has been completed and looks good.
- We have collected the Grader from Arlparra and have been grading the 4 km stretch out of the community the Back roads, Football Oval and Softball, Airstrip Road, and ongoing to do fire breaks.
- New Shade Shelters have been ordered for the Football Oval and Softball Oval as soon as they arrive My-Pathway activity workers in conjunction with the BRC Municipal workers will start to install 3 on each.
- 4 new Portable Toilets on 2 Tandem trailers have also been ordered should arrive in T/C in a couple of weeks, to be used for Football and Softball oval when needed.

ISSUES:	Have had damage done to the Sport and Rec Electrical cage some one turning the power off and on has now faulted the Wi-Fi. Municipal workers have welded brackets and padlocked to stop this happening again.
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BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



CORE BUSINESS and PROGRAMS (n/a if Program not run in community) as much detail as is necessary for the Directors – this section does not go to Council unless the Director decides something should

ADMINISTRATION	90 hours/month. I have spent more time in the office this month making sure that all the reports were covered. I have also been working with IT on remote communication as I have quite a few issues with our computers. As we have received a new Printer which was not completely installed.
DEPOT	20 hours/month Municipal team working well, but still need daily guidance about what we are doing and how it is expected to be carried out. I am still training my Municipal Supervisor up. They have carried out their usual duties this month and they have also helped My Pathway at erecting a shed for the elderly ladies.
ESSENTIAL SERVICES	ESO duties being fulfilled. I have had to cover 1 week and week end on call in the last month while staff was away.
SPORT & REC	Program running well
AGED CARE	5hours/month Aged care has been running well and has only needed minimal help over the last month. I have only stepped in when any problems have occurred.
NIGHT PATROL	2 hours/ month Night patrol have not been working due to shortage of staff Zone Manager visiting Ampilatwatja this month to recruit.
SNP	School Nutrition taken over by My Pathway working in aged care side by side with aged care looks like running well.
HOMELANDS	10 hours/ month I have been to Irrultja and Atnwengerrpe on a regular basis to keep in touch with our homeland Municipal Workers.

CEO REPORT ON CURRENT BRC SERVICES IN LA AREA

ITEM NUMBER 7.1
TITLE CEO Report for Ampilatwatja
REFERENCE 257323
AUTHOR Troy Koch, Area Manager - Alpurrurulam

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- a) **Receive and note the report**

SUMMARY:

- With Mark Parsons on Annual Leave I was offered the opportunity to fill in for him for the time that he was away and willingly accepted the opportunity to work in Tennant Creek during his absence.
- This month I have visited all of our Communities for their respective Local Authority Meetings. We had a quorum in 4 of 6 of our communities, Alpurrurulam, Ali Curung, Elliott and Ampilatwatja. Unfortunately we did not make a quorum in Arlpara and Wutunugurra due to members travelling to and from rodeos and camp drafts.
- I travelled to Elliott and Ali Curung with the Mayor which was a good experience for me and gave me the opportunity to build a good relationship with the Mayor. Due to other commitments the Mayor was unable to attend the other Local Authority meetings.
- It was good to see the other Local Authorities and how they are functioning, which in my opinion was very well and you could see the passion that the LA members have for their communities and their drive to improve their communities, with Barkly Regional Councils support.
- Below is a picture of the recently completed Shade Structure over the playground in Ampilatwatja.



- Whilst we did not achieve a quorum at Wutunugurra due to members being away, the following week we were able to hold a community meeting in regards to the

youth of the community riding motorbikes and Quads through the community and the school. The meeting was exceptionally well attended with more than 50 community members in attendance as well as the Police, School, Health, Epenarra Station and Wetenegerr Shop.

- In the 8 years I have been employed with Barkly Regional Council I have not enjoyed coming to Tennant Creek more than I have this time. This is the first occasion I have been asked to step up into a Senior Position and I believe that bringing staff in from our remote locations as coverage for staff leave is a move in a positive direction for Council. This has afforded me the opportunity to build better relationships with staff in Tennant Creek and develop a greater understanding of Regional operations. To have the opportunity to visit all of our communities, to have discussions with staff in regards to how they achieve their outcomes and compare to how we achieve ours (in Alpururulam) was invaluable. The reaction that I got in most communities when visiting was very positive and it was great to catch up and see their support for someone coming from the communities to work in Tennant Creek. I can honestly say that this has been an exceptionally positive experience for me and for the first time in a long time, I believe that the Council is moving forward in a positive and productive manner in all of our Communities. I would like to thank all for making my time in Tennant Creek a pleasant experience.

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ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

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ATTACHMENTS:

**OTHER BUSINESS**

ITEM NUMBER 15.1
TITLE Food Ladder Community Survey
REFERENCE 256127
AUTHOR Robert Smith, Area Manager - Ampilatwatja

RECOMMENDATION**That the Authority**

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Submit and entry on behalf of the local Authority

SUMMARY:

Attached is a survey asking questions such as: would you like to grow your own fruits and vegetables locally, would you be interested in learning about how to grow vegies etc?

It's for the Department of Education which is currently in talks with Food Ladder, a not-for-profit organisation.

Food Ladder creates social enterprises to address food security in disadvantaged communities internationally and in remote communities in Australia.

From enhancing school nutrition programs to providing meaningful work for Community Development Program (CDP) participants, Food Ladder works with important existing initiatives already operating in remote communities.

BACKGROUND**ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES****CONSULTATION & TIMING****ATTACHMENTS:**

1  FoodLadderCommunitySurvey_BRC_Template.pdf



Food Ladder Community Survey

Name	
Organisation	
Role	
What kind of vegetables would you like to grow locally?	
What kind of fruit would you like to grow locally?	
Would you be interested in learning about how vegetables grow?	
Would you be interested in working with growing vegetables?	
How do you think the Food Ladder could benefit you and/or your family?	
Other comments or questions.....	



OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER 15.2
TITLE Confirmation of Next Meeting Date
REFERENCE 257325
AUTHOR Robert Smith, Area Manager - Ampilatwatja

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Confirm that the next Ampilatwatja meeting be held on the 10th of October.

SUMMARY:

BACKGROUND

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

CONSULTATION & TIMING

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

LA OTHER BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER 15.3
TITLE August Correspondence
REFERENCE 257336
AUTHOR Tim Hema, Area Manager - Ali Curung

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the report.

SUMMARY:

BACKGROUND

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

CONSULTATION & TIMING

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1  Letter from Chief Minister 20 August 2018.pdf
- 2  Letter to Chief Minister 10 August 2018.pdf
- 3  Letter to Chief Minister 8 August 2018.pdf



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Mr Steven Edgington
Via email: steven.edgington@barkly.nt.gov.au

Dear Mr Edgington

Thank you for your correspondence of 8 August 2018 in relation to issues affecting Tennant Creek, Elliott, Ali Curung and the Barkly region. I have been asked to respond to your concerns on behalf of the Chief Minister.

I believe the best way to address the many complex challenges facing the Barkly is for all three levels of government to work together. This was, of course, a central message coming out of the recent visit to Tennant Creek by the Prime Minister. For that reason I am happy address the matters you have raised as best I can.

I want to start by saying that following the horrific incident which attracted so much national attention to Tennant and the Barkly, there has been significant progress. This has seen involvement by many parties but I am proud of the role played by the Northern Territory Government in helping to drive positive change in Tennant Creek and the region.

As you note, there has been a reduction in alcohol-related assaults in the Barkly region over the last 12 months. But as Police Minister, I share your concerns in relation to other forms of crime across the Barkly.

Your correspondence posed a number of specific questions. Elliott and Ali Curung Police Stations both have a gazetted strength of three Police Officers. All positions in both stations are currently occupied on a full-time basis.

Both Elliott and Ali Curung have Community Safety Action Committees (CSAC), which aim to meet on a monthly basis. The occurrence of meetings depends on the availability of community members and other stakeholders. Both Elliott and Ali Curung have Community Safety Action Plans (CSAP). The CSAP forms the basis from which local issues are identified and resolved.

Ali Curung had seven CSAC meetings last financial year. Their most recent meeting was on 7 August. Elliott Police held three community safety meetings in July to discuss fighting in the community. I am advised these meetings have helped to de-escalate tensions in the community. The unavailability of key stakeholders has meant no formal CSAC meetings have



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been possible in Elliott in recent months. However, the Officer in Charge of Elliott Police Station is working with the Local Authority to co-ordinate future CSAC meetings.

Attached is the requested crime data for Elliott and Ali Curung. The crime spikes in both communities were primarily caused by a small group of youth who committed most of the offences during the December and June school holidays. Targeted Police work prevented further trouble from the groups in both communities.

Planning for work to engage youth in the upcoming school holidays is underway to help prevent crime. The Barkly Council as a recipient of funding to deliver programs that target youth engagement, such as sport and recreation in Ali Curung, will be an important contributor and partner in this work.

As you would know, Operation Haven commenced in Tennant Creek on 5 March and has had a dramatic impact across the region. Part of the reason for Operation Haven's success is its multi-agency approach.

Operation Haven has seen reductions in domestic and family violence and assaults. The results have been so positive, resources from Operation Haven have now also been deployed to Borroloola. Police tell me they expect the same positive results there.

Operation Haven focuses on the key drivers of domestic and family violence. This includes targeting recidivist domestic violence offenders, breaches of orders, like DVOs and BDR orders, as well as monitoring bail compliance and other court orders.

Police involved in Operation Haven also tackle the disgraceful practice of secondary supply as well as targeting crime hotspots with the assistance of mobile CCTV. Another mobile CCTV unit is expected in Tennant Creek in the near future. And the 12 new fixed CCTV in Tennant Creek are expected to become officially operational within the next week.

There is no doubt the work of Operation Haven has been assisted by liquor restrictions, which have had an impact across the Barkly. Police report a 65 per cent reduction in alcohol-related domestic violence incidents. Recently the Police Commissioner exercised his new powers under Section 48B of the *Liquor Act* to impose a 48-hour licence suspension on the Tennant Creek Hotel. This sent a clear message about the responsible service of alcohol to the liquor industry across the Territory.

Police advise Point of Sale Intervention should continue to be employed at takeaway liquor outlets. They see it as an important element in on-going efforts to limit alcohol supply in the Barkly. I am willing to listen to the advice of Police on the best ways to limit alcohol supply in the region. It is my firm belief that limiting access to alcohol is a certain way to limit crime and anti-social behaviour.

The Government has funded the recruitment and training of 75 new Police Auxiliary Liquor Inspectors (PALI). Eleven new PALIs will begin working at Tennant Creek takeaway liquor outlets from December. This will free up frontline police resources to concentrate on proactive crime prevention strategies.

I hope that by working together we can see some real progress when it comes to tackling some of the complex challenges of the Barkly region.

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If you have any further queries regarding Policing issues in Tennant Creek, Ali Curung or Elliott, I encourage you to make contact with Superintendent Kerry Hoskins on 08 8962 0940.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'N Manison', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

NICOLE MANISON

20 AUG 2018

NORTHERN TERRITORY POLICE, FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

SUBJECT: BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL – CONCERNS RELATING TO
ASSAULTS AND SPIKE IN CRIME

ANNEXURE A: CRIME STATISTICS FOR ALI CURUNG AND ELLIOTT COMMUNITIES

The crime statistics relate to 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 Financial Years

Ali Curung	2016-2017	2017-2018	% CHANGE
Assault	35	16	-54.30%
Domestic violence related assault	28	13	-53.60%
Alcohol related assault	18	7	-61.10%
Sexual assault	2	1	-50.00%
House break-ins	4	6	50.00%
Commercial break-ins	21	31	47.60%
Motor vehicle theft	0	4	n/a
Property Damage	31	17	-45.20%

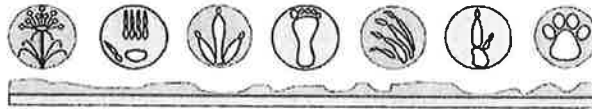
SUMMARY

Ali Curung	2016-2017	2017-2018	% CHANGE
Crime against the person	38	17	-55.30%
Crime against property	74	62	-16.20%

Elliott	2016-2017	2017-2018	% CHANGE
Assault	17	13	-23.50%
Domestic violence related assault	12	10	-16.70%
Alcohol related assault	15	12	-20.00%
Sexual assault	1	3	200.00%
House break-ins	0	9	n/a
Commercial break-ins	3	12	300.00%
Motor vehicle theft	0	7	n/a
Property Damage	4	9	125.00%

SUMMARY

Elliott	2016-2017	2017-2018	% CHANGE
Crime against the person	18	16	-11.10%
Crime against property	10	54	440.00%

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

10 August 2018

Hon Michael Gunner MLA
Chief Minister
Northern Territory Government

Dear Chief Minister,

Michael

I am writing to you in regard to concerns raised by the Elliott Local Authority and the Ali Curung Local Authority about Alcohol Management Plans.

By way of background, I first wrote to you on 21 December 2017 advising your office that the Elliott Local Authority had written to the Director-General of Licensing back on 17 May 2017 and had not received a response about the Alcohol Management Plan. A response was eventually received by the Elliott Local Authority on or about 12 January 2018 advising that before implementing a liquor permit system the Director-General Licensing was seeking information from the Northern Territory Police, the Department of Health and the Commonwealth's Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet. There has been no further communication with the Elliott Local Authority over the last 7 months.

On 9 August 2018, a concern was raised at the Ali Curung Local Authority meeting about the lack of feedback from the NT Government regarding the Alcohol Management Plan for Ali Curung.

According to recommendation 2.12.7 in the 'Alcohol Policies and Legislation Review Final Report' which was released in October 2017, the NT Government was to reinvigorate the AMP process. The recommendation states that:

"In line with the commitment to Local Decision Making, the Northern Territory Government use the partnership between the Regional Network Group in the Department of the Chief Minister and APONT, to reinvigorate the AMP process with communities".

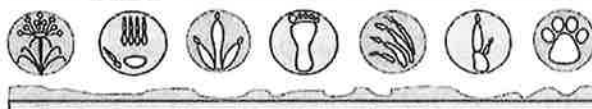
Recommendation 3.5.2 in the 'Alcohol Policies and Legislation Review Final Report' states that:

"The Department of the Chief Minister coordinate more effective collaboration between police, sobering up shelters, community patrols and local government to ensure a coordinated approach to tackling alcohol related problems in the community".

The 'Alcohol Policies and Legislation Review Final Report' identified alcohol misuse as a substantial contributor to crime and anti social behaviour and made recommendations designed to prevent and reduce harm associated with alcohol misuse.

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It is clear that Alcohol Management Plans are important matters for Ali Curung and Elliott and must be given appropriate consideration and attention from the Northern Territory Government.

Can you please provide a response to the above concerns and to the following questions:

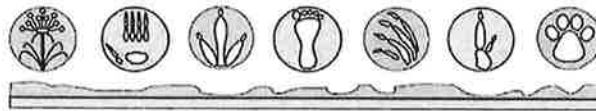
1. What is the current status of the Elliott and Ali Curung Alcohol Management Plans?
2. Has the NT Government commenced implementing recommendation 2.12.7 and 3.5.2 from the Alcohol Policies and Legislation Review Final Report? If not, why not?
3. When will consultation and engagement be undertaken with the Elliott and Ali Curung Communities to finalise and implement their Alcohol Management Plans?

Thank-you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Steven Edgington
Mayor

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BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

8 August 2018

Hon Michael Gunner MLA
Chief Minister
Northern Territory Government

Dear Chief Minister, *Michael*

I am writing to you to seek your feedback in regard to concerns raised by community members throughout the Barkly region.

It is pleasing to note that over the last twelve months alcohol related assaults have reduced by 2.4% however according to the most recent police crime statistics for the period 1 June 2017 until 31 May 2018, house break-ins have increased by 81% (58 to 105), commercial break-ins have increased by 62.5% (80 to 130) and property damage has increased by 33% (212 to 282).

I have also been advised that in Elliott and Ali Curung there has been a spike in crime, particularly in property related offences. Unfortunately, crime statistics for both Elliott and Ali Curung are not published so I am unable to make any specific comment when queried by concerned community members.

Can you please provide a response to the above concerns and to the following questions:

1. What is the gazetted number of police positions for Elliott and the Ali Curung Community and have these positions been filled and occupied on a full-time basis over the last 12 months?
2. Is there a Community Safety Action Plan being actively implemented in Elliott and Ali Curung? If not, why not? If so, how often has the Community Safety Committee met over the last 12 months and what outcomes have been achieved?
3. Can you please provide a table with crime statistics for both Elliott and Ali Curung similar to those published for urban centres with each crime category for the period 1 August 2016 to 31 July 2017 and 1 August 2017 to 31 July 2018?
4. What crime reduction strategies and resources does your government have in place to prevent and reduce crime in Tennant Creek, Elliott, Ali Curung and the broader Barkly region?
5. With a Banned Drinker Register, Liquor Restrictions and escalating property related crime in Tennant Creek, why does your government continue to position valuable police resources outside licensed premises for significant periods of time?

Thank-you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

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LA OTHER BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER 15.4
TITLE Local Authority Operations Policy
REFERENCE 257337
AUTHOR Manu Pillai, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the report.

SUMMARY:

BACKGROUND

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

CONSULTATION & TIMING

ATTACHMENTS:

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POLICY



TITLE:	Local Authority Operations Policy		
DIVISION:	Corporate Policy		
ADOPTED BY:	Council		
DATE OF ADOPTION:	28 June 2018	DATE OF REVIEW:	June 2021
MOTION NUMBER:	OCCS 142/18		
POLICY NUMBER:	CP000018		
AUTHORISED:	Barkly Regional Council		

THIS POLICY APPLIES TO:

All employees, Elected Members and Ordinary Members of Local Authorities.

SUMMARY

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

This Policy sets out arrangements for the operation and support of Local Authorities. The policy includes meeting frequency, the inaugural meeting, agenda setting, allowances and other arrangements.

OBJECTIVES

To facilitate the effective operation of Local Authorities

BACKGROUND

The Local Government Act and relevant Ministerial Guidelines require the Council to establish and maintain Local Authorities with effect from July 1 2014. To achieve this and to enable the effective operation of local authorities once established, the Council needs to have in place a policy which sets out the operating framework within which the local authorities can work.

POLICY**Administrative Support and Secretariat**

That, in accordance with Section 63 of the Local Government Act, meetings of a Local Authority are convened by the CEO, who will determine, in consultation with the Chair of a Local Authority the date, time and venue for meetings and undertake any action necessary or expedient to ensure the efficient conduct of Local Authority meetings.

Frequency of Meetings

That each Local Authority meets every month

Attendance at Meetings by Senior Staff

One of the officers of Executive Leadership Team will attend Local Authority meetings, unless in the CEO's opinion circumstances require attendance by more than one executive officer. If it is not operationally possible for a member of the Executive team to attend the Area Manager will carry out the responsibilities of the Executive team member

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Inaugural Meeting and the First Meeting in Every Subsequent Financial Year

That at the first meeting of each Local Authority and at the first meeting of each Authority in every subsequent financial year, the following occur:

- Appointment of a Chair Person and Deputy Chair for a term of twelve (12) months;
- Appointment of a Representative on the Employment Selection Advisory Panel and a proxy for a term of 12 months;
- Tabling and consideration of the Council's policy on delegation of powers and functions; and,
- Tabling and explanation of the Code of Conduct and its applicability to Authority Members
- Tabling and explanation of Local Authority Operations Policy, guidelines and induction

Agenda and Minutes

- That the following order of business is adopted for all Local Authority meetings:
 - Appointment of Chair (if required)
 - Apologies
 - Consideration of any items required to be dealt with at the first meeting of each Local Authority and at the first meeting of each Authority in every subsequent financial year□
 - Confirmation of Minutes of previous meeting
 - Action items from previous meetings
 - Report from the Mayor (if any)
 - Correspondence or reports from the Council including:
 - The Council's response to issues raised by the Authority
 - The CEO's Report on Council services in the area
 - The CEO's Report on any complaints received concerning service delivery
 - The Financial Report, Local Authority money and Council expenditure against budget
 - Items which the Authority is required to consider on a periodic basis (if appropriate) including:
 - The Council's Annual Report for the previous financial year
 - Any relevant community plan
 - The proposed Council plan and proposed budget priorities for the next financial year
 - The Council Report (after the audit of its financial statements) on actual expenditure within the area against budgeted expenditure
 - Agenda items listed by the Chair or other Member submitted prior to closure of the Agenda including notices of motion (if any)
 - Visitor presentations approved by the Chair (if any)
 - Other Business
- That specific Agenda items be determined by the CEO (or nominee) in consultation with the Chair seven (7) days prior to the meeting; and
- That all Business Papers be accessible to the public

Council consideration of local authority minutes

That minutes of Local Authority meetings received after the Council's Agenda cut-off date be held over until the next Council meeting; and,

That, where the CEO considers this to be appropriate, the minutes of each Local Authority Meeting be accompanied by an Officer's Report providing additional background or an alternative course of action for consideration

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Employment Selection Advisory Panel

That for the purposes of Section 11 of the Ministerial Guideline 8 – Local Authorities, a managerial position is defined as the position held by a Community Coordinator within the area for which the Local Authority is constituted.

Allowances for Local Authority Members

Allowances for Ordinary Local Authority Members

- Meeting Allowance is payable by direct deposit, in arrears, and within two weeks of the meeting on presentation of the appropriate claim form.
- Any Council employee who is an ordinary member of a local authority and attends a meeting of a Local Authority outside that employee's normal working hours be paid for attendance at the same rate as other Ordinary Members; and
- Any Ordinary Member (other than a Council employee) attending a meeting of the Employment Selection Advisory Panel be paid for attendance at the rate prescribed by the Guidelines for that Member.

Allowances for Ex Officio Local Authority Members

- Meeting and Travel Allowance are payable by direct deposit, in arrears, and within two weeks of the meeting on presentation of the appropriate claim form, with the exception of any accommodation expense which it is necessary to pay in advance.
- Travel Allowance only be paid where the claim is made in writing and submitted within three months of the date in respect of which it is claimed. Claims for reimbursement of travel by vehicle will only be accepted if the distance travelled on each occasion is in excess of 75km. (150 round trip). Claims for accommodation will only be accepted where approval has been granted in advance by the CEO or his or her nominee.

Council Budgets and Financial Reporting

That the CEO be delegated authority to:

- Prepare Council's Budget documents and Financial Reports to achieve compliance with the Guidelines;
- Make preliminary determinations in relation to Local Authority priorities and submissions when recommending a Draft Budget to Council for its consideration
- Undertake the necessary reporting back to a Local Authority once the Council has adopted its Budget in the event that an Authority's proposals have not been included in the Budget.

That Budget proposals be submitted in accordance with Council's budgetary planning schedule for the financial year and annually thereafter for each subsequent financial year.

Delegation

That no delegations to be made to a Local Authority.

LOCAL AUTHORITY FUNDING

Each Local Authority receives Local Authority Project Funding annually from Council. The Local Authority project funding guidelines state:

The funding aims to:

- build stronger communities

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- assist community projects as recommended by local authorities
- help local governing bodies and their communities they present to become stronger and self-sustaining
- provide quality community infrastructure that facilitates community activity and integration
- develop local government capacity to provide legitimate representation, effective governance improved service delivery and sustainable development.

What you can use the funding for

The following are examples of how you can use the funding:

- repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council
- acquiring plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery
- upgrading or enhancing community sporting facilities owned or controlled by Council

If the proposed project relies on pre-conditions (such as the acquisition of a section 19 lease under the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act*), then the project should not be undertaken until there is conclusive evidence that the condition will not hinder the progress of the project for which funds have been allocated.

What you can't spend funding on

You can't use funding for any of the following:

- buying vehicles or paying fuel expenses
- paying salaries or cash prizes
- purposes that are not of a local government nature that are relevant to another NT Government department.

Administration and/or project management fees are not to be levied on this grant funding.

RISK MANAGEMENT

In the implementation of the Barkly Regional Council policy development, all Elected Members, employees, Local Authority Members, Council Committee Members, communities and stakeholders are encouraged to communicate any risks they perceive to the Chief Executive Officer.

REFERENCES

Local Authority Establishment Policy

LEGISLATION & STANDARDS

Local Government Act NT
Guideline 8

LINKS

https://legislation.nt.gov.au/LegislationPortal/Acts/By-Title#header_act_acc_L

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EVALUATION AND REVIEW

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