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AGENDA WUTUNUGURRA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING THURSDAY, 15 MARCH 2018

The Wutunugurra Local Authority will be held in on Thursday, 15 March 2018 at 11:00am.

Steven Moore Chief Executive Officer

AGENDA

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MEETING TO COMMENCE WITH ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

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	Nil	
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	Nil	
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	Nil	
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	Nil	
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	Nil	
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	Nil	
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	Nil	
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	Nil	
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	Nil	
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	Nil	
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CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER 2.1

TITLE Confirmation of Previous Minutes

REFERENCE 228953

AUTHOR Mark Parsons, Operations Director

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Confirm the minute of the Wutunugurra Local Authority meeting held on 13 June 2017 as a true and accurate record.
- c) Confirm the minute of the Wutunugurra Local Authority meeting held on 15 November 2017 as a true and accurate record.
- d) Confirm the minute of the Wutunugurra Local Authority meeting held on 12 December 2017 as a true and accurate record.

SUMMARY:

BACKGROUND

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

CONSULTATION & TIMING

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 Wutunugurra Minutes Unconfirmed 12.12.2017.pdf
- 2 Wutunugurra Minutes Unconfirmed 13.06.2017.pdf
- 3 Wutunugurra Minutes Unconfirmed 15.11.2017.pdf





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PROVISIONAL MINUTES WUTUNUGURRA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING TUESDAY, 12 DECEMBER 2017

The Wutunugurra Local Authority was held in Wutunugurra on Tuesday, 12

December 2017 at 11:00am.

Steve Moore
Chief Executive Officer

Provisional Meeting commenced at 11:43am with Mayor Steven Edgington as chair.

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

- 1.1 Appointed and Elected Members Present
 - Geraldine Beasley
 - Mark Peterson
 - Julie Peterson
 - Rochelle Bonney
 - Mayor Steve Edgington
- 1.2 Staff And Visitors Present
 - Adrian Currie (Department of Housing and Communities)
 - Jill Kleiner (Department of Housing and Communities)
 - Mark Parsons (Director of Operations, Barkly Regional Council)
 - Abu Umaya (Barkly Regional Council)
 - Donna Eddie (Barkly Regional Council)
 - Rosalyn Peterson (Observer)
 - Gladys Beasley (Observer)
- 1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted
 - Steve Moore (CEO, Barkly Regional Council)
- 1.4 Absent Without Apologies
 - Owen Torres (Appointed Member)
 - Lenny Beasley (Appointed Member)
- 1.5 Disclosure Of Interest

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

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 CONFIRMATION OF MEETING MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Confirm the attached minutes of the Wutunugurra Local Authority Meeting held on 15th of November 2017 as a true and accurate record

NO MOVER OR SECONDER

3. ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 STATUS OF ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION

That the Authority

- Receive and note actions from previous Local Authority Meeting held on the 15th of November 2017
- b) Remove actions that have been completed from action list.

Moved: Local Authority Member Julie Peterson

Seconded: Local Authority Member Mark Peterson

CARRIED

Resolved WLA 20/17

Note: Xmas party - ongoing

3.2 PROPOSED MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

MOTION

That the Authority

 Nominate Basketball roof and Lights as a project that will benefit the Wutunugurra community over the next five years.

Moved: Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney

Seconded: Local Authority Member Geraldine Beasley

CARRIED

Resolved WLA 21/17

3.2A PROPOSED MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

MOTION

That the Authority

a) Nominate work on cemetery, fences, signs, shade and water tank as a project that will benefit the Wutunugurra community over the next five years.

Moved: Local Authority Member Julie Peterson

Seconded: Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney

CARRIED

Resolved WLA 22/17

3.2B PROPOSED MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

MOTION

That the Authority

 a) Nominate more shades round community shelters as a project that will benefit the Wutunugurra community over the next five years.

Moved: Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney

Seconded: Non-Local Authority Member Kaye Beasley (not eligible)

4. AREA MANAGERS REPORT

4.1 CEO UPDATE

MOTION

That the Authority

a) Receive and note update from CEO.

Moved: Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney

Seconded: Local Authority Member Mark Peterson

CARRIED

Resolved WLA 23/17

4.2 AREA MANAGER UPDATE

MOTION

That the Authority

a) Receive and note the report from the Area Manager and incoming Director Operations.

Moved: Non-Local Authority Member Kaye Beasley (not eligible)

Seconded: Local Authority Member Geraldine Beasley

NOT CARRIED

Resolved WLA 24/17

5. LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS BREAKDOWN

Nil

6. CEO REPORT ON CURRENT BRC SERVICES IN LA AREA

Nil

7. BRC'S RESPONSE TO LA ISSUES RAISED

Nil

8. SERVICE DELIVERY ISSUES REPORTS IN THE LA AREA

Nil

9. LATEST FINANCIAL QUARTERLY REPORT

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

Nil

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 LATEST FINANCIAL QUARTERLY REPORT

MOTION

That the Local Authority receive and note the report.

Moved: Non-Local Authority Member Kaye Beasley (not eligible)

Seconded: Local Authority Member Julie Peterson

NOT CARRIED

Resolved WLA 25/17

15.2 CONSULTATION AND FEEDBACK - MINISTERIAL GUIDELINE 8 REGIONAL COUNCILS AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report; and
- b) Provide comments and feedback to the CEO prior to the Local Authority Meeting to be held in January 2018.

Moved: Local Authority Member Geraldine Beasley

Seconded: Local Authority Member Julie Peterson

CARRIED

Resolved WLA 26/17

15.3 REVISED LOCAL AUTHORITIES ESTABLISHMENT POLICY

MOTION

That the Local Authority

a) Receive and note the revised Local Authority Establishment Policy.

Moved: Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney

Seconded: Local Authority Member Mark Peterson

CARRIED

Resolved WLA 27/17

15.4 GRAFFITI POLICY

MOTION

That the Local Authority

a) Receive and note the report.

Moved: Local Authority Member Julie Peterson

Seconded: Non-Local Authority Member Kaye Beasley (not eligible)

15.5 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

MOTION

That the Authority

a) Would like a representative from Animal Management to come to the next meeting to discuss.

Moved: Local Authority Member Geraldine Beasley

Seconded: TBC

15.6 NEXT MEETING DATE

MOTION

That the Authority

a) Receive and note the report

b) Confirm the date of the next Wutunugurra Local Authority meeting on 13th February 2018

Moved: Local Authority Member Julie Peterson

Seconded: Local Authority Member Rochelle Beasley

CARRIED

Resolved WLA 28/17

16. <u>VISITOR PRESENTATIONS</u>

16.1 DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES

MOTION

That the Authority formally acknowledges the presence of Adrian Curry at the meeting.

Moved: Local Authority Member Julie Peterson

Seconded: Local Authority Member Mark Peterson

CARRIED

Resolved WLA 29/17

17. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Nil

18. CLOSE OF MEETING

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Owen Torres	Donna Eddies
Chair	Acting Area Manager

Attachment 1



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MINUTES WUTUNUGURRA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING TUESDAY, 13 JUNE 2017

The Wutunugurra Local Authority was held in Wutunugurra Community Centre on Tuesday, 13 June 2017 at 12:00 pm.

Steven Moore Chief Executive Officer Meeting commenced at 12:05 pm with Owen Torres as chair.

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present
Geraldine Beasley
Kay Beasley
Julie Peterson
Mark Peterson
Owen Torres
Rochelle Bonney
Cr. Noel Hayes

- 1.2 Staff And Visitors Present Mark Parson – BRC Donna Eddie BRC
- 1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted Annette Nungala
- 1.4 Absent Without Apologies Stuart Beasley
- 1.5 Disclosure Of Interest There were no declarations of interest at this Wutunugurra Local Authority meeting.
- 2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

3. ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

4. LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS BREAKDOWN

6.1 FUTURE LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

a) Make recommendations to Council on future Local Authority projects
Nil

5. CEO REPORT ON CURRENT BRC SERVICES IN LA AREA

Nil

6. BRC'S REPSONSE TO LA ISSUES RAISED

Nil

7. SERVICE DELIVERY ISSUES REPORTS IN THE LA AREA

Nil

8. LASTEST FINANCIAL QUARTLEY REPORT

Nil

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

Nil

10. OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 NOMINATION FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER

MOTION

That the Authority

a) Vote to have Andrew Beasley as a Local Authority member

Moved: Kaye Beasley

Seconded: Rochelle Bonney

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 7/17

12.2 AREA MANAGER'S REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

a) Receive and note the Area Manager's Report

11. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

13.1 PRESENTATIONS TO LOCAL AUTHORITY

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the report
 - Cemetery Legislation
 - Council Election Information

Moved: Owen Torres Seconded: Julie Peterson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 8/17

12. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Nil

13. CLOSE OF MEETING

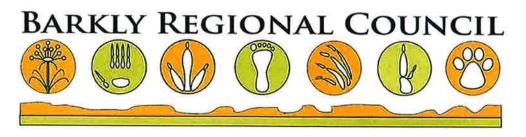
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Chair

Donna Eddies

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MINUTES WUTUNUGURRA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING WEDNESDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 2017

The Wutunugurra Local Authority was held in Wutunugurra on Wednesday, 15 November 2017 at 11:00am.

Steve Moore Chief Executive Officer Meeting commenced at 12:01pm with Mayor Steve Edgington as Chair.

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

- 1.1 Members Present
 - Cr Steve Edgington
 - Rochelle Bonney
 - Lennie Beasley
 - Mark Peterson
 - Julie Peterson
 - Geraldine Beasley
 - Owen Torres

1.2 Staff And Visitors Present

- David Curtis (NTG Department of Housing and Community Development)
- Ashoor Khan (BRC)
- Shirley [No last name provided] Community Observer (Non-voting)
- Rita Beasley Community Observer (Non-voting)

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

- Tommy Peterson
- Jill Kleiner (NTG Department of Housing and Community Development)
- Steve Moore (BRC CEO)

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

NIL

1.5 Disclosure Of Interest

Owen Torres declared that he is a Delegate for Central Land Council and a Supervisor for Barkly Regional Council.

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES - 13 JUNE 2017

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Confirm the minutes of the Wutunugurra Local Authority Meeting held on 13 June 2017

Moved:Local Authority Member Owen Torres

Seconded: Local Authority Member Geraldine Beasley CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved WLA 8/17

3. ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

MOTION

That the Authority

Appoint Owen Torres as Chair of the Wutunugurra Local Authority for a period of twelve months.

Moved:Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney

Seconded: Local Authority Member Geraldine Beasley

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved WLA 9/17

3.1A APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR

MOTION

That the Authority

Appoint Geraldine Beasley as Deputy Chair of the Wutunugurra Local Authority for a period of twelve months.

Moved:Local Authority Member Lennie Beasley

Seconded: Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved WLA 10/17

3.2 ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND STATUS

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note Action list from Local Authority meeting held on 13 June 2017
- b) Note all completed actions since the last meeting be removed.
- c) Remove Action items relating Local Authority Nominations and Community Project for Broken Glass.

Moved:Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney

Seconded: Local Authority Member Lennie Beasley

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved WLA 11/17

3.3 PROPOSED MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

MOTION

That the Authority

Defer recommendation to Council with respect to 3 to 5 major projects, until the next Local Authority Meeting.

Moved:Local Authority Member Geraldine Beasley

Seconded: Local Authority Member Mark Peterson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved WLA 12/17

4. AREA MANAGERS REPORT

4.1 CEO UPDATE

MOTION

That the Authority

a) Receive and note update from CEO

Moved:Local Authority Member Lennie Beasley

Seconded: Local Authority Member Julie Peterson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved WLA 13/17

Owen Torres noted a disclosure for item 4.2 as a supervisor at Wutunugurra for Barkly Regional Council.

4.2 AREA MANAGER UPDATE

MOTION

That the Authority

a) Receive and note the verbal report from area manager in particular the items noted below for discussion

Moved:Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney

Seconded: Local Authority Member Julie Peterson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved WLA 14/17

5. LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS BREAKDOWN

Nil

6. CEO REPORT ON CURRENT BRC SERVICES IN LA AREA

Nil

7. BRC'S REPSONSE TO LA ISSUES RAISED

Nil

8. SERVICE DELIVERY ISSUES REPORTS IN THE LA AREA

Nil

9. LASTEST FINANCIAL QUARTERLY REPORT

9.1 UPDATE ON LOCAL AUTHORITY FUNDING ALLOCATION

MOTION

That the Authority

a) Receive and note the report

b) Request CEO to follow up on expenditure relating to discrepancy between municipal funding on housing.

Moved:Local Authority Member Geraldine Beasley

Seconded: Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 15/17

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

Nil

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 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

MOTION

That the Authority

a) Defer the decision to allocate funds towards animal management.

Moved:Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney

Seconded: Local Authority Member Lennie Beasley CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 16/17

15.2 MEETING SCHEDULE

MOTION

That the Authority

a) Meet on the second Tuesday of every month.

Moved:Local Authority Member Geraldine Beasley

Seconded: Local Authority Member Lennie Beasley

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 17/17

15.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY ESTABLISHMENT POLICY AND CODE OF CONDUCT

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the Local Authority Establishment Policy
- b) Receive and note the Code of Conduct

Moved:Local Authority Member Mark Peterson

Seconded: Local Authority Member Lennie Beasley

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 18/17

15.4 COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY - Owen Torres

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Recommend to the CEO and Council that up to \$3,000 be allocated from Wutunugurra Local Authority funds and be used for the purposes of the upcoming 2017 Community Christmas Party
- b) Subject to approval, members will decide what items will be purchased at the next Local Authority meeting in December
- c) Will not undertake purchase of presents

Moved:Local Authority Member Rochelle Bonney Seconded: Local Authority Member Lennie Beasley

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved

WLA 19/17

16. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Nil

17. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Nil

18. CLOSE OF MEETING

Meeting Closed at 1:15pm.

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Owen Torres	
Owen torres	
Chair	

Donna Eddies Acting Area Manager

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ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

ITEM NUMBER

3.1

TITLE

Action List from 13 February 2018 Meeting

REFERENCE

228931

AUTHOR

Mark Parsons, Operations Director

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the action list
- b) Note all actions completed since last meeting

SUMMARY:

Action list updated after 13 February Local Authority meeting held in Wutunugurra

- 1) Community project New infrastructure organised
- 2) Municipal expenditure Ongoing

BACKGROUND

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

CONSULTATION & TIMING

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Action List 14.03.2018.pdf



WUTUNUGURRA LOCAL AUTHORITY

As of 14th March 2018	Completed/status	New infrastructure organised with Pederson Construction.	Pending
<u>F</u>	Action leader	Mark Parsons	Mark Parsons
AUTHORI	Budget source		
WUTUNUGURRA LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION LIST	Actions to be taken	Sporting Camival – item to be included on the next agenda for discussion	CEO to investigate expenditure relating to discrepancy between municipal funding on housing Director to investigate
SOUNCIL	Task / project	Community Project	Municipal Expenditure
BARKIY REGIONAL COUNCII	Meeting date		15/11/2017
BARKLY	ltem number	-	7

AREA MANAGERS REPORT

ITEM NUMBER

4.1

TITLE

Area Managers Report for Wutunugurra

REFERENCE

229034

AUTHOR

Mark Parsons, Operations Director

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

a) Receive and note Wutunugurra Area Manager report.

SUMMARY:

BACKGROUND

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

CONSULTATION & TIMING

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Monthly report Feb.jpg





Wutunugurra, February 2018 Monthly Report

All things ran quietly this month due to Ceremonial Business happening the last few weeks. We have many visitors coming and going joining in with the ceremonies.

The grounds are dry, and dead due to no rain. The river is empty. The community waits in participation for the creek to start flowing again so they can go to the river and cool down.

The municipal workers are working hard to cut the grass and remove rubbish. They have marked all the abandoned cars to be picked up and taken away to make the community clutter free.... They have also been cleaning out the rubbish bays outside the tip and tidying up the rubbish with the tractor.

The greatest need now is to keep cutting the grass while it's dry as it becomes a fire hazard. At the moment there's plenty of snakes being seen around the community so whipper snipping and mowing are flat out in constant use...

Although the Local Authority meeting has been cancelled this month due to not reaching a quorum the various members are still coming in almost on a daily basis and inquiring on upcoming plans.

CDEP is up and running again with a new Manager who is providing details of number work request and principal projects underway. We are hoping to have a BMX track up and running in the following months.

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OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER

15.1

TITLE

Wutunugurra Local Authority Finance Report

REFERENCE

229262

AUTHOR

Mark Parsons, Operations Director

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

a) Receive and note the report

SUMMARY:

BACKGROUND

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

CONSULTATION & TIMING

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Wutunugurra Finance Report.pdf



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Local Authority Allocation	cation							
Project: 405	Wutunugurra	_	,			L		
			Budget		Incom	income and expenditures	lres	
				2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	Total
INCOME								
Operating			Y					
	Funding Received		108,195.86	19,601.86	31,077.00	31,077.00	26,440.00	108,195.86
INCOME TOTAL)TAL		108,195.86	19,601.86	31,077.00	31,077.00	26,440.00	108,195.86
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Approved Minutes		Expenditure Date						
EXPENDITURE			1					
LA Funding	LA Funding Expended							
Jun-14	Jun-14 Community Centre Fending	Mar-15	16,265.32	16,265.32				16,265.32
Nov-15	Nov-15 Christmas Party Contribution	Dec-15	1,840.06	1,840.06				1,840.06
Jun-17	Jun-17 Grand Stand Seating	Sep-17	24,184.00		24,184.00			24,184.00
LA Funding	LA Funding Committed							
Jun-17	Jun-17 Community Centre		33,100.00			33,100.00		33,100.00
EXPENDIT	EXPENDITURE TOTAL		75,389.38	18,105.38	24,184.00	33,100.00	0.00	75,389.38
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Balance of funds to be committed	e committed		32,806.48	1,496.48	6,893.00	-2,023.00	20,440.00	\$35,000.4G

OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER

15.2

TITLE

Letter from the Acting Chief Minister

REFERENCE

229311

AUTHOR

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RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

a) Receive and note the report

SUMMARY:

BACKGROUND

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CONSULTATION & TIMING

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Acting Chief minister to Mayor Edgington 128.02.2018 .pdf





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Dear Mayor Steve,

Thank you for your letter of 21 December 2017 outlining the recent achievements of the Barkly Regional Council. I commend your Council on its leadership. Your letter also sought responses to a number of questions related specifically to Tennant Creek and the Barkly district.

Please find a detailed response to your questions at Attachment A. If you seek further clarification to specific responses, please contact Mr Martin Plumb, Regional Director, Department of the Chief Minister on telephone (08) 8962 4434.

Yours sincerely

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When will the residents of Alpurrurulam, Wutunugurra, Canteen Creek and Imangara become part of the national telecommunications network and be able to access mobile phone and fixed broadband services?

The communities Wutunugurra, Canteen Creek and Imangara were all considered for the NTG/Telstra Co-investment program but unfortunately were unsuccessful in the analysis using the criteria for the Co-investment program. Alpurrurulam is still under consideration.

Future programs would consider small communities (populations around 100-200 people). These communities are generally very isolated with high cost to deliver services (around \$5 million each).

Imangara has a Centre for Appropriate Technology mobile phone hotspot installed under a grant provided by the NTG; residents can use this hotspot for mobile phone services.

Please contact Kate Lassan from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet directly on telephone (02) 6152 3783 for a response to this question in relation to other possible Federal funding for remote communities.

Question 2

Residents at Alpurrurulam advise they were promised a new morgue quite some time ago. When will the new morgue be constructed and available for use?

- Design documentation and planning approval for the construction of a new morgue facility at Alpurrurulam was completed to enable the project documentation to be prepared for tender in July 2017.
- Prior to tender, however, concerns were raised by community members about the proposed location of the facility.
- On 3 August 2017, a community consultation concerning the location of the morgue was held on site
 at the health clinic in Alpurrurulam with the community, Department of Housing and Community
 Development and all relevant stakeholders. Agreement was obtained that the morgue would be
 relocated to the adjacent lot forming part of the health clinic lease.
- Due to the change in lots, the Project Manager, Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics, was required to engage the designer to both reconfigure the design and re-enter the planning phase of the development. Consent to construct and Sacred Site Clearance was subsequently obtained from the Central Land Council at the end of October 2017.
- Procurement of the morgue has commenced and a tender is targeted for late February 2018.
- The Alpurrurulam morgue is currently expected to be delivered in late May 2018.

Question 3

Residents in Alpurrurulam advise that new houses being built in the community do not have air-conditioning installed. Given the extreme temperatures often experienced combined with families on low incomes, what is your government's policy regarding installation and maintenance of air-conditioning in public housing?

- It has been the Department's practice in arid regions to provide evaporative air-conditioning to new builds, except where there are water quality issues or the community is water stressed.
- Alpurrurulam has both water resource capacity and water quality issues related to salinity, iodine and
 fluoride, being at the limit or above the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines. The community demand
 has frequently exceeded the available production rate of 5.0 L/s with all current bores operating. On
 average the production rate is exceeded more than 40% of the time.

- On 3 August 2017, at the Housing Reference Group meeting at Alpurrurulam, the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics advised members that fans would be installed to new builds and that further advice on air-conditioning would be provided. The Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics was unable to attend the next Housing Reference Group meeting and it is unclear whether members received the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics' update.
- Given the decision not to install evaporative air-conditioning, provision was made during construction for tenants to install refrigerated air-conditioning.
- The Barkly Regional Office has spoken with tenants as they signed up for houses and explained that tenants would be able to install refrigerated air-conditioners to their homes themselves.
- In relation to maintenance of air-conditioning in housing with split system air-conditioners; these are
 considered to be a tenant "alteration or addition" (where the tenant has installed themselves, they
 own it not the Department) and these are not supplied nor maintained by the Department.
- For houses with evaporative cooling:
 - o it has been the Department's practice to maintain existing evaporative coolers; and
 - if the evaporative cooling is not working, it is replaced/repaired as required and then subsequently maintained.

What are the land tenure arrangements in both South and North Camps at Elliott?

- Elliott North Camp is located on NT Portion 3720 and 3869 and is Aboriginal freehold land held by the Narwinbi Aboriginal Land Trust.
- Elliott South Camp is located on Lot 62 Town of Elliott and is held under Special Purposes Lease (SPL) 478 which was issued 2 May 1980 (6/8/81) to Wilyugoo Association Incorporated for the purpose of Aboriginal Communal Living.
- In March 2003, Wilyugoo Association Incorporated was dissolved and the lease is now held by the Commissioner for Consumer Affairs, Department of Attorney-General and Justice (AGD), under Section 67 of the Association Act whereby the property of a dissolved incorporated association vests in the Commissioner. The Commissioner has broad powers to deal with the property under s 68 of the Act and accordingly could transfer the SPL to an Aboriginal corporation that was set up by the residents of the Town Camp.

Question 5

Earlier in the year, a house at South Camp was destroyed by fire and has now been demolished. Will your government be replacing this house? If not, why not? If so, when will construction commence?

- In November 2017, House 1 at Elliott South Camp was demolished following extensive damage in a house fire.
- The Commissioner for Consumer Affairs, Department of Attorney General and Justice (AGD), holds the lease for Elliott South Camp.
- The Department of Housing and Community Development is engaging with AGD regarding options for replacement of House 1.
- The Department has been advised that the former tenant of House 1 has now relocated to Alice Springs.

How many dwellings does government have in Elliott, how many are being used for public housing and what number are currently vacant?

As at 31 December 2017, the Department of Housing and Community Development has
 22 government owned dwellings in Elliott. These are all occupied. Three are being utilised for public housing.

Question 7

Has your government had any discussion with the residents of Elliott regarding government taking a long term lease over the Town Camps to enable housing to be brought up to a standard consistent with other remote communities? If so, what has been the outcome of these discussions and what does your government see as the next steps?

- The Northern Territory Government has not held discussions with Elliott residents regarding the transfer of Elliot Town Camp leases.
- Issues relating to town camps are to be addressed in the Northern Territory Town Camps Review, which is currently under consideration by Cabinet.

Question 8

Both the North and South Camps at Elliott are in the process of receiving upgrades and improvements to housing being delivered by Triple P Contracting. What plans does your government have to conduct further improvements to housing and will the Room to Breathe program be delivered in Elliott Town Camps?

The Northern Territory Government made a commitment to invest \$3 million to address housing repairs and maintenance issues in Elliott town camps, a portion of which will be made available to provide additional rooms and/or extensions to address overcrowding in houses at the Elliott Town Camps. Future investment in Town Camps are to be considered as part of the Town Camps Review. The Town Camps in Elliott will continue to receive repairs and maintenance. The Room to Breathe program is targeting the remote communities, not town camps.

Question 9

The Elliott Local Authority advises that it wrote a letter to the Director General of Licensing on 17 May 2017 with the originals posted on 18 May 2017 but to date has not received a reply (Attachment B). Could your government please provide a response to the letter and a copy to my office?

The Director-General is still considering the options and the most appropriate way forward in relation to the community's request.

Question 10

For 2017-2018 your government through the Department of Tourism and Culture provides our council with \$204,000 to deliver services in Ali Curung, Alpurrurulam, Ampilatwatja, Arlparra and Elliott. Why is there no funding provided for Wutunugurra and will your government commence funding for this community? If not, why not?

- Funding outcomes are negotiated each year with recipients and under the 2017/18 agreement Barkly Regional Council has allocated its funding to:
 - support the delivery of 6 hours per week of sport and recreation activities in each of the communities mentioned
 - o a contribution to the employment of a Youth, Sport and Recreation Coordinator
 - o purchase sporting equipment
 - o participation in regional pathway tournaments
 - indirect costs

 Wutunugurra (Epenarra School) received \$10,385 in 2016/17 under the Sport Voucher Scheme, and is eligible as an exempt school under the remote scheme. It has not yet requested funding for 2017/18.

Question 11

How many dwellings does government have in Tennant Creek, how many are being used for public housing and what number are currently vacant?

 As at 31 December 2017, the Department of Housing and Community Development has 211 government owned dwellings in Tennant Creek, including 157 public housing dwellings, of which 18 are currently unoccupied and are programmed for vacate work, maintenance, upgrades and disposal.

Question 12

Are there any dwellings deemed to be beyond economic repair in Tennant Creek? If so, how many and what is being done to replace them?

 There are seven properties assessed as beyond economical repair and all are scheduled for replacement to go back into stock for allocation to waitlist applicants.

Question 13

How many families and individuals are on the Tennant Creek public housing waitlist and what is the average wait time to obtain public housing?

- There are 164 wait list applicants for the township of Tennant Creek. Waiting times are as follows:
 - 1 bedroom 4-6 years;
 - o 2 bedroom 2-4 years; and
 - o 3 bedroom 4-6 years.

Question 14

When does government expect to auction the latest residential land release in the Peko Road subdivision?

An options paper is currently being drafted for submission to the Minister on the methodology of release of the lots at Peko Road. It is expected that these lots will be made available for purchase prior to the end of this financial year.

Question 15

Is there a 20 + 20 + 20 year lease in place between the NT Government and Julalikari Council Aboriginal Corporation (JCAC) to manage the Tennant Creek Town Camps? If so, can you advise which government agency is responsible for managing this lease?

There are eight town camps in Tennant Creek, which are all secured by Crown Leases in Perpetuity. The leases are all owned by Julalikari Housing Incorporated. In 2008 agreement was reached to sublease all eight town camps to the statutory body of the Chief Executive Officer (Housing) for an initial period of 20 years with 20+20 year renewals. The subleases are for the purposes of providing public housing.

Question 16

Under the lease arrangement, has JCAC retained responsibility for any portion of the land within the Town Camp boundaries? If so, what area and what is JCAC's responsibility?

Certain areas of land not required for public housing, or related purposes, have been Underleased to Julalikari Council Aboriginal Council. These areas include community buildings and spaces, child care centres and ceremonial and traditional Aboriginal purpose areas.

Which agency is responsible for the delivery of Tenancy and Property Management services for public housing in the Tennant Creek Town Camps and, if the services are being delivered under a contract arrangement, who are the contracted providers?

- The Department of Housing and Community Development is responsible for the delivery of Tenancy and Property Management services for public housing in the Tennant Creek community living areas.
- The Department's contracted providers are:
 - Harvey Developments for property management services (repairs and maintenance); and
 - T&J Contracting deliver tenancy management services.

Question 18

Which agency is responsible for maintaining municipal services including roads, drains, footpaths, street lights/power poles, undergrowth control, grass cutting and rubbish removal in the Tennant Creek Town Camps?

T&J Contractors are funded to deliver municipal services, including slashing, fire breaks, non-domestic rubbish collection and grounds maintenance beyond house fences. Barkly Regional Council undertake domestic rubbish collection. Street lights, power poles, roads and drainage issues are the responsibility of the Department of Housing and Community Development.

Question 19

When will your government remove the substantial amount of soil that has washed onto roads and potentially into drains in Kargaru Camp and other Tennant Creek Town Camps?

 Works to remedy this issue have been carried out. On 29 January 2018 an inspection of the works was undertaken by Acting Regional Manager, Barkly DHCD which confirmed the completion status.

Question 20

When will your government have the next 'business count snapshot' data available on the Department of Trade, Business and Innovation (DTBI) website? Can this data be broken down with Barkly specific information?

Business count data is available on an annual basis based on ABS data. It is released in February each year for the year previous. Data is broken down by region per the attached link. https://business.nt.gov.au/business/business-and-economic-data/business-count-infographic-data

Question 21

Recently, your government reduced the number of staff in your DTBI Tennant Creek office by 50% (6 to 3). What are the reasons for your government choosing to do this?

And

Question 22

Has your government reduced the number of staff in any other government agencies based in the Barkly region? If so, Why?

There has been an increase of 8 staff across NT Government agencies based in the Barkly region. Government has recently made a commitment to a further 3 positions based in the Barkley region, bringing the total increase to 11 staff.

A decision was made to amalgamate the Economic Development Officer and Small Business Champion roles in Tennant Creek based on the amalgamation of the functions into the Department of Trade, Business and Innovation from the Department of the Chief Minister. Two workforce training roles were transitioned to other agencies through standard practices. These roles were legacy from the transition of the Training Centres to the Department of Education from the Department of Business in the previous term of government.

Question 23

I understand a tender was released and awarded to conduct a scoping or feasibility study for a Multi Modal Transport Facility in Tennant Creek? What was the outcome of this?

An interim report has been produced, further works are being progressed on the selection and demand analysis.

Question 24

Will your government be providing funding to support governance training for Local Authorities? If not, why not? If so, when will the funding commence?

- The Northern Territory Government is committed to strengthening local decision making in local government through supporting regional councils to empower local authorities.
- Regional councils are the key to strengthening the capacity and capability of local authorities. The
 Department's Local Government and Community Development Division has a regional network of
 regional managers and community development officers who provide governance, support and
 advice to councils and local authorities.
- Over the last few years, the Department's regional staff have worked closely with regional councils
 to build the capacity of local authority members and regional council staff who engage with local
 authorities. This work will continue with elected members and local authorities over this new term
 of council.
- The Department's regional staff will provide governance training to local authorities through 2018.
 This training will include information on the key functions of local authorities, roles and responsibilities of local authority members including the responsibility to consult locally, good governance, meeting procedures and conflict of interest.

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OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER

15.3

TITLE

Next Meeting Date

REFERENCE

229190

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RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Confirm the date of the next Wutunugurra Local Authority meeting be held on the second Thursday of every month.

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There are no attachments for this report.



