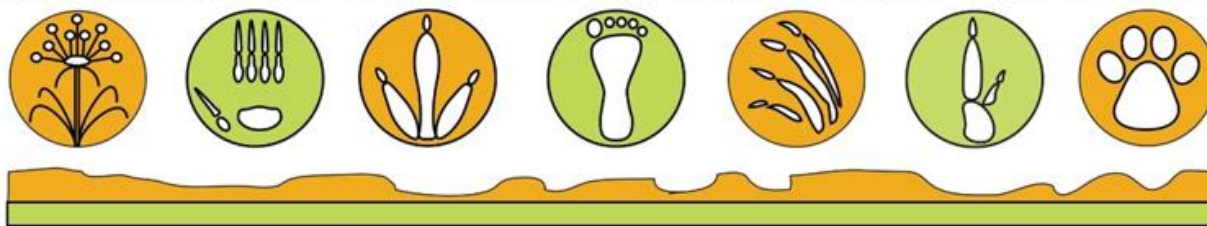


BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES Alpurrurulam LA Meeting

Barkly Regional Council's Alpurrurulam LA Meeting was held in the Conference room on Wednesday 21 August 2024 at 1:13 pm.

Chris Kelly
Chief Executive Officer

OUR VISION

We strive to be a responsive, progressive, sustainable council which respects, listens to and empowers the people to be strong.

The Way We Will Work

We will make it happen!

We will be engaged and have regular opportunities to listen.

We will have strong policies and budgets to ensure our programs and services are progressive and sustainable.

Respect is shown in everything we do, and we have acceptance of all cultures in the Barkly Region and their practices through a culturally competent Council.

We are a responsible Council.

We will be a responsive Council.

We want to empower local decision making.

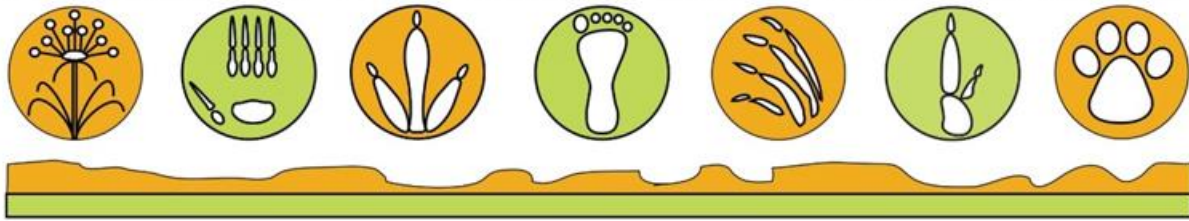
We want to ensure that our services are sustainable and that our region has a standard consistent level of services.

We want to be able to sustain our environment – our communities, our physical places, our people and our organisational culture.

We will aggressively pursue additional funding from both levels of government to improve the standard of living of people across the region.

We need to be realistic, transparent and accountable.

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Warumungu, Mudberra, Jingili, Wakaya, Wambaya, Waanyi, Walpiri, Warlmanpa, Alyawarr, Anmatyerre and Kaytetye Countries on which Barkly Regional Council live and work, the lands which we meet on today, and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to the ancestors and elders of these lands, past, present and emerging.

May we continue to work together to Deliver sustainable outcomes through a process Based on mutual respect and understanding.

AUDIO RECORDING OF MEETING

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1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Authority Members Present

- Laney Tracker (Chair)
- Jenny Mahoney
- Valarie Campbell
- Ben Olschewsky
- Charlie Larkins

1.2 Staff and Visitors Present

- Chris Kelly (CEO, BRC)
- Jeff MacLeod (Official Manager, BRC)
- Brody Moore (Director of Operational Services, BRC)
- Murray Davies (Director of Corporate Services, BRC)
- Surya Godavarthi (Director of Infrastructure and Fleet, BRC)
- Sagar Chand (Acting Director of Community Services, BRC)
- Heather Smith (Community Coordinator, BRC)
- Lockie Thomas (Manager, Night Patrol - BRC)
- Robbie Larkins (Community Care Team Leader, BRC)
- Paul Hyde Kaduru (Local Authority Coordinator)
- Rebecca Moore (Department of Chief minister and Cabinet)
- John Jablonka (Access to Justice)
- Kevin Banbury (Access to Justice)
- Matt Hill

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

- Pam Corbett
- Ashley Toby
- Maria Turner

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

- Nil

1.5 Resignations

- Nil

1.6 Disclosure of Interests

Ben Olschewsky disclosed that he would be providing a quote for the upgrades of the community centre's VET room. He also mentioned that he would step out of the meeting during that discussion.

1.7 Review of Disclosure of Interest

Nil

2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Confirmation of previous Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of previous Minutes

MOTION

That the Local Authority receive and confirm the minutes of the previous meeting held on 28th May 2024.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins

Seconded: LA Member Valarie Campbell

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/35

3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Actions from previous Minutes

3.1 LA Action tracker

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and confirms the Action tracker provided.

Issues Discussed:

- The Local Authority requested signage directing visitors to sign in at the council office before entering the community. The Area Manager will draft the wording, particularly emphasising "respect," and send it to the Director of Operations. Brody mentioned he has contacted DIPL and asked members for their ideas.
- Blind spots in the community, including the turn-off at the airstrip, were identified for the installation of give way signs. The Director of Infrastructure responded and took feedback from members.
- Members requested additional speed bumps. Directors responded that they would conduct research and plan to install speed bumps where necessary.

- Storm water drainage issues were raised. The Director of Infrastructure stated that a flood mitigation plan has begun, and they are seeking funding to start the work.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Laney Tracker

Seconded: LA Member Jennifer Mahoney

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/36

4 FINANCE REPORTS

Finance Reports

4.1 LAPF statement

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and confirms the LAPF statement provided.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Benjamin Olschewsky

Seconded: LA Member Valarie Campbell

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/37

5 AREA MANAGERS REPORTS

Area Managers Reports

5.1 Community Coordinator's Report - Heather Smith

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the report from the Community Coordinator.

SUMMARY

Municipal Staffing

The new Works Supervisor, Michael Erglis, has joined the team, bringing valuable experience from Lajamanu. Maintaining staff levels during the 'dry' season remains a challenge.

Road Management

The sealed roads in the community are severely pothole-ridden. Maintenance staff from Tennant Creek have begun repairs, and early results are promising.

Waste/Landfill Management

Waste and landfill management continue with two garbage services per week despite staffing issues. New bins have been distributed, and damaged bins are being recycled. Hard rubbish collection is ongoing, and a new temporary rubbish pit has been installed. Old cars are being removed from the community by DA Civil as a community project, with Sims Metal scheduled for crushing and removal.

Land & Fire Management

Recent fire incidents have been controlled by the council and volunteers, with main fire breaks graded. Efforts are underway to manage the heavy vegetation and reduce fire risk. The Avon Downs police are seeking NTES support for fire training.

Parks & Open Spaces

Hard rubbish removal is ongoing to ensure safe mowing and slashing.

Cemetery Management

The cemetery is kept tidy.

Airstrip Maintenance

The airstrip is maintained with regular inspections. However, the bird deterrent machine is currently malfunctioning.

Administration

Staffing has been challenging, with one regular staff member, Valerie, currently available. Recruitment for another CSO position is in progress. Various administrative tasks are managed by OSC and occasional help from Robbie.

Training

Robbie and Valerie are nearing completion of Cert II in Local Government. Municipal staff have attended backhoe and skid steer training, with truck driver training scheduled. Roger from Central Desert Training will conduct LLN training in September.

Incidents

Recent incidents include several fires and break-ins to the Shiny Shed, which is currently unusable until cleaned and repaired.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jennifer Mahoney

Seconded: LA Member Benjamin Olschewsky

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/43

6 GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business

6.1 Demolishment of Old Toilet block

MOTION

The Local Authority has approved the Wilga quote presented at the meeting and allocated \$29,480 for the demolition of the old toilet block located adjacent to the basketball court.

Please find the attached quote below.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins

Seconded: LA Member Jennifer Mahoney

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/44

UNCONFIRMED



QUOTE

Alpururulam Local Authority (L.A.)

Date
8 May 2024

Expiry
6 Jun 2024

Quote Number
QU-0087

Reference
ALP

ABN
81 218 322 572

Wilga Indigenous Corporation
Attention: Wilga Contracting
P O BOX 1281
COOLALINGA NT 0839
AUSTRALIA

- Heather Smith Heather.Smith@barkly.nt.gov.au
- Robbie Larkins Robbie.Larkins@barkly.nt.gov.au

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	GST	Amount AUD
Demolish the old toilet block adjacent the basketball court on Lot 136 as per email April 9th 2024	1.00	26,800.00	10%	26,800.00
Scope: - Salvage: - Roofing Iron - Roofing battens - Trusses - allow to remove, strap, transport and store in 'Loading ramp yard' Demolish: - Remaining structure to slab level only (slab to remain) - Remove all demolition rubble to area as directed by Barkly Regional Council (allow to dump near existing Council Tip Area) - Allow to cap/seal all sewer openings in slab in a 'vandal-proof' manner. - A clean, sealed slab is expected to be the only remains of the building.				
Travel - Please note no travel or mobilization has been quoted - The assumption is we would complete while onsite doing other works, if possible, otherwise this will be additional.	1.00	0.00		0.00
Subtotal				26,800.00
TOTAL GST 10%				2,680.00
TOTAL AUD				29,480.00



General Business

6.2 Disaster Management

MOTION

The Local Authority has requested the BRC Grants Manager to explore funding options for disaster management which includes fire, flood, and emergency shelter.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins

Seconded: LA Member Benjamin Olschewsky

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/45

General Business

6.3 MOU with Lake Nash station

MOTION

The Local Authority has requested the council to explore the possibility of establishing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Lake Nash Station to enable mutual assistance during emergency situations.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jennifer Mahoney

Seconded: LA Member Laney Tracker

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/46

General Business

6.4 Refurbishment of Lot 4

MOTION

The Local Authority has approved the quote for the refurbishment of Lot 4 in the community centre for veterinary services and allocated a total of \$19,239 for this project. This amount includes the previously allocated \$15,000.

Please find the attached quote below.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins

Seconded: LA Member Laney Tracker

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/47

UNCONFIRMED



FW: Alpururulam Lot 4 - Proposed Vet Room - upgrade works scope/estimate for LA meeting

From olschewsky@gmail.com <olschewsky@gmail.com>

Date Tue 5/28/2024 12:44 PM

To Heather Smith <Heather.Smith@barkly.nt.gov.au>

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Community Centre - proposed vet room.pdf;

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Sorry, forgot the floor plan

From: olschewsky@gmail.com <olschewsky@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2024 12:41 PM

To: Heather Smith <Heather.Smith@barkly.nt.gov.au>

Subject: Alpururulam Lot 4 - Proposed Vet Room - upgrade works scope/estimate for LA meeting

Hi Heather,

As discussed, I've had a good look at this existing room at the western end of the community centre, and discussed its practicality with the Vet Dan Murphy, during his recent visit.

Essentially, the main focus of the work appears to be:

- A clean working environment
- a focus on functionality and simplicity
- improve the ability to clean and maintain the room
- neutral approach to upgrades with a view of a 'multi-purpose' room (not exclusively for vet visits)

Proposed scope:

- empty room
 - all furniture, equipment, boxes, etc...
 - Remove stove – and store safely and securely for reinstallation later.
 - remove all existing built in shelving/tables etc...
 - remove old stove and kitchenette (temp blank off to plumbing)
- Clean and prep
 - Extensive clean/sanding required to all walls (6mm fibro cement) to remove sticky residue left from many posters and signs over the years
 - Allow to remove existing old floor paint and prep for new floor coating.
- Upgrade external door:
 - Replace existing single door and frame with new – 2040h x 1440w double door steel frame (double rebated)
 - 1x 820 + 1x 620 solid timber bond doors
 - 300mm Satin chrome finish skeleton bolts to top and bottom of 620 door (lock side)
 - 1x Lockwood 002 'Lever' Deadlock
 - Door-bottom-sweep-seals to both doors
 - T-Mould aluminium weather strip to main door edge
 - Door stops and keepers for both doors

- Paint walls including window jambs & architraves.
 - 2x coats of low-sheen, exterior quality, washable acrylic – colour to be confirmed by BRC.
- Floor-wall junction – coving:
 - Provide an aluminium coving to the entire floor perimeter. (To assist in the ability to clean the room- especially after use by veterinarians)
- Floor coating
 - Provide an epoxy or similar 'hard wearing, workshop style' floor coating to entire floor area. – submit proposed product to BRC for approval – colour to be confirmed by BRC.
 - Floor coating to cover new coving and extend 150mm up all walls.
 - Floor coating to meet minimum 'non-slip' requirements for public buildings.
- Doors and Jambs
 - Internal and external jambs (2x in total) = prep/etch prime + 2x coats of Gloss Enamel - colour to be confirmed by BRC
 - Internal and external doors (3 in total) = prep/prime + 2x coats of Gloss Enamel – colour to be confirmed by BRC
- Replacement Kitchenette:
 - Provide Stainless Bench replacement with stainless splashback and sink, in previous kitchenette location
 - Installation height – 850-900mm (to be confirmed)
 - Minimum width = 1500mm
 - Minimum Depth = 600mm
 - Bench supported on steel tube frame – open under.
 - New kitchen flickmixer
 - Connect using 2x new Mini-Taps and flexlines - to water + new trap & pipework – to waste.
- Cupboard, shelves and trolley
 - Provide 1x Stainless Steel 'pantry-style' cupboard with interior shelving
 - Minimum size = 2000mm high + 600mm wide + 600mm deep
 - With solid or vented door with provision for locking with padlocks
 - Location for installation to be confirmed by BRC
 - Provide 2x Stainless shelves (wall mounted)
 - Minimum size = 900mm wide + 250mm deep
 - Location for installation to be confirmed by BRC
 - Provide 1x Stainless Steel Trolley on wheels (minimum 2x lockable)
 - Minimum size = 1500mm long + 600mm wide + 750mm height
- Existing Ceiling and Colourbond Cornice – NO WORKS REQUIRED

My estimate to carry out this work is:

- Labour – 3x tradesmen x 7 days = \$13,440
- Materials - = \$3,580
- Plant Hire = \$470

Sub total = \$17,490.00

GST = \$1749.00

TOTAL = \$19,239.00 (including GST)

Note:

the above estimate does NOT include the cost of the following:

- Stainless bench and sink
- Stainless cupboard
- Stainless shelves
- Stainless Trolley

I have a very good quality salvaged units available which I would provide at no charge to the council if engaged to carry out this work.

Kind regards,

Ben

Benjamin Olschewsky

- Building & Maintenance Contractor
- Consultant PM - DIPL HPO Program Local Rep.

General Business

6.5 Concrete Mould purchase

MOTION

The Local Authority has approved the quote for the purchase of a concrete mould costing \$7,156. The Director of Operations, Brody, has mentioned that his department will support half of the cost. Therefore, the Local Authority has committed \$3,578 for this purchase.

Please find the attached quote below.

RESOLVED


Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins

Seconded: LA Member Laney Tracker

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/48

UNCONFIRMED

 Outlook

FW: Betonblock Concrete Moulds Ben Olschewsky - agenda item request for next LA

From olschewsky@gmail.com <olschewsky@gmail.com>

Date Fri 8/9/2024 3:07 PM

To Heather Smith <Heather.Smith@barkly.nt.gov.au>

Cc kim@betonblock.com <kim@betonblock.com>

 8 attachments (9 MB)

BB brochure '23-'24 english (1).pdf; Stock List Ex Chipping Norton.xlsx; New Stock.jpg; 150 60 60.jpg; 180 60 30.jpg; 180 60 60.jpg; Betonblock Mould.jpg; Concrete blocks.png;

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Good afternoon Heather,

As discussed, may we add a discussion/consideration for acquiring one or more of these moulds to be used in Alpururulam, to the next LA agenda please?

Kind regards,
Ben

Benjamin Olschewsky

- Building & Maintenance Contractor
- Consultant PM - DIPL HPO Program Local Rep.

Lot 14 Apetyarr Street, Alpururulam NT. 4825

M:...0459 156 905

olschewsky@gmail.com

From: Kim <kim@betonblock.com>

Sent: Friday, August 9, 2024 11:41 AM

To: olschewsky@gmail.com

Subject: Betonblock Concrete Moulds Ben Olschewsky

Dear Ben,

Hello. I am Kim from Betonblock Concrete Moulds. Glad to speak yo you earlier. I am here to provide you more information about our concrete moulds from the Netherlands.

At the moment, we currently have in stock:

- 16 x 1800 600 600

- 1 x 1500 600 600

- 2 x 1800 600 300

With dividers and accessories to lift the casted blocks.

- **1 x 180 60 30 (available in stock) (0.775 T blocks)**

Here are more details for our 180x60x30. With 5 dividers, you can cast 6 blocks of 30 x 60 x 30 (**0.13 T blocks**) at a time.

Product	Quantity	Price Per Unit AUD	Net Price AUD
180 60 30 Mould	1	\$2,922.92	\$2,922.92
DV30.60 - Partition Wall	5	\$ 254.10	\$1,270.50
M6 - Part wall bolts	6	\$ 15.25	\$ 91.50
BBHA025-170 - Spherical Anchor 2,5T	100	\$ 3.08	\$ 308.00
BBGRO02 - Rubber grommet ring	8	\$ 3.08	\$ 24.64
BBMAG02 - Magnet 2,5T	7	\$ 127.82	\$ 894.74
PEN-16MM - Conical Pins	2	\$ 9.99	\$ 19.98
SPIE-001 - Wig	2	\$ 11.69	\$ 23.38
		TOTAL	\$ 5,555.66 + GST

- **1 x 150 60 60 (available in stock) 1.3T blocks**

Product	Quantity	Price Per Unit AUD	Net Price AUD
150 60 60 Basic Mould	1	\$2,795.10	\$2,795.10
DV60.60 - Partian Wall	1	\$ 254.10	\$ 254.10
M6 - Part wall bolts	2	\$ 15.25	\$ 30.50
BBMAG02 - Magnet 2,5T	2	\$ 127.82	\$ 255.64
BBHA025-170 - Spherical Anchor 2,5T	100	\$ 3.08	\$ 308.00
BBGRO02 - Rubber grommet ring	4	\$ 3.08	\$ 12.32
PEN-16MM - Conical Pins	2	\$ 9.99	\$ 19.98
SPIE-001 - Wig	2	\$ 11.69	\$ 23.38
BBLSLE02 - Universal lifting eye 2,5T	1	\$ 98.56	\$ 98.56
		Total	\$ 3,797.58 + GST

- **1 x 180 60 60 (available in stock) 1.55T blocks**

Here are more details for our 180x60x60. I have attached an image of the mould for better visuals.

Product	Quantity	Price Per Unit AUD	Net Price AUD
180x60x60 Basic Mould	1	\$3,193.96	\$3,193.96
DV 60 60	1	\$254.10	\$ 254.10
M6 - Part wall bolts	1	\$15.25	\$ 15.25

BBHA025-170 - Spherical Anchor 2,5T	100	\$3.08	\$ 308.00
BBGRO02 - Rubber grommet ring	5	\$3.08	\$ 15.40
BBMAG02 - Magnet 2,5T	4	\$127.82	\$ 511.28
PEN-16MM - Conical Pins	2	\$9.99	\$ 19.98
SPIE-001 - Wig	2	\$11.69	\$ 23.38
BBLSLE02 - Universal lifting eye 2,5T	1	\$98.56	\$ 98.56
		Total	\$4,439.91 + GST

According to Northline estimation, the transport budget to Mount Isa 4825 is \$1,600.00 + GST. We are happy to organise freight for your or you can organise freight yourself.

I have attached stock list ex Chipping Norton and brochures for more information.

Note: This price list only applies if the product is ex stock in Australia. If the product you are looking for is not available in Australia, the price list will varies due to shipment cost.

Please have a look and let me know if you have any questions. Thank you and looking forward to hear from you and your future project at Barkly Regional Council.

Kind regards,

Nguyen Kim Dao

Sales Representative Australia

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Please note that our [General terms and conditions of sale](#), duly registered at

the Dutch Chamber of Commerce, shall apply to all sales of products and/or supplies of services.

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General Business

6.6 Dust Suppression Liquid purchase

MOTION

The Local Authority has agreed to purchase 1,000 litres of dust suppression liquid and allocated \$3,867 for this expenditure.

Note: LA members are to coordinate with relevant staff to review health and safety issues related to the use of the liquid before finalising the purchase.

Please refer to the attached quote below.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins

Seconded: LA Member Jennifer Mahoney

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/49

UNCONFIRMED

General Business

6.7 BBQ usage

MOTION

That the Local Authority has agreed to develop the conditions for the use of the BBQ and present them at the meeting.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jennifer Mahoney

Seconded: LA Member Laney Tracker

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/50

General Business

6.8 Contribution to DA Civil

MOTION

The Local Authority has allocated \$1,500 to contribute for DA Civil, who are removing car bodies from the community.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Laney Tracker

Seconded: LA Member Jennifer Mahoney

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/51

General Business

6.9 VET program

MOTION

That the Local Authority allocated \$15,000 for the VET visit and program.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Laney Tracker

Seconded: LA Member Charlie Larkins

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/53

General Business

6.10 Laundry Tokens

MOTION

That the Local Authority allocated \$841 in total for the laundry tokens purchase(which includes the allocated fund of \$772 in previous LA meeting).

Please find the attached quote below.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Laney Tracker

Seconded: LA Member Charlie Larkins

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/54

UNCONFIRMED



Electrical License: C2282 - ARC License: AU25926

TDC Refrigeration And Electrical
Po Box 4810
Alice Springs NT 0871
21 Ghan Road
Tel: 08 89521702
ABN 39 144 896 882

QUOTATION

Barkly Regional Council

Heather Smith
0429 189 443
Heather.Smith@barkly.nt.gov.au

Issue Date 20/8/2024
Quote Number 14021
Reference

It is with pleasure that TDC Refrigeration and Electrical submits the following QUOTE for your consideration:

SUPPLY ONLY - 100 x tokens

QUOTE DETAILS:

SUPPLY ONLY - 100 x tokens - Ex. TDC Workshop for collection
Freight

Subtotal:	\$765.00
Total GST:	\$76.50
Total:	\$841.50

Kind Regards,
Jeremy Spoehr
(08) 8952 1702

Terms

Quotation valid for 30 days from 20/8/2024
PO required prior to parts ordering and/or works beginning.

TDC Refrigeration + Electrical will NOT be held liable for any other issues which may arise after the above works are undertaken.



7 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

8 REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Reports from Barkly Regional Council

8.1 Report from the Director of Operational Services

MOTION

That the Local Authority note and accept the Operational and Commercial Services Directorate report.

SUMMARY

- Human Resources:

- Heather Smith's job title has changed from Area Manager to Operational Services Coordinator due to Council restructure.
- Heather has received support from Regional Manager Matt Wharton in addressing the rubbish tip and roads.
- Michael is the new Works/Municipal Supervisor in Alpururulam, working to train the local team to take over his position in 12 months.
- The Alpururulam team successfully completed their Certificate II in Local Government.

- Municipal Services:

- Parks and Open Spaces: Staffing shortages due to the Mount Isa Show and several funerals have impacted community maintenance. The Council encourages community members to apply for municipal positions. Tennant Creek staff are assisting on the ground.
- Roads: Pothole repairs began last week with a new, cost-effective road base product. Additional materials are on the way to complete the repairs before the wet season. Shane Butterworth is assisting with road grading and flood management.
- Waste: Rubbish runs continue, mainly managed by an external contractor. Efforts are being made to transition this work to local community members.
- Landfill: Work has started to tidy the current tip site. Discussions with the Land Council are ongoing to secure land for expansion and new tip trenches. Local housing contractors are involved to reduce costs.

- Essential Services:

- Airstrip: Maintenance work, including slashing and tidying around windsocks and markers, has been completed.

- Projects:

- Tarpaulins purchased to assist with wet season and emergencies.

- Commercial Contracts:

- Australia Post and Services Australia reported no service interruptions during the period.

- Companion Animal Officers:

- Council secured a paid trial for a Companion Animal Outreach Officer under the 200 Jobs Program.
- The position is part-time (25 hours/week) and runs until October. Interested individuals should contact Heather at the Council office.

- Veterinary Services:

- Planning is underway for the next vet visit. Council appreciates the Local Authority's contribution to a dedicated space for vet surgeries and seeks a regular contribution for vet services in Alpururulam, as the Council is not funded for this service.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins

Seconded: LA Member Benjamin Olschewsky

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/38

Reports from Barkly Regional Council

8.2 Report from the Director of Community services

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the Community Services Directorate report.

SUMMARY

Community Care:

- The aged care program ran smoothly in July 2024, with no complaints or incidents.
- Staff participated in meetings and training with health and safety commissions and celebrated NAIDOC.
- Alpururulam Aged Care has 1 full-time and 3 casual staff, with one on unauthorised leave.
- The program supports 2 CHSP clients and 6 NATSIFAC clients, with plans for weekly open days to improve engagement and care.

Community Safety:

- The program is progressing well with 3 staff members and 1 vacancy for a female staff member.
- Efforts are focused on first aid and 4WD training for all staff, installing GPS trackers in vehicles, and maintaining monthly reports and meetings with the NIAA funding body.
- Addressing missed training sessions and processing IDs for staff working with children.

Youth Services:

- A new youth worker contractor will start on August 19, 2024, to set up a sports and recreation program.
- Currently, there is 1 full-time staff member on personal leave and 3 vacancies, with 1 application received.
- Plans include setting up the youth program, hiring and training local staff, and developing leadership skills.
- The Local Authority's help is needed to encourage community members to apply for roles in Aged Care, Night Patrol, and Youth Sports and Recreation.

- Mentoring and training new hires aim to provide local youth with more opportunities for sports and recreation, build future leaders, and enhance community support for youth services.

Community Support:

- Appreciation was expressed for community support during the Alpururulam NAIDOC celebration.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jennifer Mahoney

Seconded: LA Member Laney Tracker

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/39

Reports from Barkly Regional Council

8.3 Report from the Director of Corporate Services

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and receives the Corporate Services Directorate report.

SUMMARY

- Corporate Services staff have provided IT support across the region, including upgrading the conferencing system, SharePoint, Intune, and replacing computers during the recent visit to Alpururulam.
- Developing a new human resources and payroll system, which began in December 2023 and is ongoing, including managing the EBA transition.
- Reviewed and delivered the updated Organisational Chart from May to July 2024.
- Ongoing restructuring of records and archives processes, including rolling out a new records management system.
- Implemented significant IT improvements by replacing outdated software, equipment, and processes.
- Supports the CEO and Council in managing group risk, compliance, contract management, governance, legal matters, HR management, information and communication systems, records retention, and workplace safety.
- The dedicated and experienced team works daily to mitigate and reduce corporate and workplace risk.
- The Corporate Services annual budget was recently approved by Council, addressing whole-of-Council service delivery.
- Keen to engage with the community and Local Authority to explore methods for improving service delivery and community benefit.
- BRC is hiring and appreciates the Local Authority's assistance in promoting these opportunities.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins

Seconded: LA Member Benjamin Olschewsky

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/40

Reports from Barkly Regional Council

8.4 Report from the Director of Infrastructure and Fleet Services

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the report from the Director of Infrastructure and Fleet.

SUMMARY

Potholes in Alpururulam:

- The pothole filling project is underway, with 2 tons of asphalt used to repair most of the main road damage.
- Remaining potholes will be filled starting on August 19th, improving road conditions significantly.
- Some road breaks and minor potholes still need attention.

Aerial Drone Survey:

- An aerial survey of Alpururulam was completed, which will help understand the town's layout and monitor infrastructure and assets.
- Images from the survey are being processed and will be available in a few days.

Old Basketball Court:

- The project scoping was done last week.
- Obtaining quotes for electronic signage, permanent seating, and enclosures.
- Quotes will be presented to the Local Authority for approval.

Stormwater Drainage:

- Stormwater drains were cleared last year, providing temporary relief during heavy rains.
- Exploring flood modeling for a larger catchment area with an initial quote of around \$120,000.
- Seeking more cost-effective solutions and reviewing the hydrological survey report from DIPL.
- Funding is required to move forward with these critical works.

Basketball Court Shed Installation:

- Secured \$313,000 in funding for constructing a shed over the existing basketball court.
- Procurement process for the shed is underway, with a six-month waiting period for supplier finalization.
- Construction is scheduled to begin after the wet season, next year.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Benjamin Olschewsky

Seconded: LA Member Charlie Larkins

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ALLA-24/41

9 VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Visitor Presentations

9.1 Presentation from the Access to Justice in Barkly

SUMMARY

- In 2020, the Jubunna Institute conducted a study titled "Access to Justice in the Barkly Revisited," in collaboration with legal services including Legal Aid, NAAJA, CAWLS, and CAAFLU, to assess legal needs and services in communities.
- The report highlighted various justice issues faced by these communities and proposed 16 recommendations for improving the justice system. These recommendations included enhancing local access to legal assistance, better information dissemination, and the provision of interpreter services.
- Since 2020, legal services have been working on implementing these recommendations, supported by a project coordinator position currently held by John Jablonka until November 2024. - The project focuses on engaging with communities and legal services to develop a plan that ensures accessible legal support for issues like housing, Centrelink, and court proceedings, including the use of video link attendance.
- Key discussion points include raising community awareness of the report, identifying critical law and justice-related issues within the community, assessing existing community initiatives, and planning future collaborations, with opportunities for engagement at events such as the Desert Harmony Festival.

10 OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Other Matters For Noting

10.1 Other Matters For Noting

- The Local Authority has requested the Council to write a letter to relevant departments advocating for a police station within the community. In the meantime, they have requested more regular police visits to the community.
- The Director of Infrastructure, Surya, is to provide relevant quotes at upcoming meetings for the repairs of the toilet block located at Lot 23.
- Ben presented on community planning considerations with accompanying maps. The Local Authority members have deferred the discussion to the next meeting for further consideration.

11 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Alpururulam LA next meeting date is 22/10/2024.

Meeting Closed at 06:18 PM

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