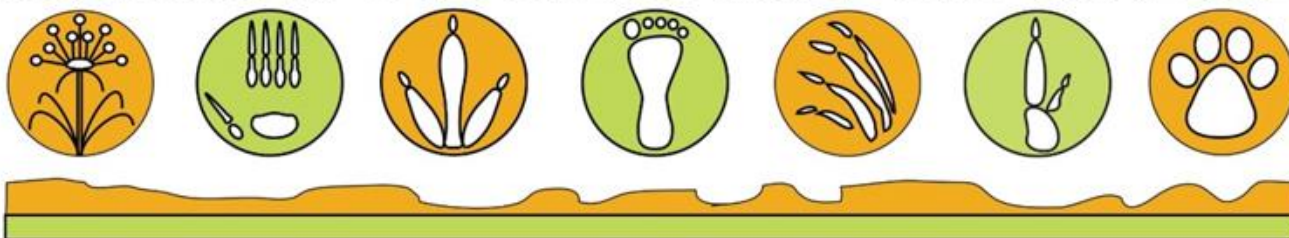


BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



AGENDA

Alpurrurulam LA Meeting

Tuesday 19 September 2023

Barkly Regional Council's Alpurrurulam LA Meeting will be held in Conference Room on Tuesday 19 September 2023 at 1:00 pm.

Russell Anderson

Acting Chief Executive Officer

OUR VISION

We strive to be responsive, progressive, sustainable council which respects, listens 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 policy 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.

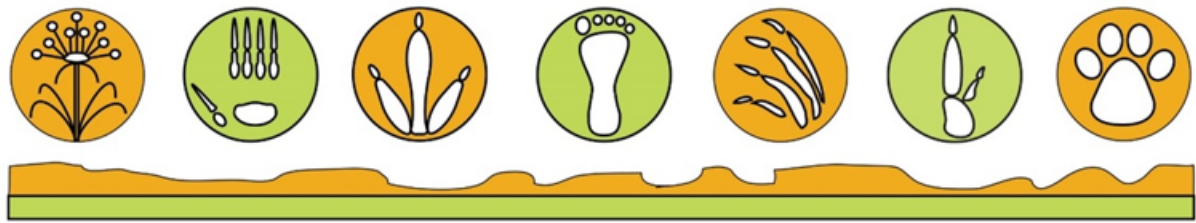
We want to empower local decision making.

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.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Warumungu, Mudberra, Jingili, Wakaya, Wambaya, Waanyi, Walpiri, Warlmanpa, Alyawarr, Anmatyerre and Kaytetye Country on which Barkly Regional Council live and work, 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.

COUNCIL PRAYER

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

Amen



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1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Authority Members Present

1.2 Staff and Visitors Present

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

1.5 Resignations

1.6 Disclosure of Interests

1.7 Review of Disclosure of Interest

2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Confirmation of previous Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of minutes from 25 July 2023 meeting

Reference

Author Barry Nattrass (Acting Director of Operations)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority confirms the Minutes from the 25 July 2023 meeting as a true and accurate record.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Alpururulam LA 25072023 Minutes [2.1.1 - 4 pages]



MINUTES ALPURRURULAM LOCAL AUTHORITY

The Alpurrrurulam Local Authority of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Alpurrrurulam Council Office - Conference Room on Tuesday, 25 July 2023 at 1.30pm .

Meeting commenced at 1.30pm with Laney Tracker as Chair.

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

- David Riley
- Laney Tracker
- Benjamin Olschewsky - Joined meeting at 3.00pm
- Jennifer Mahoney
- Charlie Larkins
- Cr Pam Corbett by phone

1.2 Staff And Visitors Present

- Heather Smith, Area Manager
- Robbie Larkins, TL Comm Care
- Kenneth Philomac, TL Comm Safety

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

- Maria Turner
- John Mahoney
- Ben Olschewsky - Joined meeting at 3.00pm

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

- Nil

1.5 Disclosure Of Interest

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

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 PREVIOUS LA MEETING MINUTES
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority receive and confirm the minutes of the previous LA meeting Tuesday, 13 June 2023 RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins Seconded: LA Member David Riley CARRIED UNAN.

3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 LA ACTION RESOLUTION TRACKER
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority; a) receive and note the Action items and Resolution tracker b) confirm and remove all completed items from the Action List RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins Seconded: LA Member Laney Tracker CARRIED UNAN.

4. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

Nil

5. FINANCE

5.1 ALPURRURULAM FINANCE REPORT
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority: a) receive and note the Finance report as at 30 th June 2023 RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Jennifer Mahoney Seconded: Councillor Pam Corbett CARRIED UNAN.

6. AREA MANAGERS REPORT

6.1 AREA MANAGERS REPORT
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority receive and note the Alpururulam Area Managers' Report RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins Seconded: LA Member David Riley CARRIED UNAN

LA Member Ben Olschewsky joined the meeting at 3.00pm

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 DEVELOPMENT OF ASSETS WITHIN ALPURRURULAM COMMUNITY
<p>RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>That the Authority: discuss the development of all assets within the community to ensure a coordinated and informed approach with all stakeholders</p> <p>RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins Seconded: Councillor Pam Corbett</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNAN</p>
7.2 CLC COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TEAM – INVITATION TO ADDRESS FUTURE LA MEETINGS
<p>RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>That the Authority: Invites representative/s from CLC to future LA meetings to keep LA informed of community development issues</p> <p>RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Laney Tracker Seconded: LA Member Jenny Mahoney</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNAN</p>
7.3 OLD BASKETBALL COURT – FURTHER DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS
<p>RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>That the Authority consider potential further development of the old basketball court to make it a more usable community space.</p> <p>RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Ben Olschewsky Seconded: LA Member David Riley</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNAN</p>
7.4 POLICE STATION – NEW STATION WITH PERMANENT POLICE PRESENCE IN ALPURRURULAM
<p>RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>That the Authority: Approach politicians and other relevant government departments and stakeholders to assist in pushing for government to fund and build a permanently staffed police station, including cross border police presence, along with relevant staff accommodation in community.</p> <p>RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins Seconded: LA Member Ben Olschewsky</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNAN</p>

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 REQUEST TO PRESENT TO THE LA – INDIGENOUS ELECTORAL PARTICIPATION PROGRAM AND REMOTE ENGAGEMENT WORK. MARYANNE WALLEY
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority: Receive a presentation from the Indigenous Electoral Participation program representative Maryanne Wally at a future LA meeting RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins Seconded: LA Member Jenny Mahoney CARRIED UNAN

9. OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Nil

10. REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Nil

11. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN

Nil

12. OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 SERVICE DELIVERY CENTRE – PROPOSED CHANGE OF OFFICE HOURS
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority: Agree to the council office closing at 12 noon on Fridays in line with municipal services, as long as the required number of Centrelink hours are still provided as per council contract of 30 hours, and further that permanent full time customer service staff start and finish times are changed to still cover a full 38 hours per week. RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Charlie Larkins Seconded: Councillor Pam Corbett CARRIED UNAN ALLA 11/23

13. CLOSE OF MEETING

Meeting Closed at 3.30PM pm

3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Actions from previous Minutes

3.1 Actions from 25 July 2023 Minutes

Author Barry Nattrass (Acting Director of Operations)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority receives and notes the Actions arising from the 25 July 2023 Meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Alpururulam LA Action Resolution tracker SEPTEMBER 23 [3.1.1 - 2 pages]

Item no.	Meet Date	Task/Project	Actions to be Taken	Funds	Action Leader	Status
1	20.10.2020	Interpreter Services	Seeking funding through ABA - Dir Ops to follow up where they are with Head Office to find out where we are at with this item.		Dir Ops	Ongoing
2	20.10.2020	Re-Fencing of old Basketball Court & Laundromat	Re-fence basketball court and laundromat. Special Meeting 13-06-2023 Engage Rainbow Gateway to repair/replace fence around old basket ball court ALLA 14/23		AM	Ongoing
3	20.10.2020	Vet Services	Make vet working area on council office verandah more comfortable. Investigate addition of shade cloth		Dir Comm Dev, AM	Ongoing
4	13.07.2021	Border Control	LA would like a letter written to the people who are looking after border control to find out what is in place to protect Alpururulam from travellers and how the traffic is monitored at the QLD/NT Sandover Border. Mayor and Cr Corbett following up with Chief Minister and Police Minister		Mayor, Dir Ops	Ongoing
5	13.07.2021	Entrance Sign	LA want larger signs of the version we already have out the front of the community when they wish to restrict people from coming into Alpururulam. Dir Ops will check on authority and enforcement re visitor restrictions. Also, signage is to direct all visitors to sign in at Council office before going about their business in the community. AM to work with LA on wording or if they want to keep it the same, just make it larger. LA members to draft sign & send to Dir Ops. Use "respect" wording in signage.		AM, Dir Ops	Ongoing
6	16.11.2021	Give Way signage	Blind spots around community to be identified and reported to LA for consideration. 1. Airstrip turn off 2. R/bow G/way & Aged Care cnr; other blind spots in process of being identified		AM, LA	Ongoing
7	16.11.2021	Lighting for old basketball court	AM to obtain quotes for supply and installation. Special meeting 13-06-2023: Engage JNR Rural Electrical Quote Q U 0185 (004) to supply and install lights at old basketball court ALLA 12/23		AM	Ongoing
8	16.11.2021	Storm water drainage around community	To what extent can works team engage in developing and maintaining storm water drainage in and around community? NOTE: hydrological survey has already been done – commissioned by DIPL. Routine annual works should be carried out, including existing storm water drainage. Drone mapping? Fence lines to be cleared. Explore grant options: Disaster Ready Fund through National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA). Check with Susan Wright for other grant options.		AM, Dir Ops	Ongoing
9	18.01.2022	Removal of car bodies from around community	When are car bodies to be removed from community? Options for car crushing/shredding to be investigated: get truck and tele-handler into community; get quote from contractors to move vehicles with their big forklift		AM, Dir Ops	Ongoing
10	18.01.2022	Old basketball court – what can be done - further development requirements	Consider installation of electronic signage for community information/announcements. Ask CDP about installing permanent seating and installing some enclosure around sides of court. Certification will have to be obtained for siding installation. Get advice from SECA - certifying engineer. LA consider potential further development of the old basketball court to make it a more usable community space.		LA, AM	Ongoing
11	18.01.2022	Old toilets at old basketball court – what can be done	Quotes to be obtained on demolition and removal when relevant contractors are in community. Prices for demolition should be able to be obtained after wet.		AM	Ongoing

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4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports

4.1 CEO Report for September 2023

Author Russell Anderson (Chief Executive Officer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority receives and notes an update from Acting CEO Russell Anderson.

SUMMARY

- With bushfires occurring across the Territory we are all making sure our Fire Management Plans are in place.
- Progress to implement the Council's Regional Plan 2023-2024 is progressing.
- Recent recruitment has filled the positions of Manager Projects / Contracts, Manager Contracts, Manager Infrastructure, Manager Assets and Mobile Mechanic. They all will visit you in the future.

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

5 FINANCE REPORTS

Finance Reports

5.1 LA Finance Report September 2023

Reference

Author Sunil Neupane (Accountant)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority receives and notes the updated LA Finance Report.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Alpururulam LA Report [5.1.1 - 1 page]

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Income & Expenditure Report		Year to Date
Barkly Regional Council		
From 01/07/2023 to 31/08/2023		
Program Description		YTD Actual
600 - Alpururulam		
Program: LA - Local Authority		
Income		
60000	Opening Unexpended Grants Balance (2023/2024)	\$ 123,697.25
64220	NT Operational Grants	\$ -
Total Income		\$ 123,697.25
Expenditure		
72110	Councillors Extra Meeting Allowances	\$ 1,100.00
72243	Councillors - Catering	\$ -
73162	Contract Fees - Repairs and Maintenance	\$ -
73757	Materials Expenses - Minor Equipment	\$ -
73703	Plant and Vehicle - Parts	\$ -
Total Expenditure		\$ 1,100.00
Total Available Funding		\$ 122,597.25

Note: \$8,600 (excluding GST) has been paid from commitment to repair the fence around old basketball court.

6 AREA MANAGERS REPORTS

Area Managers Reports

6.1 Area Manager's Report for September 2023

Reference

Author Tash Adams (Executive Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority receives and notes the Area Manager's report for September 2023.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Alpururulam LA Area Manager Report SEP23 [6.1.1 - 2 pages]



AREA MANAGER REPORT – Alpururulam

September 2023

VISITORS TO ALPURRURULAM:

- Allied Health, Clinic Doctor, P&W, Contractors, Police, Dental Team, ABC Transport, Watts Transport, Housing Contractors, Harvey Developments, NIAA

GENERAL:

- New housing construction/installation continues
- Many local and visitors in and out of community
- Successful NAIDOC activities culminating in community BBQ end July

ISSUES:

- Alcohol in community resulting in fighting and accidents
- Periodic community unrest due to family issues
- Some fires in community – controlled by council and volunteers – particular thanks to Ben Olschewsky and James Derrick and his team
- Community sports carnival 16/17 September

ADMINISTRATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One full time permanent • One permanent part time • Recruitment underway for casuals • Mail, Centrelink, general administration and accommodation services as usual
DEPOT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acting supervisor in place – recruitment of new supervisor so far unsuccessful. Will readvertise in coming weeks. • One permanent municipal officer resignation • Two permanent full time municipal officers • Five casual positions in place • One to two rubbish collections per week – dependant on staffing • Firebreaks around and within community • Grass cutting / rubbish removal around community • General community maintenance
FLEET MANAGEMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mechanic from Mt Isa, James Derrick and team, engaged on a contract basis to do repairs & maintenance to plant and vehicles as well as reorganise and restock depot
ESSENTIAL SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Airstrip inspections and maintenance as per contract • Bird problem at airstrip resulting in pausing of NTAS passenger service on Wednesdays and Friday mail now being delivered to station airstrip until further notice

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DIPL request to council to manage airstrip bird problem – this is underway with hiring in process of a bioacoustics machine to frighten birds away • Non-functioning streetlights replaced
TRAINING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4x4 week commencing 18th September • Two municipal officers did forklift training and are eligible for forklift licence • Truck licence for staff – attempting to get training delivered by QLD trainer – so far unsuccessful due to NT government refusal. Pursuing this matter at higher levels
SPORT & REC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two casual S&R officers in place • Acting team leader • Recruitment of permanent team leader underway
AGED CARE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per verbal report
NIGHT PATROL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per verbal report
AREA MANAGER TRAVEL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mt Isa for Council pickups
OTHER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions with and information session presentations to all staff re proposed new Enterprise Agreement

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business

7.1 Fire Management

Author Tash Adams (Executive Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority discuss fire management in the Alpururulam area.

SUMMARY

To identify and seek out resources required to manage fire risk in Alpururulam, eg, training, equipment, volunteers

General Business

7.2 Truck driver licencing training

Author Tash Adams (Executive Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority discusses truck driver licencing training.

SUMMARY

The LA is seeking to have Martyr Training from Mt Isa (Registered Training Organisation) given an exemption from current state restrictions which prevent them from training Alpururulam staff for truck licences within the NT.

General Business

7.3 First Circles Programme

Author Tash Adams (Executive Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority discusses the First Circles Leadership Program.

SUMMARY

That the Local Authority discusses the First Circles Leadership Program and promote it in the community as an opportunity to develop local leaders.

BACKGROUND

The First Circles Leadership Program is an NT Government flagship program aimed to help identify, mentor and support Aboriginal emerging leaders from remote communities across the Northern Territory.

The program brings new voices, and quiet voices, to the conversation to ensure Aboriginal people from remote areas can confidently speak to, negotiate and influence the government about matters affecting their lives, their families and communities.

The program provides an opportunity for participants to directly engage at the highest level of government, with Cabinet, where matters impacting on Aboriginal people and their communities are discussed and local solutions presented.

In the lead-up to the Cabinet meeting, members take part in leadership training; and workshops designed to support their learning and development to actively expand their leadership skills, increase their personal governance capabilities and learn more about the impact of public policies and programs in their communities, and help influence and contribute to change.

First Circles is an annual leadership program offered to emerging Aboriginal leaders from the 6 regions of the Territory - Central Australia, Barkly, Big Rivers, East Arnhem, Top End and Darwin, Palmerston and Litchfield.

General Business

7.4 Speed bumps

Author Tash Adams (Executive Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority discusses the installation of speed bumps in the Alpururulam community area.

SUMMARY

That the Local Authority identifies and organises installation of where additional speed bumps may be required within community.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

9 OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Nil

10 REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Nil

11 VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Nil

12 OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

13 CLOSE OF MEETING