

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



AGENDA **SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Monday 29 January 2024

Barkly Regional Council's Special Council Meeting will be held
in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek
on Monday 29 January 2024 at 2:00 pm.

Ian Bodill

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.

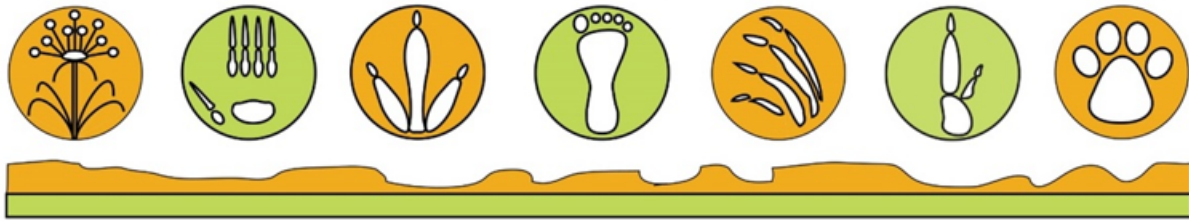
We want to empower local decision making.

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.

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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 Elected Members Present

- Peter Holt - Official Manager

1.2 Staff Members Present

1.3 Visitors Present

1.4 Apologies and Leave of Absence

1.5 Disclosure of Interest

1.6 Review of Disclosure of Interest

2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

4 ADDRESSING THE MEETING

Nil

5 MAYOR'S REPORT

Nil

6 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.1 Appointment of Committee Members

Reference

Author Emmanuel Okumu (Governance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

1. Receives and appoints the nominees as members of the Regional Advisory Committee
2. Appoints the Regional Advisory Committee chair
3. Determines the meeting allowance to be paid to the chair and the committee members

SUMMARY

Representatives have been nominated from each community in the Barkly region to join the Regional Advisory Committee.

Nominees;

Elliot: Bob Bagnall, Lennie Barton

Alpurrurulam: Laney Tracker, Pam Corbett, Ashley Tobey

Ali Curung: Noel Hayes, Lucy Jackson

Wutunugurra: Fiona Peterson, Mark Peterson

Ampilatwatja: Tony Morton, Anita Bailey

Arlparra: Jack Clubb, Graham Long

BACKGROUND

The Official Manager established the Regional Advisory Committee in order to bring vital information and voices from communities directly to the Council's Official Manager, the Chief Executive and executive directors. Importantly, it will give committee members the opportunity to discuss matters arising both in their home communities as well as matters more broadly affecting all remote communities.

ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT

Having the Regional Advisory Committee enables the Council to reduce the risk of acting without understanding community needs.

BUDGET IMPLICATION

The council will incur the meeting fees allowance and any other reasonable expenses in connection to attending the committee meeting.

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

The issues include the challenges of distance that may hinder the Regional community members from attending meetings in Tennant Creek.

The option is for the members to attend the meeting via Microsoft Teams. (online).

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ATTACHMENTS:

Nil



Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.2 Animal Management Advisory Committee

Reference

Author Emmanuel Okumu (Governance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

1. Resolves to re-establish the Animal Management Advisory Committee
2. Discusses and resolves the payment of members who attended the working group meeting on the 8th of January, 2024.

SUMMARY

Council previously established Animal Management Advisory Committee. Committees were affected by Council suspension. The Official Manager is requested to re-establish the committee to progress the Animal management plan discussion and advise on the By-Law Review.

BACKGROUND

After the Council was suspended, the Animal Management Working Group meeting was held. However, it was noticed that the working group activities and meetings needed to be compliant with the Act. For this to happen, the Council must re-establish the Animal Management Advisory Committee, have members appointed, and hold the meeting in a way that meets the requirements under the Act.

ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT

The risk of having an Animal Management Committee meeting that does not meet the requirement under the Act risks the Council being in breach of the Local Government Act.

BUDGET IMPLICATION

The Council would incur the member's meeting allowance cost and any other reasonable expense incurred in relation to attending the meeting.

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

The issue is that the working group held a meeting on the 8th of January, 2024. The meeting needed to be more compliant with the Act.

The option is for the Council to establish an Animal Management Advisory Committee, appoint members and then hold the meeting as prescribed under the Local Government Act. The minutes of the 8th meeting can then be discussed and ratified by the appointed members if they so decide.

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ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

7 CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

8 TENNANT CREEK DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

9 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

10 OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

Operations Directorate Reports

10.2 Operations Directorate Report

Reference

Author Brody Moore (Director of Operations & Remote Communities)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

1. Receives and notes the Regional Advisory Committee nominations
2. Adopts and ratifies the appointment of Regional Advisory Committee members

SUMMARY

Two representatives have been nominated from each community in the Barkly region to join the Regional Advisory Committee.

Nominees;

Elliott: Bob Bagnall, Lennie Barton
Alpurrurulam: Laney Tracker, Pam Corbett, Ashley Tobey
Ali Curung: Noel Hayes, Lucy Jackson
Wutunugurra: Fiona Peterson, Mark Peterson
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ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT

NA

BUDGET IMPLICATION

NA

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

NA

CONSULTATION & TIMING

Chief Executive Officer – Barkly Regional Council
Official Manager – Barkly Regional Council
Nominees – Regional Advisory Committee

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

11 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

12 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

13 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

14 DECISION TO MOVE INTO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Nil

Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with *Section 99(2)* of the *Local Government Act 2019* and *Regulation 51* of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* as the items listed to be discussed come within the following provisions: -

information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual;

information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to:
cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person; or

prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law; or

prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff; or

subject to subregulation (3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person;

information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity;

subject to subregulation (3) – information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest;

subject to subregulation (2) – information in relation to a complaint of a contravention of the code of conduct.

15 NEXT MEETING AND MEETING CLOSE