

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



AGENDA SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 6 February 2024

Barkly Regional Council's Special Council Meeting will be held
in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek
on Tuesday 6 February 2024 at 12:30 pm.

Ian Bodill

Chief Executive Officer

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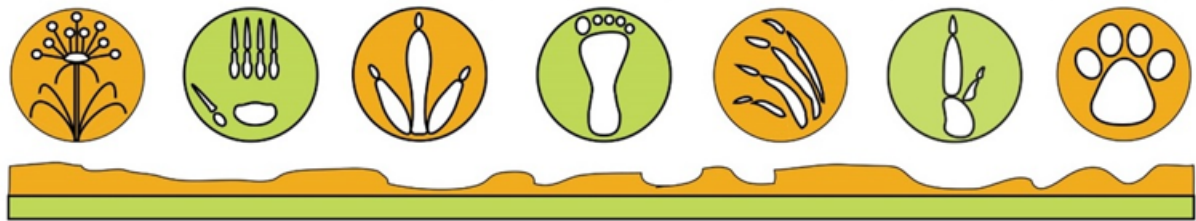
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

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

- Ian Bodill – Chief Executive Officer
- Murray Davies – Director Corporate Services
- Gillian Molloy – Director of Community Development
- Troy Koch – Director of Tennant Creek
- Brody Moore – Director of Operations and Remote Communities
- Faye Jennings – Executive Manager (Minute Taker)

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

Confirmation of previous Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of previous minutes

Reference

Author Emmanuel Okumu (Governance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and confirms the minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 October 2023, 07 December 2023, and 11 January 2024 and the Special Meeting of Council held on 13 November 2023 as true and accurate.

SUMMARY

S 101 (3) of the Act requires that the minutes be confirmed as a correct record.

BACKGROUND

The minutes attached had not yet been confirmed. The Official Manager is requested to confirm the minute as a correct record.

ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT

It's a compliance requirement which would lead to breach of compliance.

BUDGET IMPLICATION

No budget implication

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

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CONSULTATION & TIMING

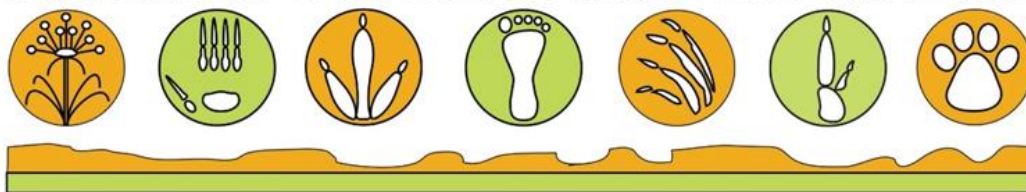
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ATTACHMENTS:

1. 26.10.2023 [**2.1.1** - 9 pages]
2. 7.12.2023 [**2.1.2** - 17 pages]
3. 11.01.2024 [**2.1.3** - 14 pages]
4. 013.11.2023 [**2.1.4** - 185 pages]
5. Special Meeting [**2.1.5** - 6 pages]



BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting of the Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek on Thursday 26 October 2023 at 8:30 am.

Russell Anderson

Acting Chief Executive Officer

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1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

Meeting commenced at 8.30am with Manager Peter Holt as Chair.

1.2 Staff Members Present

Staff Members Present

- Romeo Mutsago - Acting Chief Executive Officer
- Murray Davies - Director of Corporate Services
- Faye Jennings - Executive Manager
- Emmanuel Okumu - Governance Manager
- Ryan Francis - Manager - Projects and Contracts
- Tash Adams - Executive Manager (online)

1.3 Visitors Present

Visitors Present

- Anna Malgorzewicz Dept Chief Minister – Local Government Unit
- Russell O'Donnell
- Lucy Jackson
- Lennie Barton
- Sharen Lake

1.4 Apologies and Leave of Absence

1.5 Review of Disclosure of Interest



SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM

1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports

1.1 CEO Report for October 2023

MOTION

That Council receives and notes a verbal report from the Acting CEO for October 2023.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

Resolved S-23/1

1. Item 1 – Departure of previous CEO – Russell Anderson who left 29.09.2023. Chief Financial Officer Romeo Mutsago was appointed as Acting CEO until the replacement CEO Ian Bodill, starts with BRC on the 6.11.2023. Chief Minister put Council into Administration, which resulted in Peter Holt stepping into the role in the interim. Romeo asked if Peter could address the Councillors present, explaining what it means to their position as Councillor, their remuneration, their attendance requirements.
2. Negotiations over the past months facilitated by an external consultant, culminating in a revised agreement with Fair Work for BRC employees. The most significant change to note is a move from weekly pay to pay fortnightly.
3. Westpac – At the last Council meeting, Council approved the move from Westpac Banking (bank accounts and term deposits) totalling \$6.3 million to a higher interest rate with ANZ. Council resolved to move entire balances of accounts to ANZ. Due to the Acting CEO leaving on 29.09.2023 and the Mayor being absent, we haven't had facility to address the change of signatories to date. Official Manager Peter Holt and Acting CEO Romeo Mutsago will arrange a change of signatures.
4. Tennant Creek Swimming Pool – Thank you to Ryan and his team for their continued efforts to get the pool open and operational again for public use. Based on advice from the team, the proposed re-open of the facility is between 6 – 20th November 2023.

Peter Holt reply to items captured in the CEO Report

1. The suspension of The Council by the Minister on 16.10.2023 results in the suspension of pay and support to the Councillors. The Councillors are suspended – not sacked, so they are welcome to attend any further Council meetings. The Minister has appointed Peter as official Manager to replace the Council for the next 5 – 6 months and appointed an investigator, Ruth Morley. Ruth is due to report on the 12.03.2024; in return, all Councillors will be able to view that report and be given 21 days to respond. The structure and frequency of meetings will be investigated; Peter would like to establish a group of advisory committees and will be in touch with existing Councils and elected Councillors, honouring the fact that their Communities elected them to represent them. Peter will speak to the Councillors over the coming weeks to see how we can best deal with Community and Tennant Creek issues to continue solid communication. Other Committees such as Purkiss Park working group, will continue. Peter will be reviewing grant funding that has been allocated for Council, ensuring what we've been funded is happening. The Chief Minister raised concerns that Government has funded both commonwealth and territory projects; services; and infrastructure and some of its taken years to get off the ground including Local Authority funding that is yet to be expended. We need to ensure that we, as a Council are making sure what we've committed to is getting done. The funding received is critical.
2. There is no change to existing Staff at Barkly Regional Council. Ian Bodill is due to start on the 6th November, 2023 as the CEO. He and Peter will work together over the next six months to stabilise the grant programmes. Peter addressed the Councillors and explained that their presence today is as an observer rather than a participating Councillor.



2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Confirmation of previous Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of Previous Minutes OCM 27092023 and SCM 10102023

MOTION

That Council receive and note the Minutes of the XXXX Ordinary Meeting of Council as a true and accurate record on that Meeting.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

Resolved OM-23/152

Official Manager Peter Holt was not in attendance at this previous meeting so he has requested Cr. Sharon Lake, Cr. Russell O'Donnell, and Cr. Lennie Barton to observe the minutes to ensure an accurate record of events. October 10th Meeting observation – Anna Malgorzewicz spoke with the governance officer to reference Councillors names have not been listed as absent, in attendance, or with apology in the previous minutes; their arrival times had not been noted and the question of some resolutions not being addressed. These are to be rectified. These details were pertinent given that there were issues regarding Quorum and conflict of interest. That has now been resolved and a corrected minute will be presented to Peter Holt for his endorsement.

On the advice of the Councillors present at the time – Peter Holt accepts that the minutes are a true and correct account of the meetings held in September and October 2023.

3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Actions from previous Minutes

3.1 Actions from Previous Minutes

MOTION

That Council receives and notes the actions arising from previous Ordinary Council Meetings.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt.

Resolved OM-23/153

4 ADDRESSING THE MEETING

Nil

5 MAYOR'S REPORT

Nil





6 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.1 Reviewed CEO Allowance Policy

MOTION

That Council resolves to endorse the CEO Allowances & Other Benefits Policy.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt.

Resolved OM-23/154

Acting CEO and Chief Financial Officer Romeo Mutsago addressed the meeting:

- As at 30 September 2023 the financial report is currently with the Auditors for review. Once complete the results will be made available for publication in line with the NT Government guidelines by the 15.11.2023.
- As at 30 September 2023, the finance directorate is reasonably staffed to enable normal independent checks of work to enhance internal controls within finance and BRC broadly.
- YTD September 2023 financial statements results indicate a healthy financial position as at 30 September 2023.

Peter Holt requested the date of the Audit Committee. Romeo to advise.

Terms of reference for the Procurement Policy Review – Council previous resolved that BRC requests expressions of interest from consultants nationwide resulting in 3. All three were presented to Council for review. All supporting documentation attached. Council to review and established their preferred contractor based on data collected. This process will take up to 2 weeks to complete.

7 FINANCE REPORTS

Finance Reports

7.1 Financial Report - YTD 30 September 2023

MOTION

That Council receives and notes the Finance Report for the YTD 30 Sept. 2023.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt.

Resolved OM-23/155





8 CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.1 ICT Report - October 2023

MOTION

That Council receives and notes the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt.

Resolved OM-23/156

Director of Corporate Services Murray Davies updated the Council on:

Installing Star Link into communities

- Tara - complete
- Canteen creek - ongoing
- Mungkarta - ongoing
- Murray Downs – ongoing

Proposed for the following 2 weeks.

No outages to report.

Official Manager Peter Holt requested that video access be made available to suspended Councillors to enable ease of communication with communities.

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.2 Barkly Regional Deal Local Community Projects Fund For Common Seal

MOTION

That Council accepts the agreements and applies the common seal.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt.

Resolved OM-23/157





Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.3 WARM funding project allocation

MOTION

That Council accept the report and recommendation for the WARM funding 2022/23

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt.

Resolved OM-23/158

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.5 WARM Reporting 2022 2023

MOTION

That Council accept the report for the expenditure of the WARM 2022 23 funding.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt.

Resolved OM-23/159

9 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

10 TENNANT CREEK DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Tennant Creek Directorate Reports

10.1 Youthlinks School Holiday Program September-October 2023

MOTION

That Council receives and notes the Youthlinkx School Holiday Program.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt.

Resolved OM-23/160

11 OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Operations Directorate Reports

11.1 Local Authority Minutes

MOTION

That Council receives and notes the Ali Curung and Wutungurra Local Authority Minutes.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt.

Resolved OM-23/161





12 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

13 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

14 DECISION TO MOVE INTO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

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.

MOTION

That Council moves into a Confidential Session

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt.

The meeting moved into confidential session at 9.14am.



14.1 Confidential Items Register

REASONS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

Status 51(1)(c)(i) - This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(c)(i) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

14.2 Advice regarding Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation rates exemption

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14.3 TCYC and ACYC update

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15 NEXT MEETING AND MEETING CLOSE

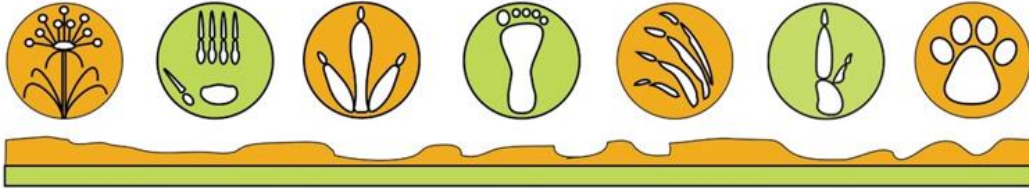
The next Ordinary Council Meeting of Barkly Regional Council will be held on Thursday 7 December 2023.

The meeting closed at 9.41am

This page and the preceding 8 pages are the minutes of the meeting of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 October and are unconfirmed.



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1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

Meeting Started: 8:09am with Peter Holt - Official Manager as Chair

1.1 Staff Members Present

- Ian Bodill - Chief Executive Officer
- Emmanuel Okumu - Governance Manager
- Ryan Francis - Project Manager
- Gillian Molloy - Director of Community Development (Joined at 9.00)
- Brody Moore - Director Operations and remote Communities
- Romeo Mutsago - Chief Financial Officer

1.2 Visitors Present

NIL

1.3 Apologies and Leave of Absence

Troy Koch - Apology

1.4 Review of Disclosure of Interest

2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

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The confirmation of the previous meetings minutes was deferred due to the absence of attendees from the prior Council meeting. Attention was directed towards addressing pertinent matters raised during the meeting, emphasising the need to ensure resolution of outstanding issues from the previous minutes.

Note that minutes have been received and remain as business arising.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/172



3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

NIL

4 ADDRESSING THE MEETING

NIL

5 OFFICIAL MANAGER REPORT

6 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.1 Reviewed Policies

RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes, resolves to endorse the following policies and terms of reference for use by BRC.

MOTION

That Council notes, resolves to endorse the following policies and terms of reference for use by BRC.

- a) BRC Common Seal Policy
- b) BRC Advisory Committee Term of Reference
- c) Asset Management Policy (2015-Reviewed)
- d) Youth Supervision Policy
- e) Mandatory Reporting Policy
- f) TCYC Committee Terms of reference
- g) Designated Smoking Area Policy (OC 273/19- Reviewed)
- h) ICT Report

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/173

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.2 The Common Seal

Reference

Author Emmanuel Okumu (Governance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1) Notes that one document was witnessed by staff as the Council had been suspended and before the start of the Official Manager.





- 2) Ratifies the execution of the following documents under the Council's Common Seal:
 - a. Barkly Regional Deal- Barkly Local Community Project Fund. Purchase of skid steer and excavator (BRDLCPF – 2023/24 - CC02).
 - b. Barkly Regional Deal – Barkly Local Community Project Fund. Community Strategic Planning for four named communities (Burudu, Corella Creek, Likkaparta & Blue Bush). BRDLCPF – 2023/24 - NBAC01
 - c. Variation of crown lease, Lot 2161. Extension of lease, 09 November 2024.

MOTION

Council notes that the document relating to the Skid Steer (2A) was witnessed by staff as Council had been suspended; Ratifies the execution of following documents under the Councils common seal Barkly Local Community Project Fund. Purchase of skid steer and excavator (BRDLCPF – 2023/24 - CC02). Barkly Regional Deal – Barkly Local Community Project Fund. Community Strategic Planning for four named communities (Burudu, Corella Creek, Likkaparta & Blue Bush). BRDLCPF – 2023/24 - NBAC01 and the variation of the Crown lease.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/174

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.3 Advisory Committees

Reference

Author Emmanuel Okumu (Governance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1) Establishes Advisory Committees. Namely, (a) Tennant Creek Advisory Committee (b) Remote Communities Advisory Committee and (c) Youth Centres Advisory Committee.
- 2) Receives and resolves to approve the BRC Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference

MOTION

Council will have an informal discussion between the Official Manager, CEO and nominated staff in a Special Meeting to discuss a plan for this going forward. This matter is to be suspended pending further discussion.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY





Resolved OM-23/175

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.4 Action Register

Reference

Author Emmanuel Okumu (Governance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- A) Receives and notes actions arising from the previous minutes.
- B) Makes necessary directions to have the overdue pending items to be attended to.

MOTION

Council receives and notes the actions from the previous minutes and makes necessary directions. To be included in the Directors weekly meeting and future meetings and to ensure that we are delivering on the actions of Council.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/176

Official Manager Peter Holt expressed his gratitude to all Directors for their submitted reports for this Council Meeting. He emphasized improved public access to Council information for transparency.

Directors briefed on staffing concerns for informed budget review. Highlighted the importance of prioritized task lists for the upcoming 6 months, focusing on key priorities. Discussion and focus needs to be centered around identifying main objectives.

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.5 Risk and Audit Committee Members

Reference

Author Emmanuel Okumu (Governance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Resolves to call for expression of interest for an additional two risk and audit committee members.
- b) Determines the duration of those two members to be appointed.



MOTION

Council resolves to call for expressions of interest for 2 x risk and audit committee members and determines the duration of those two members to be appointed.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/177

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.6 CEO Report December 7th 2023

Reference

Author Ian Bodill - Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes and receives the information provided in the CEO's report

MOTION

Council notes and receives the information provided in the CEO's report

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/178

- CEO KPI's for evaluation in 6 months.
- Tennant Creek Landfill
 - EPA report recently completed. The Environmental Management plan is currently being reviewed with the landfill team to ensure the day-to-day operations align with the plan.
- Relocation of Operations Directorate – 48 Peko Road offices.
- The Director of Communities will now be managing the Animal Management responsibilities.
 - Draft animal management plan has been circulated effective 08.12.2023.
 - Reforming the animal management working group within the next 6 months to align with the animal management plan.
- Christmas closure 22.12.2023 – 02.01.2024
- Plant Purchase - 2 x Bobcats for Community
- Lake Mary Ann Dam
 - GHD Engineer onsite week starting 13.12.2023 to undertake an inspection of the dam.
 - Assess the damage and receive maintenance/repairs report.





7 FINANCE REPORTS

Finance Reports

7.1 Financial Directorate Report - YTD 31 October 2023

Reference

Author Romeo Mutsago – Chief Financial Officer

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation that Council receives and notes the Finance Report for YTD 31.10.2023.

MOTION

Council receives and notes the Finance Report for YTD 31.10.2023.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/179

- All FY2023 finance acquittals have been audited and signed off and are being lodged with the respective funding agencies.
- ATO LODGEMENTS
 - As at 31 October, 2023 all statutory obligations are up to date.
- As at 31 October 2023, the finance directorate is staffed to enable normal independent checks of work to enhance internal controls within finance and BRC broadly.
- YTD October 2023 Financial Statements
 - Results indicate a healthy financial position as at 31 October 2023
- Barkly Regional Council is solvent and able to meet its contractual obligations.
- Finance recommends to council that an additional concession be applied to affected rate payers to further reduce FY2022-23 rates which increased on account of higher UCV's. The effect of the additional concession to adjust FY2023 rates to reflect an increase that would reflect CPI increase on FY2022 regardless of increase in UCVs for affect properties.
- Local Authorities
 - Barkly Regional Council Area managers are working with Local Authorities to ensure all committed funds are allocated and there is transparency of available funds.

8 CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.1 Corporate Services

Reference

Author Murray Davies (Director of Corporate Services)





RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Corporate Services summation report.

MOTION

Council receives and notes the Corporate Services report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/180

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.2 ICT Report - October and November 2023

Reference

Author Grant Hanson (ICT Officer)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the ICT report – October and November 2023.

MOTION

Council receives and notes ICT report – October and November 2023.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/181

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.3 Barkly Regional Deal Local Community Projects Fund For Common Seal

Reference

Author Susan Wright (Grants Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accepts the agreements and applies the common seal.

MOTION

Council accepts and applies the common seal to Barkly Regional Deal Local Community Projects fund

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY





Resolved OM-23/182

SUMMARY

Under the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, Council is required to keep a register of Common Seal. There are 3 approved community projects requiring seals.

Arlpwe Artists Aboriginal Corporation, ABN 53 051 816 864

Purchase of New Toyota Coaster 22-seater bus for sporting, cultural and community events

\$132,147.27 plus gst \$13,214.73

Owairtilla Aboriginal Corporation, ABN 70 468 800 756

Purchase of a skid steer loader and excavator to be used for Community purposes – to maintain community infrastructure as per contractual obligations

\$87,877.00 plus gst \$ 8787.70

North Australian Rural Management Pty Ltd (NARMCO), ABN 62 103 522 498

Community Strategic Planning for four named communities (Burudu, Corella Creek, Likkaparta & Blue Bush)

\$96,488.00 plus gst \$ 9680.80

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.4 WARM funding project allocation

Author Susan Wright (Grants Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accept the report and recommendation for the WARM funding 2022/23

MOTION

Council accepts the report 8.4 and 8.6. Barkly Regional Council is requesting approval from the relevant department to spend the grant this year.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/183

Barkly Regional Council acknowledges receipt of the grant funds. Barkly Regional Council have underspent the grant funds and are seeking an extension to spend the funds in the current financial year.





Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.5 Barkly Regional Council Community Benefit Fund

Reference

Author Susan Wright (Grants Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accept the report to re-instate the BRC Community Benefit Fund and re-instate the fund.

MOTION

Council accepts the report to reinstate the Barkly Regional Council Community benefit fund and updates the guidelines to 2023/2024.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/184

Barkly Regional Council operated a Community Grants program aimed at supporting community-based projects, events and organisations that contribute to community outcomes which are consistent with the Council's own goals. Grants were considered and allocated based on identified community need, Council priorities and the anticipated benefit to the community. Program funding was subject to the availability of funds at the time the Council adopted its budget.

The program provided financial assistance to:

- Support projects, activities or events of benefit to the Barkly Region;
- Initiate or develop services and resources to address the needs of particular community groups;
- Encourage public participation in community and cultural activities and build a greater sense of community and connectedness;
- Enrich the diversity of recreational, cultural, social and environmental opportunity to the residents of the Barkly Region.

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.6 WARM Reporting 2022 2023

Reference

Author Susan Wright (Grants Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accept the report for the expenditure of the WARM 2022 23 funding.

MOTION





Council accepts the report 8.4 and 8.6. Barkly Regional Council is requesting approval from the relevant department to spend the grant this year.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/185

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.7 HR report

Reference

Author Emily Wells, HR Manager & Murray Davies, Director, Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the November Recruitment and Workforce Profile reports.

MOTION

Council receives the November recruitment and workforce profile reports.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/186

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.8 Summer swimming

Reference

Author Murray Davies (Director of Corporate Services)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives, notes and implements this report:

- Accepts & executes, including application of the Common Seal, to the NTG grant agreement
- Manage and implement the spirit and conditions of the agreement
- Execute and affix the Common Seal to the grant agreement.

MOTION

Council receives, notes and implements this report; accepts and executes including applying the common seal to the NTG grant agreement. It manages and implements the spirit of the agreement – The Tennant Creek swimming pool will be open to the public 10:00am – 7:00pm except Christmas day; and Barkly Regional Council will execute and affix the common seal on receipt of the NTG Grant agreement.



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RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/187

9 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Community Development Directorate Reports

9.1 Community Development November 2023

RECOMENDATION

Recommendation that Council receives and notes the Community Development November report.

MOTION

Council receives and notes the Community Development November report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/1828

10 TENNANT CREEK DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Youthlinx Program November 2023

10.1 Youth Centre/ Youthlinks Program November 2023

RECOMENDATION

Recommendation that Council receives and notes the Youth Links Report and Program November 2023.

MOTION

Council receives, notes and accepts the Youth Linx report and takes note of the Youth Linx program 2023.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/189





Fitness & Wellness Centre November 2023

10.2 Fitness and Wellness Centre November 2023

Reference

Author Thomas Machin (Acting Council Services Manager - Tennant Creek)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes the Fitness and Wellness Centre November 2023 report.

MOTION

Council receives, notes and accepts the Fitness and Wellness Centre November report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/190

Tennant Creek Directorate Reports

10.3 Director of Tennant Creek Report

Author Troy Koch (Director of Tennant Creek)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Tennant Creek Directorate Reports

MOTION

Council receives, notes and accepts the Tennant Creek Directorate report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/191





11 OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Operations Directorate Reports

11.1 Local Authority Minutes

Author Brody Moore – Director of Operations and Remote Communities

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Local Authority Minutes.

MOTION

Council receives, notes and accepts the Operations Directorate Reports

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/192

CEO Ian Bodill requested that a programme of upcoming Local Authority meetings be made available.

Operations Directorate Reports

11.2 Fleet, Plant and Equipment Plan

Author Brody Moore (Director of Operations & Remote Communities)

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council receive and implement Fleet Management and Replacement Business Case
2. That Council approve the Plant Hire-Purchase recommendation to meet immediate need

MOTION

Council receives and notes the fleet management replacement business case to be received and resubmitted.

UNRESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/193

The proposed fleet management replacement plan aims to revitalize existing assets or those deemed uneconomical to replace within Barkly Regional Council. An exploration of all potential options for fleet replacement requires further review.





Peter Holt requested more work been done on this proposal – investigating options for a more phased approach to the procurement of these replacement vehicles, ensuring regional needs and operational coverage is explored. Include a feasibility study of continual repairs versus replacement in the proposal.

Operations Directorate Reports

11.3 Asset Disposal - Auction

Reference

Author Brody Moore (Director of Operations & Remote Communities)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accepts and notes the Asset Disposal Report.
That Council approves of the Asset Disposal Auction proposal.

MOTION

Council accepts and notes the Asset Disposal Report.
Council approves of the Asset Disposal Auction proposal.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/194

12 GENERAL BUSINESS

RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes and approves that the Barkly Regional Council organizational chart be updated by Corporate Services.

MOTION:

Council notes and approves the proposal to update the Barkly Regional Council organizational chart.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/195

13 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

14 DECISION TO MOVE INTO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION





MOTION

Council move into confidential session at 12:16pm.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/196

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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.

REASONS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

Status 51(1)(b) - This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(b) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.

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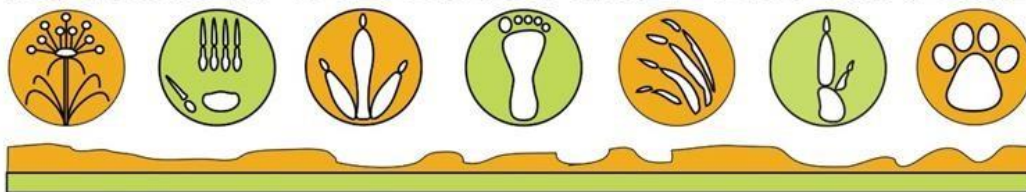
be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

15 NEXT MEETING AND MEETING CLOSE 12:49pm

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BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting of the Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek on Thursday 11 January 2024 at 8:30 am.

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.



1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

Meeting commenced at 8:30am with Official Manager Peter Holt as Chair

1.1 Elected Members Present

- Peter Holt - Official Manager

1.2 Staff Members Present

- Ian Bodill - CEO
- Ryan Francis – Director of Tennant Creek
- Murray Davies – Director of Corporate Services
- Sunil Neupane – Accountant
- Emmanuel Okumu – Governance Manager
- Faye Jennings – Executive Manager
- Sagar Chand – Regional Manager

1.3 Visitors Present

- Ruth Morley

1.4 Apologies and Leave of Absence

- Gillian Molloy
- Troy Koch
- Brody Moore
- Romeo

1.6 Review of Disclosure of Interest

There was no declared interest in this meeting.

2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Confirmation of previous Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of previous minutes

MOTION

That Council receive and confirm the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 08 December and 19 December as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt



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Seconded and Carried – Peter Holt
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OMC-24/63

3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

4 ADDRESSING THE MEETING

Nil

5 MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor's Report

5.1 Official Manager's Report

MOTION

That Council notes and receives the Official Managers Report

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

Seconded and Carried – Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OMC-24/64

Notes from Agenda +

Actions:

- Streetscape Project Plans - Follow up with Sally (DIPL) for a copy of the Streetscape Project Plans
- Regional Roads Committees – Follow up and get an understanding of what the project planning looks like. DIPL/BRC collaboration. Follow up on proposed future meeting dates.
- LGANT – Merial Corbett-Weir visit to BRC. Contact LGANT to arrange suitable time for Merial to visit BRC when she returns from leave.
- BRC Combined Calendar – Urgent action required on creation of Council calendar to capture all meetings across the business. A user friendly calendar that all employees can have input into.





- LA UPDATE – (Backbone Team) Director of Operations and Remote Communities to circulate. Please include Ms. Ruth Morley in all updates.
- Regional Plan – Murray to follow up on who was responsible for bringing the 2023 Regional Plan together. Ensure Ms. Ruth Morely is also provided with this information.
- Animal Management Group – Advisory Group. Draft Plan underway. Ongoing – to be included in the February Agenda.

Annual Planning Process has begun. BRC met with Backbone team – a plan was done for each of communities in 2021. Some have been updated however there are still updates to be undertaken. Use what's been done in the past to use as foundation. Cover off on three areas:

- LA responsibilities
- BRC responsibilities
- What we will advocate for

Ensure plans going forward align with the above points and are current.

Peter Holt expressed appreciation for the commendable efforts of the Operations and Remote communities Directorate in consolidating the LA Administrative actions. The collaborative work undertaken has successfully streamlined the administrative process, contributing to increased efficiency. It was highlighted that meeting timings must be coordinated to avoid conflicts with Ordinary Council Meetings, emphasizing the importance of timely decision-making. Peter Holt stressed the critical nature of the current timeline and encouraged fostering positive community interaction through the LA committees.

The Annual Planning Process has commenced, and a meeting was held with the Barkly Backbone team. A comprehensive plan was developed for each community in 2021, laying a strong foundation for future endeavors.

While some plans have undergone updates, there remains a task ahead to ensure all plans are current and aligned with the three key focus areas:

- LA Responsibilities: Clarifying and reinforcing the roles and responsibilities of Local Authorities.
- BRC Responsibilities: Establishing and enhancing the responsibilities of the Backbone Resource Center (BRC) in our planning initiatives.
- Advocacy Priorities: Identifying and advocating for issues that are crucial for the betterment of our communities

6 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports



6.1 BRC Policies

MOTION

That Council notes and resolves to accept the BRC Risk Management Policy.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

Seconded and Carried – Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OMC-24/65

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.2 Chief Executive Officer Report

Reference <Chief Executive Officer Report>

Author {Ian Bodill - CEO}

RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes and receives the Chief Executive Officer Report

MOTION

That Council notes and receives the Chief Executive Officer Report

RESOLVED

Moved: Mayor Peter Holt

Seconded and Carried – Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OMC-24/66

Work health and safety

The Barkly Regional Council is committed to providing safe and healthy working conditions to prevent injury or ill health for all workers and visitors on all sites it has responsibility for.

With up to 200 staff members distributed across an area of over a 320,000km², the model of service delivery and compliance with ever changing legislation requires an innovative approach. The Work Health and Safety Manager, Barry Nattrass joined the BRC team in April 2023 and has visited all the 6 major communities on at least 1 occasion to date.



He will be implementing our WHS Plan to inform and assist all BRC workers to understand their obligations and duties under WHS legislation and fostering a positive workplace culture.

Everyone has a right to a safe and rewarding work experience and all have a part to play in that objective.

Continuous improvement is the aim and consultation, and cooperation are the means by which it can become a reality.

The introduction of psychosocial responsibility under WHS legislation has raised the bar of responsibility for PCBUs but it has also served to underline the need for detailed analysis and consideration of safe systems of work and work environments.

The Barkly Regional Council has the expertise and the will to be an employer of choice in 2024 and every effort will be made to earn this credential.

Regional plan

BRC commenced planning for the 24/25 Regional Plan this week.

Official Manager and the Executive Staff met to discuss the initial stages of the Regional Plan for 24/25.

Matters discussed included:

- Preparation of the slap maps for each community.
- Check outstanding items on the existing Regional Plan.
- What matters need to be considered for the future?
- What outstanding LA funds are available.
- What non-grant funds are available?
- What funding do we need to apply for?
- Community workshops.

Local Authority – Platform for Service Delivery

A streamlining process is in place to ensure that we have an improved service delivery aimed at Local Authorities.

Minutes/agendas in a timely manner so we can provide a better service delivery.

No reporting back to LA/Council - need to fix that conduit. progress identification – ruth to share information collected.

Issues register so we have an ongoing record showing response/actions taken (Paul) Minutes have been noted but not acted on currently.

Understanding what council expenditure looks like for each LA so they have transparency when planning.



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Risk and Audit management

The Audit and Risk function has been moved over to the Chief Financial Officer, from the Manager Governance and Compliance. It is envisaged that this function belongs in that portfolio.

Finalisation of membership will be dealt with in a separate report.

UNCONFIRMED





7 FINANCE REPORTS

Finance Reports

7.1 Finance Report

Reference Financial Report for the period ended 30th November 2023

Author Sunil Neupane (Accountant)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Finance Reports for the year-to-date 30th November 2023.

MOTION

That Council receives and notes the Finance Reports for the year-to-date 30th November 2023.

RESOLVED

Moved: Mayor Peter Holt

Seconded and Carried – Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OMC-24/67

Peter Holt directed that for compliance, purchase receipts for the four vehicles listed in the purchase order be physically checked to confirm that they reflect what is in the PO.

Peter Holt also questioned the amount and rate of food being purchased by the community and development directorate. He said he had sought an explanation from the Director, Gillian, and indicated there is a need for some sort of clarity around this process, but he was informed that all food being bought is needed for aged care facilities.

8 CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.1 ICT Report

Reference ICT Report

Author Nagaraju Kharra (ICT Coordinator), Grant Hanson (ICT Officer)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council Receives and notes the report





PROJECTS

The below represents the current and future ICT projects (at time of this report). This will provide reports to council on how current projects are progressing and to advise council about any upcoming ICT Projects, their expected commencement dates and expected completion timeframes and dates, if available.

<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Commencement Date</u>	<u>Expected Completion Date</u>	<u>Actual Completion Date</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Replace internal Access Points	11 August 2023	November 2023 (All Sites)	TBA	<u>Delayed</u>	Work continues to roll out replacement access points to all sites. The Youthlinks building in Tennant Creek remains outstanding. We are seeking clarification from internal teams to determine if the facility will still be used going forward and if not, we can relocate all services to the new youth centre.
Replace Point to Point Infrastructure	April 2024	June 2024	TBA	<u>Not Commenced</u>	Planning continues, timeline to be advised.
Wutunugurra Optical Fiber Connection	2020	September 2023	20 September 2023	<u>COMPLETED</u>	The cutover was completed later than anticipated, however it has been discovered that there is a problem with the configuration of the connection resulting in the site losing connection if we were to proceed. The existing optical fibre will be disconnected due to no backhaul capacity available and an order will be placed with correct configuration.
Digitization Project	2022	2024	TBA	<u>In Progress</u>	Work is still progressing on digitizing our paper-based forms. Docs on tap implementation is scheduled for the March Council Meeting. Testing so far has been good with no significant issues reported so far.
Phase-out of Citrix	Immediate Commencement	July 2024	TBA	<u>In Progress</u>	Staff have been actively using the Microsoft 365 product on their computers, which is particularly good news. The Phase-out of Citrix remains an ongoing challenge, CBIZ will advise BRC on further steps. The ICT team are investigating ways to mitigate the impact of this issue across the organization.



Rollout of Microsoft Intune	1 st October 2023	1 st November 2023	TBA	<u>Project Commenced</u>	Work has commenced to move all of Councils ICT Systems over to Microsoft Intune. The biggest difference that users will notice
					is that they will login with their email addresses, rather than their user ID. All other details will remain the same.

RECOMMENDED PROJECTS

- 58 Peko CCTV installation

As most of the council staff are based in 58 peko it is recommended to install the CCTV at our Tennant Creek Administration Office for security reasons, particularly in hallways and common areas. No Cameras to be installed in offices.

FUTURE PROJECTS

- Elliott Council Office CCTV Replacement
- Elliott Safehouse CCTV installation
- Ali Curung Safehouse CCTV installation
- Ali Curung Community Care CCTV Replacement
- Elliott Community Care CCTV Replacement
- Alpururulam Community Care CCTV installation & Alarm installation
- Ampilatwatja Community Care CCTV installation & Alarm installation
- Arlparra Community Care CCTV installation & Alarm installation

ICT HELPDESK

The Monthly system report for Council is attached to this report.



ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT

There is a small, but manageable risk around the completion of the Video Conferencing (VC) units, particularly at Ampilatwatja, as there is currently no VC capability in the area. Teams can use

BUDGET IMPLICATION

There is an internal cost for travel to all these sites. The cost will vary between all sites.

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

NONE

CONSULTATION & TIMING

Area managers will be advised of travel plans once finalized.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. council report _ _brc servicedesk at a _glance _ _ict team [8.1.1 - 3 pages]
2. Alicurung Night Patrol [8.1.2 - 1 page]
3. Wutunugurra- VC Room [8.1.3 - 1 page]
4. Tara NP Office Meraki installed [8.1.4 - 1 page]
5. Tara Comm Safety - ICT Setup - Proof of Works [8.1.5 - 1 page]
6. Murray Downs Comm Safety - ICT setup - Proof of works [8.1.6 - 1 page]

MOTION

That Council Receives and notes the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Mayor Peter Holt

Seconded: Peter Holt {and Carried}

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OMC-24/68

Corporate Services Directorate Reports

8.2 HR Report

Reference <Enter Ref here>

Author Murray Davies (Director of Corporate Services)

RECOMMENDATION



That Council <receives and notes the Workforce profile report for December 2023>

MOTION

That Council receives and notes the Workforce profile report for December 2023

RESOLVED

Moved: Mayor Peter Holt

Seconded and Carried – Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OMC-24/69

9 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Community Development Directorate Reports

9.1 Community Development Directorate Report

Reference <Enter Ref here>

Author Gillian Molloy (Director of Community Development)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and accepts the December Community Development report

MOTION

That Council receives and accepts the December Community Development report

RESOLVED

Moved: Mayor Peter Holt

Seconded: Peter Holt {and Carried}

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OMC-24/70

ACTION:

Director of Corporate Services to review lease renewals on all BRC leases. Ensuring that all insurances are current and up to date.

11 OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil



12 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

13 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

14 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

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MOTION

That Council move into Confidential Session

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

Seconded and Carried – Peter Holt

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting moved into confidential session at 10:09am.

15.1 Risk & Audit Committee Nominations

REASONS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

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15.2 Infringement Notices

REASONS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

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That pursuant to *section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* the meeting be re-opened to the public at 10:09.

RESOLVED

Moved: Official Manager Peter Holt

Seconded and Carried – Peter Holt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

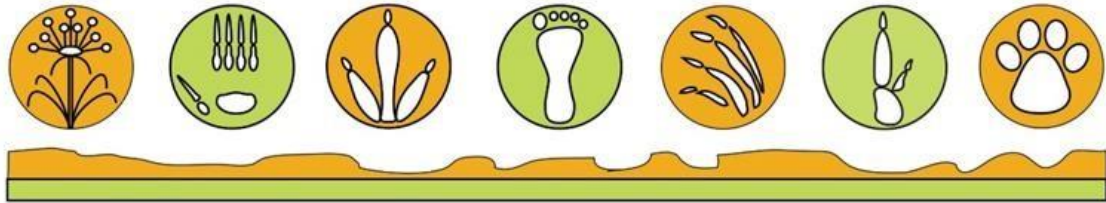
16 NEXT MEETING AND MEETING CLOSE

The next Ordinary Council Meeting of Barkly Regional Council will be held on 23/02/2024

The meeting closed at 10:35am

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the meeting of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 11 January 2024 and are unconfirmed.

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



AGENDA SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 13 November 2023

Barkly Regional Council's Special Council Meeting will be held in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek on Monday 13 November 2023 at 2:00 pm.

Ian Bodill

Chief Executive Officer

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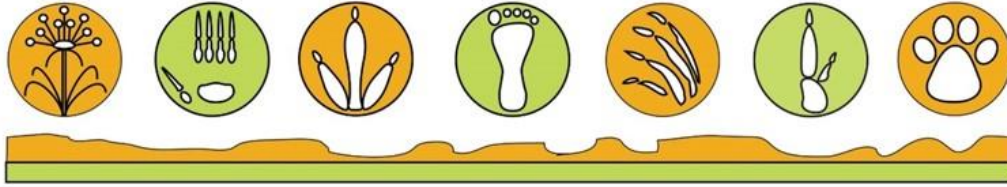
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BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



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.

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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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 CEO Report

Reference

Author Ian Bodill (Chief Executive Officer)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council



Special Council Meeting 13 November 2023



- 1) Receive and note the BRC audited Financial Report for the 13 November 2023 Special Council Meeting
- 2) Receives and note the BRC Annual Report 2022-2023.

SUMMARY

A general-purpose financial audit of BRC for the year ended 30 June 2023 and the Council's Annual Report has been prepared and Council is here by requested to receive and note the draft FY23 audited financial statements and BRC Annual Report.

BACKGROUND

Under the Local Government Act and regulation, the Council's Annual Report including the audited Annual Financial Statement is to be provided to the Minister for Local Government. The report has been prepared and the Council is hereby requested to receive and note the draft FY23 audited financial statements and Annual Report before it can be submitted to the Minister.

ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT

Compliance with the Local Government Act.

BUDGET IMPLICATION

The council incurred the professional fees associated with this audit and the Audit Committee allowances.

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

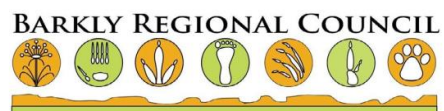
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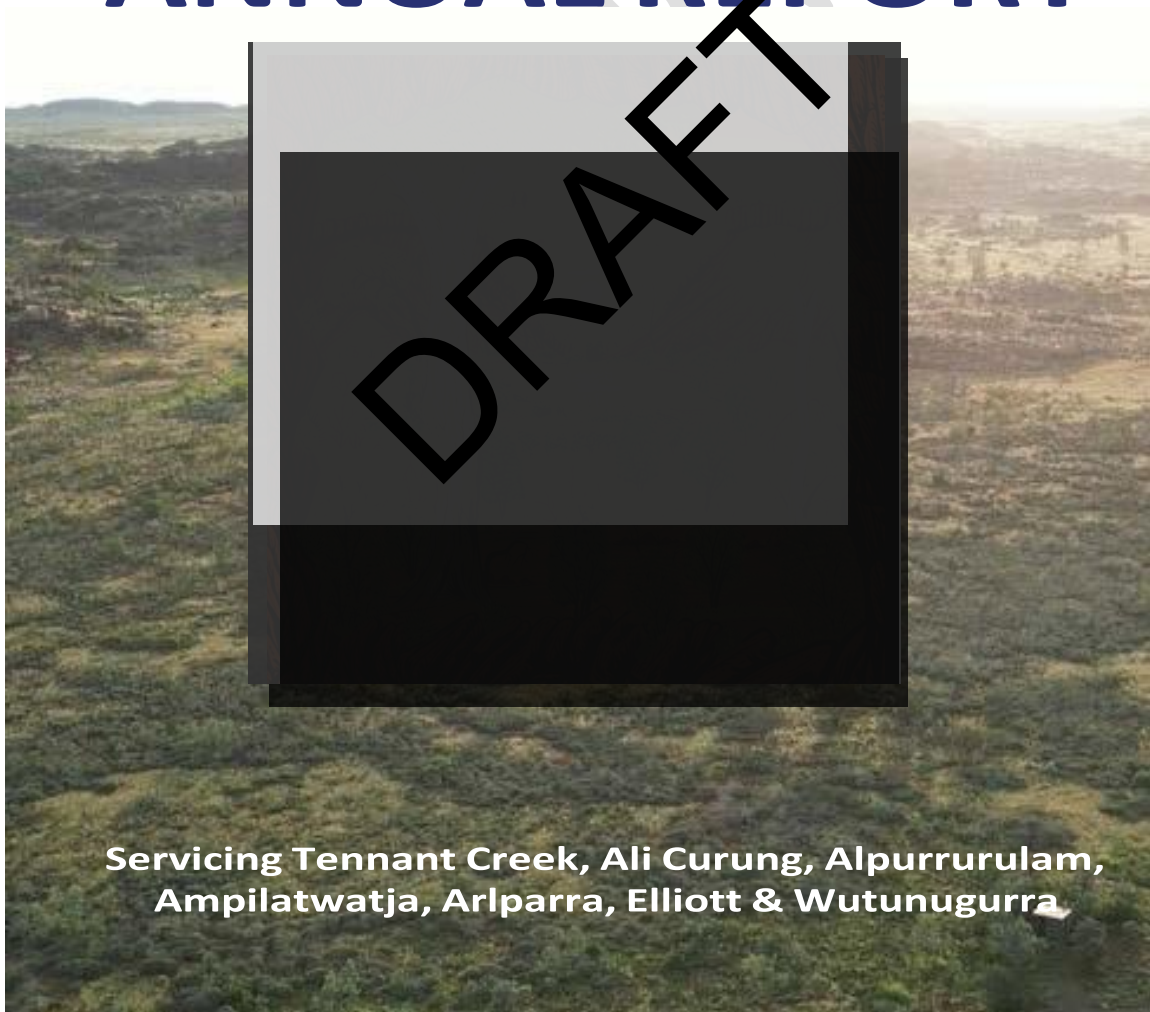
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1. DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT 22-23 V 23 [6.1.1 - 96 pages]
2. BAR K 4001 GPFS 2023 Draft for review [6.1.2 - 36 pages]



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ANNUAL REPORT



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



ARTWORK ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

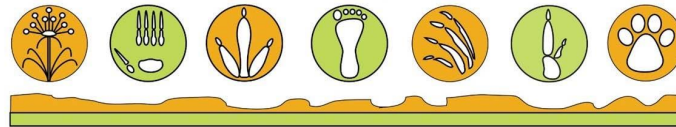
COVER & BACK PAGE IMAGE: "The Keep" by Jimmy Rubuntja – Epenarra Artists

Story: "The swamp and two birds"

INSIDE IMAGE (above): "Bushfire along the Creek" by Mary James – Kulumindini Artists

Story: "You got the creek there and the bushfires. Fire and water. The little dots are embers." **WARNING:** Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Peoples are warned that the following Report may contain images and names of deceased persons.

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Message from the Official Manager

I was appointed Official Manager of the Barkly Regional Council by the Hon. Chansey Paech, MLA, Minister for Local Government on 16 October 2023.

This report details the performance of the Barkly Regional Council for the financial year 2022-23 and is prepared in accordance with Local Government Council Statutory Requirements under the *Local Government Act 2019 (LGA)*; the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 (LGGR)*; the Ministerial Guideline 6: Annual Report (G6); and the General Instruction 2: Annual Financial Statement (GI2). The report covers a troubled year for the council with the resignation of the Chief Executive Officer in early 2023, the appointment of an interim CEO Mr Russell Anderson in February and the resignation of four regional councillors.

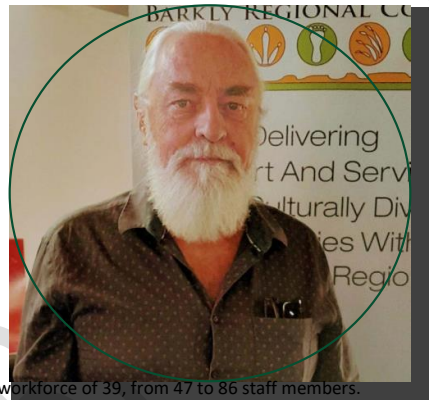
The loss of long-term, highly experienced councillors Noel Hayes and Hal Ruger was particularly unfortunate given their knowledge and corporate history of the development and operation of the Barkly Regional Council over the past 15 years, their deep understanding of our region and their sensitivity to issues we confront.

We thank them for their work in building the council and the great commitment they have shown to our region.

I would also like to acknowledge the Directors and staff for their efforts to maintain and, where necessary, re-establish services and staffing across the region after a period of disruption and loss of corporate leadership in many areas of our operations. I welcome the commitment noted in the 2023-24 Regional Plan to improve service delivery through the new organisation structure.

On a brighter note, the Council's employment numbers across the region have risen spectacularly from 104 in 2021-22 to 221 in 2022-23.

The employment of Aboriginal people has risen by 80, from 64 to 144 more than doubling the previous year and an increase in the Tennant



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Creek workforce of 39, from 47 to 86 staff members.

While the council's financial position is sound, it is important to highlight the aging plant and equipment, the dilapidated state of some of our housing, offices and workshops, and the considerable backlog in service delivery commitments.

The key challenge for the 2023-24 financial year will be to improve and, where necessary, reestablish effective services, particularly in our remote towns and outstations.

We need to build the capacity of the many recently employed staff through better support, training, and coordination and through better resourcing and equipping those operational staff on the ground.

Our staff are the public face of our organisation and it is critical they are properly supported and the council funds returns to the communities and the services we are funded to provide.

Peter Holt
Official Manager



Message from the Acting Chief Executive Officer

In presenting the CEO's report, I wish to acknowledge previous CEOs who include Ms Emma Bradbury and Russell Anderson for their services to Barkly Regional Council (BRC) over the course of FY2023.

BRC went through significant change in FY2023 that profoundly affected its operations. Service delivery was adversely impacted and BRC is making every effort to engage stakeholders and improve service delivery. Ms Emma Bradbury resigned from BRC at the end of February 2023 after almost a year as CEO. We wish Ms Bradbury well in her endeavours post-employment with BRC.

Mr Russell Anderson was appointed Interim CEO on 27 February 2023 to replace Ms Bradbury. Mr Anderson subsequently resigned on 29 September 2023. We appreciate Mr Anderson's contribution towards stabilising operations during time of significant change.

Over the course of FY2023, BRC successfully migrated from Technology One to Xero for financial reporting; from CouncilBiz rates to CouncilWise for rates; from CouncilBiz to ApprovalMax for procurement; from InfoCouncil to Doc Assembler for meeting and agenda reports; as well as Magiq to SharePoint for document management system. Collectively, the changes in information technology systems culminated in greater efficiencies within reporting and is expected to enhance and tighten internal controls as well.

BRC had assets revalued as at 30 June 2023 by Marsh. The previous revaluation was in 2016. The revalued amounts were incorporated into the FY2023 financial statements.

By-elections were held in May 2023 to fill four vacant positions that had arisen in the course of FY2023. Councillors Lucy Jackson and Mark Peterson were elected to the Alyawarr Ward, Elliot McAdam and Sharen Lake to the Patta Ward.

After delays in getting the Tennant Creek Youth Centre (TCYC) operational, much to the annoyance of stakeholders, the TCYC eventually obtained a certificate of occupancy and subsequently opened its doors. TCYC has since received ongoing funding for operational expenditure until FY2026. BRC is grateful for the continued support of funding agencies. BRC witnessed notable improvement in recruitment and retention of staff as FY2023 progressed. This accounted for improved service delivery in

communities as well as better performances across funded programmes.

All but one Local Authority (LA) resumed meeting and making decisions around application of funding received. Efforts are underway to reconstitute the LA that is currently not meeting.

Compared to FY2022, noticeable progress has been registered in performance across BRC – yet there is still much work to do to repair reputational damage suffered in recent times. Dedicated staff continue to exert considerable efforts to ensure BRC serves the communities who look up to BRC for continued and improved service delivery.

Financial results achieved for the 2023 financial year indicate BRC is financially sound as evidenced by healthy solvency statistics.

Romeo Mutsago
Acting Chief Executive Officer

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Elected Members 2022-2023

**Barkly Regional Council is divided into four wards,
represented by the Mayor and 12 councillors:**

MAYOR Jeffrey McLaughlin

ALYAWARR WARD Cr Anita Bailey
Cr Jack Clubb
Cr Noel Hayes
Cr Derek Walker

PATTA WARD Deputy Mayor Russell
Cr Greg Marlow
Cr Heather
Cr A. Plummer

ALPURRURULAM Cr Pam Corbett

KUWARRANGU Cr Lennie Barton
Cr Heather Wilson



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Mayor: Jeffrey McLaughlin

ALYAWARR WARD



Cr Anita Bailey



Cr Jack Clubb



Cr Noel Hayes



Cr Derek Walker

PATTA WARD



Cr Greg Marlow



Cr Russell O'Donnell



Cr Ronald Plummer



Cr Hal Ruger



Deputy Mayor: Dianne Stokes

ALPURRURULAM



Cr Pam Corbett



Cr Lennie Barton



Cr Heather Wilson

KUWARRANGU

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NOTE: Cr R. Plummer's photo used with permission from his family.

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Elected Members
from 22 May 2023



Mayor Jeffery McLaughlin

ALYAWARR WARD

Councillor
Anita Bailey

Councillor
Jack Clubb

Councillor
Mark Peterson

Councillor
Lucy Jackson

PATTA WARD

Deputy Mayor
Russell O'Donnell

Councillor
Greg Marlow

Councillor
Shane Stokes

Councillor
Sharen Lake

Councillor
Elliot McAdam

ALPURRURULAM

Councillor
Pam Cusack

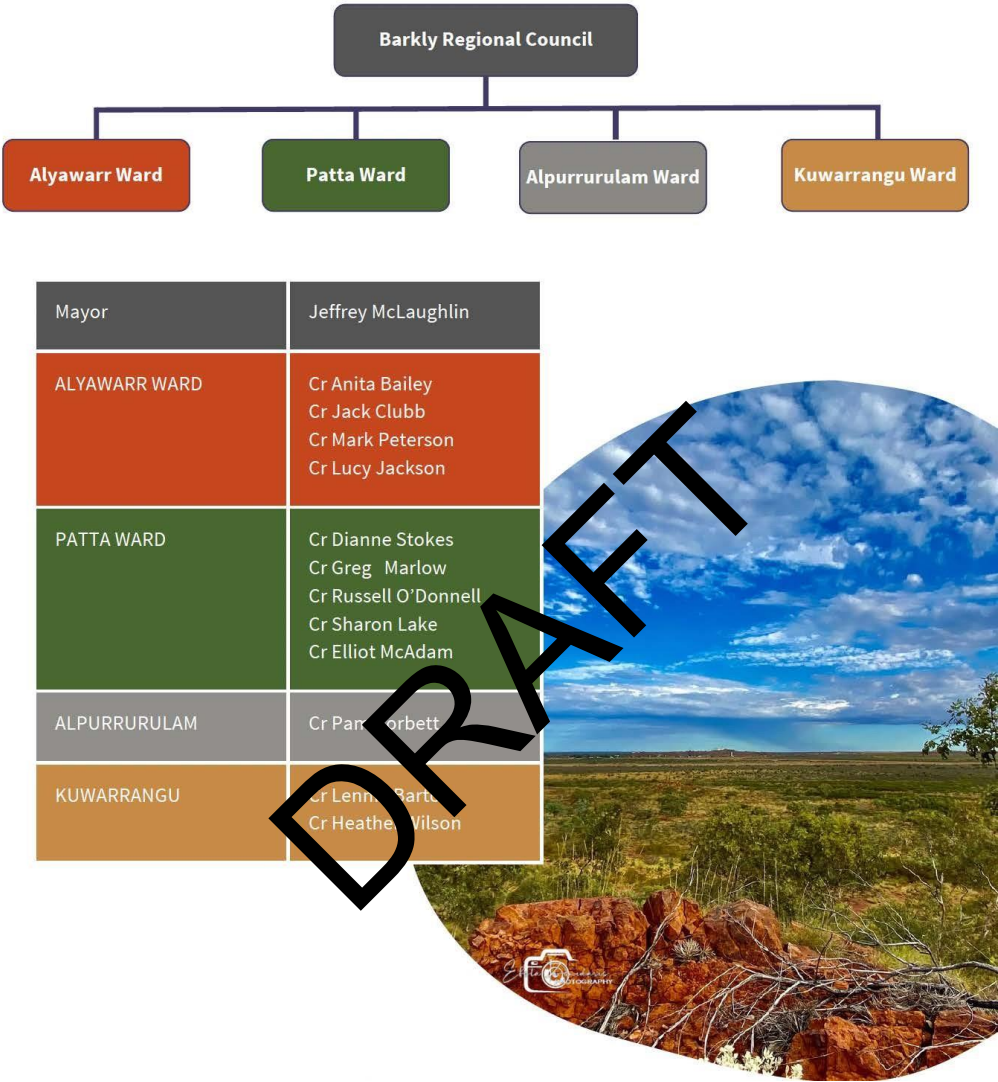
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BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL BY-ELECTION - 6 MAY 2023

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A by-election was held on Saturday 6 May 2023 where Councillors Lucy Jackson and Mark Peterson were elected to the Alyawarr Ward to replace Noel Hayes and the late R. Plummer. For the Patta Ward, Councillors Sharen Lake and Elliot McAdam were elected to replace Hal Ruger and Derek Walker.

A formal declaration of the by-election results was held on Monday 22 May 2023 at the Council Chambers, with a Swearing-In Ceremony at the venue the following day.

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Meeting Date	Mayor McLaughlin	Councillor O'Donnell	Councillor Marlow	Councillor Ruger	Councillor Plummer
28 Jul 22	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
10 Aug 22 (S)	✓	✓	✓	✓	x
8 Sep 22 (S)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
29 Sep 22	x	✓	✓	✓	✓
27 Oct 22	x	✓	x	✓	x
15 Nov 22 (S)	x	✓	✓	x	✓
24 Nov 22	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
15 Dec 22	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
12 Jan 23	✓	✓	✓		
23 Feb 23	✓	✓	✓		
30 Mar 23	✓	✓	✓		
18 Apr 23 (S)	✓	✓	✓		
24 April 23 (S)	✓	✓	✓		
12 May 23 (S)	✓	✓	✓		
25 May 23	✓	✓	x		
8 June 23 (S)	✓	✓			
22 Jun 23 (S)	✓	✓			
29 June 23	✓	✓	✓		

Meeting Date	Councillor Stokes	Councillor Bailey	Councillor Wilson	Councillor Bailey
28 Jul 22	x	x	✓	✓
10 Aug 22 (S)	✓		✓	✓
8 Sep 22 (S)	✓	✓	✓	✓
29 Sep 22	✓	✓	x	x
27 Oct 22	✓	✓	x	✓
15 Nov 22 (S)	✓	x	x	x
24 Nov 22	✓	✓	✓	✓
15 Dec 22	x	✓	x	x
12 Jan 23	✓	✓	✓	x
23 Feb 23	✓	✓	x	x
30 Mar 23	x	✓	✓	✓
18 Apr 23 (S)	x	✓	✓	✓
24 April 23 (S)	✓	✓	x	x
12 May 23 (S)	✓	✓	✓	x
25 May 23	✓	✓	✓	✓
8 June 23 (S)	x	✓	✓	✓
22 Jun 23 (S)	✓	✓	x	✓
29 June 23	✓	✓	x	✓

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Resigned

Not yet elected

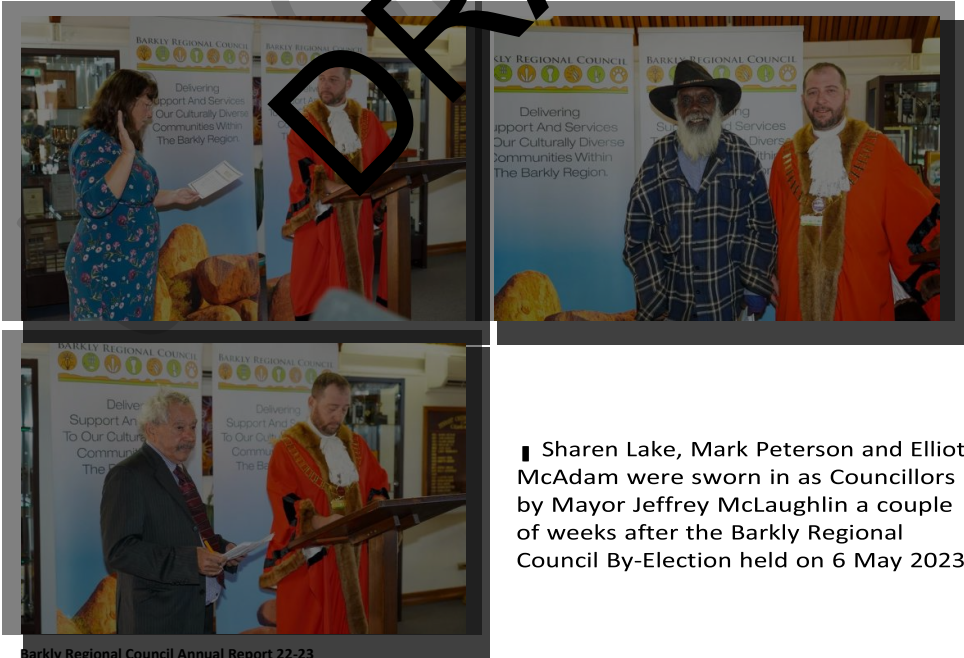
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Meeting Date	Councillor Clubb	Councillor Hayes	Councillor Walker	Councillor Corbett	Councillor Lake	Councillor McAdam	Councillor Jackson	Councillor Peterson
28 Jul 22	✓	✓	✓	✓				
10 Aug 22 (S)	✗	✓	✓	✗				
8 Sep 22 (S)	✓	✓	✗	✓				
29 Sep 22	✓	✓	✓	✓				
27 Oct 22	✗	✓	✓	✗				
15 Nov 22 (S)	✓	✓	✓	✗				
24 Nov 22	✗	✗	✗	✗				
15 Dec 22 (S)	✗	✓	✗	✓				
12 Jan 23	✗			✓				
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25 May 23	✗			✓		✓	✓	✗
8 June 23 (S)	✓			✗	✓	✓	✓	✗
22 June 23 (S)	✓			✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
29 June 23					✓	✓	✓	✓



Sharen Lake, Mark Peterson and Elliot McAdam were sworn in as Councillors by Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin a couple of weeks after the Barkly Regional Council By-Election held on 6 May 2023.

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OUR VISION

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

CORE VALUES

Our values inform how we work and are reflected in our employees and services.

Our values are founded in the service standards, and are lived out through our interactions with each other:



We believe that all people in all communities are equal in dignity and have equal rights



Our employees are committed to working with people and communities in a way that values them, that is non-discriminatory, and that promote social justice



We are committed to the common good. Our employees work with people to ensure that they have access to the resources and services they need to effectively participate in the community



Our employees value the contributions of clients and communities, and foster local community-driven services



Our Reconciliation Action Plan will be used to create greater understanding of how we can best deliver services and support to all communities of the Barkly.

In 2022-23, Council reviewed its Values Statement to ensure it reflects our organisation, our people and our purpose.

Local Authorities

There are currently 67 local authorities across regional and remote communities in the Northern Territory.

Local Authorities are local leaders engaged in the planning and feedback on Council services and the delivery and identification of priority community projects.

The Local Authorities, established in Northern Territory legislation, support the Council by:

- | Involving local communities more closely in issues relation to local government
- | Allowing local communities a voice when policies are being developed for the locality, as well as the area and region

LA meetings

- | Advocacy on behalf of local communities
- | Contributions to the development of the Annual Regional Plan

Each Local Authority includes members and a Chairperson, and their meetings are attended by the Mayor, Ward Councilors and Council staff.

There were 7 Local Authorities within the Barkly region during the 2022/2023 financial year including, Tennant Creek, Wutunugurra, Ali Curung, Ampiliwatja, Elliot, Alpururulam and Arlparra.

Barkly Regional Council ceased providing services to Arlparra during 2023.

ALI CURUNG: Met six (6) times: 11 July 2022, 12 September 2022, 14 November 2022, 3 April 2023, 8 May 2023, 5 June 2023

ALPURRURULAM: Met six (6) times; 19 July 2022, 12 September 2022, 17 January 2023, 21 March 2023, 13 June 2023

AMPILIWATJA: Met three (3) times; 20 July 2022, 3 August 2022, 14 September 2022.

ARLPARRA: Met once 27 April 2023 – No longer providing services to Arlparra. **ELLIOTT:** Met eight (8) times; 11 August 2022, 15 September 2022, 10 November 2022, 5 January 2023, 2 March 2023, 6 April 2023, 4 May 2023, 22 June 2023. **TENNANT CREEK:** Met three (3) times; 23 August 2022, 9 May 2023 and 21 June 2023.

WUTUNUGURRA: Met two (2) times; 25 July 2022 and 30 May 2023

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Five locals became Australian citizens on Australia Day: AKM Yassin, Leonard Tabaranza, Asinate Bradbury, Jaymie Coleman and Ruth Remoroza.



Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin, Senior Citizen of the Year Deb Cain and Member for Barkly Steve Edgington.

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2022-2023 Highlights

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■ The Australia Day Family Fun afternoon at Lake Manildra was well attended by the community.



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2022-2023 Highlights



■ Citizen of the Year Dr Sarah Goddard, Beck Way, Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin, Lucy McGarry and Member for Barkly at the International Women's Day event in March. The event was organised by the Tennant Creek Women's Refuge and sponsored by Barkly Regional Council



■ Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin officiated the ceremony on Harmony Day which saw Yee Nui, Bernadette Njoki and Danish Mangunda become Australia Citizens.

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Barkly Regional Council Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin with his Northern Territory Local Government mayoral counterparts at the Local Government Association of the NT Conference held in April this year. Acting CEO Russell Anderson, Director of Community Development Gillian Molloy and Media & Communications Officer Tash Adams attended the conference, pictured above with Member for Barkly Steve Edgington.



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I Councillor Greg Marlow, Senator Anthony Chisholm, Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin, Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell and Councillor Sharen Lake checked out the new Tennant Creek Youth Centre in June 2023.

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During the 2022-23 financial year, Council identified 7 key goals around which its annual activities were shaped:

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GOAL 1: Services, facilities and programs

GOAL 2: Council and community infrastructure

GOAL 3: Leadership and governance

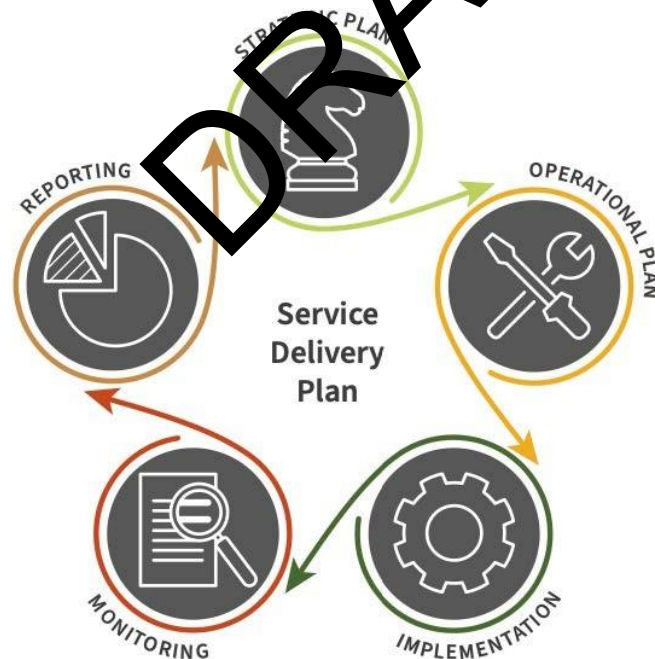
GOAL 4: Tourism and economic development

GOAL 5: Culture, environment and heritage

GOAL 6: Progressive stakeholder relationships

GOAL 7: Employer of choice

The following pages provide an update on Council's progress on delivering and achieving these goals.



GOAL 1: SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS

Objective 1.1: *Maintain our local parks and gardens*

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased staffing numbers in Parks and Gardens Department for Tennant Creek Increased staffing numbers in Municipal and Essential services in our communities Increased parks, public play equipment and water park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employment and commencement of new team of Parks and Gardens staff to cover the large amount of public parks and spaces Employment and commencement of new Municipal staff to maintain communities, parks and public places Funded the installation and ongoing maintenance of the Ali Curung children's water park

Objective 1.2: *Deliver a modern, accessible library service*

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduced eBooks and Audio Books to the libraries Updated the standing author list to better match community reading preferences. Conducted an audit of program resources Addressed IT issues related to library operations Conducted training for Library staff Altered the Acquisition Strategy for 2022-2023 Purchase of range of movie and TV show DVDs Adjusted the library layout by relocating picture books into the children's play area Prepared for Library Programs, including an audit of program resources Added an array of Games & Puzzles for loan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduced a user-friendly digital platform for eBooks and Audio Books, providing patrons with convenient access to a broader range of reading materials Enhanced the standing author list based on community reading preferences, ensuring a more relevant collection Conducted a thorough audit of program resources, identifying areas for cost and resource optimisation Addressed IT issues promptly to ensure uninterrupted library services Provided comprehensive training to the staff to enhance their skills and efficiency Revised the Acquisition Strategy for the upcoming year to align with evolving community needs and budget constraints Prepared for upcoming Library Programs by auditing resources in storage, ensuring program success Introduced a Game & Puzzle Loans program, providing patrons with engaging non-book options for leisure and learning

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Objective 1.3: *Provide a safe and family-friendly public swimming pool in Tennant Creek*

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">Organised Family Fun Days to strengthen community family activitiesHosted School Swimming Carnivals in collaboration with local schoolsProvided Employee First Aid Training for staffOffer Royal Life Saving Courses to the communityImplemented Learn to Swim ProgramsOrganised Youthlink School Holiday and After-School Swimming ActivitiesConducted Early Morning Swimming SessionsHosted Free Community BBQsPromoted the availability of seasonal passes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Conducted a Safety Audit in collaboration with Royal Life SavingOrganised engaging and inclusive Family Fun DaysFacilitated school swimming carnivals as part of our commitment to promoting water safety and encouraging youth participationPrioritised employee well-being and preparedness by delivering Employee First Aid TrainingConducted Royal Life Saving courses to enhance lifesaving skills and emergency response capabilitiesImplemented Learn to Swim Programs to equip community with swimming skills, fostering water confidenceRegularly held Youthlink school holiday and after-school swimming activitiesCatered to diverse schedules with early morning swimming sessions, ensuring accessibility for all.Actively promote seasonal passes to encourage regular pool usage, supporting community health and fitness goals.Introduced an array of activities to provide a holistic approach to fitness and well-being, aligning with our commitment to community wellness

Objective 1.4: Provide a Youth Centre and attractive activities for young people in Tennant Creek

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Scheduled meetings with the contractor and Infrastructure DirectorAssessed project timeline and resource allocationExplored solutions for delays, including staffing optionsCommunicated with council leadership and stakeholdersEvaluated the impact on project costs and deadlinesMonitored contractor's progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Project was in progress however delays were attributed to vacancies in the Infrastructure Department and contractor delaysOngoing discussions with the contractor and Infrastructure Director underscored the urgency of securing additional resourcesStakeholders were regularly updated on delay implications and mitigation strategies

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Objective 1.5: Provide short-term safe accommodation, assisting women and children to safety

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
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- Enhanced the support provided to women and children, ensuring their safety and wellbeing in Ali Curung and Elliott
- Educated clients on safety plans and their importance
- Partnered with community services for additional support options
- Regularly assessed and adjusted safety and support plans

- Ali Curung:** 100% of clients were supported with accommodation. Approximately 85% of clients were supported with a safety plan and/or a support plan. With some women being evacuated from the community and not requiring a safety plan and others visiting the community
- Elliott:** 43.2% of clients were supported with accommodation. Approximately 43.2% of clients were supported with a safety plan and/or a support. Some of the women were evacuated from the community. Some women didn't want a safety plan despite being encouraged
- Others:** Women were visiting the community and would not be available to participate in one. Supporting clients with housing forms part of their safety plan removing themselves from DV and time out from family situation

Objective 1.6: Raise awareness of domestic, family and sexual violence in the communities of Ali Curung and Elliott

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<p>Ali Curung:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted 130 awareness-building activities and workshops Organised Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) workshops for women Collaborated with Central Australia Women's Legal Service for legal support Hosted community gatherings with 43 Morning Teas and 41 all-day breakfasts for women and children Facilitated a Playgroup for women and children Organised Creative Endeavour Afternoons for women. Implemented Circle of Life activities for children and parents/grandparents. Participated in three Child Protection Week activities with children Engaged in a community activity for NAIDOC Week <p>Elliott:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hosted 75 awareness-building activities and workshops Conducted AOD workshops for women and provided referrals for male family members involved in domestic violence. Supported Safe House referrals for 6 females and 2 males Ran the Family As First Teachers weekly programs Facilitated children's health nurse visits during FaFT at the Safe House. Collaborated with Central Australia Women's Legal Service (CAWLS) for workshops and legal support 	<p>Ali Curung:</p> <p>Ali Curung Safe House hosted 130 activities/workshops during this period including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) workshop with women 4 Central Australia Women's Legal Service sessions with women 45 morning teas with women and children 41 all-day breakfasts with women and children A Playgroup with women and children 6 Creative Endeavour Afternoons with women 30 Circle of Life activities with children and parent/grandparent 3 Child Protection week activities with children A Community activity for NAIDOC Week <p>Elliott</p> <p>The Elliott Safe house hosted 75 activities/workshop during this period including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) workshop with women and referral client partner or a male family member who are involved with Domestic Violence with client Safe House referral during this period: 6 female and 2 male Family As First Teachers weekly programs Wednesdays. Children health nurse visit when FaFT at Safe House Central Australia Women's Legal Service with women(CAWLS) workshops Safe House made English scones for 45 children Strongest Sisters group with young ladies, educating self-respect/sex education/beware of stranger danger. Free community event during football season

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Objective 1.7: Deliver high quality, culturally safe and compliant aged care services including in Ali Curung,

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Alpururulam, Ampilatwatja, Arlparra and Elliott

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivered high-quality, culturally safe aged care program in Barkly Region Client-centric service delivery, working together with client, Family and carer Client-focused care planning and service delivery Worked together with other service providers in the communities to support the mutual clients 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During 22-23, Barkly Regional Aged Care provided two different programs: Commonwealth Home support programme and NATSIFAC Program for 75 clients within Barkly Region through 5 Aged Care Centres in communities Aged care engaged with the clients, their family/carer, clinic, store, and other stakeholder to deliver the high quality, culturally safe services Aged Care provided 41,361 Meals, 1,737 Transportation, 1,400 Domestic Assistance (Laundry, House cleaning, firewood collection), 326 Personal care, 2,040 Individual support, 204 Group support and 1 Day centre-based respite services to our clients. (The highlighted data to be provided by the Aged care) To understand the needs and culture of clients above 90% of our support staff are from same cultural background as our clients

Objective 1.8: Provide culturally safe support coordination and services to NDIS participants in the Barkly region which comply with the NDIS practice standards

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supported NDIS participants in communities Provided culturally safe support and services to participants in the Barkly region NDIS Coordinator visited the communities and participants bi-monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Coordinator and team supported 28 participants. A small number of NDIS clients received meals via Aged Care The NDIS managed to enrol a small number of participants in Tennant Creek. The Aged Care community teams assisted with support in conjunction with the NDIS coordinator Culturally safe support was delivered with coordination with other stakeholders, clinic, school, allied health services and NDIS NDIS Coordinator visited all the communities and participants, and 3531 coordination of service support was provided to the NDIS participants

Objective 1.9: Deliver a program of sporting activities that reflect the community's preferences

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engagement through a successful soccer program engagement Participation of 15 youths in the National Indigenous Tennis Carnival in Darwin. Consistent engagement in the weekly yoga program throughout the year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soccer- 882 attendees over two sessions per week A major achievement was taking the soccer team to a 7-a-side social competition in Alice Springs whereby Tennant Creek Soccer beat well established FICA (Football in Central Australia) heavyweights Celtic FC 15 youths attended the National Indigenous Tennis Carnival in Darwin for the 4-day event Yoga had an average of 17 participants attending weekly throughout the year

Objective 1.10: Deliver structured and regular educational, recreational and diversional activities including sports, afterschool and school holiday programs in Ali Curung, Alpururulam, Ampilatwatja, Arlparra, Elliott and Epenarra

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individualised youth programs offering activities like sports, cooking, dance, and cultural events in collaboration with communities School holiday programs: Providing engaging activities for youth during school holidays breaks Diverse recreational activities organising sports, music, and artistic endeavours for youth in coordination with stakeholders Music album production showcasing youth talent through album creation available on iTunes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individualised youth focused programs are delivered at communities which includes bike riding, tennis, cooking class, dance, golf, gymnastic, football, basketball, music, NAIDOC activities with coordination with Traditional Owners and communities. Apart from those, the School holiday program were conducted at communities Horse riding, skateboarding and other activities are being delivered to the Youths in communities in coordination with other stakeholders Two albums were produced and are available on iTunes

Objective 1.11: Deliver a community safety program in Ali Curung, Alpururulam, Ampilatwatja, Arlparra, Elliott, Wutunugurra, Murray Downs, Tara, Mungkarta and Canteen Creek

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivered a community safety program in Ali Curung, Alpururulam, Ampilatwatja, Arlparra, Elliott, Wutunugurra, Murray Downs, Tara, Mungkarta and Canteen Creek 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Successfully delivered the Community Safety Program in various communities Conducted 4WD driving courses for staff from these communities Encountered challenges due to the absence of a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) in the Barkly region Experienced frequent staff absences from communities due to "sorry business" events Implemented the Community Safety Program objectives in Ali Curung, Alpururulam, Ampilatwatja, Arlparra, Elliott, Wutunugurra, Murray Downs, Tara, Mungkarta, and Canteen Creek

Objective 1.12: Manage and maintain Council-run services across the region

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION

- Keeping public spaces clean, tidy and safe
- Deliver reliable and efficient Municipal Services to 7 communities and Tennant Creek
- Participate in the annual Tidy Towns and Pride in Your Place competitions

- Bitumen and sealed roads maintenance
- Maintenance of public areas and parks
- Wet season community preparation; mowing, airstrip maintenance, fire breaks and community clean-up
- Regular scheduled waste collection
- Maintenance of community cemeteries across the Barkly
- Flood mitigations works
- Maintenance of community rubbish tips
- Provision of visiting Vet service across the region
- Graded regional and community roads

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Objective 1.13: Coordinate local response to disruptions in essential services

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination of local response to disruptions in service • Contingency Planning with communities and staff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly reporting from Area Managers to address any localised disruptions to the delivery of essential services • Feedback from Local Authority meetings and members regarding services and availability in their communities • Council feedback phone and email provided to communities • Employment and commencement of additional essential services staff in communities and training provided to mitigate disruptions in service • Identification and obtaining a local network of support services and trades to ensure quick resolution of any disruptions • Temporary employment of Indigenous labour hire Municipal and essential services staff to meet any service gaps

Objective 1.14: Oversee the successful delivery of Barkly Regional Deal projects where Council is the lead provider

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation and construction of the Tennant Creek Visitor Park • Construction of the new Tennant Creek Weather Station • Construction and management of the Purkis Reserve Upgrade Project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design stage underway. To be scoped in 23-24 • Awaiting radar to be fully operational • Stage 1 of project underway. Design stage completed. Contracts signed. Construction commenced. Delivery due end of 2023. Stages 2 & 3 to be scoped.

Objective 1.15: Continue to develop and internally publish implementation plans for all Council and grant-funded projects and programs (incorporating service level agreements)

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">Internal publication of implementation plans for grant funded projects and programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Implementation and project plans now published internally with shared ownership for new projectsRegular executive project management and implementation meetings

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GOAL 2: Council & community infrastructure

Objective 2.1: Review and update Council's five-year Infrastructure & Capital Works Plan for infrastructure investment across the Barkly

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TC Youth Centre • Ali Curung Youth Centre • TC Landfill Demountable • TC Dangerous goods containers for Swimming pool • Ampilatwatja Sport and Rec facility • Ampilatwaja Ablutions • Wutunugurra Art Centre • Clock Tower LED screens • Review of 5 year infrastructure plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project due to be completed early next financial year • Waiting for a variation approval to continue works • Waiting for zoning approval • Project completed • Completed • Completed • Installation completed awaiting appropriate approvals to utilise. • Review continued 2023/24 financial year

Objective 2.2: In collaboration with the Jubilee Trust, develop a Plan of Management for the Tennant Creek Showgrounds precinct

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaise with Jubilee Trust to determine scope of work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued negotiations with Jubilee Trust in 2023/24 financial year

Objective 2.3: Develop and commence implementation of a Footpaths Masterplan for Elliott and Tennant Creek

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft plan for Tennant Creek completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awaiting funding approvals to commence project • Ongoing community consultation

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Objective 2.4: Prepare asset management plans for key community infrastructure across the region (transport infrastructure, community buildings)

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ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation of asset management plans for key community infrastructure – community buildings Preparation of asset management plans for key community infrastructure – transport infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Audit of community Council assets (Housing, Offices, Visitors) partially completed Repair and renovation plan for Council offices and visitors accommodation currently being delivered Audit of Council vehicles completed Vehicle asset management system implemented Replacement program plan currently in progress

Objective 2.5: Develop a management plan for Purkiss Reserve upgrade in Tennant Creek and Jim Rennie Memorial Reserve in Elliott

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage with community, sporting group users of facilities to determine immediate and long-term improvement requirements required at both facilities; appoint community reference working groups Identify current and future usages of these reserves, plan, budget and initiate immediate improvements Develop strategic plans for both reserves Scope, project, plan, seek funding and advance longer term upgrades 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed Received funding from NTG. Engaged contractors and projects commenced; under construction Long term development plan in place for Purkiss Reserve; stage one underway. Future wish list to be assessed and developed over time.

Objective 2.6: Plan and commence refurbishment of the interior of Council Chambers

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not commenced, due to staffing vacancies, recruitment of qualified staff to address such 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intend to address in 23-24 year and beyond

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Objective 2.7: Complete Civic Hall and office upgrade and additional employee housing (5 x 2-bed units), subject to Building Better Regions Fund grant

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not commenced, due to staffing vacancies, recruitment of qualified staff to address 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intend to address in 23-24 year and beyond

Objective 2.8: Undertake a stormwater drainage assessment and develop a forward plan to address issues identified in the assessment process

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ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not commenced, due to staffing vacancies, recruitment of qualified staff to address 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deferred pending Major Projects team commencing duties in 23-24 fiscal year

Objective 2.9: Developing Cemetery management plan:

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Previous documentation to be updated Ongoing management Development of appropriate management plan addressing caretaking, maintenance, vegetation management, allocation of resources pending future growth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed By appropriate staff In hand with directors, will be reviewed and developed over next financial year; ongoing

Objective 2.10: Develop and implement a local roads management plan, including a maintenance schedule

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Significant road infrastructure review initiated Due to staff vacancies, major projects team to be recruited, to management such projects Analysed current network, planned maintenance requirements and future expansion and upgrades 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed and regularly reviewed Commencing in 23-24 year & ongoing Regular road management implemented, current network maintained, resealing plan assessed and commenced

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Objective 2.11: Deliver area management services in Ali Curung and Alpururulam including the scheduled maintenance and minor repairs of Council assets

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
ALI CURUNG <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of Area Management services in Ali Curung Scheduled maintenance and minor repairs of Council assets 	ALI CURUNG <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employment and commencement of Area Manager for Ali Curung, providing services to Murray Downs Ongoing employment of the Alpururulam Area Manager Regular and scheduled maintenance continues across the region on all Council assets



<p>ALPURRURULAM</p> <p>Council Infrastructure/Assets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Road maintenance • Landfill maintenance • Council building maintenance <p>Waste Collection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular weekly domestic waste collection <p>Playgrounds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grass cutting • Rubbish clean up <p>Parks & Open Spaces</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grass cutting • Rubbish clean up <p>Sportsgrounds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grading <p>Cemetery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grass cutting • Fence maintenance <p>Street Lighting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of street lighting • Provision of Centrelink Service <p>Post Office agency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of postal agency <p>Airstrip Maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of airstrip maintenance <p>Animal Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of veterinary clinics 	<p>ALPURRURULAM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pothole patching on sealed sections • Pothole patching on many sections no longer viable. Now need reseal of many sections. Costings are being sought. • Grading of dirt roads as required • Landfill management a challenge – illegal dumping - site is unstaffed so monitoring is not possible • Wet season access to current location is at times not possible due to wet season flooding. • Minor maintenance as required • Two collections per week except when short staffed • Grass cut as required • Rubbish cleaned up as required • Grass cut as required • Rubbish cleaned up as required • Graded as required to enable safe use for sporting activities • Grass cut as required • Fencing repairs as required • Replacement of u/s streetlights carried out • Centrelink service provision ongoing • Post office agency service ongoing • Airstrip maintenance ongoing • Provision of two vet clinics per year, except in 2022 only one clinic due to wet season rains
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Objective 2.12: Deliver area management services in Ampilatwatja, including the scheduled maintenance and minor repairs of Council assets

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of Area Management services in Ampilatwatja community Scheduled maintenance and minor repairs of Council assets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing employment of the Ampilatwatja Area Manager Regular and Scheduled maintenance continues across region on all Council assets

Objective 2.13: Deliver area management services in Arlparra, including the scheduled maintenance and minor repairs of Council assets

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of Area Management services in Arlparra community Scheduled maintenance and minor repairs of Council assets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of Area Management services provided by previous Area Manager for Arlparra Barkly Regional Council no longer provides services to Arlparra, therefore no longer provides Area Management to this community Regular and Scheduled maintenance occurred in Arlparra before Council ceased service in April 2023

Objective 2.14: Deliver area management services in Elliott, including the scheduled maintenance and minor repairs of Council assets

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of Area Management services in Elliott Scheduled maintenance and minor repairs of Council assets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing employment of the Elliott Area Manager Regular and Scheduled maintenance continues in Elliott on all Council assets

Objective 2.15: Deliver area management services in Wutunugurra, including the scheduled maintenance and minor repairs of Council assets

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of Area Management services in Wutunugurra community Scheduled maintenance and minor repairs of Council assets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing employment of the Wutunugurra Area Manager Regular and Scheduled maintenance continues across the region on all Council assets

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Objective 2.16: Develop and deliver a schedule of housing maintenance and minor repairs for Council owned and operated assets

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recruited Assets & Housing officer/manager Implemented a regular asset inspection calendar to ensure that maintenance items are identified, reported and attended to Ensured asset users submitted maintenance requests promptly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalised Being developed; will be implemented in 23-24 year Maintenance requests are dealt with internally or promptly referred to external trades

Objective 2.17: Enable community access to Council- owned community facilities across the region

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promoted Council facilities to community Developed policies/procedures to make facilities accessible Developed BRC wide equipment upgrade Developed and implemented appropriate safety guidelines and procedures; make community aware of such 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council owned facilities are noted on Council website, with contact details and hire charges on website Procedural policies in process of review In 23/24 facilities upgrades will be addressed Safety policies established; details posted at BRC sites Communities continue to access Council owned facilities to engage in meetings, workshops or training. Council continues to provide office space for Centrelink and banking use for community residents

Objective 2.18: Provide clean, safe Council admin buildings

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily cleaning of all Council admin buildings Identified any areas of major importance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed daily by BRC staff, ongoing Brought to attention of director, as required

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Objective 2.19: Provide timely and consistent municipal services to maintain the sanitation and amenity of our communities

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">The provision of consistent municipal services to our communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Council provides regular scheduled Municipal services to communities within the Barkly<ul style="list-style-type: none">Maintenance and management of community rubbish tipsRegular flood mitigation works in communities to maintain roads, parks and access for residentsCouncil continues to work with other service providers to maintain fire breaks and power and water generation operations.
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Objective 2.20: Establish and implement Council Fleet Management System, and keep the fleet maintained.

ACTIVITIES	
<p>FLEET MANAGEMENT PLAN</p> <p>Implementing Fleetio and making critical changes to vehicle insurance policies, making substantial high cost adjustments to align coverage with our current fleet. Here's a concise summary of our achievements: We've taken a significant step in controlling costs by FLEETIO IMPLEMENTATION addressing payments for vehicles not part of the BRC</p> <p>We've introduced Fleetio, providing us with a real-time monitoring system ensures the efficient operation of our fleet. This real-time monitoring system ensures the efficient operation of our fleet.</p> <p>VEHICLE TRACKING SYSTEM UPGRADE:</p> <p>We're proactively transitioning from 3G to 4G for our tracking system, safeguarding our tracking capabilities as 3G services are phased out. This upgrade guarantees reliable connectivity and data access.</p> <p>VEHICLE INSURANCE REVISION:</p> <p>We've conducted a comprehensive review of our vehicle management and insurance policies, making substantial high cost adjustments to align coverage with our current fleet. These initiatives are extremely important in enhancing efficiency, controlling costs, and risk profile.</p> <p>UPDATED VEHICLE RECORDS:</p>	

Objective 2.21: Oversee the delivery of municipal services, including liaison with key stakeholders to respond to community requirements

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Oversee the delivery of Municipal Services to communityLiaison with key stakeholders to respond to community requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Changes to the Council structure to include the position of Director of Operations and Remote Communities to better support Area Managers in Municipal Services deliveryContinued engagement with stakeholders including funding bodies and the Northern Territory Government regarding community service delivery

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GOAL 3: Leadership and governance

Objective 3.1: In collaboration with our Local Authorities, our communities and other key stakeholders, complete the development of Council's Strategic Plan: Better



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Barkly 2030

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of substantive CEO and Director Corporate Services (DCS) over the course of the financial year of 2022-2023 meant that work on Council's Strategic Plan was not commenced 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pending both CEO & Directors settling into understanding state of affairs

Objective 3.2: Contribute to governance and local oversight for the delivery of the Barkly Regional Deal

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BRC continues to provide administrative support - financial reporting, payroll services, etc Actively participate at Barkly Regional Deal (BRD) meetings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive attendance at BRD meetings Producing financial reports upon request Filing financial acquittals

Objective 3.3: Barkly Regional Council will support, attend and actively participate on the Barkly Regional Deal Governance Table

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
Barkly Regional Council actively engaged in the Barkly Regional Deal Governance Table, ensuring presence and participation in regional decision-making and initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100% attendance by BRC senior representatives

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Objective 3.4: Prepare a Long-Term Financial Plan to ensure Council’s ongoing financial sustainability and to provide an evidence base for decision-making

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BRC produced long-term financial plan (LTFP) for 2024-2027 per LGA guidelines which is part of the FY2024 Annual Regional Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• LTFP is being implemented and will be updated when the budget review is done to take into account emergent developments and new information that warrant disclosure to stakeholders• Asset replacement is under development and will be reflected in revised budget

Objective 3.5: Establish a Strategic Coordination role within the organisational structure, which will have responsibility for developing and overseeing the delivery of Council’s strategic planning framework

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BRC designated the CEO through DCS as responsible to coordinate strategic planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BRC has since recruited both the CEO and DCS who will take charge of coordinating strategic planning going forward starting with the Annual Regional Plan for FY2025

Objective 3.6: Develop a Terms of Reference for Council’s Cultural Competence Committee, and report outcomes of Committee meetings to Council and the community

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Terms of Reference for Council’s Cultural Competence Committee is pending CEO settling down• Subsequent developments involving suspension of Council also means the committee cannot be constituted until after the outcome of ongoing administration and investigation into council’s affairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Committee is yet to be set up and should be in place before end of FY2024

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Objective 3.7: Review the Reconciliation Action Plan for endorsement by Reconciliation Australia, and adoption by Council

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of the Reconciliation Action Plan is pending New Director of Community Services will work on it in consultation with the CEO and Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The review is pending but will be reported in FY2024 annual plan

Objective 3.8: Establish a schedule of councillor workshops (to separate workshop activities from formal Council decision-making meetings)

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> From March 2023, councillor workshops have been happening the day before the ordinary council meeting to allow councillors to get explanations from the CEO on issues of interest in the communities they represent Councillors workshop was further used as an opportunity for councillors to seek clarifications on matters arising from the agenda papers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Councillor workshops worked well through June 2023 up to the time of the session of Council

Objective 3.9: Develop a councillor induction package and ongoing councillor development/ training program

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Government Unit conducted induction and training for new councillors following the May 2023 By-Election and plans are underway to train councillors annually 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Training was successfully held for councillors by the Local Government Unit

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Objective 3.10: Purchase new Mayoral Robes

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
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• Investigate replacing the Mayoral Robes	• Deferred
Objective 3.11: Pursue grant opportunities to enhance Council's revenue through targeted grant applications and efficient grant acquittals	
ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
• With the objective of ensuring best practice procurement as well as value for money on procurement, Council instituted a procurement policy review and mandated a consultancy business to undertake a comprehensive procurement policy review	• The procurement policy review outcome will be received before 31 December 2023 for consideration and endorsement
Objective 3.12: Manage tenders and contracts so that Council's objectives are achieved	
ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
Refer separate report on page 57.	Refer separate report on page 57.
Objective 3.13: Maintain positive relationships with suppliers through timely processing of invoices	
ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
• Desirous to improve BRC reputation with suppliers, BRC suppliers are paid on a weekly basis for all invoices where receipt of goods and services have been confirmed with the intent to support our suppliers in managing their cashflows and provide us better services	• Council now supplies a weekly supplier payment

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Objective 3.14: Account for and report on Council's income and expenditure in relation to the adopted annual Budget and Capital Works Program

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BRC financial report is based on statutory requirements as advised by the LGU BRC has additional financial disclosures to enhance transparency around how finances are managed BRC financial reports include additional pictorial presentations to help our councillors better understand our financial performance solvency at any reporting date BRC financial reports reflect budget vs actual performance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BRC reporting meets statutory requirements and is accordingly compliant BRC reports additional information for the benefit of interested stakeholders

Objective 3.15: Collect and account for Council's rates revenue

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BRC instituted rates framework review for FY2023-24 to ensure rate policy is fit for purpose and equitable across different categories of ratepayers Rates policy was premised on total rates revenue council needed for FY2023-24 as opposed to just levying rates Overall, rates increased by 5% on average with mining and pastoral rates being an exception considering BRC implements NTG rates gazetted for mining and pastoral 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BRC posted rate notices on time BRC has been addressing rates queries on a case by case to the satisfaction of ratepayers Rate collection has been very pleasing since the Financial Quarter 1 2023-24 deadline compared to challenges reported in FY2022-23

Objective 3.16: Develop and maintain a Compliance Register, and ensure Council's compliance with all legislative and governance requirements

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and update compliance policies & procedures Maintain & keep up to date compliance register Provide councillors, management & staff ongoing compliance training Report breaches of compliance policies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compliance registers regularly updated Council's policies and procedures reviewed & updated Suitable compliance training identified; to be progressively rolled out in next financial year

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Objective 3.17: Enhance and maintain an efficient and effective Records Management system across Council

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In process of upgrading records management system • Liaise with internal & external stakeholders to ensure best practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BRC is in the process of upgrading & implementing a Cloud based system, which will provide greater efficiency, superior security, and performance, enabling system users the ability to connect from across Barkly & beyond • The current system, programs, computer systems, and practices generally are obsolete. The transition is in progress with implementation scheduled for March/April 2024 • Barkly staff in consultation with NT & national providers identified the most suitable, secure and efficient systems so as to ensure best practices are implemented

Objective 3.18: Implement scheduled actions of Council's Information & Communication Technology Strategy

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaise with internal & external stakeholders to ensure best practice • Review user technology requirements, hardware and programs • Develop BRC wide equipment & upgrade • Identify and provide most appropriate technological solutions for users • Ensure security of data and incorporate knowledge • Maintain system, including adding and deleting users as required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sought professional advice on best, current systems & processes • ICT hardware & systems continually being upgraded with major upgrades scheduled for 23-24; ongoing • Services delivered complete but ongoing as new users, service sites & programs require upgraded equipment

Objective 3.19: Provide an update to the community on Council's progress and performance in delivering the commitment of this annual plan

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular news items on council webpage and social media • Press releases as appropriate • Update community through the Annual Report and bulletins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BRC's press officer provides regular media releases via Council's webpage, social media sites, on BRC noticeboards at all worksites and via newsrooms, news platforms and directly with local media • This occurs regularly, frequently as required, as a community service and is ongoing • Council also promotes community interest activities across its various media sites

Objective 3.20: Compile a register of land titles and governance arrangements to inform Council's authority to deliver services in each community

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtained data from Council & NT government records Collaborated with Local Authorities to identify community land Established register and updated regularly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Process of identifying land titles and governance currently at 30% of estimated workflow Will continue to be progressed over subsequent years Remains a continual process

Objective 3.21: Update Council's Policy Register and conduct an Audit to confirm currency of operational policies

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governance, Human Resources, ICT & Director engaging in identifying out of date policies & procedures & updating Obsolete and current policies being stringently reviewed to ensure compliance with legislation As & when approved, policies are posted on website Review is ongoing, developing and implementing new policies as required, following stakeholder engagement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frequently & ongoing In progress Ongoing Completed

Objective 3.22: Review Council's service timeframes for responses to complaints and other feedback received by Council

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BRC staff responsive to community needs, committing to service delivery expectations, appropriate time frames, ensuring appropriate service delivery Suitable and appropriate training of staff in progress Review in progress 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing and enhancing a customer first environment, staff trained and proficient in providing best practice services and community engagement Council reviewed staffing in this key area. Recruited and engaged key staff to facilitate improved customer engagement and service Further reviews will occur as required

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Objective 3.23: Develop and commence implementation of a Workplace Health & Safety Plan for all Council



ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review of WHS compliance• Implementation of a Workplace Health & Safety Plan for all Council workplaces across the Barkly Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Council policy register review has been conducted and audited to confirm that they are updated and posted online on the Council website.• Compliance is a continuum, in a state of constant flux, being regularly updated, reflective of best practice principles, procedures and government legislative updates• Experienced, qualified staff recruited to ensure compliance and operational currency



GOAL 4: Tourism & economic development

Objective 4.1: *Publish a calendar of community and regional events to promote local activation, participation and visitor attraction across the Barkly in consultation with partner stakeholders*

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Website & social media posts enhanced & regularly updated Liaise and partner with tourist information providers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promoting culture, history, events & attractions – regularly updated Promoting Barkly across local & Territory providers What's On calendar of events is posted on BRC's website and updated as communities provide details of events Stakeholders, non-government organisations and, businesses contacted for the intent of calendar to promote the region

Objective 4.2: *Develop an Economic Development Strategy for the region, including a focus on creation of a circular economy and identifying opportunities for public/private partnerships*

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
Review current economic and fiscal policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy review in hand & progressing
Identify potential public/private enterprise/industry sector partnerships and pursue these as appropriate	In process of being identified. Appointment of qualified staff will enhance this process. Work on this is progressing
Review, identify, liaise and consult with service providers across the Barkly region so as to coordinate and effectively deliver and reduce wastage in delivery of culturally appropriate social and economic advancement programs, focused on the Closing the Gap milestones (specifically targets seven & eight)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Familiarising staff with Closing the Gap economic priorities. Preparing short and longer term goals and priorities to deliver services, engaging with likeminded community and stakeholder groups
Partner with Commonwealth & NT Governments, to enhance future development across Barkly Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing: BRD model
In collaboration with, including staffing the Barkly Regional Deal, monitor and implement the economic initiatives, along with all twenty-eight initiatives as relevant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In progress, a number of goals already achieved; ongoing

Respecting Aboriginal ownership and tenure as appropriate across development plans, ensuring risk protection and mitigation

• Engage and consult with Native Title holders, ensuring addressing & protection of cultural significance and importance; ongoing

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Objective 4.3: Establish an Economic Development role within Council's organisational structure

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluated feasibility of an Economic Development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation conducted with organisational restructure. Decision made not to progress in FY 2022/23 and reevaluation occurring in 2023/24

Objective 4.4: Identify and promote to the community economic development activities that are under consideration for the region in order that local communities can prepare and respond appropriately

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with stakeholders across Barkly region, identifying projects and programs for potential economic growth • Identify major industries which could operate from a Barkly base or hub 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A process of engagement with community and interested service providers ongoing. Council has called for expressions of interest, which are being reviewed. • Appropriate proposals will be advanced, through mutual understanding, identifying resources and infrastructure underway. Expressions of interest addressed and suitable ones will be advanced and facilitated

Objective 4.5: In consultation with communities and service providers, develop a Housing Strategy for the region that includes a Local Government Employee Housing (LGEH) Strategy

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In collaboration with Territory & Commonwealth governments and relevant departments, developers and local stakeholders, advance appropriate & sustainable new residential housing models • Encourage building development within key communities, addressing current and future residential housing requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriate housing models to be developed, incorporating construction techniques and methods suitable to Barkly's environment • Identified sites for future residential development Barkly-wide, especially within identified Growth towns

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- Scope, design & plan appropriate BRC staff housing, as required, enabling leased properties to be returned to market

- Proposed to be investigated in 23-25 fiscal years

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Objective 4.6: Prepare a Tourism Implementation plan

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate with Tourism NT in promoting & marketing of Barkly tourist attractions • Ensure professional management of Barkly tourist attractions, providing appropriate facilities • Address opportunities and any issues raised in the Barkly region Destination Management Plan, implementing the plan's strategies and goals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BRC has commenced media advertising with Central Australia tourism promoting Barkly across NT & QLD television • Barkly Regional Council ensured appropriate upkeep, servicing and maintenance of its tourist attractions, both natural and material across the region • BRC engaged with and promoted NT-wide and local tourist operators; commenced implementing Destination Management Plan objectives

Objective 4.7: Undertake feasibility study for a standalone tourist information centre on the highway

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feasibility study to be pursued in partnership with relevant stakeholders, local & Territory-wide 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be addressed in 2023/24 year

Objective 4.8: Develop and commence implementation of a streetscape enhancement program

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing collaboration with DIPL in regard to Paterson Street Streetscape project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuing through 2023/24

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Objective 4.9: Continue advocacy efforts for the completion of the town entrance project including consultation with relevant stakeholders for all of our towns

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
	

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- Appropriate level staff continue advocacy efforts
- Funding to be sought to complete project

- Ongoing
- Identifying appropriate grants; will apply for such as becomes available

Objective 4.10: Provide a well-maintained and attractive environment for the community's enjoyment at Lake Mary Ann

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lake, surrounding park lands and facilities maintained • Facilities replaced or upgraded as needed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilities regularly maintained, cleaned, lawns mowed, constantly assessed and implemented to ensure enjoyable amenity of facilities • Regularly updated

GOAL 5: Culture, environment & heritage

Objective 5.1: Develop and commence implementation of a Barkly Regional Animal Management Plan

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formed the Animal Management Advisory Group, comprising key stakeholders, including representatives from the Northern Territory Government (NTG), the Barkly Regional Council (BRC) Mayor, Animal Management body AMRRIC (Animal Management in Rural and Remote Indigenous Communities), and a veterinarian 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborated with the advisory group to develop a comprehensive Animal Management Plan for Tennant Creek and the Barkly region • Prepared the draft plan for community consultation, to ensure that community members have an opportunity to provide input and feedback on the proposed strategies

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Objective 5.2: Develop and commence implementation of a Regional Waste Management Strategy

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complied with Waste Management guidelines and best procedures Identified future expansion needs at all Waste disposal and recycle sites Explored scope, commence or progress recycling Recruited and trained suitable staff to implement strategy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BRC adheres to the Central Desert Regional WM plan; following best practices identified in such Leases to be reviewed and renewed as fall due. Identified suitable sites for future growth Advanced recycling initiatives; commenced & ongoing • Achieved

Objective 5.3: Complete construction of office block at the waste facility in Tennant Creek

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided appropriate administrative and amenities facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relocatable building installed and commissioned

Objective 5.4: Adopt the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BRC identified appropriate reconciliation action frameworks, developed in consultation with Barkly's Aboriginal communities. Council endorsed and implemented 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commenced; to be progressed Proposed to implement during 23-24 and confirm each year

Objective 5.5: Update Council's website to tell the cultural story of the Barkly region

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifying appropriate and suitable content Listed important sites of geographic, cultural or historic significance Highlighted events, monuments, geographic landmarks, significant buildings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engaged with local populations, historical families and current residents, to portray the cultural and historical legacy of Barkly Completed; to be regularly updated Completed; to be regularly updated



Objective 5.6: Present the BRC as a modern, progressive, future-focused Council

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Website and publications enhanced to reflect BRC's corporate image, strategy & goalsHighlighted significant cultural, geographic and historically significant features of Barkly RegionEngage with community & stakeholders through Town Hall meetings, publications, social media	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Completed; will be updated frequentlyCompleted; will be updated frequentlyBeing implemented

Objective 5.7: Include Environment & Sustainability as a standing agenda item for all Local Authority meetings to support Council's Climate Action Planning

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Liaised with Local Authorities to implement ongoingBrought to attention of Directors and Area Managers to include when agenda is prepared	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Resilience and risk levels emphasised in risk assessment processDevelopment of the Central Australian Waste Management Working Group (CAWMWG) plans to implement a metal baler has fostered discussion regarding the growing number of scrap car bodies throughout the BarklyBRC reviewed and continues to review environmental impact with respect to existing community development and proposed future developmentFuture Waste management requirements across Barkly reviewed; land acquisitions or leases in negotiation

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Objective 5.8: Deliver the scheduled actions of council's Climate Action Plan





ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Barkly is impacted by the variabilities of climate and weather.• Barkly Regional Council's climate action plan will be relevant and reflective of Territory and National plans & goals, working towards net zero emissions & climatic footprint mindful of C1.5 targets within appropriate time frames, towards 2050• Council will investigate, comprehend and address environmental impact, establishing clear and sustainable environmental management practices• Environmental impact is an ongoing consideration and is addressed with respect to residential, commercial, agricultural, exploration development, engaging with Traditional owners and other stakeholders ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Council is advancing its Climate Action plan, towards Zero net emissions• Will adhere and comply with best environmental practices, in keeping with National and Territory goals and strategies• Matter is ongoing over next many year

Objective 5.9: *Develop a Water Stewardship Masterplan as a sub-plan of the Climate Action Plan*

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Council staff will investigate water stewardship best practices• Council promotes and encourages water stewardship, through media and within its own resources, properties and assets• Council will develop long-term water stewardship masterplan and implement across all worksites and Council properties, promoting efficient use of water resources, recycling as practicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Possible directorate to pursue investigation• Council endorses, promotes and practices sound water stewardship• Current and future best practices will be identified and implemented.





Objective 5.10: Provide an Animal Management Service, respond to customer requests and complaints, and provide enforcement of relevant Acts, Regulations and Local Laws

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ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
An Animal Management Plan was created in May 2023 in conjunction with the Barkly Vet Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily animal management was maintained with reasonable response to customer requests and complaints received as per the Acts, Regulations and Local Laws

Objective 5.11: Focus on hygiene promotion and the identification and mitigation of environmental health risks in Tennant Creek and other Barkly communities

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Occupational Health Safety & Environment (OHS&E) Manager position filled in April 2023• Installation of an ISO 45001: 2018 Occupational Health Safety and Environment Management System digital database in June 2023• This system is supported by “EasyOHS” Cloud-based interface software	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Facilitated consistent and meaningful data collection across all sites• Revamped document control system via “Microsoft 365” and “Sharepoint” has resulted in two-way consultation• Greater use of virtual meetings improved productivity



GOAL 6: Progressive stakeholder relationships

Objective 6.1: Map our service delivery partnerships to identify all of Council's partners and collaborators and confirm Council's role and responsibility in relation to each of these partnership relationships

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council has listed local service providers on its website • Will maintain this and update • BRC seeks to promote and itself engages the services of local providers, in the first instance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed • Regularly updated • Ongoing principle and practice

Objective 6.2: Confirm obligations and priorities with other service providers in the region

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council practices and ensures appropriate accounts management, both receivables and payables • Council maintained an up-to-date data base of local service providers • Council utilised local service providers first as a process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Payment processes reviewed and regularly updated • Ongoing principle and practice

Objective 6.3: Support Local Authorities to build local skills and capability through community planning and effective budget allocations to best address community priorities

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council engaged with, and attended meetings to ensure timely service delivery • Council provided ongoing skills and capabilities development <p>Council provided staffing at local levels, to assist with timely service delivery, support of Local Authorities and appropriate upskilling Council received and assisted in the management and reporting of LA budgets, to ensure service delivery</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Authorities resumed meetings, supported by Councillors (as ex-officio members) and Council's on site staff • Training and development provided to LAs, supported by BRC Area Managers • BRC adequately supported service delivery, with local and wider afield staff • BRC ensured governance, budgeting and reporting of LA budgets, income, expenditure; maximising service delivery

GOAL 6: Progressive stakeholder relationships

Objective 6.4: In collaboration with local communities and key stakeholders, develop and oversee delivery of a Regional Community Safety Plan

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Creation of the Regional Community Safety Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Currently collaborating with key stakeholders to form the Community Safety Plan

Objective 6.5: In collaboration with local communities, develop and oversee delivery of a Regional Community Development Strategy

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Conducted consultations with local community members to identify their needs, priorities, and aspirationsEstablished partnerships with local community leaders, NGO's and government agenciesFacilitated regular meetings and forums to engage stakeholders in the strategy development process.Determined the necessary resources including personnel and infrastructure required for strategy implementationExplored funding opportunities, grants, and partnerships to support the strategyDeveloped programs that empower community members with skills, knowledge, and resourcesIdentified infrastructure and facilities improvements needed to support community developmentCollaborated with relevant authorities to plan and execute necessary upgrades or construction projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Engaged community members and stakeholders in the formulation of the Community Development StrategyEnsured diverse voices are heard in the decision-making processSecured funding through grants, partnerships, and budget allocation to support strategy implementationAllocated resources efficiently based on identified prioritiesImplemented education and training programs to empower community members with valuable skills and knowledgeFostered entrepreneurship and leadership development to promote self-reliancePlanned and executed infrastructure projects that align with the strategy's objectivesMonitored the progress of construction or improvements to meet community needsRegularly assessed the strategy's impact and effectiveness through data collection and feedback mechanismsAdapted the strategy as needed to address emerging community needs and challenges



Objective 6.6: In collaboration with local communities, develop and oversee delivery of a Regional Community Development Strategy

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">In collaboration with local communities and service providers, develop and oversee delivery of a Regional Community Care Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Community Care Plans are being implemented and managed in communities

Objective 6.7: In collaboration with local communities develop and oversee delivery of a Regional Youth Sport & Recreation Plan

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Engaged with local community leaders and stakeholders to gather input and insights on youth sports and recreation needs and prioritiesConducted group discussions to assess the preferences and requirements of youth in the regionCollaborated with schools, and sports organisations to identify opportunities for partnership and program developmentPromoted youth sports and recreation programs, ensuring accessibility to all community membersCommunicated achievements and challenges to stakeholders through regular reports and updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Engagement with local communities and stakeholders was initiated to ensure their active participationPartnerships with schools and sports organisations are being exploredRegular reports and updates will be provided to stakeholders to keep them informed of achievements and challenges

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Objective 6.8: Deliver quality customer service to our community

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Services enhanced with suitable delivery staff recruited, trained, located across all BRC work sitesEngage with community to identify service expectation, programs and projectsEnsure ongoing commitment to community with regular training and further recruitment of service providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Staff vacancies identified, recruitment and training ongoingThrough regular community meetings, surveys, social media engagement ongoing



Objective 6.9: Conduct a community survey to better understand Council's relationship with the community and the community's

satisfaction with Council's service delivery and community leadership

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deferred due to inadequate resourcing at the time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May be implemented during 23-24

Objective 6.10: Develop a Communications Strategy to promote effective internal and external communications

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providing regular news releases Mayor & councillors, CEO engaging with community stakeholders Updating technology to ensure reliable resources across BRC locations Engaging with other service providers across Barkly region, to improve communication deliverables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing Historically occurred In hand, being addressed & ongoing Developing

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Objective 6.11: Reinstate Animal Management Working Group to coordinate and advise animal management activity across the region

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Animal Management Forum (August 2022) Establish Terms of Reference (TOR) (September 2022) Animal Management Advisory Committee Meetings (October and November 2022) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organised the forum, invited relevant stakeholders, facilitated discussions, and documented key points Drafted, reviewed, and finalised the Terms of Reference with input from stakeholders, ensuring consensus Scheduled and conducted meetings, developed agendas, engaged stakeholders, and documented discussions and action points

Objective 6.12: Collaborate with other levels of government ("the Three Gs") and the Backbone to progress delivery of Council's commitments under the Barkly Regional Deal

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BRC collaborate with and has a good working relationship with Commonwealth departments/ instrumentalities delivering Council's goals, services and strategic plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commonwealth through its grants program funds many of the Barkly major projects and community programs • BRC has developed an excellent working relationship with Commonwealth departments housed in the region, notably Commonwealth dept of Housing • BRC supports, collaborates and participates with relevant Commonwealth strategies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BRC collaborate with and has a good working relationship with NT government & its departments delivering Council's goals, services and strategic plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BRC has sound and amicable relationships with NT government departments, notably the Chief Minister's office, Dept of Local Government, Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (DIPL) and engages with their local offices and directors • Engages with DIPL on major projects, road management
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BRC collaborates with members of Parliament 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BRC engages with and collaborates with our Commonwealth and Territory Members of Parliament, our local MP being a former Mayor of BRC.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BRC supports and collaborates with the Barkly Regional Deal delivering Council's goals, services and strategic plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BRC provides administrative support to the BRC team • BRC participates in BRD board meetings • BRC engages with BRD to develop, promote and advance the Regional Deal goals and objectives • With BRD, BRC is working towards achieving the 28 cultural, economic and development goals

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GOAL 7: Employer of choice

Objective 7.1: *Conduct an internal review of Council's organisational structure and confirm or adopt a refreshed structure that is fit for purpose*

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluated current activities undertaken by Council and the service delivery requirements to identify gaps • Evaluated if the current Executive and Department organisational structure was fit for purpose to ensure delivery of services across the region • Redesign the organisational structure to enable focus on areas of identified gaps in service delivery • Budget the cost of restructure including any new positions • Publicised the proposed organisational structure with the Draft Annual Plan for public comment • Evaluated public feedback and make changes as/if required • Presented the organisational structure redesign with the Annual Plan for adoption at Council meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed: Directors advised of activities being undertaken and made an evaluation of service delivery gaps • Completed: Through consultation with community stakeholders and elected members the organisational structure was deemed to Tennant Creek centric • Completed: Analyse existing structure and redesign to address identified gaps; discuss with elected members proposed restructure • Completed: Restructure costed and Elected Members advised of the cost • Completed: Proposed organisational structure publish with Draft Annual Plan for public comment • Completed: Feedback evaluated and considered in final proposed structure • Completed: Elected members voted and adopted the Annual Plan including organisational structure redesign

Objective 7.2: Create opportunities to enhance an inclusive workplace culture and employee wellbeing through bringing staff together to communicate and celebrate Council's work

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BRC is an engaging, diverse & inclusive, safe and respectful workplace BRC respects and recognising staff achievements across its worksites BRC seeks to promote its dedicated workforce, recruiting internally as a priority, advertising externally as required BRC encourages and provides ongoing staff development, identifying best practices and appropriate upskilling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core principle, ongoing Engages and recognises staff achievements, through circulars, appropriate recognition, staff benefits Ongoing principle and practice Provided through internal and external training and development opportunities

Objective 7.3: Review and update the Workforce Management Plan with a focus on attracting, recruiting and retaining appropriately skilled staff and boosting opportunities for Barkly residents to be employed

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed, Identified and prioritised best practice human resource management processes Following structural review (7.1) identified structural and employee requirements Commenced ongoing strategic staff recruitment and training objectives, predominantly across Barkly as the catchment area for recruitment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hired human resource staff, specifically Manager Workforce requirements realigned to strategic plan Concerted recruitment campaign commenced & underway to identify, recruit and retain culturally appropriate and qualified staff to meet BRC service delivery expectations

Objective 7.4: Implement the actions of the Workforce Management Plan with a focus on filling vacant positions

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
Workforce management plan implemented Significant recruitment against existing vacancies and new positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer workforce profile report on Page 47

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Objective 7.5: Develop a professional development



strategy for Council’s staff which identifies opportunities

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reviewing opportunities for ongoing and further staff development• Vacancies filled by temporary upskilling and promotion of existing staff, pending permanent recruitment for role; encouraging development of greater capacities and skills within existing workforce• Secondment and staff sharing opportunities to be explored with neighbouring administrations across NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In process• Current and ongoing practice• Potential to engage with other communities as appropriate

Objective 7.6: Establish training and development programs for teams and/or individual staff members to match skills development opportunities with staff development needs

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Induction process enhanced• Training and retention programs introduced• Staff development requirements and opportunities reviewed and suitable measures implemented• Ensures corporate knowledge is retained & enhanced	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sourcing a dedicated Training and Development Coordinator• Essential job specific training being conducted



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such as workplace exchanges

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Objective 7.7: Refresh Council's staff induction program to ensure all new staff consistently receive the information they need to hit the ground running when they commence

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BRC's current program assessed against best practices Investigating with intention to implement suitable IT programs which cater for and assist practical on-boarding and induction Ongoing and regularly reviewed, aligning with Work Health and Safety and best employment practices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site specific Induction Training occurring Corporate Induction being reviewed WHS Induction developed and being implemented

Objective 7.8: Develop team and individual work plans from this annual plan to provide direction and clarity for staff in their day-to-day work

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed team work plans that provided direction and clarity for staff in their day-to-day work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Directors and Managers worked with the Executive Leadership team to articulate activities aligned with measurable outcomes and target dates to be published in the Barkly Regional Council Annual Regional Plan 20223-2024 Once adopted Directors and Managers, FY2023/24 Directors and Managers will align team goals and individual work plans with the developed activities, and report on same to the Elected Council Members

Objective 7.9: Introduce salary packaging to Council workforce

ACTIVITIES	IMPLEMENTATION
Salary packaging of certain items, e.g., additional superannuation, novated leasing in keeping with taxation rulings has been introduced and is available to staff on application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy/Procedure drafted Provider identified and agreement entered into Trial implementation in place restricted to superannuation and novated leasing
Individual staff need to consider any taxation, including Fringe Benefits Taxation implications, receive appropriate accounting advice and provide Human Resources and Finance Offices with details of items to be packaged	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy requirement: mandatory to seek financial advice before entering into a novated lease agreement



PROJECT NAME	GRANT PROVIDER	TYPE	FUNDING END	2022 - 2023
NT Operations Subsidy	Dept Local Government & Community Services	Operational	Ongoing	\$4,272,540.00
Financial Assistance Grant Subsidy (FAGS) Roads	NT Grants Commission	Operational	Ongoing	\$503,751.00
Financial Assistance Grant Subsidy (FAGS) General	NT Grants Commission	Operational	Ongoing	\$1,882,367.00
Public Library	Northern Territory Government (NTG)	Operational	Ongoing	\$185,359.00
Indigenous Employment Initiative (IEI)	Commonwealth Government of Australia	Wages	Ongoing	\$1,502,644.68
Roads to Recovery (R2R)	Commonwealth Government of Australia	Roads	Ongoing	\$165,568.00
Agency Income National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA)	Operational	Ongoing	\$149,255.00
National Australian and Torres Strait Islander Flexible Aged Care Program (NATSIFLACP)	Commonwealth Government of Australia	Operational	Ongoing	\$1,323,745.50
Night Patrol	Commonwealth Prime Minister & Cabinet (PMC)	Operational	30/11/25	\$7,438,397.33
Youth Sport & Recreation	Commonwealth PMC	Operational	30/11/25	\$3,831,484.10
Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP)	Commonwealth Government of Australia	Operational	Ongoing	\$599,389.66
Out of School Hours Care	Commonwealth PMC	Operational	30/11/25	\$1,013,578.10
Safe House Elliott/Ali Curung	NTG Territory Families, Housing and Communities (TF)	Operational	30/06/23	\$493,749.00
Indigenous Jobs Development	NTG	Operational	Ongoing	\$1,011,000.00
Local Authority	NTG	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$458,800.00
Remote Sport	NTG	Operational	30/06/23	\$224,000.00
International Women's Day	NTG	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$3,000.00
Youth Linx	NTG TF	Operational	30/06/23	\$536,662.00
Homelands Municipal and Essential Services (MES)	NTG	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$119,261.00



MES Town Camps	NTG	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$301,158.00
Regional Deal Community Benefits Fund	NTG	Special Purpose	TBA	\$1,500,000.00
Waste and Resource Management (WaRM)	NTG	Special purpose	30/06/23	\$148,800.00
National Australia Day Council	NADC	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$30,000.00
Immediate Priority Grant	Commonwealth Prime Minister & Cabinet	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$153,080.00
Celebrating Aboriginal Culture	NTG	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$5,000.00
One Off Grant 2022-23	NTG	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$21,450.00
Tourism Town Asset Program	NTG	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$41,801.23
Alcohol Action Initiative (AAI) 126, Alpururulam Music Project	NTG Alcohol and other drugs (AOD), Department of Health (DOH)	Special Purpose	28/02/24	\$5,000.00
AAI 204, Alpururulam School Holidays	NTG AOD	Special Purpose	28/02/24	\$15,000.00
AAI 206, Alpururulam Multimedia and music workshops	NTG AOD	Special Purpose	28/02/24	\$25,000.00
AAI 2020 Program of works	NTG AOD	Special Purpose	28/02/24	\$20,000.00
NT Suicide Prevention Community Grants	NTG	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$10,000.00
Community Participation and Inclusion	NTG	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$150,000.00
Tennant Creek Youth Activities	NTG	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$25,150.00
National Aborigines and Islander Day of Observance Committee (NAIDOC)	Commonwealth Government of Australia	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$29,000.00
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program	Commonwealth Government of Australia	Special Purpose	30/06/23	\$326,336.00

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Employment by Geographic Location

Location	30 June 2022	30 June 2023	Increase
Ali Curung	10	18	8
Alpururulam	5	21	16
Amplatawatja	6	26	20
Ariparra	7	10	3
Canteen Creek	0	3	3
Elliott	18	25	7
Imangara	2	2	-
Mungkarta	1	3	2
Tara	1	3	2
Tennant Creek	47	86	39
Wutungurra	7	24	17
Total Employees	104	221	117

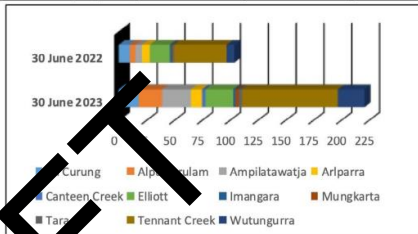


Table 2 shows our workforce by Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) status. At 30 June 2023 65.2% (114) of our employees were of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander decent. This is a slight implement from 30 June 2022 with 61.5% (64) of our employees of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander decent

Table 3 shows our workforce by gender status. At 30 June 2023 of our 221 employees 134 (60.6%) identified as male, 85 (38.5%) identified as female, and 2 (0.9%) identified as trans/non-binary. The number of female employees increased from 30 June 2023 by 2.3%, with trans/non-binary not being counted in 2023.

The majority of our employees are employed on full-time (36.7%) or part-time (22.2%) basis with 41.2% employed on a casual basis. See **Table 4**.

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STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	Note	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Revenue			
Rates and annual charges	3A	4,408	3,902
Statutory charges	3B	5	9
User charges and fees	3C	988	1,156
Investment income	3D	37	13
Reimbursements	3E	413	585
Other revenue	3F	1,656	753
Grants, subsidies and contributions	3G	19,126	21,237
Total revenue		26,633	27,655
Expenses			
Employee benefits expense	4A	13,671	15,072
Materials, contracts and other expenses	4B	9,048	8,702
Depreciation and amortisation	4C	324	2,869
Finance costs	4D	10	13
Other expenses		2,436	68
Total expenses		27,889	26,724
Net operating (deficit)/surplus for the year		(1,256)	931
Asset disposal & fair value adjustments	5H	-	88
Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets	3G	781	4,839
		781	4,927
Net (deficit)/surplus for the year		(475)	5,858
Other Comprehensive income			
Gain on revaluation of property, plant and equipment		22,678	-
Transfer to unexpended grants reserve		(3,664)	-
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		18,539	5,858

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**AS AT 30 JUNE 2023**

	Note	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	12,578	12,429
Trade and other receivables	6	2,333	2,921
Inventories	7	80	32
Total current assets		<u>14,991</u>	<u>15,382</u>
Non-current assets			
Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	8	62,296	40,852
Total non-current assets		<u>62,296</u>	<u>40,852</u>
Total assets		<u>77,287</u>	<u>56,234</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	9	241	2,049
Provisions	10	1,94	1,127
Total current liabilities		<u>2,035</u>	<u>3,176</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Provisions		408	417
Total non-current liabilities		<u>408</u>	<u>417</u>
Total liabilities		<u>2,443</u>	<u>3,593</u>
Net Assets		<u>74,844</u>	<u>52,641</u>
EQUITY			
Accumulated surplus		22,030	26,169
Reserves	11	52,814	26,472
Total Council equity		<u>74,844</u>	<u>52,641</u>

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	Accumulated Surplus \$'000	Asset Revaluation Reserve \$'000	Unexpended Grants Reserve \$'000	Total Equity \$'000
Balance at 1 July 2021	20,311	23,054	3,423	46,788
Surplus for the year	5,858	-	-	5,858
Other comprehensive loss for the year:				
Transfer to unexpended grants reserve	-	-	(5)	(5)
Closing Balance at 30 June 2022	26,169	23,054	3,418	52,641
Balance at 1 July 2022	26,169	23,054	3,418	52,641
Deficit for the year	(475)	-	-	(475)
Other comprehensive loss for the year:				
Transfer to asset revaluation reserve	-	22,678	-	22,678
Transfer to unexpended grants reserve	(3,664)	-	3,664	-
Closing Balance at 30 June 2023	22,500	45,732	7,082	74,844



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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	Note	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts:			
Rates, fees and user charges		5,401	3,731
Investments		37	13
Grants and contributions received for operating purposes		19,126	21,237
Reimbursements		413	585
Other revenues		2,244	753
Payments:			
Employee costs		(14,013)	(15,324)
Materials, contracts and other expenses		(12,350)	(8,491)
Net cash flows from operating activities	13	858	2,504
Cash flows used in investing activities			
Receipts:			
Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets		781	4,839
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment			134
Payments:			
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment		(1,490)	(5,620)
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(709)	(647)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		149	1,857
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		12,429	10,572
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	5	12,578	12,429

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Introduction

Barkly Regional Council (Council) is incorporated under the NT Local Government Act 2019 and has its principal place of business at 41 Peko road, Tennant Creek, Northern Territory, Australia. These financial statements include Council's direct operations and all other operations through which Council controls the resources to carry on its functions.

A summary of Council's functions along with their contribution to the operating result is set out in note 2A. In the process of reporting on the local government as a single entity, all transactions and balances between those activities (for example, loans and transfers between activities) have been eliminated.

Trust monies and properties held by Council but subject to the control of other persons have been excluded from these reports. A separate statement of moneys held in the trust fund is available for inspection at the Council office by any person free of charge.

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Statement of Compliance

This financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, the requirements of the Northern Territory of Australia Local Government Act 2019, the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations, 2021 and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs, modified where applicable, the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities. The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Unless otherwise stated, all accounting policies are consistent with those applied in the prior year. Where appropriate, comparative figures have been amended to accord with current presentation and disclosure has been made of any material changes to comparative figures.

Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise.

Rounding

All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars (\$'000).

Accounting Policies

(a) New, Revised or Amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations Adopted

Council has adopted all of the new, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are mandatory for the current reporting period. Any new, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(b) Revenue

Council recognises revenue under AASB 1058 Income of not-for-profit entities (AASB 1058) or AASB 15 Revenue from contracts with customers (AASB 15) when appropriate.

In cases where there is an 'enforceable' contract with a customer with 'sufficiently specific' performance obligations, the transaction is accounted for under AASB 15 where income is recognised when (or as) the performance obligations are satisfied (i.e. when it transfers control of a product or service to a customer). Revenue is measured based on the consideration to which Council expects to be entitled in a contract with a customer.

In other cases, AASB 1058 applies when Council enters into transactions where the consideration to acquire an asset is significantly less than the fair value of the asset principally to enable Council to further its objectives. The excess of the asset recognised (at fair value) over any 'related amounts' is recognised as income immediately, except in the case where a financial asset has been received to enable Council to acquire or construct a receivable (i.e. financial asset that is to be controlled by Council. In this case, Council recognises the excess as a liability that is recognised over time in profit and loss when (or as) Council satisfies its obligations under the transfer.

Essential services contracts

For works undertaken on a fixed price contract basis, revenues are recognised over time using the input method with costs incurred compared to total expected costs used as a measure of progress. When it is probable that total contract costs will exceed total contract revenue, the expected loss is recognised as an expense immediately.

(c) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less and bank overdrafts. Council did not have an overdraft during the year.

(d) Trade and Other Receivables

Trade and other receivables include amounts receivable in the ordinary course of business. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Receivables for rates and annual charges are secured over the subject land and bear interest at rates determined in accordance with the Local Government Act 1919. Other receivables are generally unsecured and do not bear interest.

All financial instruments are recognised at fair value at the date of recognition. A detailed statement of the accounting policies applied to financial instruments also form part of note 14.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(e) Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment

Land under roads

Council has elected not to value or recognise as an asset land under roads acquired prior to 1 July 2008 in accordance with the election available under AASB 1051: Land under roads .

Land under roads acquired after 1 July 2008 is initially recognised at cost. Land under roads acquired after 1 July 2008 will be brought to account at fair value at the date of the independent valuation.

Initial recognition

All assets are initially recognised at cost. For assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition.

All non-current assets purchased or constructed are capitalised as the expenditure incurred and depreciated as soon as the asset is held "ready for use". Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including architects' fees and engineering design fees and all other costs incurred. The costs of non-current assets constructed by Council includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead.

Capital works still in progress at balance date are recognised at cost as other non-current assets and transferred to infrastructure, property, plant and equipment when completed ready for use.

Materiality

Assets with an economic life of more than one year are capitalised where the cost of acquisition exceeds materiality thresholds established by Council for each type of asset. In determining (and in annually reviewing) such thresholds, regard is held to the nature of the asset and its estimated service life. Examples of capitalisation thresholds applied during the year are given in note 8. No capitalisation threshold is applied to the acquisition of land or interests in land.

Subsequent recognition

All material asset classes are reviewed on a regular basis such that the carrying values are not materially different from fair value. For infrastructure and other asset classes where no active market exists, fair value is determined to be the current replacement cost of the asset less, where applicable, accumulated depreciation calculated based on such cost to reflect the already consumed or expected future economic benefits of the asset. Further detail of existing valuations, methods and valuers are provided at note 8.

Depreciation of non-current assets

Other than land, all infrastructure, property, plant and equipment assets recognised are systematically depreciated over their useful lives on a straight-line basis which, in the opinion of Council, best reflects the consumption of the service potential embodied in those assets.

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values of classes of assets are reviewed annually.

Major depreciation periods for each class of asset are shown in note 8. Depreciation periods for infrastructure assets have been estimated based on the best information available to Council, but appropriate records covering the entire life cycle of these assets are not available, and extreme care should be used in interpreting financial information based on these estimates.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(e) Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

Impairment

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to depreciation and are reviewed annually for impairment. Assets carried at fair value whose future economic benefits are not dependent on the ability to generate cash flows, and where the future economic benefits would be replaced if Council were deprived thereof, are not assessed for impairment.

Other assets that are subject to depreciation are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount (which is the higher of its present value of future cash outflows or value in use).

Where an asset that has been revalued is subsequently impaired, the impairment is first recognised against such amount as stands to the credit of that class of assets in Asset Revaluation Reserve, any excess being recognised as an expense.

(f) Trade and Other Payables

Goods and services

Trade payables are amounts due to external parties for the supply of goods and services and are recognised as liabilities when the goods and services are received. Trade payables are typically paid 30 days after the month of invoice. No interest is payable on these amounts.

Payments received in advance and deposits

Amounts received from external parties in advance of service delivery, and security deposits held against possible damage to Council assets, are recognised as liabilities until the service is delivered or damage reinstated, or the amount is refunded.

(g) Employee Benefits

Salaries, wages and compensated absences

Liabilities for employees' entitlement to salaries, wages and compensated absences expected to be paid or settled within 12 months of reporting date are measured at nominal amounts (including payroll based on costs) measured in accordance with AASB 119.

Liabilities for employee benefits not expected to be paid or settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows (including payroll based on costs) to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Present values are calculated using government guaranteed securities rates with similar maturity terms.

No accrual is made for personal leave as Council experience indicates that, on average, personal leave taken in each reporting period is less than the entitlement accruing in that period, and this experience is expected to recur in future reporting periods. Council does not make payment for untaken personal leave.

Superannuation

Council makes employer superannuation contributions in respect of its employees to a number of complying superannuation funds in accordance with the Superannuation Choice Legislation. No changes in accounting policy have occurred during either the current or previous reporting periods. Details of the accounting policies applied and Council's involvement with the schemes are reported in note 16.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(h) Leases

Council as lessee

At inception of a contract, Council assesses if the contract is, or contains, a lease. If there is a lease present, a lease asset and a corresponding lease liability is recognised by Council where Council is a lessee. However all contracts that are classified as short-term leases (lease with remaining lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets are recognised as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Initially the lease liability is measured at the present value of the lease payments still to be paid at commencement date. The lease payments are discounted at the interest rate implicit in the lease. If this rate cannot be readily determined, Council uses the incremental borrowing rate.

The right-to-use assets comprise the initial measurement of the corresponding lease liability as mentioned above, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date as well as any initial direct costs. The subsequent measurement of the lease assets is at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment loss.

Lease assets are depreciated over the lease term or useful life of the underlying asset whichever is the shortest. Where a lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset or the cost of a lease asset reflects that Council anticipates to exercise a purchase option, the specific asset is depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset.

(i) Financial Instruments

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when Council becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that Council commits itself to either purchase or sell the asset.

Financial instruments (except for trade receivables) are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs except where the instrument is classified at fair value through profit and loss' in which case transaction costs are recognised as expenses in profit or loss immediately.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest method, or cost.

Amortised cost is calculated as the amount at which the financial asset or liability is measured at initial recognition less principal repayments and any reduction for impairment, and adjusted for any cumulative amortisation of the difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount calculated using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transactions costs and other premiums or discounts) over the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying amount with a consequential recognition of income or expense in profit or loss.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(i) Financial Instruments (continued)

Impairment

A financial asset (or a group of financial assets) is deemed to be impaired if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events (a 'loss event') having occurred, which has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset(s).

In the case of available-for-sale financial assets, a significant or prolonged decline in the market value of the instrument is considered to constitute a loss event. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss immediately. Also any cumulative decline in fair value previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified into profit or loss at this point.

In the case of financial assets carried at amortised cost, loss events may include: indications that the debtors or a group of debtors are experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments; indications that they will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; and changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

With the terms of financial assets that would otherwise have been due or impaired have been renegotiated, Council recognises the impairment for such financial assets by taking into account the original terms as if the terms have not been renegotiated so that the loss events that have occurred can be considered.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual right to receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party, whereby Council no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised when the related obligations are discharged, cancelled or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration received, net of the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

(j) Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are included in the cash flow statement on a net basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

(k) Income tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as Council believes that it is exempt under Sec 50-25 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997, being a local governing body.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(l) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when Council has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions recognised represent the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

(m) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements. Management continually evaluates its judgements and estimates in relation to assets, liabilities, contingent liabilities, revenue and expenses. Management bases its judgements, estimates and assumptions on historical experience and on other various factors, including expectations of future events management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Key estimates

Useful lives of property, plant and equipment

As described in Note 1(e), Council reviews the estimated useful lives of property, plant and equipment at the end of each annual reporting period.

Incremental borrowing rate

Where the interest rate implicit in a lease cannot be readily determined, an incremental borrowing rate is estimated to discount future lease payments to measure the present value of the lease liability at the lease commencement date. The rate is based on what Council estimates it would have to pay a third party to borrow the funds necessary to obtain an asset of a similar value to the lease asset, with similar terms, security and economic environment.

Key judgements

Employee benefits

For the purpose of measurement, ASB 119: Employee Benefits defines obligations for short-term employee benefits as obligations expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service. As Council expects that most employees will use all of their annual leave entitlements in the same year in which they are earned or during the 12-month period that follows the directors believe that obligations for annual leave entitlements satisfy the definition of short-term employee benefits.

(n) Economic Dependency

The continued operation of Council is dependent on funding from the Commonwealth and Northern Territory Governments. At the date of this report, Council has no reason to believe the support will not continue.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(o) Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities

Council measures some of its assets and liabilities at fair value on either a recurring or non-recurring basis, depending on the requirements of the applicable Accounting Standard.

Fair value is the price Council would receive to sell an asset or would have to pay to transfer a liability in an orderly (i.e. unforced) transaction between independent, knowledgeable and willing market participants at the measurement date.

As fair value is a market-based measure, the closest equivalent observable market pricing information is used to determine fair value. Adjustments to market value may be made having regard to the characteristics of the specific asset or liability. The fair value of assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market are determined using one or more valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise, to the extent possible, the use of observable market data.

For non-financial assets, the fair value measurement also takes into account a market participant's ability to use the asset in its highest and best use or to sell it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

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Note 2A: Functions (continued)

Revenues and expenses have been attached to the following functions. Council believes that it is not practical at this stage to reliably attribute the carrying amounts of fixed assets to the functions.

	Housing and Community Amenities			Recreation, Culture and Religion			Social Protection			Total		
	Budget 2023	Actual 2023	Actual 2022	Budget 2023	Actual 2023	Actual 2022	Budget 2023	Actual 2023	Actual 2022	Budget 2023	Actual 2023	Actual 2022
\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Operating Revenue												
Rates and annual charges	566	759	187	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,221	4,408	3,902
Statutory and user charges	382	310	423	242	68	80	1,640	462	542	3,526	993	1,165
Grants	-	-	-	2,932	2,380	3,245	3,723	3,022	4,120	23,558	19,907	26,076
Investment income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	37	13
Reimbursements and other revenues	167	1,095	1,313	3	20	14	3	22	15	315	2,069	1,426
Total income	1,115	1,564	1,923	3,177	2,468	3,339	5,366	3,506	4,677	32,631	27,414	32,582
Expenditure												
Employee costs	3,630	3,189	3,514	1,338	1,527	1,683	2,166	1,903	2,098	15,562	13,671	15,072
Materials, contracts and other expenses	2,275	2,674	2,042	1,067	1,207	917	1,914	2,250	1,718	9,769	11,484	8,770
Depreciation	519	555	585	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,543	2,724	2,869
Finance charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56	10	13
Total expenditure	6,424	6,418	6,143	2,759	2,725	2,600	4,080	4,153	3,816	27,930	27,889	26,724
Net surplus/(deficit)	(5,309)	(4,854)	(4,778)	418	(260)	739	1,286	(647)	861	4,701	(475)	5,858

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Note 2B: Components of Functions

The activities relating to Council functions reported in Note 2A are as follows:

General Public Services

Administrative, legal and executive affairs, financial and fiscal affairs and general services.

Public Order and Safety

Animal management, environmental health and night patrol.

Economic Affairs

Employment creation programs, regional development, support to local businesses, tourism and other economic development.

Environmental Protection

Cemetaries, waste management, domestic waste, green waste, recycling, waste disposal facility, other waste management and other environment.

Housing and Community Amenities

Community services, council buildings, essential services, infrastructure services, municipal services, parks and gardens, roads, stormwater and drainage, street cleaning, street lighting, streetscaping and visitor accommodation.

Recreation, Culture and Religion

Facilities and venues, recreation parks and reserves, swimming centres, youth services, culture and religion services, museums and libraries.

Social Protection

Community and aged care services, NDIS services, sa house services.

	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Note 3: Revenue and Other Income		
Note 3A Rates and Annual Charges		
General rate income base	3,270	2,864
Less discretionary rates, remissions and write offs	-	(2)
	3,270	2,862
Domestic waste charge income base	1,138	1,040
Total user charges and fees	4,408	3,902
Note 3B Statutory Charges		
Animal registration fees and fines	1	5
Other licences, fees and fines	4	4
Total statutory charges	5	9
Note 3C User Charges and Fees		
Cemetery fees	11	16
Client contributions - aged care	211	251
Hall and equipment hire	24	43
NDIS services	119	177
Rental and staff accommodation	259	424
Sales - fuel	-	1
Sales - refuse facilities	282	162
Sales - swimming pool	82	64
Sales - general	-	18
Total user charges and fees	988	1,156

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	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000	
Note 3: Revenue and Other Income (continued)			
Investment Income			
Australian bank interest	37	13	Note 3D
Reimbursements			
Essential services	302	509	Note 3E
Private works	74	46	
Training	15	15	
	22	15	
Total reimbursements	413	585	
Insurance and other recoupments - infrastructure, property plant	-	307	
Agency income - Australia Post	18	11	
Agency income - Centrelink	41	421	
Donations and contributions	-	1	
Sundry	1,197	13	
Total other revenue	1,656	753	
Grants, Subsidies and Contributions			
Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets	781	4,839	
Other grants, subsidies and contributions			
Untied - financial assistance grants	7,512	7,373	
Aged, home and community care	2,654	2,354	
Community safety	2,419	2,419	
Community living areas and town camps	491	620	
Library and communications	185	169	
	619	2,806	
	2,172	2,164	
Youth, sport and recreation	1,964	2,138	
	1,114	1,194	
Grant funding surplus retained	(4)	-	
	19,126	21,237	
Total revenue from grants, subsidies and contributions	19,907	26,076	
Sources of grants			
Commonwealth Government	8,190	14,441	
	11,269	11,635	
	448	-	
	19,907	26,076	
The functions to which these grants relate are shown in Note 2.			
Asset Disposals and Fair Value Adjustments			
Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment			
Assets renewed or directly replaced			
Proceeds from disposal	-	134	
Written down value	-	46	
Gain/(loss) on disposal or revaluation of assets	-	88	
Other			

Note 3F Other revenue
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and equipment

Note 3G

Regional deal
Wages subsidies
Other

NT Government
Other

Note 3H

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	Note	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Note 4: Expenses			
Employee Benefits Expense			Note 4A
Salaries and wages		9,889	11,139
Leave and other entitlements		1,483	1,778
Superannuation contributions	16	1,083	1,205
Workers compensation insurance		591	445
		<u>625</u>	<u>505</u>
Total employee benefits expense		<u>13,671</u>	<u>15,072</u>
Total number of full time equivalent employees at the end of the reporting period		245	154
Materials, Contracts and Other Expenses			
Audit fees - audit		23	36
Elected members' expenses		399	406
Lease expenses - short term		<u>23</u>	<u>810</u>
Prescribed expenses		1,145	1,252
Other materials, contracts and expenses		406	241
		377	474
Plant and motor vehicle repairs and running costs		898	853
Repairs and maintenance		554	608
Legal fees		30	10
Materials - other		721	1,419
Minor equipment		433	717
Insurance		575	624
Professional services		1,098	515
		467	395
		1,379	946
Annual software license fees		725	444
Grants returned		4	90
		<u>236</u>	<u>114</u>
		<u>7,903</u>	<u>7,450</u>
Total materials, contracts and other expenses		<u>9,048</u>	<u>8,702</u>
Depreciation and amortisation			
Buildings - structures and site improvements		1,416	1,584
Infrastructure		461	417
Plant and equipment		<u>847</u>	<u>868</u>
Total depreciation and amortisation	8	<u>2,724</u>	<u>2,869</u>
		<u>10</u>	<u>13</u>
Note 5: Cash and Cash Equivalents			
Cash on hand and at bank		9,417	9,292
Deposits at call		<u>3,161</u>	<u>3,137</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents		<u>12,578</u>	<u>12,429</u>
Other			

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Note 4B

Contractors
Communication

Groceries
Utilities

Sundry

Note 4C

Depreciation

Note 4D

Finance cost
Bank charges

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	2023	2022	
	\$'000	\$'000	
Note 6: Trade and Other Receivables			(a)
Rates - general and other	1,689	928	Credit Risk
Accrued revenues	-	27	
Trade receivables - general	564	231	
Other levels of government	-	71	
Prepayments	-	58	
Other receivables	79	1,595	
Aged care facility deposits	1	32	
	2,333	2,942	
Provision for impairment	-	(21)	
Total current trade and other receivables	2,333	2,921	

No collateral has been pledged for any of the current or non-current trade and other receivable balances.

Impairment of receivables

Council applies the simplified approach to providing for expected credit losses prescribed by AASB 9, which permits the use of the lifetime expected loss provision for any receivables receivable.

Council has no significant concentration of credit risk, as it is not subject to any single counterparty or group of counterparties. The class of assets described as 'trade and other receivables' is considered to be the main source of credit risk related to Council.

The following table details Council's trade and other receivables exposure to credit risk (prior to collateral and other credit enhancements) with credit analysis and impairment provided thereon. Amounts are considered as

Movements in the allowance for expected credit losses are as follows:

Opening balance	21	21
Reduction in provision	(21)	-
Closing balance	-	21

Council does not hold any financial assets with terms that have been renegotiated, but which would otherwise be past due or impaired.

The other classes of receivables do not contain impaired assets.

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Note 7: Inventories		
Stores and materials	80	32

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	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Note 8: Property, Plant and Equipment		
Land, at fair value	4,111	3,377
Land, at cost	-	29
	<u>4,111</u>	<u>3,406</u>
Buildings, structures and site improvements, at fair value	41,710	53,598
Buildings, at cost	-	3,317
Less: Accumulated depreciation	-	(43,586)
	<u>41,710</u>	<u>13,329</u>
Infrastructure, at fair value	4,486	6,166
Infrastructure, at cost	-	3,427
Less: Accumulated depreciation	-	(3,996)
	<u>4,486</u>	<u>5,597</u>
Plant and equipment, at fair value	11,989	5,850
Plant and equipment, at cost	-	5,336
Less: Accumulated depreciation	-	(7,059)
	<u>11,989</u>	<u>4,127</u>
Capital work in progress	-	14,393
Total property, plant and equipment	<u>62,296</u>	<u>40,852</u>
Total property, plant and equipment, at fair value	62,296	95,493
Total accumulated depreciation	-	(54,641)
Total property, plant and equipment	<u>62,296</u>	<u>40,852</u>
Asset Revaluation		
Property, plant and equipment was independently valued at 30 June 2023 by AssetVal Pty Ltd.		

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Note 8: Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

Movement in the carrying amounts at the end of the current financial year:	for each class of property, plant and equipment					between the beginning and the end of the current financial year
	Land \$'000	Buildings, structures and site improvements \$'000	Infrastructure \$'000	Plant and equipment \$'000	Capital work in progress \$'000	Total \$'000
Balance at 1 July 2022				4,127		40,852
Additions, at cost	3,406	13,329	5,597	313	14,393	1,490
Depreciation	-	1,177	-	(847)	-	-
Revaluation	-	(1,416)	(461)	-	-	(2,724)
Reallocation	705	15,109	(724)	7,598	-	22,678
Carrying amount at 30 June 2023	4,111	41,710	4,486	11,989	-	62,296

Valuation of assets**General valuation principals**

Accounting procedure:

Upon revaluation, the current new replacement cost and accumulated depreciation are re-stated such that the difference represents the fair value of the asset determined in accordance with AASB 13 Fair value measurements: accumulated depreciation is taken to be the difference between current new replacement cost and fair value. In the case of land, fair value is taken to be the current replacement cost.

Highest and best use:

For land which Council has an unfettered right to sell, the "highest and best use" recognises the possibility of the demolition or substantial modification of some, or all the existing buildings and structures affixed to the land.

Much of the land under Council's care and control is crown land or has been declared as community land under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1999. Other types of restrictions also exist.

For land subject to these restrictions, the highest and best use is taken to be the "highest and best use" available to Council, with a rebuttable presumption that the current use is the "highest and best use". The reason for the current use of a large proportion of Council's assets being other than the "highest and best use" relates to Council's principal role as the provider of services to the community, rather than the use of those assets for the generation of revenue.

For buildings and other structures on and in the land, including infrastructure, "highest and best use" is determined in accordance with the land on and in which they are situated.

Fair value hierarchy level 2 valuations:

Certain land, and the buildings and structures thereon, are shown above as being based on fair value hierarchy level 2 valuation inputs. They are based on prices for similar assets in an active market, with directly or indirectly observable adjustments for specific advantages or disadvantages attaching to the particular asset.

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Note 8: Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

Fair value hierarchy level 3 valuations of land:

Valuations of crown land, community land and land subject to other restrictions on use or disposal, shown above as being based on fair value hierarchy level 3 valuation inputs, are based on prices for similar assets in an active market, but include adjustments for specific advantages or disadvantages attaching to the particular asset that are not directly or indirectly observable in that market, or the number and/or amount of observable adjustments of which are so great that the valuation is more fairly described as being based on level 3 valuation inputs.

Fair value hierarchy level 3 valuations of buildings, infrastructure and other assets:

There is no known market for these assets, and they are valued at depreciated current replacement cost. This method involves:

The determination of the cost to construct the asset (or its modern equivalent) using current prices for materials and labour, the quantities of each being estimated based on recent experience of this or similar councils, or on industry construction guides where these are more appropriate.

The calculation of the depreciation that would have accumulated since original construction using current estimates of residual value and useful life under the prime cost depreciation method adopted by Council.

This method has significant inherent uncertainties, relying on estimates of quantities of materials and labour, residual values and useful lives, and the possibility of changes in prices for materials and labour, and the potential for development of more efficient construction techniques.

Capitalisation thresholds

Capitalisation thresholds used by Council for all assets is \$5,000. No capitalisation threshold is applied to the acquisition of land or interests in land.

Estimated useful lives:

Useful lives are estimated for each individual asset. In estimating useful lives, regard is had to technical and commercial obsolescence as well as legal and other limitations on continued use. The range of useful lives for a representative range of assets is shown below, although individual assets may have an estimated total useful life of greater or lesser amount:

Plant, furniture and equipment	
Office furniture and equipment	5 years
Light vehicles	3 to 7 years
Heavy vehicles	8 to 12 years
Other plant and equipment	5 years
Building and other structures	
Buildings - masonry	40 years
Buildings - other construction	15 to 40 years
Infrastructure	
Pool and waterpark infrastructure	15 to 30 years
Telecommunications infrastructure	5 to 7 years
Water pumping and bore infrastructure	5 years

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The requirements of AASB 13 Fair value measurement has been applied to all valuations undertaken since 1 July 2013 as shown by the valuation dates by individual asset classes below.

Land under roads

Council is of the opinion that it is not possible to attribute a value sufficiently reliable to qualify for recognition, and therefore land under roads has not been recognised in these reports. Land acquired for road purposes during the year is initially recognised at cost, but transferred to fair value at reporting date, effectively writing off the expenditure.

Land and land improvements

Freehold land was valued at 30 June 2023 at fair value by AssetVal Pty Ltd.

Buildings and other structures

Buildings and other structures was valued at fair value at 30 June 2023 by AssetVal Pty Ltd.

Road transport infrastructure

Road transport infrastructure was valued at both replacement cost and fair value at 30 June 2023 by AssetVal Pty Ltd. Pursuant to advice from the Department of Community and Local Government Services these assets have not been recorded in the financial statements. Council's Road Transport Infrastructure valuations have been reported at note 20 for information purposes only.

Other Infrastructure

Other infrastructure was valued at 30 June 2023 at fair value by AssetVal Pty Ltd.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment was valued at 30 June 2023 at fair value by AssetVal Pty Ltd.

All other assets

These assets are recognised on the cost basis. Library books and other lending materials are capitalised in bulk and written out when fully depreciated.

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	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Note 9: Trade and Other Payables		
Trade and other payables	338	1,474
Accrued expenses	647	229
Payments received in advance	256	346
Total trade and other payables	1,241	2,049

Settlement of trade creditors is generally net 30 days.

a. Financial liabilities at amortised cost classified as trade and other

	1,241	2,049	payables
	-	-	
	1,241	2,049	
Less payments received in advance	(256)	(346)	
	985	1,703	
Financial liabilities as trade and other payables	919	1,703	

No interest is payable on outstanding payables.

Note 10: Provisions

Employee benefits - annual leave entitlements	643	1,127
Employee benefits - long service leave entitlements	151	-
Total current provisions	794	1,127
Employee benefits - long service leave entitlements	408	417
	1,202	1,544

Note 11: Reserves**Movement in reserves****Asset revaluation reserves**

Balance at beginning of reporting year	3,010	3,010
Revaluation of buildings and improvements	705	-
Balance at end of the reporting year	3,715	3,010
Buildings and infrastructure		
Balance at beginning of reporting year	19,104	19,104
Revaluation of buildings and improvements	14,375	-
Balance at end of the reporting year	33,479	19,104
Balance at beginning of reporting year	940	940
Revaluation of buildings and improvements	7,598	-
Balance at end of the reporting year	8,538	940
Total asset revaluation reserves	45,732	23,054
Trade and other payables:		
- total current		
- total non-current		

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Less GST payable

Current

Non-Current

Total provisions

Land

Plant and equipment

The asset revaluation reserves are used to record increments and decrements arising from changes in fair value of noncurrent assets (less any subsequent impairment losses, where applicable).

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	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Note 11: Reserves (continued)		
Unexpended grants reserve		
Balance at beginning of reporting year	3,418	3,423
Transfer from reserve	<u>3,664</u>	<u>(5)</u>
Balance at end of the reporting year	<u>7,082</u>	<u>3,418</u>
Unspent grant funds are recognised as revenue under AASB 1058: Income for Not-for-profit entities as Council generally has no incomplete specific performance obligation and has therefore earned the revenue. These funds are recorded in the unspent grants reserve and are shown within equity. Grants with an outstanding specific performance obligation are treated as a liability.		
Total reserves	<u>52,814</u>	<u>26,472</u>
Note 12: Assets Subject to Restrictions		
The uses of the following assets are restricted, wholly, or partially, by legislation or other externally imposed requirements. The assets are required to be utilised for the purposes for which control was transferred to council, or for which the revenues were originally obtained.		
	Notes	
Cash and Financial Assets		
Unexpended amounts received in relation to funded programs	11	<u>7,082</u> <u>3,418</u>
The following liabilities, included in note 9, may be discharged from restricted assets in the first instance.		
Payables	9	919 1,703
Provisions	10	<u>1,202</u> <u>1,544</u>
		<u>2,121</u> <u>3,247</u>
Note 13: Reconciliation to Statement of Cash Flows		
For the purposes of the Cash Flow Statement, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand and at call deposits with other financial institutions. Term deposits with a maturity period of 89 days or less are also included. Cash at the end of the financial year is shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the statement of financial position as follows:		
(a) Reconciliation of cash		
Cash on hand and at bank	9,417	9,292
Short term deposits	<u>3,161</u>	<u>3,137</u>
Balance as per Statement of Cash Flows	<u>12,578</u>	<u>12,429</u>

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	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Note 13: Reconciliation to Statement of Cash Flows (continued)		
(b) Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operating Activities with Current Year (Deficit)/Surplus		
Current year (deficit)/surplus	(475)	5,858
Non-cash flows:		
Gain/(loss) from disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	(88)
Depreciation and amortisation	2,724	2,869
Grants for capital acquisitions treated as Investing Activity	(781)	(4,839)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) / Decrease in assets:		
Trade and other receivables	588	(1,336)
Inventories	(48)	(15)
Increase/(decrease) in liabilities:		
Trade and other payables	(808)	307
Employee provisions	(342)	(252)
Net cash from operating activities	858	2,504
(c) Financing arrangements		
Unrestricted access was available at balance date to the following lines of credit:		
	50	50

Note 14: Financial Risk Management**Accounting policies - recognised financial instruments**

Bank, deposits at call, short term deposits

Accounting policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost, interest is**Terms and conditions:** Deposits are returning a fixed interest rate of 1.25% (2022: 0.01% and 0.05%). Short term deposits have an average maturity of 90 days and average interest rates of 1.25% (2022: 30 days, 0.05%).**Carrying amount:** approximates fair value due to the short term maturity.

Receivables - rates and associated charges

Accounting policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method.**Terms and conditions:** Secured over the subject land, arrears attract interest of 10% (2022: 10%). Although Council is not materially exposed to any individual debtor, credit risk exposure is concentrated within Council's boundaries in**Carrying amount:** approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).

Receivables - fees and other charges

Accounting policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method.**Terms and conditions:** Unsecured, and do not bear interest. Although Council is not materially exposed to any individual debtor, credit risk exposure is concentrated within Council's boundaries.**Carrying amount:** approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).

Corporate credit cards

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Note 14: Financial Risk Management (continued)

Receivables - other levels of government

Accounting policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method.

Terms and conditions: Amounts due have been calculated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the respective programs following advice of approvals, and do not bear interest. All amounts are due by departments and agencies of state and commonwealth governments.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value.

Receivables - retirement home

Accounting policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method.

Terms and conditions: Amounts due have been calculated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the respective legislation.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).

Liabilities - creditors and accruals

Accounting policy: Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to Council.

Terms and conditions: liabilities are normally settled on 30 day terms.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value.

(a) Accounting Classification

Council's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, short term investments, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables and lease liabilities.

The following table shows the allocation of carrying amounts for each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB 9 as detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements, are as follows:

		Held-to- Maturity	Other financial assets	Other financial liabilities
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
30 June 2023				
Financial assets measured at amortised cost:	Note			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	-	12,578	-
Trade and other receivables	6	-	2,333	-
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost:				
Trade and other payables	9a	-	-	919
Total financial liabilities		<u>-</u>	<u>14,911</u>	<u>919</u>

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Note 14: Financial Risk Management (continued)

	Held-to-Maturity	Other financial assets	Other financial liabilities
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
30 June 2022			
Financial assets measured at amortised cost: Note			
Cash and cash equivalents 5	-	12,429	-
Trade and other receivables 6	-	2,921	-
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost:			
Trade and other payables 9a	-	-	1,703
Total financial liabilities	-	15,350	1,703

Fair values
Unless otherwise stated, all carrying values approximate fair value for all recognised financial instruments. There is no recognised market for the financial assets of Council.

Council does not have any derivative instruments as at 30 June 2023 (2022: \$Nil).

(b) Financial Risk Management

Council has exposure to the following risks arising from financial instruments:

- i. Credit risk;
- ii. Liquidity risk; and
- iii. Market risk

Risk management framework

Council has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of Council's risk management framework. Council's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by Council, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits.

(i) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to Council if a counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations and arises principally from Council's receivables from rate payers.

Council's maximum exposure to credit risk at reporting date in relation to each class of recognised financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets as disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position and the accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Council's main concentration of credit risk is with Westpac and ANZ Banks as Council's bank accounts are held with these banking institutions.

The maximum credit risk on the financial assets of Council is the carrying amount of trade and other receivables net of any allowances for doubtful debts. Council believes that it does not have any significant credit risk exposure to any other counter party or group of counter parties as Council actively manages credit risk by following up outstanding debtors.

There are no material amounts of collateral held as security as at 30 June 2023 (2022: \$Nil).

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Note 14: Financial Risk Management (continued)**(ii) Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that Council will not be able to meet its obligations as and when they fall due. Council manages its liquidity risk by monitoring actual expenditure to ensure it is maintaining sufficient cash reserves.

(iii) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices - such as foreign exchange rates, interest rates and equity prices will affect Council's income or the values of its holdings of financial instruments.

Council does not have any exposure in relation to changes in foreign exchange rates and equity prices. Council is however, exposed to interest rate risk in relation to cash and cash equivalents and short term investments (term deposits). Council partly manages this by entering into fixed-rate instruments.

Exposure to interest rate risk

The interest rate profile of Council's interest-bearing financial instruments is as follows:

	Note	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Fixed rate instruments (held-to-maturity investments)	5	3,161	3,137
Variable rate instruments (cash and cash equivalents, excluding cash on hand)	5	9,417	9,292
		<u>12,578</u>	<u>12,429</u>

Fair value sensitivity analysis for fixed-rate instruments

Council does not account for any fixed-rate financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. Therefore, a change in interest rates at the reporting date would not affect profit or loss.

Cash flow sensitivity analysis for variable rate instruments

A reasonably possible change of 100 basis points in interest rates at the reporting date would have increased (decreased) profit or loss by the amounts shown below. The analysis assumes that all other variables remain constant.

	100bp Increase	100bp Decrease
30 June 2023		
Variable rate instruments	94	(94)
30 June 2022		
Variable rate instruments	93	(93)

Note 15: Financial Indicators

These Financial Indicators have been calculated in accordance with information paper 9 -Local Government Financial Indicators prepared as part of the Local Government Association Financial Sustainability Program.

	2023	2022
(a) Operating Surplus Ratio	-5%	3%
Operating Surplus		
Total Operating Revenue		

This ratio expresses the operating surplus as a percentage of total operating revenue.

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	2023	2022
Note 15: Financial Indicators (continued)		
(b) Current ratio	3.89%	3.77%
<u>Current assets - externally restricted assets</u> Current liabilities		
(c) Rate coverage percentage	16.55%	14.11%
<u>Rate revenues</u> Total revenues		
(d) Rates and annual charges outstanding percentage	63.98%	63.04%
<u>Rates and annual charges outstanding</u> Rates and annual charges collectible		

Note 16: Superannuation

Council contributes in respect of its employees to superannuation schemes selected by employees under the "choice of fund" legislation. All such schemes are of the accumulation type, where the superannuation benefits accruing to the employee are represented by their share of the net assets of the scheme.

Accumulation only members

Accumulation only members receive both employer and employee contributions on a progressive basis. Employer contributions are based on a fixed percentage of 10.5% (2022: 10%) of ordinary time earnings in accordance with superannuation guarantee legislation. Net financial liability accrues to Council as the superannuation benefits accruing to employees are represented by their share of the net assets of the fund.

The amount of the superannuation contributions made by Council during the year ended 30 June 2023 was \$1,083,088 (2022: \$1,205,000).

Note 17: Contingent Assets and Contingent Liabilities

Council insures against all known insurable risks using a range of insurance policies, each of which is subject to a deductible "insurance excess", the amount of which varies according to the class of insurance.

Council has not identified any potential claims that may have existed at reporting date.

Council receives significant income from a number of grant funding providers. If grant monies are not expended in accordance with the funding agreements, there is a potential for funding to be withdrawn and a requirement that these funds be repaid to the relevant funding body.

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Note 18: Events After the Reporting Period

On 17 October 2023 an Official Manager was appointed by the Northern Territory Government to administer the operations of Barkly Regional Council.

Other than the above, no other matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2023 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect Council's operations, the results of those operations or Council's state of affairs in future financial years.

Note 19: Related Party Transactions

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Key Management Personnel

The key management personnel of Council include the Mayor, Councillors, the CEO and certain prescribed officers. The

	2023* \$'000
Key management personnel compensation	1,093

Short term benefits provided to the CEOs in 2023 totalled \$269,599 (2022: \$224,569). There were no long term

Other Related Party Transactions

KMP and relatives of KMPs own retail businesses from which various supplies were purchased as required either for cash or on 30-day account. Purchases from these individual businesses are made in accordance with approved Council purchasing policy and the requirements of the NT Local Government Act 2019 .

One close family member of KMP is employed by Council in accordance with the terms of the Award, and as recorded in the public register of salaries maintained in accordance with section 105 of the NT Local Government Act 2019 .

(a)

total compensation is:	2022* \$'000
	1,093

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benefits.

Note 20: Road Transport Infrastructure

Road transport infrastructure assets were valued at 30 June 2023 by AssetVal Pty Ltd. Pursuant to advice from the Department of Community and Local Government Services, these assets have not been recorded in the financial statements of Council. Road Transport Infrastructure valuations have been reported for information purposes only.

Road transport infrastructure valuations are detailed below:

	Replacement	Fair
	cost	Value
	\$	\$
1. Roads	57,042,483	28,072,798
2. Culverts	979,489	502,818
3. Footpaths	2,426,531	1,479,805
4. Kerbs and gutters	10,564,319	5,184,282
5. Point Generic	519,000	126,732
6. LGANT managed roads	25,491,254	16,824,000
	97,023,076	52,190,435

An annual depreciation charge on road transport infrastructure totalling \$3,565,448 (2022: \$2,477,906) has not been recorded in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year ended 30 June 2023.

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OFFICIAL MANAGER'S CERTIFICATE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

I, Peter Holt, Official Manager of Barkly Regional Council (Council), certify that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief:

- a. the General Purpose Financial Report has been properly drawn up in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations), the Local Government Act 2019 and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 2021 so as to present fairly the financial position of Council as at 30 June 2022 and its financial performance for the year ended on that date;
- b. the General Purpose Financial Report is in accordance with the accounting and other records of Council; and
- c. there are reasonable grounds to believe that Council will be able to pay its debts, and when they become due and payable.



Peter Holt
Official Manager

Date: 13 November 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE OFFICIAL MANAGER OF BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Barkly Regional Council (Council), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of working capital, the statement of changes in equity, the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, the notes to the financial report including a summary of significant accounting policies and the Official Manager's certificate.

In our opinion, the financial report of Barkly Regional Council has been prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 2021, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of Council's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards, and the financial reporting requirements of the Local Government Act 2019 and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 2021.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of Council in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Basis of accounting and restriction on distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements which describes the basis of accounting and the significant accounting policies. The financial report has been prepared in accordance with Council to meet the reporting requirement of the Local Government Act, 2019 and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 2021. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Responsibilities of the Official Manager for the Financial Report

The Official Manager of Council is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards, the Local Government Act 2019 and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 2021 and for such internal control as the Administrator determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Official Manager is responsible for assessing Council's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Official Manager intend to either liquidate Council or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Official Manager is also responsible for overseeing Council's financial reporting process.

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Report on the Audit of the Financial Report (continued)

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website (<http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>) at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf.

This description forms part of our auditor's report.

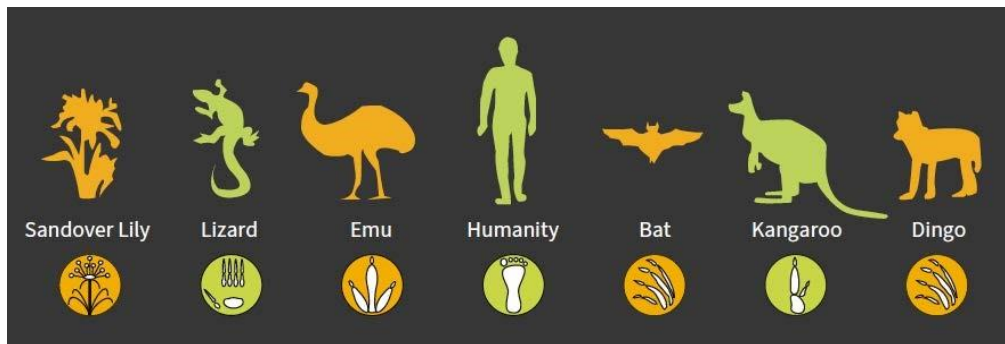
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Company Auditor

Darwin
Date: 13
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The Barkly Regional Council's logo was created by Barbara Whippy who incorporated logos from the previous smaller community councils.

The base line for the logo is the "McDouall Ranges" north of Tennant Creek, named by John McDouall Stuart on in June, 1860. This was in honour of Colonel James McDouall, of the 2nd Life Guards, Logan and Wigtonshire.

Locally they are known as the Honeymoon Ranges so called by the newlyweds camping on their mining leases in the range during the 1860s gold rush.

Above, there is a row of symbols starting with the Sandover Lily which represents the Urapuntja or Utopia region, the Lizard which symbolises Nyinkka, a sacred symbol in Tennant Creek, and Emu which characterises

Elliott and the surrounding region. The footprint in the centre represents humanity – all of the people of the Barkly – with the bat representing

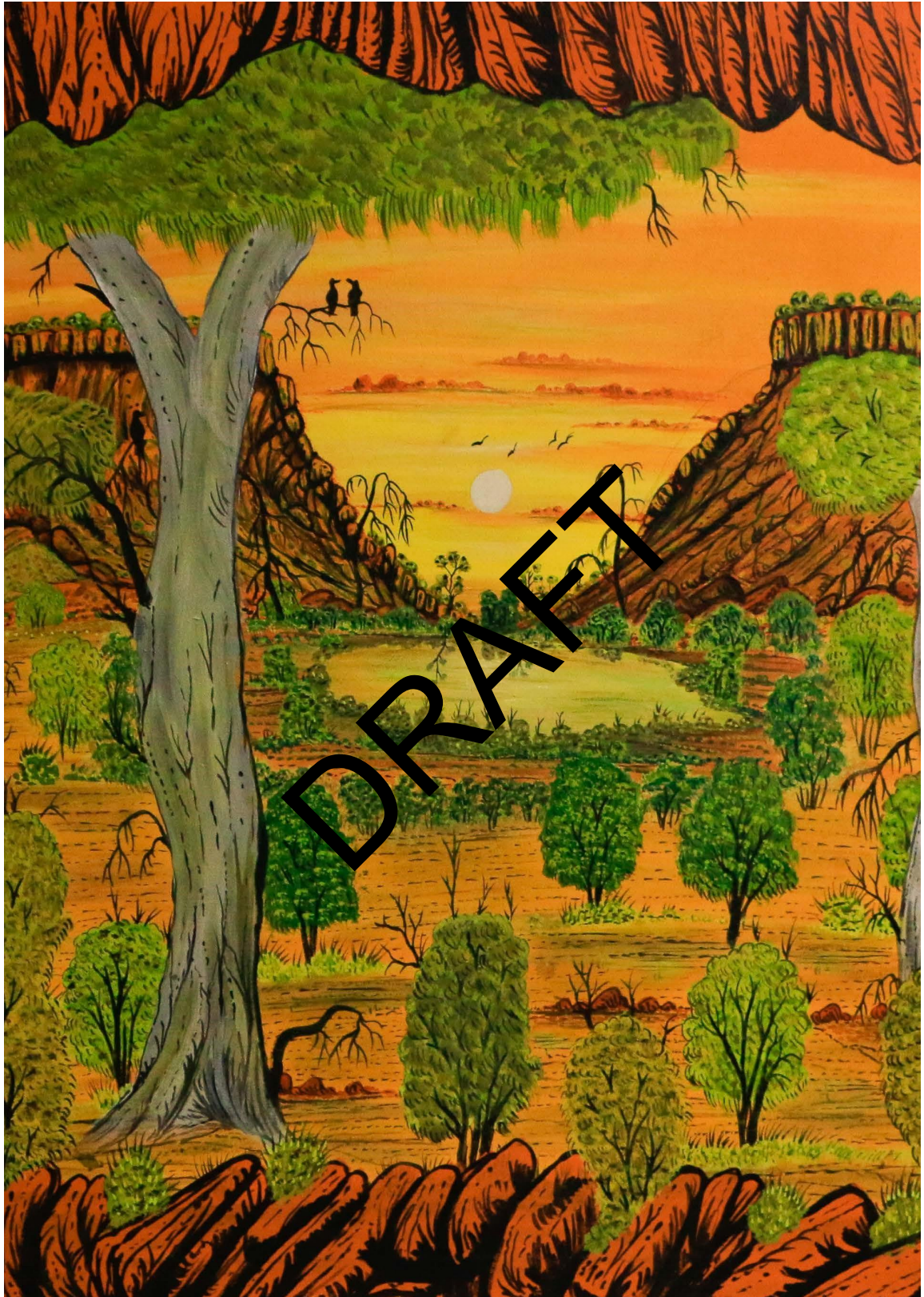
Alpururulam, Kangaroo characterising Anmatwatja and Dingo a sacred symbol for Ali Curung. The Track of the Barkly logo shows that Barkly Regional Council as represented by the Council laws are listening to the communities and to the people of this vast remote region, not only with their intellects but with their heart.

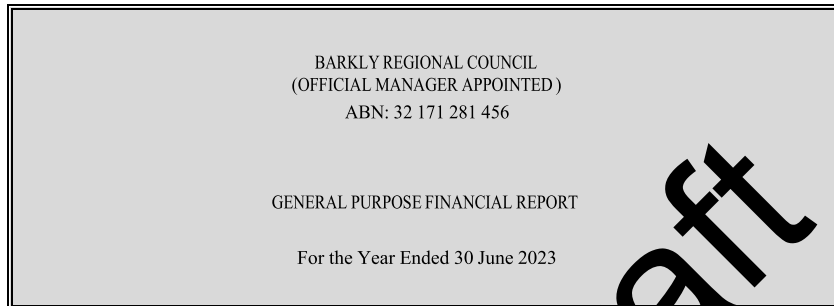




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GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
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	Note	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Revenue			
Rates and annual charges Statutory charges	3A	4,408	3,902
User charges and fees Investment income	3B	5	9
Reimbursements	3C	988	1,156
Other revenue	3D	37	13
Grants, subsidies and contributions	3E	413	585
Total revenue	3F	1,656	753
	3G	<u>19,126</u>	<u>21,237</u>
Expenses		<u>26,633</u>	<u>27,655</u>
Employee benefits expense			
Materials, contracts and other expenses			
Depreciation and amortisation	4A	13,671	15,072
Finance costs	4B	9,048	8,702
Other expenses	4C	2,724	2,869
Total expenses	4D	<u>26,439</u>	<u>26,643</u>
Net operating (deficit)/surplus for the year		<u>2,687</u>	<u>4,594</u>
Asset disposal & fair value adjustments		<u>(1,256)</u>	<u>931</u>
Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets			
	3H	7	88
	3G	<u>71</u>	<u>4,839</u>
Net (deficit)/surplus for the year		<u>2,758</u>	<u>5,433</u>
Other Comprehensive income		(475)	5,858
Gain on revaluation of property, plant and equipment			
Transfer to unexpended grants reserve			
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		<u>22,678</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u>(3,664)</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u>18,539</u>	<u>5,858</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Special Council Meeting 13 November 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 JUNE 2023

	Note	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents 5		12,578	12,429
Inventories 7	80	32	32
Trade and other receivables 6		14,991	2,333
Total current assets		15,382	2,921
Non-current assets			
Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment			
Total non-current assets	8	62,296	40,852
Total assets		62,296	40,852
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables			
Provisions			
Total current liabilities	9	1,241	2,049
Non-current liabilities Provisions	10	71	1,127
Total non-current liabilities		2,035	3,176
Total liabilities	10	408	417
Net Assets		2,408	3,593
EQUITY			
Accumulated surplus		74,844	52,641
Reserves			
Total Council equity		22,030	26,169
	11	52,814	26,472
		74,844	52,641

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	Asset		Unexpended	
	Accumulated	Revaluation	Grants	Total
	Surplus	Reserve	Reserve	Equity
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 July 2021	20,311	23,054	3,423	46,788
Surplus for the year	5,858	-	-	5,858
Other comprehensive loss for the year:				
Transfer to unexpended grants reserve	-	-	(5)	(5)
Closing Balance at 30 June 2022	26,169	23,054	3,418	52,641
Balance at 1 July 2022	26,169	23,054	3,418	52,641
Deficit for the year	(475)	-	-	(475)
Other comprehensive loss for the year: Transfer				
to asset revaluation reserve	-	22,678	-	22,678
Transfer to unexpended grants reserve	(3,664)	-	3,664	-
Closing Balance at 30 June 2023	22,030	45,732	7,082	74,844

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EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	Note	2023	2022
		\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities Receipts:			
Rates, fees and user charges		5,401	3,731
Investments	37		13

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Grants and contributions received for operating purposes		19,126	21,237
Reimbursements	413		585
Other revenues	2,244		753
Payments:			
Employee costs		(14,013)	(15,324)
Materials, contracts and other expenses		(12,350)	(8,491)
Net cash flows from operating activities	13	858	2,504

Cash flows used in investing activities Receipts:

Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets

Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment

Payments:

Acquisition of property, plant and equipment Net cash flows
used in investing activities

Net increase in cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year

	781	4,839
	-	134
	(2,490)	(5,620)
	(709)	(647)
	14	1,857
	2,504	10,572
5	12,588	12,429

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Special Council Meeting 13 November 2023	
Barkly Regional Council (Council) is incorporated under the NT Local Government Act 2019 and has its principal place of business at 41 Peko road, Tennant Creek, Northern Territory, Australia. These financial statements include Council's direct operations and all other operations through which Council controls the resources to carry on its functions.	
A summary of Council's functions along with their contribution to the operating result is set out in note 2A. In the process of reporting on the local government as a single entity, all transactions and balances between those activities (for example, loans and transfers between activities) have been eliminated.	
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Trust monies and properties held by Council but subject to the control of other persons have been excluded from these reports. A separate statement of moneys held in the trust fund is available for inspection at the Council office by any person free of charge.	
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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023	
Note 1:	Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs, modified where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities. The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.	
Unless otherwise stated, all accounting policies are consistent with those applied in the prior year. Where appropriate, comparative figures have been amended to accord with current presentation and disclosure has been made of any material changes to comparatives.	
Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and	
All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars (\$'000).	
Statement of Compliance	
This financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, the requirements of the Northern Territory of Australia Local Government Act 2019, the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations, 2021 pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board. Basis of Preparation have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise.	
Rounding	
Accounting Policies	

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(a)	New, Revised or Amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations Adopted
Note 1:	Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Council has adopted all of the new, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are mandatory for the current reporting period. Any new, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

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(b) Revenue

Council recognises revenue under AASB 1058 Income of not-for-profit entities (AASB 1058) or AASB 15 Revenue from contracts with customers (AASB 15) when appropriate.

In cases where there is an 'enforceable' contract with a customer with 'sufficiently specific' performance obligations, the transaction is accounted for under AASB 15 where income is recognised when (or as) the performance obligations are satisfied (i.e. when it transfers control of a product or service to a customer). Revenue is measured based on the consideration to which Council expects to be entitled in a contract with a customer.

In other cases, AASB 1058 applies when Council enters into transactions where the consideration to acquire an asset is significantly less than the fair value of the asset principally to enable Council to further its objectives. The excess of the asset recognised (at fair value) over any 'related amounts' is recognised as income immediately, except in the case where a financial asset has been received to enable Council to acquire or construct a recognisable non-financial asset that is to be controlled by Council. In this case, Council recognises the excess as a liability that is recognised over time in profit and loss when (or as) Council satisfies its obligations under the transfer.

Essential services contracts

For works undertaken on a fixed price contract basis, revenues are recognised over time using the input method with costs incurred compared to total expected costs used as a measure of progress. When it is probable that total contract costs will exceed total contract revenue, the expected loss is recognised as an expense immediately.

(c) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at-call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Council does not have an overdraft during the year.

(d) Trade and Other Receivables

Trade and other receivables include amounts receivable in the ordinary course of business. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Receivables for rates and annual charges are secured over the subject land and bear interest at rates determined in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019. Other receivables are generally unsecured and do not bear interest.

All financial instruments are recognised at fair value at the date of recognition. A detailed statement of the accounting policies applied to financial instruments also form part of note 14.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(e) Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment

Land under roads

Council has elected not to value or recognise as an asset land under roads acquired prior to 1 July 2008 in accordance with the election available under AASB 1051: Land under roads.

Land under roads acquired after 1 July 2008 is initially recognised at cost. Land under roads acquired after 1 July 2008 will be brought to account at fair value at the date of the independent valuation.

Initial recognition

All assets are initially recognised at cost. For assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition.

All non-current assets purchased or constructed are capitalised as the expenditure is incurred and depreciated as soon as the asset is held "ready for use". Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including architects' fees and engineering design fees and all other costs incurred. The costs of non-current assets constructed by Council includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead.

Capital works still in progress at balance date are recognised at cost as other non-current assets and transferred to infrastructure, property, plant and equipment when completed ready for use.

Materiality

Assets with an economic life of more than one year are only capitalised where the cost of acquisition exceeds materiality thresholds established by Council for each type of asset. In determining (and in annually reviewing) such thresholds, regard is held to the nature of the asset and its estimated service life. Examples of capitalisation thresholds applied during the year are given in note 8. No capitalisation threshold is applied to the acquisition of land or interests in land.

Subsequent recognition

All material asset classes are revalued on a regular basis such that the carrying values are not materially different from fair value. For infrastructure and other asset classes where no active market exists, fair value is determined to be the current replacement cost of an asset less, where applicable, accumulated depreciation calculated based on such cost to reflect the already consumed or expired future economic benefits of the asset. Further detail of existing valuations, methods and valuers are provided at note 8.

Depreciation of non-current assets

Other than land, all infrastructure, property, plant and equipment assets recognised are systematically depreciated over their useful lives on a straight-line basis which, in the opinion of Council, best reflects the consumption of the service potential embodied in those assets.

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values of classes of assets are reviewed annually.

Major depreciation periods for each class of asset are shown in note 8. Depreciation periods for infrastructure assets have been estimated based on the best information available to Council, but appropriate records covering the entire life cycle of these assets are not available, and extreme care should be used in interpreting financial information based on these estimates.

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(e) Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

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Impairment

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to depreciation and are reviewed annually for impairment. Assets carried at fair value whose future economic benefits are not dependent on the ability to generate cash flows, and where the future economic benefits would be replaced if Council were deprived thereof, are not assessed for impairment.

Other assets that are subject to depreciation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount (which is the higher of the present value of future cash outflows or value in use).

Where an asset that has been revalued is subsequently impaired, the impairment is first offset against such amount as stands to the credit of that class of assets in Asset Revaluation Reserve, any excess being recognised as an expense.

(f) Trade and Other Payables

Goods and services

Trade payables are amounts due to external parties for the supply of goods and services and are recognised as liabilities when the goods and services are received. Trade payables are normally paid 30 days after the month of invoice. No interest is payable on these amounts.

Payments received in advance and deposits

Amounts received from external parties in advance of service delivery and security deposits held against possible damage to Council assets, are recognised as liabilities until the services are delivered or damage reinstated, or the amount is refunded.

(g) Employee Benefits

Salaries, wages and compensated absences

Liabilities for employees' entitlements to salaries, wages and compensated absences expected to be paid or settled within 12 months of reporting date are accrued at nominal amounts (including payroll based on costs) measured in accordance with AASB 119.

Liabilities for employee benefits not expected to be paid or settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows (including payroll based on costs) to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Present values are calculated using government guaranteed securities rates with similar maturity terms.

No accrual is made for personal leave as Council experience indicates that, on average, personal leave taken in each reporting period is less than the entitlement accruing in that period, and this experience is expected to recur in future reporting periods. Council does not make payment for untaken personal leave.

Superannuation

Council makes employer superannuation contributions in respect of its employees to a number of complying superannuation funds in accordance with the Superannuation Choice Legislation. No changes in accounting policy have occurred during either the current or previous reporting periods. Details of the accounting policies applied and Council's involvement with the schemes are reported in note 16.

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(h) Leases

Council as lessee

At inception of a contract, Council assesses if the contract is, or contains, a lease. If there is a lease present, a lease asset and a corresponding lease liability is recognised by Council where Council is a lessee. However all contracts

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that are classified as short-term leases (lease with remaining lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value
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assets are recognised as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Initially the lease liability is measured at the present value of the lease payments still to be paid at commencement date. The lease payments are discounted at the interest rate implicit in the lease. If this rate cannot be readily determined, Council uses the incremental borrowing rate.

The right-to-use assets comprise the initial measurement of the corresponding lease liability as mentioned above, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date as well as any initial direct costs. The subsequent measurement of the lease assets is at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Lease assets are depreciated over the lease term or useful life of the underlying asset whichever is the shortest. Where a lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset or the cost of the lease asset reflects that Council anticipates to exercise a purchase option, the specific asset is depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset.

(i) Financial Instruments

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when Council becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that Council commits itself to either purchase or sell the asset.

Financial instruments (except for trade receivables) are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit and loss' in which case transaction costs are recognised as expenses in profit or loss immediately.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest method, or cost.

Amortised cost is calculated as the amount at which the financial asset or liability is measured at initial recognition less principal repayments and any reduction for impairment, and adjusted for any cumulative amortisation of the difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount calculated using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transactions costs and other premiums or discounts) over the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying amount with a consequential recognition of income or expense in profit or loss.

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(i) Financial Instruments (continued)

Impairment

A financial asset (or a group of financial assets) is deemed to be impaired if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events (a 'loss event') having occurred, which has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset(s).

In the case of available-for-sale financial assets, a significant or prolonged decline in the market value of the instrument is considered to constitute a loss event. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss immediately.

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Note 1:	Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)
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Also any cumulative decline in fair value previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified into profit or loss at this point.

In the case of financial assets carried at amortised cost, loss events may include: indications that the debtors or a group of debtors are experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments; indications that they will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; and changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

With the terms of financial assets that would otherwise have been past due or impaired have been renegotiated, Council recognises the impairment for such financial assets by taking into account the original terms as if the terms have not been renegotiated so that the loss events that have occurred are duly considered.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual right to receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party, whereby Council no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised when the related obligations are discharged, cancelled or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

(j) Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are included in the cash flow statement on a net basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

(k) Income tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as Council believes that it is exempt under Sec 50-25 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997, being a local governing body.

(l) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when Council has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions recognised represent the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

(m) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements. Management continually evaluates its judgements and estimates in relation to assets, liabilities, contingent liabilities, revenue and expenses. Management bases its

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judgements, estimates and assumptions on historical experience and on other various factors, including expectations

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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of future events management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Key estimates

Useful lives of property, plant and equipment

As described in Note 1(e), Council reviews the estimated useful lives of property, plant and equipment at the end of each annual reporting period.

Incremental borrowing rate

Where the interest rate implicit in a lease cannot be readily determined, an incremental borrowing rate is estimated to discount future lease payments to measure the present value of the lease liability at the lease commencement date. The rate is based on what Council estimates it would have to pay a third party to borrow the funds necessary to obtain an asset of a similar value to the lease asset, with similar terms, security and economic environment.

Key judgements

Employee benefits

For the purpose of measurement, AASB 119: Employee Benefits defines obligations for short-term employee benefits as obligations expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service. As Council expects that most employees will use all of their annual leave entitlements in the same year in which they are earned or during the 12-month period that follows the directors believe that obligations for annual leave entitlements satisfy the definition of shortterm employee benefits.

(n) Economic Dependency

The continued operation of Council is dependent on funding from the Commonwealth and Northern Territory Governments. At the date of this report, Council has no reason to believe the support will not continue.

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(o) Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities

Council measures some of its assets and liabilities at fair value on either a recurring or non-recurring basis, depending on the requirements of the applicable Accounting Standard.

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As fair value is a market-based measure, the closest equivalent observable market pricing information is used to determine fair value. Adjustments to market value may be made having regard to the characteristics of the specific asset or liability. The fair value of assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market are determined using one or more valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise, to the extent possible, the use of observable market data.

For non-financial assets, the fair value measurement also takes into account a market participant's ability to use the asset in its highest and best use or to sell it to another market participant that would use the asset in its

Fair value is the price Council would receive to sell an asset or would have to pay to transfer a liability in an orderly

(i.e. unforced) transaction between independent, knowledgeable and willing market participants at the measurement

date, highest and best use.

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it is not practical at this stage to rely on the liability of the carrying amount of fixed assets to the functions.

Public Order and Safety			Economic Affairs			Environmental Protection		
Budget 2023	Actual 2022	Actual 2023	Budget 2023	Actual 2022	Actual 2023	Budget 2023	Actual 2022	Actual 2023
\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	5	6	-	-	-	569	160	188
3,177	2,580	3,517	1,277	1,037	1,414	-	-	-
146	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
185	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
3,195	2,586	3,524	277	1,037	1,414	569	161	189
1,980	1,740	1,918	1,211	1,063	1,172	-	-	-
647	7	81	-	-	-	339	398	304
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2,627	1,747	2,499	1,210	1,063	1,172	339	398	304
568	851,025	42	67(26)	2	230(237)	(115)		

itis not practical at this stage to rely on the attribution of the amount of fixed assets to the functions.

Creation, Culture and Religion	Social Protection		Total	
	Budget 2023	Actual 2022	Budget 2023	Actual 2022
\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
-	-	-	5,221	3,902
242	1,640	542	3,526	1,165
2,932	3,723	4,120	23,558	26,076
147	-	-	11	37
3	-	15	315	1,426
3,177	5,666	4,677	32,631	32,582
185	-	-	-	-
1,738	2,116	2,098	15,562	13,671
1,021	1,914	1,718	9,769	8,770
-	-	-	2,543	2,869
-	-	-	56	10
2,759	4,080	3,816	27,930	26,724
418	1,286	861	4,701	5,858

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Note 2B: Components of Functions

The activities relating to Council functions reported in Note 2A are as follows:

General Public Services

Administrative, legal and executive affairs, financial and fiscal affairs and general services.

Public Order and Safety

Animal management, environmental health and night patrol.

Economic Affairs

Employment creation programs, regional development, support to local businesses, tourism and other economic development.

Environmental Protection

Cemetaries, waste management, domestic waste, green waste, recycling, waste disposal facility, other waste management and other environment.

Housing and Community Amenities

Community services, council buildings, essential services, infrastructure services, municipal services, parks and gardens, roads, stormwater and drainage, street cleaning, street lighting, streetscaping and visitor accomodation.

Recreation, Culture and Religion

Facilities and venues, recreation parks and reserves, swimming centres, youth services, culture and religion services, museums and libraries.

Social Protection

Community and aged care services, NDIS services, safe-house services.

Note 3: Revenue and Other Income

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2023
\$'000

2022
\$'000

3,270

-

3,270

2,864

(2)

2,862

	General rate income base		
	Less discretionary rebates, remissions and write offs		
	Domestic waste charge income base		
	Total user charges and fees		
Note 3B	Statutory Charges		
	Animal registration fees and fines		
	Other licences, fees and fines		
	Total statutory charges		
	Cemetery fees	11	16
	Client contributions - aged care	211	251
	Hall and equipment hire	24	43
	NDIS services	119	177
	Rental and staff accommodation	259	424
	Sales - fuel	-	1
	Sales - refuse facilities	282	162
	Sales - swimming pool	82	64

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Sales - general	-	
	<u>18</u>	
Total user charges and fees	<u>988</u>	<u>1,156</u>

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Note 3D	Investment Income		
	Australian bank interest	<u>37</u>	<u>13</u>
Note 3E	Reimbursements		
	Essential services	302	509
	Private works	74	46
	Training	15	15
	Other	<u>22</u>	<u>15</u>
	Total reimbursements	<u>413</u>	<u>585</u>
Note 3F	Other revenue		
	Insurance and other recoupments - infrastructure, property plant and equipment	-	307
	Agency income - Australia Post	18	11
	Agency income - Centrelink	441	421
	Donations and contributions		1
	Sundry	<u>197</u>	<u>13</u>
	Total other revenue	<u>656</u>	<u>753</u>
Note 3G	Grants, Subsidies and Contributions		
	Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets	<u>1,811</u>	<u>4,839</u>
	Other grants, subsidies and contributions	7,122	7,373
	Untied - financial assistance grant	2,654	2,354
	Aged, home and community care	2,419	2,419
	Community safety	491	620
	Community living area and town camps	185	169
	Library and communications	619	2,806
	Regional deal	2,172	2,164
	Wages subsidies	1,964	2,138
	Youth, sport and recreation	1,114	1,194
	Other	<u>(4)</u>	<u>-</u>
	Grant funding surplus returned	<u>19,126</u>	<u>21,237</u>
		<u>19,907</u>	<u>26,076</u>
	Total revenue from grants, subsidies and contributions		
		8,190	14,441
	Sources of grants	11,269	11,635
	Commonwealth Government	<u>448</u>	<u>-</u>
	NT Government Other	<u>19,907</u>	<u>26,076</u>

2023
\$'000

2022
\$'000

Note 3: Revenue and Other Income (continued)

The functions to which these grants relate are shown in Note 2.

Note 3H	Asset Disposals and Fair Value Adjustments		
	Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment		
	Assets renewed or directly replaced		
	Proceeds from disposal	-	134
	Written down value	<u>-</u>	<u>46</u>
	Gain/(loss) on disposal or revaluation of assets	<u>-</u>	<u>88</u>

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Note 4A	Employee Benefits Expense					
	Salaries and wages	9,889	11,139	Leave and other entitlements	1,483	1,778
	Superannuation contributions	16				
	1,083	1,205	Workers compensation insurance	591	445	
	Other				625	505
	Total employee benefits expense				13,671	15,072
					245	154
	Total number of full time equivalent employees at the end of the reporting period					
Note 4B	Materials, Contracts and Other Expenses				23	36
	Audit fees - audit				399	406
	Elected members' expenses				723	810
	Lease expenses - short term				1,145	1,252
	Prescribed expenses					
	Other materials, contracts and expenses					241
	Contractors				377	474
	Communication				898	853
	Plant and motor vehicle repairs and running costs				3	10
	Repairs and maintenance				77	1,419
	Legal fees				433	717
	Materials - other				575	624
	Minor equipment				1,098	515
	Insurance				467	395
	Professional services				1,379	946
	Groceries				725	444
	Utilities				4	90
	Annual software license fees				236	114
	Grants returned				7,903	7,450
	Sundry				9,048	8,702
	Total materials, contracts and other expenses					
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Rates - general and other

1,689

928

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Prepayments	-	58
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

No collateral has been pledged for any of the current or non-current trade and other receivable balances.

Council applies the simplified approach to providing for expected credit losses prescribed in ASB 9, which permits the use of the lifetime expected loss provision for all accounts receivable.

Council has no significant concentration of credit risk with respect to any single counterparty or group of counterparties. The class of assets described as 'trade and other receivables' is considered to be the main source of credit risk related to Council.

The following table details Council's trade and other receivables exposed to credit risk (prior to collateral and other credit enhancements) with ageing analysis and impairment provision thereon. Amounts are considered as

21	21
(21)	-
<u>-</u>	<u>21</u>

Council does not hold any financial assets with terms that have been renegotiated, but which would

Note 7: Inventories			
Stores and materials	<u>80</u>	<u>32</u>	
Accrued revenues	-		
		27	
Trade receivables - general	564		
		231	
Other levels of government	-		
		71	
Other receivables		79	1,595
Aged care facility deposits		1	32
		2,333	2,942
Provision for impairment		-	(21)
Total current trade and other receivables		<u>2,333</u>	<u>2,921</u>

(a) Impairment of receivables

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	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Note 6: Trade and Other Receivables		
Credit Risk		

Movements in the allowance for expected credit losses are as follows:

Opening balance
Reduction in provision Closing balance

otherwise be past due or impaired.

The other classes of receivables do not contain impaired assets.

Land, at fair value

4,111

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3,377

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Land, at cost	-	29
	4,111	3,406
	41,710	53,598
	-	3,317
	-	(43,586)
	41,710	13,329
	4,486	6,166
	-	3,427
	-	(3,996)
	4,486	5,597
	11,989	5,850
	-	5,336
	-	(7,059)
	11,989	4,127
	-	14,393
	-	40,852
	62,296	95,493
	-	(54,641)
	62,296	40,852

Property, plant and equipment was independently valued at 30 June 2023 by AssetVal Pty Ltd.

Buildings, structures and site improvements, at fair value
Buildings, at cost
Less: Accumulated depreciation

Infrastructure, at fair value Infrastructure, at cost
Less: Accumulated depreciation

Plant and equipment, at fair value
Plant and equipment, at cost
Less: Accumulated depreciation

Capital work in progress

Total property, plant and equipment

Total property, plant and equipment, at fair value
Total accumulated depreciation
Total property, plant and equipment

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		2023	2022
		\$'000	\$'000
Note 8:	Property, Plant and Equipment		
Asset Revaluations			

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Note 8: Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

Movement in the carrying amounts for each end of the current financial year:	plant and equipment			between the beginning and the		
	Land \$'000	Buildings, structures and site improvements \$'000	Infrastructure \$'000	Plant and equipment \$'000	Capital work in progress \$'000	Total \$'000
Balance at 1 July 2022	3,406	13,329	5,597	4,127	14,393	40,852
Additions, at cost	-	1,177	-	(847)	-	1,490
Depreciation	-	(1,416)	(461)	-	-	(2,724)
Revaluation	705	15,109	(734)	7,598	-	22,678
Reallocation	-	13,511	84	798	(14,393)	-
Carrying amount at 30 June 2023	4,111	41,710	4,486	11,989	-	62,296

Valuation of assets

**General valuation principals Accounting
procedure:**

Upon revaluation, the current new replacement cost and accumulated depreciation is stated such that the difference represents the fair value of the asset determined in accordance with AASB 13 fair value measurements; accumulated depreciation is taken to be the difference between current new replacement cost and fair value. In the case of land, fair value is taken to be the current replacement cost.

Highest and best use:

For land which Council has an unfettered right to sell, the "highest and best use" recognises the possibility of the demolition or substantial modification of some, or all the existing buildings and structures affixed to the land.

Much of the land under Council's care and control is crown land or has been declared as community land under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1999. Other types of restrictions also exist.

For land subject to these restrictions, the highest and best use is taken to be the "highest and best use" available to Council, with a rebuttable presumption that the current use is the "highest and best use". The reason for the current use of a large proportion of Council's assets being other than the "highest and best use" relates to Council's principal role as the provider of services to the community, rather than the use of those assets for the generation of revenue.

For buildings and other structures on and in the land, including infrastructure, "highest and best use" is determined in accordance with the land on and in which they are situated.

Fair value hierarchy level 2 valuations:

Certain land, and the buildings and structures thereon, are shown above as being based on fair value hierarchy level 2 valuation inputs. They are based on prices for similar assets in an active market, with directly or indirectly observable adjustments for specific advantages or disadvantages attaching to the particular asset.

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Fair value hierarchy level 3 valuations of land:

Valuations of crown land, community land and land subject to other restrictions on use or disposal, shown above as being based on fair value hierarchy level 3 valuation inputs, are based on prices for similar assets in an active market, but include adjustments for specific advantages or disadvantages attaching to the particular asset that are not directly or

There is no known market for these assets, and they are valued at depreciated current replacement cost. This

The determination of the cost to construct the asset (or its modern engineering equivalent) using current prices for materials and labour, the quantities of each being estimated based on recent experience of this or similar councils, or on industry construction guides where these are more appropriate.

The calculation of the depreciation that would have accumulated since original construction using current estimates of residual value and useful life under the prime cost depreciation method adopted by Council.

This method has significant inherent uncertainties, relying on estimates of quantities of materials and labour, residual values and useful lives, and the possibility of changes in prices for materials and labour, and the potential for development of more efficient construction techniques.

Capitalisation thresholds used by Council for all assets is \$5,000. No capitalisation threshold is applied to the

Useful lives are estimated for each individual asset. In estimating useful lives, regard is had to technical and commercial obsolescence, as well as legal and other limitations on continued use. The range of useful lives for a representative range of assets is shown below, although individual assets may have an estimated total useful life of greater or lesser amount:

5 years
3 to 7 years
8 to 12 years
5 years

indirectly observable in that market, or the number and/or amount of observable adjustments of which are so great that the valuation is more fairly described as being based on level 3 valuation inputs.

Fair value hierarchy level 3 valuations of buildings, infrastructure and other assets: method

involves:

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Note 8: Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)
Capitalisation thresholds

acquisition of land or interests in land.

Estimated useful lives:

Plant, furniture and equipment	
Office furniture and equipment	
Light vehicles	
Heavy vehicles	
Other plant and equipment	
Building and other structures	
Buildings - masonry	40 years
Buildings - other construction	15 to 40 years
Infrastructure	
Pool and waterpark infrastructure	15 to 30 years
Telecommunications infrastructure	5 to 7 years
Water pumping and bore infrastructure	5 years

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Transition to AASB 13

The requirements of AASB 13 Fair value measurement has been applied to all valuations undertaken since 1 July 2013 as shown by the valuation dates by individual asset classes below.

Land under roads

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Council is of the opinion that it is not possible to attribute a value sufficiently reliable to qualify for recognition, and therefore land under roads has not been recognised in these reports. Land acquired for road purposes during the year is initially recognised at cost, but transferred to fair value at reporting date, effectively writing off the expenditure.

Road transport infrastructure was valued at both replacement cost and fair value at 30 June 2023 by AssetVal Pty Ltd. Pursuant to advice from the Department of Community and Local Government, as these assets have not been recorded in the financial statements of Council, Road Transport Infrastructure valuations have been reported at note 20 for information purposes only.

These assets are recognised on the cost basis. Library books and other lending materials are capitalised in bulk and

Note 8:	Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)
Land and land improvements	
Freehold land was valued at 30 June 2023 at fair value by AssetVal Pty Ltd.	
Buildings and other structures	
Buildings and other structures was valued at fair value at 30 June 2023 by AssetVal Pty Ltd.	
Road transport infrastructure	
Other Infrastructure	
Other infrastructure was valued at 30 June 2023 at fair value by AssetVal Pty Ltd.	

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Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment was valued at 30 June 2023 at fair value by AssetVal Pty Ltd. All

other assets

written out when fully depreciated.

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Payments received in advance	256	346
Total trade and other payables	<u>1,241</u>	<u>2,049</u>

1,241	2,049
-	-
<u>1,241</u>	<u>2,049</u>
(256)	(346)
<u>(66)</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>91</u>	<u>1,703</u>

No interest is payable on outstanding payables.

Note 10: Provisions

794	1,127
<u>151</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>794</u>	<u>1,127</u>
408	417
<u>1,202</u>	<u>1,544</u>

Note 11: Reserves

3,010	3,010
<u>705</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>3,715</u>	<u>3,010</u>

Revaluation of buildings and improvements

<u>14,375</u>	<u>-</u>
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Note 9: Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables	338	
Accrued expenses	647	1,474

229

Settlement of trade creditors is generally net 30 days.

a. Financial liabilities at amortised cost classified as trade and other payables

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Trade and other payables:

- total current
- total non-current

Less payments received in advance

Less GST payable

Financial liabilities as trade and other payables

Current

Employee benefits - annual leave entitlements

Employee benefits - long service leave entitlements

Total current provisions

Non-Current

Employee benefits - long service leave entitlements

Total provisions

Movement in reserves

Asset revaluation reserves

Land

Balance at beginning of reporting year

Revaluation of buildings and improvements

Balance at end of the reporting year

Buildings and infrastructure

Balance at beginning of reporting year

Balance at end of the reporting year Plant

and equipment

Balance at beginning of reporting year

Revaluation of buildings and improvements

Balance at end of the reporting year 8,538

23,054

19,104 19,104

33,479 19,104

940 940

7,598 -

940 Total asset revaluation reserves 45,732

The asset revaluation reserves are used to record increments and decrements arising from changes in fair value of noncurrent assets (less any subsequent impairment losses, where applicable).

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\$'000 \$'000

Note 11: Reserves (continued)

Unexpended grants reserve

Balance at beginning of reporting year

Transfer from reserve

Balance at end of the reporting year

3,418

3,664

7,082

3,423

(5)

3,418

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Unspent grant funds are recognised as revenue under AASB 1058: Income for Not-for-profit entities as Council generally has no incomplete specific performance obligation and has therefore earned the revenue. These funds are recorded in the unspent grants reserve and are shown within equity. Grants with an outstanding specific performance obligation are treated as a liability.

Total reserves	52,814	26,472
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Note 12: Assets Subject to Restrictions

The uses of the following assets are restricted, wholly, or partially, by legislation or other externally imposed requirements. The assets are required to be utilised for the purposes for which control was transferred to council, or for which the revenues were originally obtained.

Notes

11	7,082
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919	
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16	1,202
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	2,121
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Cash and Financial Assets

Unexpended amounts received in relation to funded programs	3,418
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The following liabilities, included in note 9, may be discharged from restricted assets in the first instance.

Payables	1,703
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Provisions	1,544
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	3,247
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Note 13: Reconciliation to Statement of Cash Flows

For the purposes of the Cash Flow Statement, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand and at call deposits with other financial institutions. Term deposits with a maturity period of 89 days or less are also included. Cash at the end of the financial year is shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the statement of financial position as follows:

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(a) Reconciliation of cash

Cash on hand and at bank	9,417	9,292
Short term deposits	3,161	3,137
Balance as per Statement of Cash Flows	12,578	12,429

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2023	2022
\$'000	\$'000

Note 13: Reconciliation to Statement of Cash Flows (continued)

(b) Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operating Activities with Current Year (Deficit)/Surplus

Current year (deficit)/surplus	(475)	
Non-cash flows:		5,858
Gain/(loss) from disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	(88)

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Depreciation and amortisation	2,724	2,869
	588	(1,336)
	(48)	(15)
	(808)	307
	(342)	(252)
	<u>858</u>	<u>2,504</u>
	<u>20</u>	<u>50</u>

Note 14: Financial Risk Management

Accounting policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost, interest is

Terms and conditions: Deposits are returning a fixed interest rate of 1.25% (2022: 0.01% and 0.05%). Short term deposits have an average maturity of 30 days and average interest rates of 1.25% (2022: 30 days, 0.05%).

Carrying amount: approximates fair value due to the short term maturity.

Accounting policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method.

Terms and conditions: Secured over the subject land, arrears attract interest of 10% (2022: 10%). Although Council is not materially exposed to any individual debtor, credit risk exposure is concentrated within Council's boundaries in

Grants for capital acquisitions treated as Investing Activity	(781)	(4,839)
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Changes in assets and liabilities:

(Increase) / Decrease in assets:

Trade and other receivables

Inventories

Increase/(decrease) in liabilities:

Trade and other payables

Employee provisions

Net cash from operating activities

(c) Financing arrangements

Unrestricted access was available at balance date to the following lines of credit: Corporate credit cards

Accounting policies - recognised financial instruments

Bank, deposits at call, short term deposits recognised when earned.

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Receivables - rates and associated charges

Note 14: Financial Risk Management (continued)

the State.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).

Receivables - fees and other charges

Accounting policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method.

Terms and conditions: Unsecured, and do not bear interest. Although Council is not materially exposed to any individual debtor, credit risk exposure is concentrated within Council's boundaries. Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).

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Receivables - other levels of government

Accounting policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method.

Terms and conditions: Amounts due have been calculated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the respective programs following advice of approvals, and do not bear interest. All amounts are due by departments and agencies of state and commonwealth governments.

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Carrying amount: approximates fair value.

Receivables - retirement home

Accounting policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method.

Terms and conditions: Amounts due have been calculated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the respective legislation.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).

Liabilities - creditors and accruals

Accounting policy: Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to Council.

Terms and conditions: Liabilities are normally settled on 30 day terms.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value.

(a) Accounting Classification

Council's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, short term investments, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables and lease liabilities.

The following table shows the allocation of carrying amounts for each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB 9 as detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements, as follows:

		held-to- Maturity \$'000	Other financial assets \$'000	Other financial liabilities \$'000
30 June 2023				
Financial assets measured at amortised cost:	Note			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	-	12,578	-
Trade and other receivables	6	-	2,333	-
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost:				
Trade and other payables	9a	-	-	919
Total financial liabilities		-	14,911	919

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Note 14: Financial Risk Management (continued)

		Held-to-	Other financial	Other financial	Maturity
				assets	liabilities
		\$'000	\$'000		\$'000
30 June 2022					
Financial assets measured at amortised cost:	Note				
Cash and cash equivalents	5	-	12,429		-
	6				
	9a	-	-		1,703
		<u>-</u>	<u>15,350</u>		<u>1,703</u>

Unless otherwise stated, all carrying values approximate fair value for all recognised financial instruments. There is no

Council has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of Council's risk management framework. Council's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by Council, to set appropriate risk limits and controls and to monitor risks and adherence to limits.

Council's maximum exposure to credit risk at reporting date in relation to each class of recognised financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets as disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position and the accompanying notes to

Council's main concentration of credit risk is with Westpac and ANZ Banks as Council's bank accounts are held with

Trade and other receivables	-	2,921	-
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Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost:
 Trade and other payables Total financial liabilities Fair
 values recognised market for the financial assets of

Council.

Council does not have any derivative instruments as at 30 June 2023 (2022: \$Nil).

(b) Financial Risk Management

Council has exposure to the following risks arising from financial instruments:

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- i. Credit risk;
- ii Liquidity
- risk; and iii Market risk

Risk management framework

(i) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to Council if a counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations and arises principally from Council's receivables from rate payers.

the financial statements.

these banking institutions.

The maximum credit risk on the financial assets of Council is the carrying amount of trade and other receivables net of any allowances for doubtful debts. Council believes that it does not have any significant credit risk exposure to any other counter party or group of counter parties as Council actively manages credit risk by following up outstanding debtors.

There are no material amounts of collateral held as security as at 30 June 2023 (2022: \$Nil).

Note 14: Financial Risk Management (continued)
(ii)Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that Council will not be able to meet its obligations as and when they fall due. Council manages its liquidity risk by monitoring actual expenditure to ensure it is maintaining sufficient cash reserves.

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(iii) Market risk

Council does not have any exposure in relation to changes in foreign exchange rates and equity prices. Council is however, exposed to interest rate risk in relation to cash and cash equivalents and short term investments (term deposits). Council partly manages this by entering into fixed-rate instruments.

Note	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
5	3,161	3,137
5	9,061	9,292
	<u>12,222</u>	<u>12,429</u>

A reasonably possible change in 100 basis points in interest rates at the reporting date would have increased (decreased) profit or loss by the amounts shown below. The analysis assumes that all other variables remain constant.

	100bp Increase	100bp Decrease
30 June 2023		
Variable rate instruments	94	(94)
30 June 2022		
Variable rate instruments	93	(93)

Note 15: Financial Indicators

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices - such as foreign exchange rates, interest rates and equity prices will affect Council's income or the values of its holdings of financial instruments.

Exposure to interest rate risk

The interest rate profile of Council's interest-bearing financial instruments is as follows:

Fixed rate instruments (held-to-maturity investments)
 Variable rate instruments (cash and cash equivalents, excluding cash on hand)

Fair value sensitivity analysis for fixed-rate instruments
 Council does not account for any fixed-rate financial asset or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. Therefore, a change in interest rates as the reporting date would not affect profit or loss.

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Cash flow sensitivity analysis for variable-rate instruments

These Financial Indicators have been calculated in accordance with information paper 9 -Local Government Financial Indicators prepared as part of the Local Government Association Financial Sustainability Program.

	2023	2022
(a) Operating Surplus Ratio	-5%	3%
<u>Operating Surplus</u> Total Operating Revenue		

This ratio expresses the operating surplus as a percentage of total operating revenue.

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	2023	2022
Note 15: Financial Indicators (continued)		
(b) Current ratio	3.89%	3.77%
<u>Current assets - externally restricted assets</u> Current liabilities		
(c) Rate coverage percentage	16.55%	14.11%
<u>Rate revenues</u> Total revenues		
(d) Rates and annual charges outstanding percentage	63.98%	63.04%
<u>Rates and annual charges outstanding</u> Rates and annual charges collectible		
Note 16: Superannuation		

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Council contributes in respect of its employees to superannuation schemes selected by employees under the "choice of fund" legislation. All such schemes are of the accumulation type, where the superannuation benefits accruing to the employee are represented by their share of the net assets of the scheme.

Accumulation only members receive both employer and employee contributions on a progressive basis. Employer contributions are based on a fixed percentage of 10.5% (2022: 10%) of ordinary time earnings in accordance with superannuation guarantee legislation. No further liability accrues to Council as the superannuation benefits accruing to employees are represented by their share of the net assets of the fund.

Accumulation only members

The amount of the superannuation contributions made by Council during the year ended 30 June 2023 was \$1,083,088 (2022: \$1,205,000).

Note 17: Contingent Assets and Contingent Liabilities

Council insures against all known insurable risks using a range of insurance policies, each of which is subject to a deductible "insurance excess", the amount of which varies according to the class of insurance.

Council has not identified any potential claims that may have existed at reporting date.

Council receives significant income from a number of grant funding providers. If grant monies are not expended in accordance with the funding agreements, there is a potential for funding to be withdrawn and a requirement that these funds be repaid to the relevant funding body.

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Note 18: Events After the Reporting Period

On 17 October 2023 an Official Manager was appointed by the Northern Territory Government to administer the operations of Barkly Regional Council.

Other than the above, no other matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2023 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect Council's operations, the results of those operations or Council's state of affairs in future financial years.

Note 19: Related Party Transactions

The key management personnel of Council include the Mayor, Councillors, the CEO and certain prescribed officers. The

2023*
\$'000
1,485

Short term benefits provided to the CEOs in 2023 totalled \$269,597 (2022: \$224,569). There were no long term

KMP and relatives of KMPs own retail businesses from which various supplies were purchased as required either for cash or on 30-day account. Purchases from these individual businesses are made in accordance with approved Council purchasing policy and the requirements of the NT Local Government Act 2019.

One close family member of KMP is employed by Council in accordance with the terms of the Award, and as recorded in the public register of salaries maintained in accordance with section 105 of the NT Local Government Act 2019.

(a) Key Management Personnel

total compensation is:

2022*
\$'000
1,093

Key management personnel compensation

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*
benefits.

Other Related Party Transactions

Note 20: Road Transport Infrastructure
Road transport infrastructure assets were valued at 30 June 2023 by AssetVal Pty Ltd. Pursuant to advice from the Department of Community and Local Government Services, these assets have not been recorded in the financial statements of Council. Road Transport Infrastructure valuations have been reported for information purposes only.

Road transport infrastructure valuations are detailed below:

	Replacement cost	Fair Value
	\$	\$
1. Roads	57,042,483	28,072,798
2. Culverts	979,489	502,818
3. Footpaths	2,426,531	1,479,805
4. Kerbs and gutters	10,564,319	5,184,282
5. Point Generic	519,000	126,732
6. LGANT managed roads	25,491,254	16,824,000
	97,023,076	52,190,435

An annual depreciation charge on road transport infrastructure totalling \$3,565,448 (2022: \$2,477,906) has not been recorded in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year ended 30 June 2023.

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OFFICIAL MANAGER'S CERTIFICATE
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belief:

the General Purpose Financial Report is in accordance with the accounting and other records of Council; and

there are reasonable grounds to believe that Council will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and

I, Peter Holt, Official Manager of Barkly Regional Council (Council), certify that to the best of my knowledge, information and a. the General Purpose Financial Report has been properly drawn up in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations), the Local Government Act 2019 and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 2021 so as to present fairly the financial position of Council as at 30 June 2022 and its financial performance for the year ended on that date; b.

c. payable.

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Peter Holt
Official Manager

Date: 13 November 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE OFFICIAL MANAGER OF BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Barkly Regional Council (Council), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of working capital, the statement of changes in equity, the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, the notes to the financial report including a summary of significant accounting policies and the Official Manager's certificate.

In our opinion, the financial report of Barkly Regional Council has been prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 2021, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of Council's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards, and the financial reporting requirements of the Local Government Act 2019 and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 2021.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under these standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of Council in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Basis of accounting and restriction on distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements which describes the basis of accounting and the significant accounting policies. The financial report has been prepared to assist Council to meet the reporting requirement of the Local Government Ac, 2019 and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 2021 . As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Responsibilities of the Official Manager for the Financial Report

The Official Manager of Council is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards, the Local Government Ac, 2019 and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 2021 and for such internal control as the Administrator determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Official Manager is responsible for assessing Council's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Official Manager intend to either liquidate Council or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Official Manager is also responsible for overseeing Council's financial reporting process.

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Report on the Audit of the Financial Report (continued)

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

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Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website (<http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>) at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf. the

This description forms part of our auditor's report.

LOWRYS AUDIT

Colin James, FCA
Registered Company Auditor

Darwin
Date: 13 November 2023



7 CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

8 TENNANT CREEK DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

9 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

10 OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

11 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Reports

11.1 Risk and Audit Committee Report.

Reference

Author Emmanuel Okumu (Governance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Risk & Audit Committee Chair's email and concerns raised.

SUMMARY

By way of email, the committee chair has raised some concerns about the audited financial statement. The Council is requested to note the concerns raised.

BACKGROUND

Under section 86 of the Act, the Council established the Risk & Audit Committee. The committee held a meeting on the 10th of November 2023 and reviewed the audited financial statement. By way of email, the chair of the committee has raised some concerns about the financial statement. The Council is requested to note the concerns raised.

ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT

Further delays risks Council failing to meet submission deadline.

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Failing to clarify the committee's concerns would raise concerns over the Council's financial management.

BUDGET IMPLICATION

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ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

The issue is there is a need to clarify the concerns raised by the committee and meet the submission timeline.

Option is the Official Administrator can note the concern of the committee and choose to proceed with accepting the audited financials as its or issue new direction to the committee or to CEO.

CONSULTATION & TIMING

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Audit and Risk Committee Chair concern [11.1.1 - 1 page]

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Emmanuel Okumu

From: shane smith <cfo@cfoparttime.com.au>
Sent: Sunday, 12 November 2023 8:40 PM
To: Colin James; Emmanuel Okumu; Romeo Mutsago; Ian Bodill; Peter Holt; colin.j@lowrys.com.au; Noel Clifford
Cc: Faye Jennings; Rhenard Dayoan
Subject: Re: Audit Risk Committee Agenda - 10/11/2023

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Good Evening All

I have had a brief discussion with Noel, who was in the Qantas club about to board a flight.

We both have concerns regarding the treatment of unexpended grants, with the information we have and explanation from Colin, we cant confirm or provide an opinion that the treatment is correct. The direction from Council to treat unspent grants in this manner is something I would like to understand more about and reconsider the treatment.

The change to accounting treatment may have a much larger impact on working capital ratio, as oppose to keeping track of grants which should be done in a schedule or register outside of the audited financial statements.

If the accounting treatment was to record unspent funds as a liability, current liabilities would increase to \$9m and the impact on ratios within the 2023 presentation would be significant. The liquidity ratio would be \$14/\$9m as opposed to the current ratio of \$14/\$2m.

At present the Council has \$12m in cash and \$7m is tied to unspent grants. Im concerned that the Council spend over \$3m from untied funds last year and has approx \$5m of untied funds remaining.

With the very tight timeframe, I'm prepared to move a motion to accept the audited financials for 2023 with a review of accounting treatment of unspent funds to occur and to be completed by end of December 2023.

Kind Regards
Shane Smith
0488027067

From: Colin James <colin.j@lowrysaudit.com.au>
Sent: Saturday, 11 November 2023 9:23 AM
To: shane smith <cfo@cfoparttime.com.au>; Emmanuel Okumu <emmanuel.okumu@barkly.nt.gov.au>; Romeo Mutsago <Romeo.Mutsago@barkly.nt.gov.au>; Ian Bodill <ian.bodill@barkly.nt.gov.au>; Peter Holt <peter.holt@barkly.nt.gov.au>; colin.j@lowrys.com.au <colin.j@lowrys.com.au>; Noel Clifford <nclifford@nexiaem.com.au>
Cc: Faye Jennings <faye.jennings@barkly.nt.gov.au>; Rhenard Dayoan <rhenard.d@lowrysaudit.com.au>
Subject: Audit Risk Committee Agenda - 10/11/2023

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12 GENERAL BUSINESS

13 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

14 DECISION TO MOVE INTO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

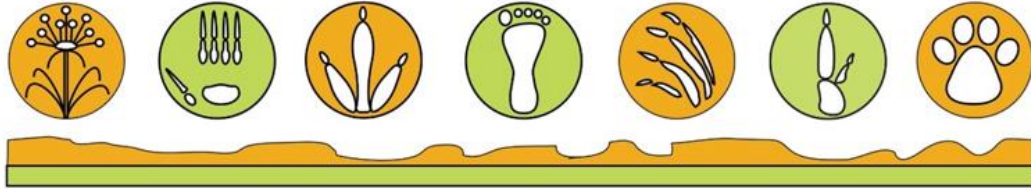
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15 NEXT MEETING AND MEETING CLOSE

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BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting of the Special Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek on Monday 29 January 2024 at 11:00 am.

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.



1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

Meeting commenced at 11:00am with Official Manager Peter Holt as Chair

1.1 Elected Members Present

- Official Manager Peter Holt

1.2 Staff Members Present

- Ian Bodill - Chief Executive Officer
- Brody Moore - Director of Operations and Remote Communities
- Emmanuel Okumu - Governance Manager
- Sunil Neupene - Accountant
- Paul Hyde Kaduru - Local Authority Coordinator
- Barry Nattrass - Work Health and Safety Manager
- Gillian Molloy - Director of Community Development
- Ryan Francis - Acting Director - Tennant Creek
- Faye Jennings - Executive Manager

1.3 Visitors Present

- Ruth Morley

1.4 Apologies and Leave of Absence

NIL

1.5 Disclosure of Interest

NIL

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 OFFICIAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Nil





6 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.1 Appointment of Committee Members

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

MOTION

That Council;

1. Receive and appoints the following nominees as members of the Regional Advisory Committee:

The Nominees as below:

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

Ashley Tobey as proxy for Alpurrurulam

2. Determines the meeting allowance to be paid to the chair and the committee members as per the remuneration determination and relevant expenses reimbursed accordingly.

RESOLVED

Moved and Seconded: Peter Holt - Official Manager

Carried Unanimously

Resolved SCM-24/16

On motion two, the Official Manager determined that he will be the chair and no need to determine the chairs payment since he doesn't need to be paid meeting allowance.

Still on motion two, the Official Manager determined that members be paid under the extra meeting allowance as per the remuneration tribunal.

The Official Manager determined that in this meeting, members who attended be paid from 10:30am to 1:30pm.



Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.2 Animal Management Advisory Committee

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.

MOTION

That Council;

1. Resolve 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.

RESOLVED

Moved and Seconded: Peter Holt Official Manager

Carried Unanimously

Resolved SCM-24/17

On motion one, the Official Manager resolved to re-establish the AMAC.

On motion two, the Official Manager resolved that AMAC terms of reference be amended to reflect that eligible committee members are payable.

Still, on motion two, the Official Manager resolved that on the issue relating to the payment of members who attended the working group meeting **on the 8th of January 2024**, payment be made to two people—namely, Sharen Lake and Bob Bagnall as per the remuneration tribunal.

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

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;



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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.

NIL

15 NEXT MEETING AND MEETING CLOSE

UNCONFIRMED



3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

4 ADDRESSING THE MEETING

Nil

5 OFFICIAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Nil

6 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.1 Animal Management Advisory Committee Membership

Reference

Author Emmanuel Okumu (Governance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

1. Seek clarification on who the appointed members of the Animal Management Advisory Committee are; or
2. Direct that new names be presented for appointment to form new membership; or
3. Make any other direction in relation to the Animal Management Advisory Committee (AMAC)

SUMMARY

Under s 82 (2) of the Act, a committee member consists of the persons appointed by Council resolution.

There has been no evidence that the Council appointed the persons who attended AMAC on 8 January 2024.

The Official manager is requested to seek clarification surrounding membership and make necessary directions to resolve the membership issue.

BACKGROUND

A meeting was held on 8 January 2024, where the discussion was around animal management. However, the governance office advised that the meeting needed to comply with sections 82 and 97 of the Act.

One of the issues raised by the governance office was that Council resolution OM-23/63 shows that AMAC membership had not yet been resolved, and under Council resolution OM-23/57, AMAC is not listed as one of the BRC Committees. On 29 January 2024, the Official Manager resolved to re-establish AMAC and make payment to resolve this issue.

However, the membership question is still pending. The Official Manager is therefore requested to resolve the membership issue so that the AMAC complies with the Act.

ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT

Having committee meetings with members not appointed by a Council resolution exposes the Council to be in breach of the Act, and such a non-compliant meeting is void.

Non-appointed members cannot be members of the committee and cannot claim for the meeting allowance.

BUDGET IMPLICATION

The council pays meeting allowances to eligible members.

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

The issue is that the AMAC has been re-established as a Council committee, but the list of appointed members has yet to be discovered.

The consequence is that it is only possible to call for a committee meeting by knowing who the members are.

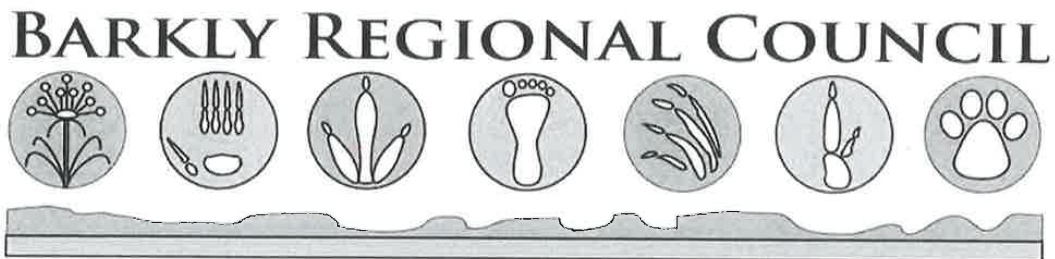
The option is first to establish membership before convening the AMAC meeting.

CONSULTATION & TIMING

As may be directed by the Official Manager.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. AMAC [6.1.1 - 12 pages]



AGENDA ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday 31 August 2023

Barkly Regional Council's Ordinary Council Meeting will be held
in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek
on Thursday 31 August 2023 at 8:30 am.

Russell Anderson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

*During this meeting, List of Council
committees was published/presented to Council.
AMAC is not in the list.*

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.

AGENDA Ordinary Council Meeting 31 August 2023

MINUTES Ordinary Council Meeting 26 July 2023



Chief Executive Officers Reports

5.2 Council Committees and Memberships

RECOMMENDATION:

The Council notes the Committees and Membership register and assess any necessary updates to committee memberships or the feasibility of the committees.

MOTION

That Council makes the amendments to the following Committees:

- a) **Cultural Competency Committee:** Remove former councillors Hayes, Walker and Kumanjayi. Add Councillors Peterson, Jackson, Lake and McAdam.
- b) **Purkiss Reserve Committee:** Remove former councillor Kumanjayi RP. Replace with Councillors Marlow and Corbett
- c) **Procurement Sub-Committee:** Remove former councillor Ruger. Replace with Councillor McAdam.
- d) **Human Resources:** Remove former councillors Ruger and Hayes. Replace with Councillor Lake and Bailey.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Greg Marlow

Seconded: Cr Mark Peterson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/57

Chief Executive Officers Reports

5.3 LGANT Membership 2023-2024

MOTION

That Council notes the request for payment of \$51,004.37 annual membership payment from the Local Government Association Northern Territory and:

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Dianne Stokes

Seconded: Cr Sharen Lake

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/58

8.2 Animal Management Advisory Committee

Author Gillian Molloy (Director of Community Development)

This report was presented to Council & it was stood down.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council reconvenes the Animal Management Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY

This report highlights the inactivity of the Animal Management Advisory Committee (AMAC) since December 2022 and the comments provided by stakeholders on the draft Animal Management plan. The AMAC's lack of meetings has delayed progress on the plan, necessitating the committee's reconvening. Stakeholders, including AMRRIC CEO Brooke Rankmore, Local Laws Manager Scott Spurling, and committee member Elliott McAdam, have offered valuable input to improve the plan. Additionally, one urgent issue to address is funding for community and Tennant Creek De-sexing programs, which are crucial for managing the local animal population and promoting responsible pet ownership.

In summary, the report emphasises the need to reactivate the AMAC, incorporate stakeholders recommendations into the Animal Management plan, and address funding concerns for community and Tennant Creek De-sexing programs. These actions will enable effective management of animal-related issues and support responsible pet ownership in the community. >

BACKGROUND

The Animal Management plan and the Animal Management Advisory Committee (AMAC) have a significant role in addressing various animal-related issues and promoting responsible pet ownership within the Barkly regional Council area. However, since December 2022, the committee has been inactive, resulting in a delay in the progress of the draft Animal Management plan. Community members are concerned about Animal Management practices across the region due to problems relating to disease, malnutrition, and the presence of cheeky dogs.

In community the lack of proper vaccination and healthcare measures has contributed to the spread of diseases, posing risks to both animal welfare and public health. Additionally, malnutrition among animals has become a pressing concern, leading to poor health and overall well-being. Insufficient access to proper nutrition and care exacerbates these issues.

Furthermore, the presence of cheeky dogs has become a significant problem in the area. These dogs, often without proper ownership or control, pose risks to community safety, livestock, and other wildlife. Their disruptive behaviour can lead to conflicts and create an unsafe environment for both humans and other animals.

Addressing these animal management problems requires the efforts of council and the reconvened AMAC. By actively engaging with stakeholders and developing effective strategies, including community and Tennant Creek De-sexing programs, the council can work towards mitigating disease outbreaks, improving animal nutrition, and implementing measures to control the population of cheeky dogs. The reconvened committee's involvement and allocating funding are crucial in finding sustainable solutions to these issues, promoting responsible pet ownership, and enhancing the overall well-being of animals and the community.



ATTACHMENTS:

1. RE Draft Animal Management Plan - comments Scott Spurling [8.2.1 - 5 pages]
2. Draft BRC Animal Management Plan 2022 v3 BR COMMENTS AMRRIC [8.2.2 - 12 pages]
3. FW DRAFT BRC Animal Management Plan comments Elliot Mc Adam [8.2.3 - 4 pages]

AGENDA Ordinary Council Meeting 31 August 2023

MINUTES Ordinary Council Meeting 26 July 2023



8 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Community Development Directorate Reports

8.1 RN Employment trial report

MOTION

That Council receives and notes this report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Pam Corbett

Seconded: Cr Lucy Jackson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/62

Community Development Directorate Reports

8.2 Animal Management Advisory Committee

RECOMMENDATION

That Council reconvenes the Animal Management Advisory Committee.

MOTION

That Council stands this item down to the next meeting.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Dianne Stokes

Seconded: Cr Elliot McAdam

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved OM-23/63

Cr Marlow left the meeting at 3.33pm.

NOTED: CEO suggested for Council to explore who should be on the Committee and it should cover the whole of the Barkly.



Minutes for the Animal Management Advisory Committee meeting 08 January 2023

Attendees:

Peter Holt- Official Manager Chief Executive – **Meeting Chair**

Ian Bodill – Chief Executive Officer Barkly Regional Council

Gillian Molloy- Director of Community Development

Louise Beilby – Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet

Bob Bagnall – Chairperson for the Elliott Local Authority

Sharon Lake – Barkly Regional Council Patta Ward

Dr Diana Rayment- Australian Institute of Animal Management

Dr Brooke Rankmore- Animal Management in Rural & Remote Indigenous Communities

Dr David Hall – Barkly Veterinary Practice

Dean Pollock- Manager Barkly Regional Council Local Laws

Minute taker- Karen O'Sullivan Barkly Regional Council Senior Administration Officer-
Community Development

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compliance requirements.
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website.

Apologies:

Jacquiline Hingston

Meeting opened at 2:04pm 08 January 2023

Overview:

- Meeting Chair provided overview of Barkly Regional Council Draft Animal Management Plan 2024 – 2027.
- Discussion of plan to review current Barkly Regional Council objectives and outcomes in 6 months in conjunction with activities undertaken by Barkly Veterinary Practice
- Pending review of Barkly Veterinary Practice report, Community Feedback & feedback from other vested Stakeholders amendments to draft plan could be incorporated.
- Council will assess outcomes verse goals (6 monthly review) at such time and consider amendments to plan, resourcing etc with consideration of current departmental staffing levels with view to training and increasing resources.



Introduction of Meeting Participants:

Dr David Hall- Proprietor of Barkly Veterinary Practice and has worked in conjunction with Council supplying veterinary care to Tennant Creek and surrounding Communities. Proactive approach support of Council's Animal Management practices, Community Engagement, Education & rapport building with all Shire Residents.

Bob Bagnall - Chair of Local Authority Elliott Representative – interest in Animal Management practices in the remote communities and animal welfare in the Elliott and other communities.

Dr Brooke Rankmore- Interest in Companion Animal Management within rural and remote communities. Member of various advisory boards with a focus on Ethical Practices and a stakeholder and contributor to the Barkly Regional Council Animal Management Plan.

Dr Diana Rayment- Advisory role to Council and board member with the Australian Institute of Animal Management.

Louise Beilby- focus on broader response in relation to Disaster Management and connectivity in management with lead agency during such times as disaster declared in region.

Gillian Molloy is the Director of Community Development and interested in developing animal management practices for Tennant Creek and remote communities.

Ian Bodill- interest in the relationship between the draft Animal Plan and operational implementation and amendments to duties and processes for the Local Laws Team.

Peter Holt- focus on evidence/results-based data to support formulation of the Animal Management Draft into the formal Animal Management Plan. Encouraging of community engagement from various stakeholders and community to ensure final plan is reflective of shire requirements including remote community individualities.

Meeting opened for General Discussion:

Discussion of draft Animal management Plan 2022-25

- Brooke Rankmore queried original working group which provided feedback utilised to formulate the Animal Management Plan was much larger and questioned why current group decreased in member numbers.
- Peter Holt advised due to large number of previous contributors bringing to the table a diverse range of focuses challenges were presented in incorporating differing views into a concise plan. Decision made moving forward to obtain feedback and



information from a reduced number of stakeholders but still encourage community feedback. Reconvened Committee will be reduced in number to achieve outcome.

- Brooke Rankmore previous key indicators to be improved with view to focused monitoring and assessment of outcomes.
- David Hall current town program operating many years clarity of issues in the community contained through regular reporting by the practice.
- Diana Rayment consensus required for overall goals. Barrier lack of information on current ground situation re diseases, resources, reporting. Concerns regarding amendments required to make proposed Animal Management Plan operational.
- Brooke Rankmore utilisation of Barkly Vet Practice reporting for baseline however complexity of operational (municipality verse remote communities). Both have differing focuses which will produce a challenge if a generalised/overall plan attempted. Cost to deliver created strategy required focus on reporting-baseline/goal/reporting to assist with seeking sources of funding to assist service provision.
- David Hall advised transient nature of residents coupled with very mobile dog population challenges accuracy of census data.
- Diana Rayment question raised of resources on the ground in Tennant Creek & Communities.
- Peter Holt proposed 6-month operational review of information from Barkly Vet and other stakeholders along with Council's own data to assist with identification of resourcing needs. Suggested holistic approach focusing on animal health utilisation Barkly Vet Practice Staff and reporting to raise issues of concern not otherwise recognised.
- Brooke Rankmore census data utilisation for individual communities.
- Peter Holt advised focus on community education is also needed.
- Peter Holt encouraged on going feedback & suggestions in relation to required educational programs with view to incorporating in the Animal Management Plan.
- Brooke Rankmore suggestion to review MacDonnell Regional Council program and successful outcomes achieved.
- Gillian Molloy suggested that animal management emergency management principles to be incorporated in Animal Management Plan.
- Note: While information from the original draft AMP 2022-25 will be used in developing the Council's future ongoing strategy the document in its current form will not be pursued.

Tennant Creek and By-Laws



- Ian Bodill raised question, will propose Animal Management Plan give direction area of particular concern is animals roaming in Tennant Creek and problems being posed as a result.
- Gillian Molloy answered updated By-Laws currently being produced will address and provide clarification for Local Laws Staff regarding actions to be taken.
- Brooke Rankmore stated has been attempted in Darwin with engagement of Legal Assistance and task is very challenging and lengthy process. Tennant Creek Council Staff not authorised to deal with dangerous dogs. Legislation states Northern Territory Police are responsibility agency but currently not supportive or engaging in these scenarios. Remote regions formulate plans not By-Laws to address matters. Complexities arise in Communities. Brooke to review Tennant Creek By-Laws to ensure they are fit for purpose.

Data to inform current program approach

- David Hall again reiterated specific information supplied regularly in Barkly Vet Practice reporting.
- Brooke Rankmore can provide data previously acquired.
- Diana Rayment need for accurate data regarding remote communities' transient population movements and animal numbers as a result. Question re current accurate information to indicate current challenges.
- David Hall proposed solution of utilisation of his Staff (Jackie) to move into the camps with information relevant to formulation of the Animal Management Plan to be gathered and aiding in ensuring Staff can attend camps twice yearly at a minimum to aid in specific data collection.
- Diana Rayment posed suggestion of a lead for the Advisory Committee to ensure all key actions are achieved in designated time frames and to drive the Committee to ensure desired outcome is achieved. General discussion ensued however no decision made.
- Bob Bagnall advised Elliott has limited resources or information provided. Concerns re-funding and how the Animal Management Plan would be implemented on the ground in Elliott and other similar remote communities. Interested in explanation of the correlation between the higher-level plans and resources on the ground.
- Diana Rayment explained linked between data utilisation to seek funding and obtaining funding to provide resources. Example of Not-for-Profit organisations seeking investment and funding from alternative non-government organisations of businesses with reference to legislative requirement regarding Local Governments.



Funding and Budget Considerations

- David Hall seeking set budget from Council so that forecasting, planning, and resource allocation regarding Barkly Veterinary Practice can be undertaken to achieve desired outcomes.
- Peter Holt advised Council Budget requires accurate needs analysis and budget formulated using data. Interim professional funds set aside in the operational budget to continue supporting Barkly Vet Practices Services whilst undertaking current program. Identification of demand/needs will be utilised to continue investing in the program however absence of such hinders Council in further increase in financial allocation. Regional Communities to adapt program off Tennant Creek to be fit for purpose.
- Brooke Rankmore stated continuing advocating for funds to resolve the complexities for service provision in the Community. Possible utilisation of Better Futures/ Rural Development Australia grants/funding re improvements to pounds.
- Peter Holt stated March/April Veterinary program & training programs to commence. Council resources will continue to be supplied to assist Barkly Vet in the Community
- Sharon Lake suggested short term goals be identified and then incorporated in a Regional Plan utilisation of such data to seek funding options.
- Gillian Molloy advised that the senior leadership team has commenced working on the next BRC Regional Plan.
- Sharon Lake suggested new Tennant Creek Census so obtained data could be utilised to obtain smaller grant funding with view to identifying for the Community Council investment in the Region. Suggested utilisation of Health Clinics as a partner as Environment Health correlates with Animal Management identifiable concerns/matters.

Administration

- Bob Bagnall stated if the Animal Management Committee making whole region decisions Agenda/Minutes should be publicised for transparency. Future Agenda's to be publicised prior to meeting to encourage community engagement/feedback.



Meeting closed at 3.23pm

Actions arising from meeting.

- Gillian Molloy, Diana Rayment, Brooke Rankmore and David Hall to meet in February/March to correlate available data and discuss.
- Gillian Molloy to advise date for next Committee meeting proposed early February and Brooke Rankmore to attend Tennant Creek for meeting.
- Peter Holt encouraged continued discussion and feedback from all Committee members and other interested parties.

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8 TENNANT CREEK DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

9 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

10 OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Operations Directorate Reports

10.1 Operations Directorate Report

Reference

Author Brody Moore (Director of Operations & Remote Communities)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

1. Receives and accepts previous Elliot Local Authority Minutes from;
2nd March, 6th April, 4th May, 22nd June, 10th August, 7th September and 12th October 2023.
2. Accept and ratify the Elliot Local Authority Action Register
3. Approve / decline Actions from Elliot Local Authority meeting;
- 3.1 - Purchase of ATV for Elliot – To assist in the delivery of Municipal Services
- 3.2 - To seek funding for a shade structure and toilet facilities at the Elliot Cemetery
- 3.3 - To approve the use of BRC Projects Drone to complete aerial mapping of Elliot
- 3.4 - Approve and draft correspondence to Anyinginyi Health seeking an update on the proposed Elliot Sobering Up Shelter.
- 3.5 - Accepts and releases \$1000 of Elliot LA Funds to Elliot and Newcastle Waters Sport and Rec. Association for the Anzac Day Barbeque.
4. Receives and accepts Elliot Local Authority Minutes – 11th January 2024

SUMMARY

Due to internal staff movements within Barkly Regional Council, Elliot Local Authority Minutes between February and October 2023 were omitted from Council ratification.

BACKGROUND

Unratified Elliot Local Authority minutes were identified by the Elliot Local Authority Chairperson. Elliot Local Authority Minutes between February and October 2023 were not presented or received by Barkly Regional Council and Councilors at the time.

ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT

Large organisational risk due to non-compliance of Local Government and Local Authority Guidelines.

BUDGET IMPLICATION

\$1000 – LA Contribution to Anzac Day Barbeque

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

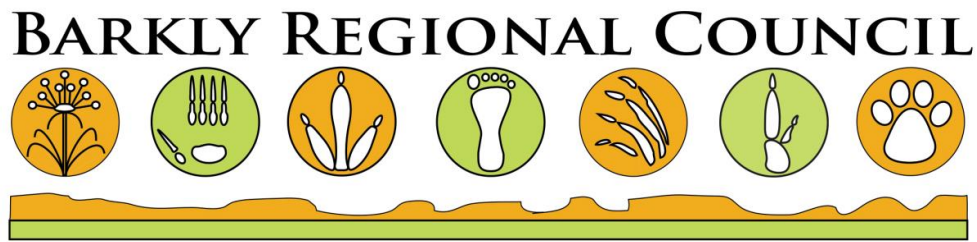
Limited / non-compliant internal process and procedures have been damaging to ongoing support of the Local Authorities.

CONSULTATION & TIMING

Elliot Local Authority
Elliot Local Authority Chair – Mr. Bob Bagnall

ATTACHMENTS:

1. ELA 22062023 MIN 921 [**10.1.1** - 6 pages]
2. Elliott Local Authority Meeting 091123 V 3- Final [**10.1.2** - 8 pages]
3. Elliott Local Authority Meeting-121023 [**10.1.3** - 5 pages]
4. Elliott- L A-07092023- Minutes [**10.1.4** - 7 pages]
5. Elliott- Local- Authority-2023-03-02-1461- Minutes [**10.1.5** - 4 pages]
6. Elliott- Local- Authority-2023-04-06- Minutes [**10.1.6** - 5 pages]
7. Elliott- Local- Authority-2023-05-04-1487- Minutes [**10.1.7** - 5 pages]
8. Elliott- Local- Authority- Meeting-minutes-10 AU G 23 [**10.1.8** - 7 pages]
9. Elliott Local Authority Meeting-11- JA N- FINA L- PDF [**10.1.9** - 11 pages]
10. Action list 2024 [**10.1.10** - 3 pages]



MINUTES ELLIOTT LOCAL AUTHORITY

The Elliott Local Authority of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Elliott Council Office - Conference Room on Thursday, 22 June 2023 at 10:00am.

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.

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We will be a responsive Council.
We want to empower local decision making.
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We need to be realistic, transparent and accountable.

Meeting commenced at 10:30 with Bob Bagnall as chair.

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

- Bob Bagnall
- Jason Mullan
- Christopher Neade
- Kevin Gaskin
- Kevin Neade

1.2 Staff And Visitors Present

- Darren J Lovett (BRC)
- Tolga Hucent (Territory Families Housing and Communities).
- Rebecca Moore (CM&C)
- Jane O'Keefe (CM&C)
- Adrian McAdam (Elders Visiting Program – Dept of Justice)

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

- Jody Nish
- Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin (Ex-Officio)

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

- Lora Jackson

1.5 Disclosure Of Interest

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

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION

That the Authority receive and note the minutes of the previous meeting (May 2023)

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member K Gaskin

Seconded: L A Member Jason Mullan

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved ELA 8/23

3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 ACTION ITEMS RESOLUTION TRACKER
<p>MOTION</p> <p>That the Authority receive and note the Elliott LA action items and resolution tracker & approve the removal of duplicate entries along with updates to the resolution tracker</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>Moved: LA Member Kevin Neade</p> <p>Seconded: LA Member K Gaskin</p> <p>CARRIED UNAN.</p> <p><i>Resolved ELA 9/23</i></p>

4. FINANCE

5.1 ELLIOTT LOCAL AUTHORITY FINANCE REPORT JUN23
<p>MOTION</p> <p>That the Authority receive and note the Elliott Local Authority Finance report for JUN23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LA Chair request confirmation and a remittance advise be provided to the LA from BRC Finance regarding two (2) transfers to the Elliott Sport & Recreation Association <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>Moved: L A Member Jason Mullan</p> <p>Seconded: LA Christopher Neade</p> <p>CARRIED UNAN.</p> <p><i>Resolved ELA 10/23</i></p>

5. AREA MANAGERS REPORT

6.1 ELLIOTT AREA MANAGERS REPORT JUN 2023
<p>MOTION</p> <p>That the Authority receive and note the Elliott Area managers' report for JUN 23</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>Moved: LA Christopher Neade</p> <p>Seconded: L A Member Jason Mullan</p> <p>CARRIED UNAN.</p> <p><i>Resolved ELA 11/23</i></p>

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 QUOTE FOR ELLIOTT SPORT AND RECREATION EQUIPMENT
<p>MOTION</p> <p>That the Authority consider a request for funding of sporting equipment to the value of \$3,276.70 for the Elliott Newcastle Waters Sport & Rec Association operated by BRC staff located in Elliott</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>Moved: LA Member Kevin Neade</p> <p>Seconded: L A Member Jason Mullan</p> <p>CARRIED UNAN.</p> <p><i>Resolved ELA 12/23</i></p>

7.2 QUOTE - WORKS EQUIPMENT	
MOTION That the Authority receive and discuss the quotes attached for the procurement of works equipment for the Elliott BRC works team <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The quotes received by the Elliott LA where for a make of machine that has not been approved to procure by Council.• Elliott LA will present new quotes for different makes of machines for consideration.	
RESOLVED Moved: L A Member Jason Mullan Seconded: LA Member Kevin Neade <i>Resolved ELA 13/23</i>	CARRIED UNAN.

7.3 SKIP BINS QUOTE	
MOTION That the Authority receive quotes and approve funding to the value of \$7,359.00 for the procurement of skip bins for the Elliott community	
RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Kevin Neade Seconded: L A Member Jason Mullan <i>Resolved ELA 14/23</i>	CARRIED UNAN.

7.4 QUOTE - REPLACEMENT OF SHADE SAILS	
MOTION That the Authority receive and consider the attached quote for the replacement of shade sails <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quote rejected by the LA• BRC Area Manager to investigate any warranty periods with the original installer and report back to the LA	
RESOLVED Moved: L A Member Jason Mullan Seconded: LA Member K Gaskin <i>Resolved ELA 15/23</i>	CARRIED UNAN.

7.5 QUOTE - SKID STEER FORKS	
MOTION That the Authority receive and consider the attached quote and fund the procurement of skid steer forks to the value of \$2,198 + GST for use by BRC works team members in Elliott	
RESOLVED Moved: LA Christopher Neade Seconded: LA Member Kevin Neade <i>Resolved ELA 16/23</i>	CARRIED UNAN.

7.6 ELLIOTT WATER PARK UPDATE	
MOTION That the Authority receive and discuss an update to the Elliott Water Park <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The issues with the Elliott community water park still require further investigation by the Elliott LA and discussion on a way forward. • This may require a complete redesign and update of the apparatus due to the age of the technical operating systems. 	
RESOLVED Moved: LA Member Bob Bagnall Seconded: LA Christopher Neade	
<i>Resolved ELA 17/23</i>	
CARRIED UNAN.	

7.7 CONSULTATION WITH BRC CEO ON REGIONAL PLAN 23/24	
MOTION That the Authority approve the Elliott LA Chair to meet with the BRC CEO in Tennant Creek to discuss and provide feedback regarding the BRC Regional Plan 23/24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor adjustments to the Elliott portion of the regional plan have been highlighted and been immediately actioned with the Regional Plan production consultant. 	
RESOLVED Moved: LA Christopher Neade Seconded: LA Member Kevin Neade	
<i>Resolved ELA 18/23</i>	
CARRIED UNAN.	

7. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN

Requests to provide feedback to the BRC CEO by the ELA Chair received (as above in item 7.7, resolution number ELA 18/23)

8. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

12.1 PRESENTATION BY A DIPL REPRESENTATIVE
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority receive a presentation by DIPL focusing on the town camps in Elliott <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The repairs and maintenance program for the North and South Elliott town camps was presented to LA in order to inform the community of the DIPL program specific to Elliott.

12.2 ELDERS VISTING PROGRAM
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority receive a presentation from the Elders Visiting Program representative (Adrian McAdam)

12.3 BRADAAG - AGED CARE
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority receive a presentation by a representative of BRADAAG (Aged Care) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• This presentation was cancelled by the representative due to short notice competing priorities.• No presentation was received by the Elliott LA

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

10. CLOSE OF MEETING

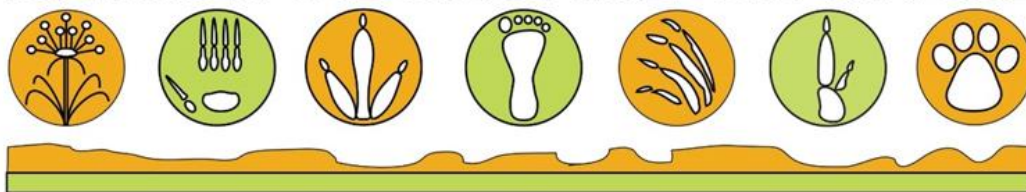
Meeting Closed at 13:35

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 5 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Elliott Local Authority Meeting HELD ON Thursday, 22 June 2023 AND CONFIRMED Thursday, 6 July 2023.

Bob Bagnall
Chair

Russell Anderson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting

Barkly Regional Council's Elliott LA Meeting was held in the Conference Room on Thursday 9 November 2023 at 10:40 am.

Ian Bodill

Chief Executive Officer

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1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Authority Members Present

- LA Member Bob Bagnall
- LA Member Jason Mullan
- LA Member Jodie Nish
- LA Member Kevin Gaskin
- LA Member Kevin Neade

1.2 Staff and Visitors Present

- Lia Finocchiaro (NT Opposition Leader)
- Steve Edgington (Member for Barkly)
- Darius Plummer (Barkly Electorate Officer)
- Jody Nish (BRC Customer Service Officer Elliott)
- Marlene Bell (Elliott Health Clinic Manager)
- Heather Wilson (BRC Councillor for Kuwarrangu Ward)
- Louise Beilby (Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet)
- Sally O'Callaghan (DIPL Regional Director Barkly)
- Phil Harris (Troppo Architects - Norther Interest)
- Barry Natrass (Representing BRC Director of Operations & Communities)

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

Apologies

- Gillian Molloy (BRC Director of Community Development)
- Brody Moore (BRC Director of Operations & Communities)
- Chris Neade (Area Manager Elliott)
- Romeo Mutsago (BRC Deputy CEO & CFO)
- Andrew Urquhart (Primary Health Centre Mng'r Barkly)
- Elliott Police

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

Nil

1.5 Resignations

Nil

1.6 Disclosure of Interests

Nil

1.7 Review of Disclosure of Interest

Nil



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 9 November 2023



2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Confirmation of previous Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of previous Minutes

MOTION

That The Local Authority receive and note the Minutes of the 07 September Elliott Local Authority Meeting as a true and accurate record on that Meeting.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jody Nish

Seconded: LA Member Jason Mullan

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Confirmation of previous Minutes

2.2 Confirmation of previous Provisional Minutes

MOTION

That The Local Authority receive and note the Minutes of the 12 October Elliott Provisional Local Authority Meeting as a true and accurate record on that Meeting.

RESOLVED

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Jody Nish

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 9 November 2023



3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Actions from previous Minutes

3.1 Elliott Local Authority Action item Landfill Management

RECOMMENDATION

That the Elliott Local Authority restate the concern held regarding the unsustainable state of the land fill site.

MOTION

That the Barkly Regional Council notes and considers as a matter of urgency, a maintenance plan to put in place to tackle the current landfill situation.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Kevin Gaskin

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Actions from previous Minutes

3.2 Elliott Local Authority Action items and resolutions tracker update

RECOMMENDATION

That the Elliott Local Authority receive an update on all outstanding action items contained in the action items resolution tracker.

MOTION

That the Elliott Local Authority receive an update on all outstanding action items contained in the action items resolution tracker.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Kevin Gaskin

Seconded: LA Member Jason Mullan

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 9 November 2023



Actions from previous Minutes

3.3 Elliott Local Authority Action items and resolutions tracker

MOTION

That the Elliott Local Authority ask for the following items to be reinstated on the Action Resolution Tracker spread sheet:

- Water Park repairs
- The purchase of the all-terrain vehicle
- Cemetery Upgrade
- Tourist board regarding signage regarding the truck bay opposite Puma Shop
- Peacock re-location
- Road repairs
- Animal Management Program update
- Canteen Equipment Procurement
- Waste Management Plan update needed
- Skip bins
- Accommodation update
- Access to the BRC shared Street Sweeper
- Jim Rennie Reserve and Golf Course update required
- Sobering Up Shelter progress update sought from Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation
- Update on the Jim Rennie Reserve master plan

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Kevin Gaskin

Seconded: LA Member Jody Nish

4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Nil



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 9 November 2023



5 FINANCE REPORTS

Finance Report

5.1 Finance Report for September 2023

MOTION

That the Local Authority receives and notes the LA Finance Report for September 2023 and query the LA sitting fees and catering cost entries.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Kevin Gaskin

Seconded: LA Member Kevin Neade

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6 AREA MANAGERS REPORTS

Nil

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

8 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

9 OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Other Matters for Noting

9.1 Elliott Allocation under Roads to Recovery Funding

MOTION

That the Elliott Local Authority call on the Barkly Regional Council to assess internal roads in Elliott for resurfacing and that we advocate for Wilyugu and Gurungu roads to be done at the same time. Roads in both north and south camp in Elliott have not been re-surfaced since 2008.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Bob Bagnall

Seconded: LA Member Jody Nish

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10 REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Nil





11 VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Visitors Presentations

11.1

MOTION

That the Elliott Local Authority receives presentations by

- Phil Harris of Troppo Architects in regard to an update on the project know as Northern Interest Elliott Development
- Lia Finocchiaro, Leader of the Opposition, NT parliament
- Steve Edgington, Member for Barkly
- Sally O'Callaghan, Department of Infrastructure Planning & Logistics Regional Director for Barkly
- Marlene Bell, NT Health Clinic Manager Elliott

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Kevin Gaskin

Seconded: LA Member Jodie Nish

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12 OTHER BUSINESS

Other Business

12.1 Australia Day 2024 Nominations

MOTION

That the Elliott LA ask the Elliott Area Manager to call for nominations before the next LA Meeting on December 14 2023, in favor of potential Australians of the Year, to be announced on Australia Day 26 January 2024.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Kevin Gaskin

Seconded: LA Member Jason Mullan

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 9 November 2023



Other Business

12.2 Darwin Plant Wholesalers quote

MOTION

That the Local Authority accept the Darwin Plant Wholesalers quote for \$8596.50 for 175 plants and that 1-2 trees are made available to residents' homes and the remainder used to replace dead trees.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jody Nish

Seconded: LA Member Kevin Gaskin

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13 CLOSE OF MEETING

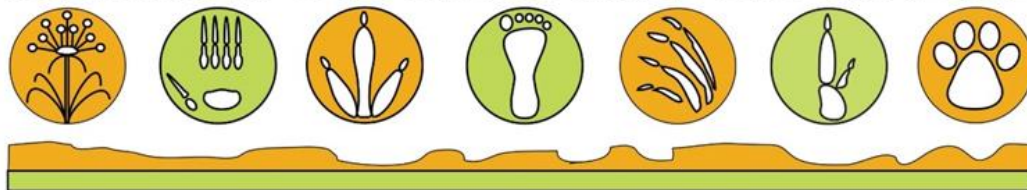
Meeting Closed at 1:15 pm

The Elliott LA next meeting date is 14 December 2023.

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BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES Provisional Elliott LA Meeting

Barkly Regional Council's Elliott Provisional LA Meeting was held in the Elliott Conference Room on Thursday 12 October 2023 at 11:00 am.

Romeo Mutsago

Acting Chief Executive Officer

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MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 12 October 2023



1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Authority Members Present

Meeting commenced at 11:00am with Bob Bagnall as Chair.

- Bob Bagnall
- Jodie Nish
- Jason Mullan

1.2 Staff and Visitors Present

- Steve Edginton (Member for Barkly Legislative Assembly)
- Randall Ratana (NT Police)
- Daniel Sandy (NT Police)
- Marlene Ball (NT Health Clinic Manager)
- Adrian Chong (Acting Area Manager BRC)
- Barry Natrass (Acting Director of Operations & Communities BRC)

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

Apologies

- Gillian Molloy (Director of Community Development BRC)
- Kevin Gaskin (LA member)
- Sally O'Callaghan (Regional Director DIPL)

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

Nil

1.5 Resignations

Nil

1.6 Disclosure of Interests

Nil

2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Provisional Meeting Only

RECOMMENDATION

That the Elliott Local Authority receive and discuss the minutes of the previous meeting held in Elliott on 07 September 2023.

Previous minutes cannot be confirmed due to lack of quorum, hence Provisional Meeting status.



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 12 October 2023



3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Provisional Meeting Only

4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Nil

5 FINANCE REPORTS

RECOMMENDATION

Through the chair, a question was raised regarding the first line item in the expenses list being \$1,000 debited for sitting fees.

This figure did not match attendance fees paid to date but it did align to funding approved for 2022 ANZAC Day expenses.

Acting Director of Operations Barry Natrass to seek clarification as to the budget detail.

6 AREA MANAGERS REPORTS

RECOMMENDATION

No area manager report was tabled however questions were raised as to the purchase of:

- Kubota RTV - X900W - H - AU
- Forks for the Skid Steer
- Change Room equipment

The question asked was what is the process in order to purchase these items once approved?
Does it require the Area Manager to instigate or Head Office in Tennant Creek?

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

RECOMMENDATION

- The LA discussed the process by which more delegated authority could be afforded to the Local Authority under the current legislation.
- BRC project management team have been contacted regarding the outstanding items on the action tracker with infrastructure items such as Lot 8/16 Lewis Street, Jim Rennie Reserve would require input from the Project Manager for Infrastructure to progress.
- The Sobering Up Shelter proposal is still awaiting an update from Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation as to what can be done to provide this service.
- The LA wish to re-invite a representative from DIPL to attend and update the members on the plans for maintaining roadside verges and nature strips in Elliott.



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 12 October 2023



- Members agreed that they wish to keep the dialogue open with the proposed Northern Interest development team and confirmed that it is an important project for the future of Elliott. Chairman Bob Bagnall and Steve Edginton are both acquainted with the directors of Northern Interest group and will attempt to contact them for updates on their intentions and requirements.

Other matters discussed were:

- A request for information as to when the BRC street sweeper would next be available to Elliott township. When Elliott gave up its own street sweeper the community were told that the BRC machine would be made available every 3 months however it has only been in Elliott once in 2 years.
- A request for information as to when plans for a chapel to be built at the Elliott cemetery would be forthcoming.
- There was a request raised in April 2023 for a copy of the Elliott town plan from DIPL in order to establish tenure of Lot 141 which the Local Authority are still yet to see.
- Elliott LA would still like to invite Director of Community Development Gillian Molloy to present the Animal Management Plan details to the members.
- Quotes are still required for the Playground equipment to come from the Barkly Backbone Team.

The Elliott LA Action Tracker needs the following items added:

- Football oval siren needs to be hardwired into place.
- Sporting equipment needed for the Elliott Sport & Rec Association has been approved for purchase but not yet actioned.
- Peacock relocation to be commenced when Chris Neade - Area Manager is back from leave.
- Road maintenance concerns need to be addressed through DIPL.
- Repair of shade sails needs to be addressed.
- Concerns have been raised by residents as to drainage and plumbing problems in the North and South camps which are serviced by Aus Projects. These areas come under the Homelands Service Provider 23/24 program overseen by the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities.
- That there is no mention or budget item listing for Animal Management in the 2023 - 2024 BRC Regional Plan.
- The Elliott LA November 2023 meeting be moved from 02 to 09 November 2023 and that the December meeting will be held on 14 December 2023.
- A question was raised by the Local Authority that the Elliott community were listed on the "Room to Breathe" Program website but no consultation or work had been conducted to date.
- The Elliott police have been running a recruitment drive for Fire Brigade membership and reaching out to young residents to join the activity as part of their Youth Diversion program.



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 12 October 2023



8 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

9 OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Nil

10 REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Nil

12 VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Nil

13 OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

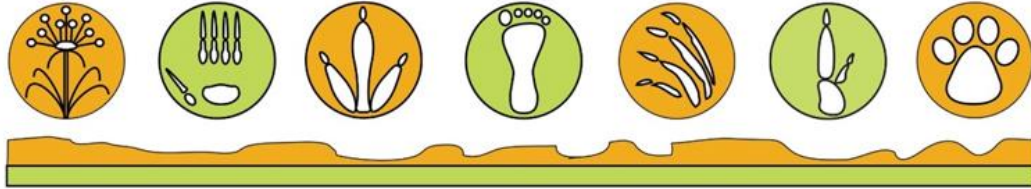
14 CLOSE OF MEETING

Meeting Closed at 1:00pm

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BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting

Barkly Regional Council's Elliott LA Meeting was held in the Conference Room on Thursday 7 September 2023 at 10:00 am.

Russell Anderson

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1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Authority Members Present

Meeting commenced at 10.40am with Bob Bagnall as Chair.

- Bob Bagnall
- Jodie Nish
- Jason Mullan
- Kevin Neade
- Lora Jackson

1.2 Staff and Visitors Present

- BRC Area Manager Annette Kingston
- Elliott Clinic Manager Paula Knewshubb
- NT Police Daniel Sandy
- BRC Chief Financial Officer Romeo Mutsago
- BRC Acting Director of Operations Barry Natrass
- BRC Governance Manager Emmanuel Okumu
- REDC Barkly Lisa Barnes
- Dept of Health Liza Wilson
- Member for Barkly Steve Edgington
- Barkly Electorate Office Darius Plummer
- NT Government's Peter Burnheim

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

Apologies

- BRC Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin
- LA Member Christopher Neade
- LA Member Kevin Gaskin
- Cr Lennie Barton
- Cr Heather Wilson
- DIPL Sally Callaghan

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

Nil.

1.5 Resignations

Nil.

1.6 Disclosure of Interests

Nil.

1.7 Review of Disclosure of Interest

Nil.



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 7 September 2023



2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Confirmation of previous Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of 10 August 2023 Minutes

MOTION

That the Local Authority receives and confirms the minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 August 2023.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-23/9

3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Actions from previous Minutes

3.1 Actions from previous Minutes

MOTION

That the Local Authority receives an update on all outstanding action items contained in the action items resolution tracker.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jodie Nish

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-23/10

4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Nil

MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 7 September 2023



5 FINANCE REPORTS

Finance Reports

5.1 Elliott LA Finance Report Sep 23

MOTION

That the Local Authority receives and notes the LA Finance Report for August 2023 and query the catering fees.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jodie Nish

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-23/11

6 AREA MANAGERS REPORTS

Area Managers Reports

6.1 Elliott Operations report September 2023

MOTION

That the Local Authority receives and notes the Operations report.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-23/12

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business

7.1 Kubota ATV quotes

MOTION

That the Local Authority requests Barkly Regional Council to go ahead with the purchase of the Kubota ATV from PumpPower Centre Alice Springs.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Kevin Neade

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-23/13



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 7 September 2023



The Authority was unable to get a third quote for the Kubota ATC.

General Business

7.2 Elliott Peacock Population

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority discusses the large population of peacocks in the Elliott community.

The Local Authority noted the growing peacock population is ongoing and will continue discussions at the next meeting.

General Business

7.3 Playground Equipment

MOTION

That the Local Authority commits \$50,000 for playground equipment and requests an options report be prepared regarding shared funding opportunities to be presented at the next LA meeting..

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jodie Nish

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-23/14

General Business

7.4 Football Oval Canteen P&E

MOTION

That the Local Authority approves the purchase of the listed items for the oval canteen for \$1762.22.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jodie Nish

Seconded: LA Member Bob Bagnall

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-23/15





General Business

7.5 Northern Interests Discussion

MOTION

That the Local Authority and Barkly Regional Council continue to maintain dialogue about Northern Interest.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Kevin Neade

Seconded: LA Member Jason Mullan

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-23/16

Also noted in General Business, Daniel Sandy from NT Police advised that police were monitoring residents drinking on the other side of the highway.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

9 OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Nil

10 REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Reports from Barkly Regional Council

10.1 Animal Management

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority receives and notes an update surrounding animal management.

The presentation had to be postponed due to technical difficulties and will be presented at the October LA Meeting.

Reports from Barkly Regional Council

10.2 Compliance and Governance

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority noted a verbal report surrounding governance and compliance.

BRC Governance Manager Emmanuel Okumu addressed the Local Authority. It was stated that most of the Council services were being adequately provided to the Elliot constituents, however there was a concern raised regarding the policies and procedures for the use of water as a dust suppressant on the street sweeper truck.



11 VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Visitor Presentations

11.1 Member for Barkly - Regional issues

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes an update of regional issues from Member for Barkly Steve Edgington.

Member for Barkly Steve Edgington reflected on issues raised with his team since he last sat with the Elliott LA in May 2023.

Mr Edgington said the status of decision making in communities is central to the CLP reform agenda and empowering communities through partnership arrangements is the objective.

Visitor Presentations

11.2 Business matters

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes a presentation from Lisa Barnes – Regional Executive Director Barkly and Liza Wilson – Business operations Manager.

They spoke about streamlining Elliot Services and providing male and female doctor service provision to the stations in the Barkly.

Visitor Presentations

11.3 Health matters

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes a presentation from the Elliott Clinic Manager.

Elliott Clinic Manager Paula Knewstubb updated the LA on health issues in Elliott. Community members are being better informed about service availability and extra staff appointed to conduct transport services for clients.

Ms Knewstubb spoke about streamlining Elliot Services and providing male and female doctor service provision to the stations in the Barkly.

12 OTHER BUSINESS

Lora Jackson brought up a bad pothole on the Stuart Highway and decided to bring it up with DIPL

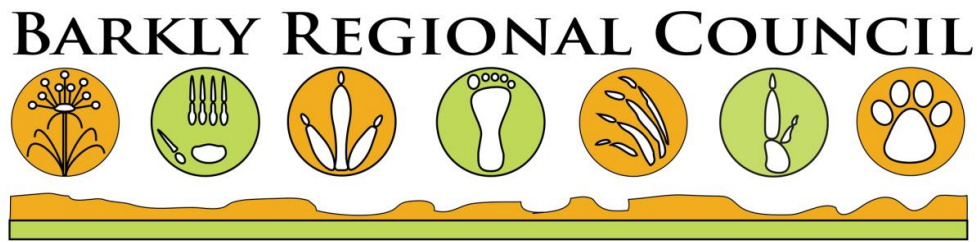
13 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Elliott LA next meeting date is Thursday 5 October 2023.

Meeting Closed at 11.45am.

This page and the preceding 6 pages are the minutes of the Elliott Local Authority meeting held on 7 September 2023 and are unconfirmed.





MINUTES ELLIOTT LOCAL AUTHORITY

The Elliott Local Authority of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Elliott Council Office - Conference Room on Thursday, 2 March 2023 at 10.30am.

Russell Anderson
Chief Executive Officer

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Meeting commenced at 10:40am 02 March 2023 with Bob Bagnall as chair.

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

Bob Bagnall (Chair)
Cr. Lennie Barton
Chris Neade (BRC)
Jason Mullan (BRC)
Kevin Neade (BRC)
Lora Jackson
Jody Nish (BRC)

1.2 Staff And Visitors Present

Pacey Jackson (Guest – Tamboran Resources)
Tamika Neade (Guest – Tamboran Resources)
Elizabeth Brown (Guest - NT Health)
Darren Lovett (BRC)
Cr. Heather Wilson
Wade Nish (BRC)

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

1.5 Disclosure Of Interest

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

16.3 DEPARTMENT OF CHIEF MINISTER AND CABINET
RECOMMENDATION
That the Authority receive presentation via telephone from Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet – Louise Beilby
Subject - Alcohol licensing within the township of Elliot

16.2 PRIMARY AND PUBLIC HEALTH - ELIZABETH BROWN
RECOMMENDATION
That the Authority receive presentation from Elizabeth Brown, Primary and Public Health.
Subject - Establishment of the Aboriginal Medical Practitioners organisation

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority receive and note the minutes of the January 2023 Elliott Local Authority Meeting, as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved – Kevin Neade

Second – Lora Jackson

3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 UPDATED ELLIOTT LOCAL AREA PLAN

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority endorse the revised Elliott Local Area Plan for provision to Barkly Regional Council.

Moved – Chris Neade

Second – Jody Nish

3.2 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a)** Receive and note the report
- b)** Confirm all completed items and remove them from the action list

Action– the Chair will send Darren Lovett a consolidated list of outstanding actions that have not been addressed

Moved – Kevin Neade

Second – Jason Mullen

16.1 PRESENTATION FROM TAMBORAN RE: NEW REC CENTRE IN ELLIOTT

RECOMMENDATION

Tamboran Resources be invited to all Elliott Local Authority meetings

Moved – Jody Nish

Second – Lora Jackson

Action Establish land tenure for proposed Tamboran Resources recreation centre site in Elliott township

2. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**

Nil

3. **FINANCE**

Nil

4. **AREA MANAGERS REPORT**

Nil

5. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil

7. **OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING**

Nil

8. **REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Nil

9. **THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN**

Nil

10. **VISITOR PRESENTATIONS**

11. **OTHER BUSINESS**

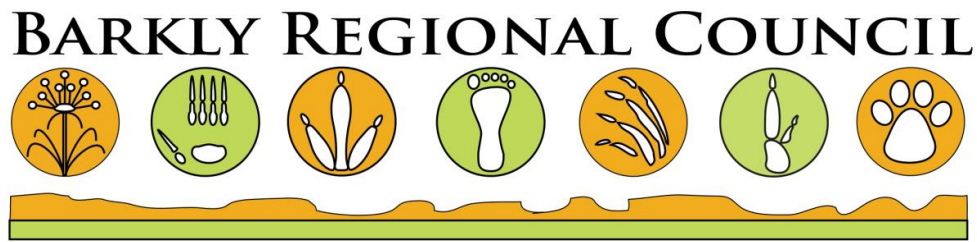
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12. **CLOSE OF MEETING** 1:15pm 02 March 2023

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Bob Bagnall
Chair

Russell Anderson
Chief Executive Officer



MINUTES ELLIOTT LOCAL AUTHORITY

The Elliott Local Authority of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Elliott Council Office - Conference Room on Thursday, 6 April 2023 at 10:30am.

Russell Anderson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

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Meeting commenced at (10:36am) with (Bob Bagnall) as chair.

1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

- 1 Elected Members Present
 - Bob Bagnall (Chair)
 - Jason Mullan (BRC)
 - Jody Nish (BRC)
 - Kevin Neade (BRC)
- 1.1 Staff And Visitors Present
 - Lucy McGarry – Barkly Backbone
 - Jeffrey McLaughlin - Mayor
 - Steve Edgington – MLA Member for Barkly
 - Lachlan Wilkins – Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet
 - Barkly Regional Council – Darren Lovett
- 1.2 Apologies To Be Accepted
 - Cr. Lennie Barton
 - Cr. Heather Wilson
 - Lora Jackson (BRC)
 - Chris Neade (BRC)
 - Kevin Gaskin
- 1.3 Absent Without Apologies
- 1.4 Disclosure Of Interest

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

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Confirm the minutes of the Local Authority Meeting Held on 2nd March 2023 Mover – Jason Mullan Seconder – Kevin Neade

3. **ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

3.1 ACTION AND RESOLUTION TRACKER - MARCH 2023
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority Receive and note the report Mover – Jody Nish Seconder – Jason Mulan

4. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**

Nil

5. **FINANCE**

5.1 ELLIOTT LA BUDGET
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority a) Receive and note the report

6. **AREA MANAGERS REPORT**

6.1 AREA MANAGER'S REPORT - APRIL 2023
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority a) Receive and note the report Mover – Jody Nish Seconder – Kevin Neade

7. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

7.1 OPERATIONS REPORT
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority a) Receive and note the report Mover - Jason Mullan Seconder – Kevin Neade

7.2 ELLIOTT LIQUOR PERMITS
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority a) Receive and note the report Resolution - Follow up by NTG Mover – Jody Nish Seconder – Kevin Neade

7.3 FORKLIFT SOLUTION - ROLL OVER FORKS
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority a) Receive and note the report b) Accept / decline the proposed quotation Resolution – Area Manager to liaise with Depot on correct size and updated quote

7.4 POLARIS QUOTE
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority a) Receive and note the report b) Accept / Decline the proposed quotation in its entirety c) Decide which option to proceed with and advise authority to recommend to council. Mayor, Council will purchase this item Resolution – LA Accepting the approval of BRC to purchase the ATV /side by side, for Council use in Elliott. Mover – Jody Nish Seconder- Kevin Neade

7.5 PLAYGROUND QUOTES
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority a) Receive and note the report b) Accept / Decline the attached quotes in their entirety c) Decide which of the quotes to accept / decline Resolution – Update quote for next meeting Mover- Jody Nish Seconder – Jason Mullan

7.6 SKIP BIN QUOTES
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority a) Receive and note the report Resolution – Upgrade Skip bin quotes with 3 3 separate quotes Mover- Jody Nish Seconder – Jason Mullan

8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil

9. **OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING**

Nil

10. **REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Nil

11. **THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN**

Nil

12. **VISITOR PRESENTATIONS**

Nil

13. **OTHER BUSINESS**

Jim Rennie Reserve

Stand In Invite for Lucy from the Bckbone Team

Lachlan Wilkins – Any service delivery issues give Lachlan a call

Steve Edgington MLA – Drain problem's at Gurungu & Wilyugu/ Housing issues

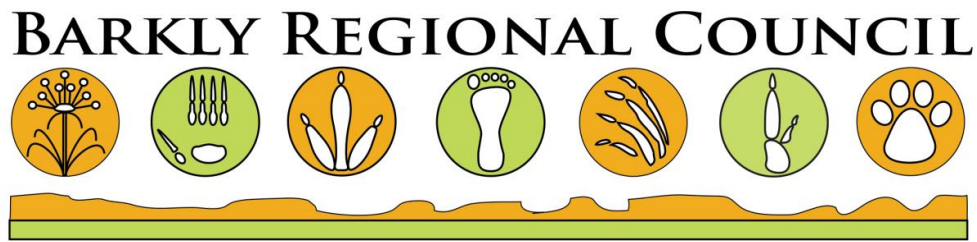
14. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

Meeting closed at 1:01 pm

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Bob Bagnall
Chair

Russell Anderson
Acting Chief Executive Officer



MINUTES ELLIOTT LOCAL AUTHORITY

The Elliott Local Authority of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Elliott Council Office - Conference Room on Thursday, 4 May 2023 at 10:30am.

Russell Anderson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

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Meeting commenced at (Fill in time) with (Fill in Name) as chair.

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

- Bob Bagnall
- Jody Nish
- Jason Mullan
- Christopher Neade
- Kevin Gaskin
- Kevin Neade
- Lora Jackson

1.2 Staff And Visitors Present

- Darren Lovett (BRC)
- Lachlan Wilkins (CM&C)
- Mark Grene (NT Pol)
- Peter Burnhiem
- Pacey Jackson
- Conney Barten
- Clinton Pepper (CM&C Ab-Interpreter)

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

- Lora Jackson (BRC)

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

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1.5 Disclosure Of Interest

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

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES
RECOMMENDATION
That the Authority confirm the minutes of the previous local authority meeting held in Elliott on 06 April, 2023
Moved – Jason Mullan
Seconded – Kevin Gaskin

3.2 LAND TENURE ELLIOTT (LOT 141)
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority receive and acknowledge the results of a land tenure enquiry Resolve – LA Members accepted the land tenure. Moved – Kevin Gaskin Seconded – Jody Nish

3.3 ELLIOTT STREET LIGHT AUDIT
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority receive and note the Elliott street light audit APR23 Resolution – Lachlan Wilkins (PMC) and Darren Lovett will find out who's responsible for each section of the township to repair any street lights. Moved – Kevin Neade Seconded – Lenny Barton

3. **ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Nil

4. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**

Nil

5. **FINANCE**

6.1 ELLIOTT LA FINANCE REPORT
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority receive and note the Elliott Local Authority Finance report Resolution – LA commit at least \$40,000 before end of current financial year. Moved – Jody Nish Seconded – Jason Mullan

6. **AREA MANAGERS REPORT**

7.1 OPERATIONS REPORT
RECOMMENDATION That the Authority receive and note the report Resolution – LA Members accepted Chris Neade and Darren Lovett to look into how many Municipal Worker position to be filled. Moved – Kevin Gaskin Seconded – Jason Mullan

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

8.1 LIQUOR LICENSING PERMIT UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority note the update from the Chief Minister and Cabinet representative regarding liquor licensing permits for the town of Elliott

Lachlan Wilkson updated that in the interim, people can still apply for Liquor permits to drink in Gurungu and Wilyuku, also all current permits are accepted. Also gave options to take.

Resolution – LA request a brief for implications, options and what support/resources to help for the next steps from PMC. A full community consultation and information be done.

Moved – Jody Nish

Seconded – Lenny Barton

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

9. OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Nil

10. REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Nil

11. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN

Nil

12. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

12.1 *Clinton Pepper – AIS (Aboriginal Interpreter Services) PMC*

Gave information about their services and would like to recruit from Elliott area.

Interpreters have opportunities to be upskilled and Nationwide accreditation.

13. OTHER BUSINESS

14.1 ACTION ITEMS RESOLUTION TRACKER

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority receive and note the Elliott Action Items resolution tracker

Moved – Kevin Gaskin

Seconded – Jason Mullan

14. CLOSE OF MEETING

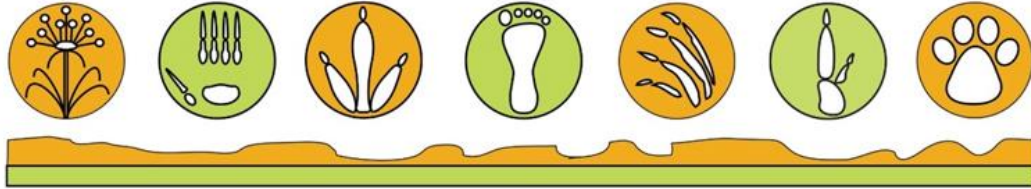
Meeting Closed at 12:30pm

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Bob Bagnall
Chair

Russell Anderson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting

Barkly Regional Council's Elliott LA Meeting was held in the {meeting-room-do-not-remove} on Thursday 10 August 2023 at 10:30 am.

Russell Anderson

Acting Chief Executive Officer

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1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

Meeting commenced at 10:25 with Bob Bagnall as Chair.

1.1 Authority Members Present

- Bob Bagnall
- Jodie Nish
- Jason Mullan
- Lora Jackson
- Cr Lennie Barton
- Cr Heather Wilson

1.2 Staff and Visitors Present

- DJ Lovett (BRC)
- Paula Knewshubb (NT Health)
- Sini Kehoe (Elliott medical clinic)
- Daniel Sands (NT Pol)
- Patrick Smith (NT Pol)
- Ben Ulamari (Representing Tamboran Resources)
- Rhonda Plummer (Anyinginyi Ab-Corp)
- Leisa McCarthy ((Anyinginyi Ab-Corp)

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted Apologies

- Jeffery McLaughlin (BRC Mayor)
- Chris Neade (LA member)
- Kevin Neade (LA member)

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

Nil

1.7 Review of Disclosure of Interest

Nil



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 10 August 2023



2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Confirmation of previous Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of previous meeting minutes

MOTION

That the Elliott LA receive and confirm the minutes of the previous meeting held in Elliott on 22JUL23.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

Resolved ELLA-23/0

3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Actions from previous Minutes

3.1 Elliott Local Authority Action items and resolutions tracker update AUG23

Reference

Author Darren Lovett (Director Operations – Remote Communities)

MOTION

That the Elliott LA receive updates on the action items and resolution tracker and note items to be closed and items to remain open.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

Resolved ELLA-23/1

4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Nil





5 FINANCE REPORTS

Finance Reports

5.1 Elliott LA Finance report AUG23

Reference

Author Darren Lovett (Director Operations – Remote Communities)

MOTION

That the Elliott LA receive and note the LA Finance report for AUG23.

- LA requests clarification on item 73152 – Contract Fees – Animal/Vet services

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

Resolved ELLA-23/2

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Elliott LA Finance Report - AU G 23 [5.1.1 - 1 page]

6 AREA MANAGERS REPORTS

Area Managers Reports

6.1 BRC Area Manager - Elliott Operations report AUG23

Reference

Author Darren Lovett (Director Operations – Remote Communities)

MOTION

That the Elliott LA receive and note the BRC Area manager report AUG23.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

Resolved ELLA-23/3

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Elliot Ops report 03AUG23 [6.1.1 - 1 page]

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business

7.1 Kubota ATV quotes

MOTION

That the Local Authority receive quotes for the procurement of an ATV for use by BRC Municipal staff in the Elliott community.

- Only two (2) quotes were presented to the Elliott LA.



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- As per the procurement policy, these quotes were rejected and not considered until a third quote is presented to the LA for consideration.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Bob Bagnall

Seconded: LA Member Jason Mullan

Resolved ELLA-23/4

8 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

9 OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Nil

10 REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Reports from Barkly Regional Council

10.1 Elliott Development - Northern Interest update

MOTION

That the Local Authority receive and update from the BRC Director Operations - Remote Communities on the Elliott redevelopment conducted by "Northern Interest"

- Two (2) complete copies in large scale (A3) design plans were presented to the LA. These plans remain located in the BRC Elliott service centre for the community to view at their leisure.
- All timeline updates were presented along with the plans.
- The Elliott LA has expressed keen interest in receiving an update from a Northern Interest representative at the appropriate time. This invitation remains extant and open.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: Cr Lennie Barton

Resolved ELLA-23/5

12 VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Visitor Presentations

12.1 Request to present - Anyinginyi Health Ab-Corp

MOTION

That the Local Authority receive a presentation from representatives of the Anyinginyi Ab-Corp

- The major topic discussed was the request by the LA/BRC Community Development team to use the vacant medical clinic located adjacent to the Elliott Safe House as a "sober up" shelter.



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- This location remains vacant and under a deed arrangement with NT State and Commonwealth.
- Anyinginyi Ab-Corp has received the Elliott LA/BRC request and intends to follow-up with State and Federal representatives to establish more information.
- The LA has extended an open invitation to the Ab-Corp to present and update the Elliott LA members on this topic.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jodie Nish

Seconded: Cr Lennie Barton

Resolved ELLA-23/6

13 OTHER BUSINESS – Presentation by Tamboran Resources

MOTION

That that the Elliott LA receive a brief from a representative of Tamboran Resources.

- Tamboran Resources remain open to assisting on any number of high impact projects contained within the Elliott Local Area Plan and BRC Regional Plan 2023-24.
- The mine site is ready for its "Aspiration" phase of operations, however negotiations with Traditional Owners remain ongoing.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Bob Bagnall

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

Resolved ELLA-23/7

Elliott Peacock population

MOTION

That the LA discuss the large population of peacocks in the community of Elliott

- The peacock population located in and around Elliott has grown large and problematic.
- The LA would like to seek assistance from BRC and the animal management team to relocate most of the population to other areas of the Barkly that would accept the birds. Investigations into interest from recognized camp grounds, caravan parks and truck stops is currently underway in order to relocate the population.



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RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Bob Bagnall

Seconded: LA Member Jason Mullan

Resolved ELLA-23/8

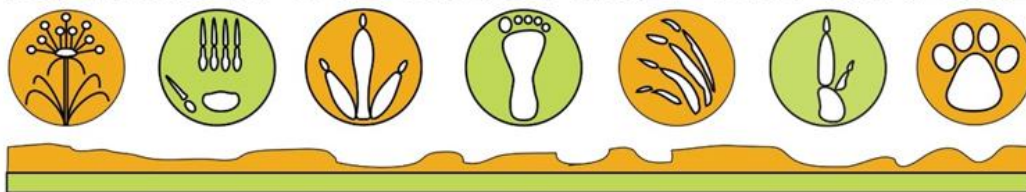
14 CLOSE OF MEETING

Meeting Closed at 12:30 10AUG23

The Elliott LA next meeting date is **07SEP23** as per the forecasted schedule of the first Thursday of each month. This schedule can be viewed on the BRC website.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Elliott Local Authority meeting HELD on 10AUG23 AND ARE UNCONFIRMED.

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting

Barkly Regional Council's Elliott LA Meeting was held in the Conference Room on Thursday 11 January 2024 at 10:32 am.

Ian Bodill

Chief Executive Officer

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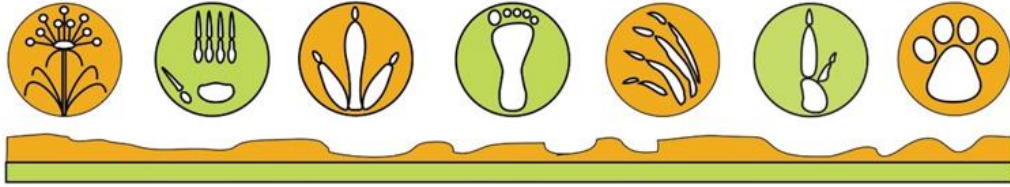
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BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



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





1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Authority Members Present

- Bob Bagnall (Chair)
- Laura Jackson (Member)
- Kevin Neade (Member)
- Jason Mullan (Member)
- Lennie Barton (Suspended/ invited member)

1.2 Staff and Visitors Present

- Danny Sandy (NT Police)
- Marlene Bell (Health Clinic)
- Ruth Morley via teams (Investigator)
- Christopher Neade (BRC Area Manager)
- Brody Moore (BRC Director of Operations & Remote Communities)
- Barry Nattrass (BRC WHS Manager)
- Paul Hyde Kaduru (BRC LA Coordinator)

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

- MLA Steve Edgington (Member of Barkly)
- Ian Bodill (BRC CEO)
- Peter Holt (BRC Official Manager)
- Heather Wilson (Suspended / Invited Guest)
- Jody Nish (Deputy Chair)
- Patrick Smith (Elliott OIC NT Police)
- Kevin Gaskin (Member)

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

Nil

1.5 Resignations

Nil

1.6 Disclosure of Interests

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 as correct record of the previous meeting held in Elliot on 14 Dec 2023

RESOLVED

Moved: Jason Mullan

Seconded: Kevin Neade

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/35

3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Actions from previous Minutes

3.1 Purchase of ATV with LAP Funds

MOTION

That Elliott Local Authority notes and receives an update on proposed purchase of an ATV utilising LAP funds.

SUMMARY:

The Director of Operations has officially approved the purchase of a new ATV, utilizing council funds.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Lora Jackson

Seconded: LA Member Jason Mullan

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/36





Actions from previous Minutes

3.2 Peafowl relocation

MOTION

That Local Authority notes and receives the update on Peafowl relocation.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Lora Jackson

Seconded: LA Member Kevin Neade

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/37

4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports

4.1 Chief Executive Officers Report

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and receives the report from the Chief Executive Officer.

RESOLVED:

Moved: LA Member Lora Jackson

Seconded: LA Member Kevin Neade

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/38





5 FINANCE REPORTS

Finance Reports

5.1 Finance Report

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and confirm the LAP funds finance report as correct record for 01/07/2023 to 31/12/2023.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Lora Jackson

Seconded: LA Member Christopher Neade

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/39

6 AREA MANAGERS REPORTS

Nil

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and confirm the Area Manager's verbal report as correct record.

SUMMARY:

The Area Manager provided updates verbally on various aspects, highlighting the disposal of old plant equipment through auction. The waste collection process is functioning smoothly, and the repair of a broken pipe in the library has been successfully addressed. Currently, there is a vacant casual position, and efforts are underway to resolve issues with water parks by obtaining repair quotes. Additionally, manual watering, facilitated by a firefighting trailer, is temporarily in place for trees and the oval.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Kevin Neade

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/40





7 GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business

7.1 Power issues

MOTION

The Local Authority requests BRC to advocate on the power issues within the community.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Lora Jackson

Seconded: LA Member Jason Mullan

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/43

General Business

7.2 Telstra issues

MOTION

The Local Authority requests BRC to investigate Telstra network issues.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Lora Jackson

Seconded: LA Member Jason Mullan

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/44

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General Business

7.3 Turn at rubbish dump

MOTION

The Local Authority notes and receives a commitment from Peter Holt on the upgrade road at Landfill access turn off from Stuart Highway through the director of DIPL.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Kevin Neade

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/45

General Business

7.4 ANZAC day

MOTION

That the Local Authority committed to provide \$1000 to Elliot & Newcastle Waters Sport & Rec Assoc Inc. for the BBQ on ANZAC day

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Kevin Neade

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/46

General Business

7.5 Sewerage leakage at Service station

MOTION

That Local Authority requests BRC to investigate who has the responsibility for repairing and maintaining the Sewerage system at the PUMA service station.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Kevin Neade

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/47





General Business

7.6 Sobering up shelter

MOTION

The Local Authority requests BRC to investigate and advocate through Anyinginyi on the progress of Sobering up shelter in Elliott.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Jason Mullan

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/48

General Business

7.7 Community Plan

MOTION

The Local Authority discussed and updated the Elliott Community Plan and once completed that it would be presented to BRC for ratification.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Bob Bagnall

Seconded: Christopher Neade

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/49

8 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil



9 OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Other Matters For Noting

9.1 Other discussion points

SUMMARY

- The Chair submitted and discussed a comprehensive community plan for the current year, which will be forwarded to the council for consideration in the upcoming regional plan.
- The local authority formally requested drone imagery of the community to be obtained before the next meeting.
- Marlene Bell reported the appointment of a new male nurse, achieving full staffing, and confirmed the commencement of doctor visits from the following week, contributing to improved healthcare services.
- Brody provided an update on the ongoing progress in landfill management, highlighting efforts in waste management practices within the community.
- The Local Authority formally requested the installation of a shade and toilet facility at the cemetery, concerns duly noted by the Area Manager for further consideration and action.

ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

10 REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Reports from Barkly Regional Council

10.1 Director of Operations and Remote Community

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and receives the report from the Director of Operations and Remote Community.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Christopher Neade

Seconded: LA Member Lora Jackson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ELLA-24/41

MINUTES Elliott LA Meeting 11 January 2024



11 VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Nil

12 OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

13 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Elliott LA next meeting date is **07/03/24**.

Meeting Closed at **12:33 PM**

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	Meet date	Resolution	Item description	Resolution/Action	Funding	Action leader	Status	Comment	
1	6/6/2017		House 8 Lewis Street	That BRC replaces demolished building		Dir Ops	Ongoing	Added to 5 year infrastructure plan.	
2								Requires costing and plans to move forward.	
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4	7/3/2018		Jim Rennie Mem Reserve	That BRC do a masterplan to bring all facilities back to a usable condition		Dir Infrastructure	Ongoing	Include lighting of football field, upgrade of golf course, tennis court, cricket, mini golf and BMX track	
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7	10/11/2018		Sobering up Shelter	Request BRC look at the validity of a shelter and if possible to pursue funding		Dir Comm Serv.	Remove	BRC Area Manager to speak with Anyinginyi regarding vacant McRae St building. 10 Aug 2023 Anyinginyi presented to LA.	
8								Awaiting update.	
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11	2/7/2019		Kerb and guttering Brown a	Request BRC look at funding		Dir Infrastructure	Ongoing	Awaiting grant funding	
12			Koorunga Streets						
13	2/7/2019		Drovers Drive NCW	Road condition and options		Dir Infrastructure	Ongoing	Awaiting grant funding	
14	7/15/2021		Tree Planting	Request an update on replacement tree planting program		BRC	Ongoing	Nil response so replacement trees were passed LA meet 12/10 to come from LA funds, 175 trees. A further 90 + 60 trees were donated for planting out.	
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18	5/19/2022	ELA 17/22	Animal Management	Request from CEO to contribute funding for animal management		BRC	Completed	Funding declined pending further information around funding from all bodies and update on Animal Management Committee. Advised June 2023 Gillian Molloy will update LA. Updated 14/12/23.	
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24	5/31/2022	ELA 16/23	Plant Purchase	That the AM get quotes for skip bins, and forks for skid steer and backhoe	\$9,557	Area Manager	Ongoing	Forks delivered, still waiting on skip bins	
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26	8/11/2022	ELA 13/23	Plant purchase side by side	That quotes be obtained by AM and forwarded to BRC for approval	\$40,000	Area Manager	Ongoing	Mayor advised LA meet 6/4/23 that LA could not fund as was a vehicle. Indicated that BRC would purchase for Elliott.	
27								Quotes obtained LA meet 7/9/23.	
28								Dec 2023 approval by Dir of Ops.	
29								Res 107/22 plans will be presented to next LA meet. Plans presented to LA meet 10/8/23	
30	8/11/2022		Accommodation plans	That Northern Interests be asked to supply legible plans and full scope of works.		Northern Interest	Ongoing	Peter Holt advised 14/12/23 transfer has not happened and legal advice sought.	
31								Visited once in last 2 calendar years to 2023	
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34	11/10/2022		Street Sweeper	That the AM confirm a date for a visit to Elliott		Area Manager	Ongoing	Waiting on a response from Harvey	
35								Development asking for design and cost of TC chapel. Discussion 14/12/23 other priorities	
36	1/5/2023		Cemetery Chapel	That the AM obtains quotes and plans for chapel and BRC contribution		Dir Infrastructure	Remove	Dexter Barnes to upgrade. Went for short period of time, now needs further attention.	
37								7/9/2023 LA committed 50k and awaiting co-funding agreement with Backbone team.	
38	4/6/2023	ELA 17/23	Water Park	That the Park be upgraded so it is operational		Area Manager	Completed	Jody advised hasn't had time to do paperwork.	
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40	4/6/2023		Upgrade Playground equipment	That LA source quotes for new playground equipment		Area Manager/ Backbone team	Ongoing	Mayor indicated at May LA meet that he will follow it up with Tourism Central Aust, and	
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43	4/6/2023		Tourism Notice boards	That Tourism notice boards be re-furbished		Mayor	Ongoing		
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47								Tourism NT. Peter Holt advised \$12,000	
48								available from Tourism Central Australia.	
49	8/10/2023	ELLA 23/7	Peacock population	That the LA seek assistance from BRC to re-locate the population		BRC	Ongoing	Talks with various parties to take the birds.	
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51	9/7/2023	ELLA 23/11	Finance report	That the LA query sitting fees debited to the LA funds of \$1000		BRC	Completed	No explanation received	
52								An additional \$1750 debited to 30/11 report.	
53			Landfill Management	That BRC notes and considers as a matter of urgency the current Landfill situation.		BRC	Ongoing	Awaiting a response	
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55	11/9/2023		Assess Elliott bitumen roads condition	That BRC assess Elliott internal roads for resurfacing and also advocate		BRC	Ongoing	Roads have not been resurfaced since 2008.	
56				for Wilyugu and Gurungu roads to be done at the same time.					
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59	11/9/2023		Australia Day	That the AM call for nominations and that they be presented to the LA meet on 14th December 2023.		Area Manager	Completed	Nominations called for. Done 14/12/2023	
60								CEO advised BRC would provide funding of \$1500 for BBQ.	
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62	11/9/2023		Plants quote	That the LA accept Darwin Plant	\$8,596.50	Area Manager	Completed	Awaiting purchase order. Purchased and delivered.	
63				Wholesalers quote for \$8596.50 for 175 plants and that 1-2 plants are made available to Elliott residents and that the remainder be used to replace dead trees					
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67	11/9/2023		Outstanding DIPL issues	That DIPL address a number of issues.		DIPL	Ongoing	After previous email communication Director Sally O'Callaghan was made aware of the following:- Pot hole on Highway opposite Puma, Request toilets be provided at the Airstrip, Removal of grids at both ends of town, Footpath condition outside Aged Care facility, Trees to be lopped on Nature strip, Service Road congestion during tourist season and lack of signage, Realignment of service road/footpath outside new store development, Clinic signage Stuart Highway south, Condition of road shoulders through town, and slashing of highway on NE side.	
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79	11/9/2023	ELLA 23/29	Mormons Church	That they have asked to hold church services at the Sport & Rec centre		Local Authority	Completed	No issues with holding services outside.	
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81	11/9/2023	ELLA 23/30	Footy Change Rooms	That the grill entrance doors be upgraded to provide privacy.		Area Manager	Ongoing	that both change room doors be upgraded to provide privacy for football teams.	
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83	11/9/2023	ELLA 23/31	Tree Guards	That the LA approve purchase of tree guards for small trees.		Area Manager	Ongoing	CEO advised that BRC would provide funding of up to \$500 for tree guards.	
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85	12/14/2023	ELLA 24/43	Power Outages	That the LA requests BRC to advocate on continuing power outages.		Dir Ops	Ongoing	The last 4 months Elliott has had a series of power outages, up to 11 in one day.	
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87	12/14/2023	ELLA 24/44	Telstra Issues	That the LA requests BRC to advocate for improvement to network issues.		Dir Ops	Ongoing	Whenever the power goes out so does Telstra. It appears the backup system requires attention.	
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89	12/14/2023	ELLA 24/45	Passing lane	That BRC lobbys DIPL to remedy the issues around turning into the waste management facility.		Dir Ops / BRC Manager	Ongoing	There have been a number of accidents at this turn off. The latest involved a BRC vehicle in which BRC Manager was a passenger. He advised he would make representations to DIPL.	
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93	12/14/2023	ELLA 24/46	Anzac Day Commemoration	That ELA provide funding for the event	LA	Area Manager & Finance	Ongoing	Traditionall the LA has provided funding to	
94								ENCW S&R Assoc Inc to host the event.	
95	12/14/2023	ELLA 24/47	Septic effluent	That BRC investigate the ponding of effluent		Dir Ops	Ongoing	Effluent is ponding at the rear of the boundary	
96				behind the Puma boundary fence.				fence on parkland.	
97	12/14/2023	ELLA 24/48	Sobering up shelter	That BRC follow up with Anyinginyi.		Dir Ops	Ongoing	Anyinginyi attended LA in August 2023 and	
98								advised they would follw up on McRae Street	
99								land and buildings and advise Elliott LA of status.	
100	12/14/2023	ELLA 24/49	Community Plan	Update Plan and present to BRC.		Dir Ops	Ongoing	LA update plan and ask that it be presented to	
101								BRC OCM for ratification.	

12 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

13 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

14 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

15 DECISION TO MOVE INTO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

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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.

15.1 Opening Trust Account

REASONS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

Status 51(1)(c)(i) - This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(c)(i) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations*



2021, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

16 NEXT MEETING AND MEETING CLOSE