

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



AGENDA SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Friday 8 December 2023

Barkly Regional Council's Special Council Meeting will be held
in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek
on Friday 8 December 2023 at 3:00 pm.

Ian Bodill

Chief Executive Officer

OUR VISION

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

The Way We Will Work

We will make it happen!

We will be engaged and have regular opportunities to listen.

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

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

We are a responsible Council. We will be a responsive Council.

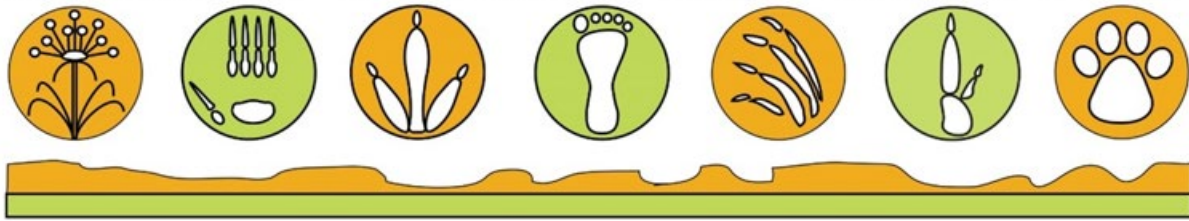
We want to empower local decision making.

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

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

We will aggressively pursue additional funding from both levels of government to improve the standard of living of people across the region. We need to be realistic, transparent, and accountable.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

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

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

COUNCIL PRAYER

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

Amen

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1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

- Peter Holt - Official Manager

1.2 Staff Members Present

1.3 Visitors Present

1.4 Apologies and Leave of Absence

1.5 Disclosure of Interest

1.6 Review of Disclosure of Interest

2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

4 ADDRESSING THE MEETING

Nil

5 OFFICIAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Nil

6 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports

6.1 Senior Staff Members

Author Emmanuel Okumu (Governance Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes the list of senior staff members.

SUMMARY

The CEO and Council's senior staff members are required to submit an annual return of interests to Council as prescribed in Section 107 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021.

BACKGROUND

Section 178 of the Local Government Act requires the CEO and senior staff members to submit an annual return of interests to Council before 30 September in that year. As per section 178(2) and per the Barkly Regional Council 2023 – 2024 Regional Plan, the following positions constitute the senior staff members of Barkly Regional Council:

- A) Chief Executive Officer
- B) Director of Corporate Services
- C) Director of Operations and Remote Communities
- D) Director of Community Development
- E) Chief Finance Officer
- F) Director of Tennant Creek
- G) Executive Manager
- H) Work Health and Safety Manager
- I) Audit and Governance Manager

ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT

This is a compliance requirement under the Local Government Act. The risk factor is that BRC staff in the above-listed positions may have a conflict between their public duty and their personal interests.

BUDGET IMPLICATION

There are no obvious budget implications identified

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

In previous years, there does not appear to have been compliance with this section of the Act. The consequence of this omission is that historically, BRC senior staff may have been in breach of the Act

requirements. The governance office recommendation is that the CEO informs all senior staff of the obligation to submit their annual return of interests for calendar year 2023 as soon as practicable and by no later than 30 September of each year going forward.

CONSULTATION & TIMING

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ATTACHMENTS:



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

Nil

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 provisions as mentioned in the reasons below.

15 REASONS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

15.1. FORMER STAFF CASE

Status 51(1)(a) - *This item is considered 'Confidential' 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, 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 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.

15.2. BANK SIGNATORIES

Status 51(1)(d) - *This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(d) 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 subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.*

15.3. CANTEEN CREEK MOU- NIGHT PATROL

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.*

15 NEXT MEETING AND MEETING CLOSE