

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



AGENDA

The Tennant Creek Local Authority will be held in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek on Tuesday, 17 May 2022 at 1630.

Emma Bradbury

Chief Executive Officer

OUR VISION

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

The Way We Will Work

We will make it happen!

We will be engaged and have regular opportunities to listen.

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

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

We are a responsible Council.

We will be a responsive Council.

We want to empower local decision making.

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

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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

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CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER 2.1
TITLE Confirmation Of Previous Minutes
REFERENCE 348961
AUTHOR Millicent Nhepera, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Confirm the minutes from the meeting held 19th April 2022 as a true and accurate record.

SUMMARY:

Confirm minutes of meeting 19th April 2022 in the Council Chambers Tennant Creek as a true and accurate record.

BACKGROUND

NIL

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

NIL

CONSULTATION & TIMING

NIL

ATTACHMENTS:

1 [↓](#) TCLA April Minutes

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES

TENNANT CREEK LOCAL AUTHORITY

The Tennant Creek Local Authority of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek on Tuesday, 26 April 2022 at 4:30 pm.

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Chief Executive Officer

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The meeting commenced at 4:57 PM with Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin as chair.

1. **OPENING AND ATTENDANCE**

1.1 Elected Members Present

Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin

1.2 LA Members Present

Catherine Lynch (Katie)

Darrin William Whatley

Deborah Cain

Heather Anderson

Nathanael Mills

1.3 Staff And Visitors Present

Emma Bradbury – CEO

Sid Vashist – Director of Corporate Services – Phone

Millicent Rushwaya - Quality & Governance Officer - Phone

Renjith Kollakkombil – Record and Compliance Officer

1.4 Apologies To Be Accepted

Heather Burton

Lindy Brodie

1.5 Disclosure Of Interest

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

2. **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

2.1 **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

MOTION

That the Authority:

- a) Confirm the minutes from the meeting held 8th June 2021 as a true and accurate record; and
- b) Confirm the minutes from the provisional meeting held 10th August 2021 as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED

Moved: Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin

Seconded: Local Authority Member Catherine Lynch

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved TCLA 1/22

3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 ACTION ITEMS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

MOTION

That the Authority: receive and note the actions items; and instruct the following:

- action Item 1 – request Council to provide a report to TCLA on all park facilities in Tennant Creek. Report to include condition report and where possible, contain usage rates.
- action Item 2 – remove as the Council is working on preparing an Animal Management Plan. So, wait for the instruction from Council;
- action Item 3 – remove;
- action Item 4 – remove as the action was completed; and
- action Item 5 – remove.

RESOLVED

Moved: Local Authority Member Darrin William Whatley

Seconded: Local Authority Member Deborah Cain

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved TCLA 2/22

Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin left the meeting at 5.12

Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin return the meeting at 5.20

4. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

CEO explained and assured TCLA that a strong and active Local Authority is backed up by NTG and Council.

5. FINANCE

The Local Authority budget was explained by Sid Vashist - Director of Corporate Services.

At the next meeting, more updates will be provided.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

MOTION

That the Authority: appoint Darrin William Whatley as Chair and Nathanael Mills as Deputy Chair for 12 months.

RESOLVED

Moved: Local Authority Member Deborah Cain

Seconded: Local Authority Member Heather Anderson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved TCLA 3/22

Darrin William Whatley was nominated by Nathanael Mills
Nathanael Mills was nominated by Darrin William Whatley
Appointments were approved unanimously

6.2 MEETING SCHEDULE**MOTION****That the Authority:**

- a) agree on dates and frequency of local authority meetings monthly every 3rd Tuesday of the month; and
- b) agree on a time for local authority meetings to commence at 4:30 PM.

RESOLVED**Moved: Local Authority Member Darrin William Whatley****Seconded: Local Authority Member Catherine Lynch****CARRIED UNAN.***Resolved TCLA 4/22***6.3 CODE OF CONDUCT****MOTION****That the Authority:**

- a) Receive and accept Barkly Regional Council Code of Conduct Policy; and
- b) Members signed Barkly Regional Council Code of Conduct Policy.

RESOLVED**Moved: Local Authority Member Nathanael Mills****Seconded: Local Authority Member Deborah Cain****CARRIED UNAN.***Resolved TCLA 5/22***7. OTHER BUSINESS**

10.1 DISCUSSION	
1	Location of the accessible toilets
2	5-year infrastructure plan to be shared
3	Sustainability of the BRC building and assets
4	Environment, sustainability and climate change initiative – The CEO explained that lower-level structure to be established before moving on to higher levels of objectives.
5	Chairs at Centrelink – The CEO asked about the options to add shades
6	Illegal oil dumping – food safety concern and Snap Send Solve options (addressed with resolution)
7	Walkways and pathways in the community – damage to disability accessible vehicles

8	Security at BP – community safety
9	Anti-social behaviour - stealing
10	LA to develop a plan

BRINGING UP FOOTPATH PLAN

MOTION

That the Authority: request Council to bring up the footpath plan at next TCLA meeting.

RESOLVED

Moved: Local Authority Member Nathanael Mills

Seconded: Local Authority Member Catherine Lynch

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved TCLA 6/22

ADDRESS FOOD SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

MOTION

That the Authority: request Council an investigation by the BRC's Environmental Health Officer or by the NT Government EPA Officer into the reports of illegal dumping of waste oil.

RESOLVED

Council; address food safety

Moved: Local Authority Member Deborah Cain

Seconded: Local Authority Member Catherine Lynch

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved TCLA 7/22

8. CLOSE OF MEETING - AT 6.26 PM

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 4 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Tennant Creek Local Authority HELD ON Tuesday, 26 April 2022 AND CONFIRMED.

Darrin William Whatley
Chair

Emma Bradbury
Chief Executive Officer

ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER	3.1
TITLE	Action Items Arising From Previous Meetings
REFERENCE	348962
AUTHOR	Millicent Nhepera, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the actions items.

SUMMARY:

The Action List represents a brief synopsis of the matters outstanding requiring actioning and updating by Council. The relevant responsible officer will provide an overview and update of items for consideration arising from the action list.

BACKGROUND

N/A

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Nil

CONSULTATION & TIMING

Nil

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 [↓](#) Action and Resolution Tracker - TCLA - 2022-05-12.pdf

Resolution	Item Description	Actioning Officer	Resolution/Action	Status (Completed/ in progress/ not commenced)	Comment
TCLA 2/22	report to TCLA on all park facilities in TC	Director of Infrastructure/Director of Corporate services	request Council to provide a report to TCLA on all park facilities in Tennant Creek. Report to include condition report and where possible, contain usage rates.	In Progress	A report to be provide in next LA meeting
TCLA 6/22	footpath plan at next TCLA meeting	Director of Infrastructure	request Council to bring up the footpath plan at next TCLA meeting - Walkways and pathways in the community - damage to disability accessible vehicles	Not commenced	BRC does not have current Foot Path Plan. A new plan needs to be developed. It will developed and presented in June Council Meeting and then present to LA in the July LA meeting
TCLA 7/22	reports of illegal dumping of waste oil.	Director of Community Development	request Council an investigation by the BRC's Environmental Health Officer or by the NT Government EPA Officer into the reports of illegal dumping of waste oil.	Not commenced	Source: Food van
Other Business	accessible toilets	Director of Infrastructure	Location of the accessible toilets	Completed	In TC, BRC has only one accessible toilet in operation at the moment which is in Lake Mary Ann Dam. The replacement of burnt toilet in Peko Park in progress. But, due to security and service connections (electrical, plumbing and sewer), the location of Peko Park Toilet cannot differed from the existing one
Other Business	5-year infrastructure plan	Director of Infrastructure	5-year infrastructure plan to be shared	Completed	BRC 5-year infrastructure wish list is attached herewith
Other Business	BRC building and assets	Director of Infrastructure	Sustainability of the BRC building and assets	Not commenced	Condition assessment and valuation of the current BRC assets needs to be done by a qualified consultant. It will be done in conjunction with the BRC financial plan and can take between 6 to 18 months to complete the job.
Other Business	Chairs at Centrelink	CEO	Chairs and the options to add shades at Centrelink	Not commenced	This item was raised at the April meeting of Council. Council resolved to write to the Minister responsible for Centrelink to express concern. See correspondence attached. CEO has also raised the matter with the Project Control Group and project Manager for the Patterson Street Streetscape Redesign and Upgrade. Costings have been received of approximately \$75k for shaded seating and planting. Options are being explored for the inclusion or redesign to include in the project scope. Awaiting further advice.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER	4.1
TITLE	The Chief Executive Officer's Report
REFERENCE	349391
AUTHOR	Makhaim Brandon, Operations Administration Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the Chief Executive Officer's Report for the month of April.

REPORT:

LGANT AGM and Cross government Workshop -

Travelled to Darwin on the 5th of April for the LGANT meeting on the 6th and 7th, before the LGANT AGM

Barkly was well represented with all four of the Barkly Regional Council's motions carried unanimously. Mayor spoke strongly to the motions. CEO provided a key note address on the Barkly Regional Deal.

The Mayor and I attended a truly charming reception at Government House with Administrator Vicki O'Halloran wearing the delightful Gold Shovel, gifted to her by the Mayor.

The Mayor and I travelled from the hotel to the venue at City of Darwin Council office on ecofriendly scooters, following the standard set by the Mayor of Alice Springs, leading to an impromptu meeting with the NT Chief Minister Michael Gunner.

The Conference proved to be a terrific opportunity to network with colleagues from across the Territory, to understand the issues we share, and to learn from each other's experience.

Streetscape PCG.

13th of April saw the Director of Infrastructure and myself attending the Streetscape PCG to discuss progress on the Streetscape project.

Councilbiz Board Meeting.

Thursday the 14th of April I attended the Councilbiz board meeting via teleconference.

Youth Justice Facility

Council's action items table notes a request for Council to be updated on progress with the Youth Justice Facility:

Soana Vaihu, Executive Director of Regional Services - Barkly for Territory Families, Housing and Communities, Northern Territory Government this month provided the following information

- NTG awarded design and construct tender on 17 June 2021. The contract is for off-site construction, with on-site installation subject to finalisation of the ILUA for the preferred site.
- There has been a delay around the full authorisation of the Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) as the meeting was rescheduled from 17 March 2022 due to the funeral of a senior Patta man who was also a Patta Aboriginal Corporation Director.

- CLC have advised that the next earliest date for a meeting with the Native title holders and Patta Aboriginal Corporation is 17 May 2022.
- Senior executives NTG will attend this meeting and NTG are hopeful that the ILUA is finalised so we can progress towards installation.

BACKGROUND

The following table presents a snapshot of some of the engagement highlights for the month.

Date	Event/Meeting	Location
March 24	Meeting with Arlparra Staff	Arlparra
March 28	Meeting with Damien Burton	Barkly House
	BRD Workforce Development workshop	BRD Office
March 30	Economic Development meeting with Jaymie	41 Peko
	Desert Bloom Hydrogen	41 Peko
	Meeting with Alice Springs CEO – Robert Jennings	Teleconference
April 1	Barkly Regional Coordination Committee	Barkly House
April 5	Cross Government Workshop	Oaks Darwin
	Meeting with Her Honor the Honorable Vicki O’Halloran AO, Administrator of the Northern Territory	Government House
April 6	LGANT AGM Forum	Darwin
April 7	LGANT AGM Day 2	Darwin
April 12	Council and Community strategic planning workshop – <i>Better Barkly 2030</i>	Council Chambers
	Mr Ivica Glasnović Consul General to the Republic of Croatia	Council Chambers
	Screening of documentary COUNTRYMAN by Peter Pecotić	Nyinnka Nyunyu
April 13	Streetscape PCG	Teams
	Tennant Creek Landfill meeting – Sarah Fairhead	DIPL TC Office
	Tennant Creek Radar Briefing	Teams
	Youth Centre Planning and Community Input	41 Peko
April 14	councilBIZ Board Meeting	Teams
	NT Electoral Commission Meeting	Telephone
April 20	Group Catch up – Julalikari CEO & Craig Kelly	13 Maloney

[END REPORT]

ATTACHMENTS:

FINANCE

ITEM NUMBER	5.1
TITLE	Director of Corporate Services Report
REFERENCE	348964
AUTHOR	Sid Vashist, Director of Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the finance report for the month of April 2022.

SUMMARY:

As per the attached Income & Expenditure statement, Tennant Creek Local Authority will be able to establish an understanding of the community projects committed or expended by the Local Authority in the last six financial years.

\$148,455.13 remains to be committed towards new community projects.

General Ledger Balance	\$ 153,758.22
Committed Expenditure	\$ 5,303.09
Uncommitted Funds	\$ 148,455.13
TCLA Total Funds (as at April 2022)	\$ 153,758.22

Barkly Regional Council will help plan and deliver local projects that have been identified as priorities by the Tennant Creek local authority.

BACKGROUND

Local authorities work with the community to find solutions to local issues.

TCLA will be involved in planning, giving feedback on service delivery and identify priority community projects based within Tennant Creek Local Authority boundaries.

Examples of Acceptable Purposes for Expenditure

- Repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council. For example:-office upgrades, fencing, solar lighting, road repairs and ablution facilities.
- Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery. For Example:- trailers, garden maintenance equipment such as brush cutters, lawn mowers and pressure cleaners, rubbish bin enclosures /stands.
- Upgrade/enhancement of community sporting facilities. For example, upgrade of community ovals, basketball courts and playgrounds, shade structures, picnic areas, seating and park furniture, tree planting and irrigation.

Examples of Unacceptable Purposes for Expenditure

- Purchase of vehicles and fuel expenses
- Payment of salaries, cash prizes or recurrent operating costs of council
- Meeting costs and payments to local authority members
- Sponsorship by way of uniforms, travels cost and allowances
- Purposes that are not related to local government services and that should be addressed by another government agency.

Administration and/or project management fees are not to be levied on this grant funding.

Procurement - All approved projects are required to be procured in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and, as far as practical under the NT Government's Buy Local Plan.

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

TCLA monies must be fully expended within two years of receipt of funding. Failure to do so may result in the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet taking action, including but not limited to:

Withholding further grant payments under this program or requesting unspent funds to be repaid.

CONSULTATION & TIMING

Nil matters

ATTACHMENTS:

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Barkly Regional Council
Local Authority Allocation

Project: 405
30-Apr-22

Tennant Creek

INCOME

LA Grants Received

Grants Received

Tennant Creek Transport - Bus Shelter Contribution

INCOME TOTAL

EXPENDITURE
 Approved
 Minutes

LA Funding Expended

Jun-17 Town Clock
Dec-17 Vet***
Jun-18 Community Shade Structures
Jun-17 Bus Shelter
Jun-17 Hilda Street Park
Dec-18 Artwork - Town Clock
Mar-17 TC Cemetary
Jun-17 Community Information Board
Oct-19 Lake Mary Ann Project

Expenditure Date

Nov-17
Jun-18
Aug-18
Oct-18
Jun-19
Jul-19
Jan-21
Jul-20
Mar-21

LA Funding Committed

Jun-17 Community Information Board
Jun-17 Hilda Street Park

YTD Balance

EXPENDITURE TOTAL

BALANCE OF FUNDS TO BE COMMITTED

Budget	Income and Expenditures						
	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	Total
500,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	-	500,000.00
5,000.00			5,000.00				5,000.00
505,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	105,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	-	505,000.00
18,180.00	18,180.00						18,180.00
1,803.40	1,803.40						1,803.40
62,376.07	62,376.07						62,376.07
14,809.55		10,000.00	4,809.55				14,809.55
66,886.81	17,640.53	20,996.80		28,249.48			66,886.81
3,957.44		3,957.44					3,957.44
29,410.33		27,523.97		1,886.36			29,410.33
3,818.18				3,818.18			3,818.18
150,000.00		37,521.79	100,190.45	12,287.76			150,000.00
2,181.82					2,181.82		2,181.82
3,121.27					3,121.27		3,121.27
							-
356,544.87	100,000.00	100,000.00	105,000.00	46,241.78	5,303.09		356,544.87
148,455.13	-	-	-	53,758.22	94,696.91		148,455.13

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER 6.1
TITLE 2020/2021 Annual Report
REFERENCE 349434
AUTHOR Millicent Rushwaya, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

a) Receive and note the 2020/2021 Barkly Regional Council annual report

SUMMARY:

The Authority is asked to note the 2020/2021 Annual Report to be tabled at this meeting.

BACKGROUND

Under the Local Authority Ministerial Guidelines, each local authority must be part of the consultation process for the Council's annual report.

However, there was no TCLA when the Annual Report consultation was conducted last year. The authority is asked to note the final annual report for your information.

ORGANISATIONAL RISK ASSESSMENT

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BUDGET IMPLICATION

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ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

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CONSULTATION & TIMING

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ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	6.2
TITLE	Local Authority Funding Information
REFERENCE	349068
AUTHOR	Millicent Rushwaya, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

a) Receive and note the Local Authority Funding report

SUMMARY:

This report gives details how the local authority can spent the money given by the Northern Territory Government (NTG) through local authority funding can be used.

BACKGROUND

Every year the local authority receives funding from the NTG to use on the respective community. While the local authority has the liberty to choose what they spend this on, there are guidelines that are provided by the NTG on how this money may be sent.

A copy of the funding guidelines is attached for your perusal. Key elements are summarized below:

The objectives of the of LA funding program are to:

- Assist in building stronger communities and assist community priority projects as recommended by local authorities.
- To assist local governing bodies and the constituent communities they represent to become stronger and self-sustaining.
- Assist in the provision of quality community infrastructure that facilitates community activity and integration.
- Assist in developing local government capacity to provide legitimate representation, effective governance, improved service delivery and sustainable development.

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

All members must make sure that they familiarize themselves with these guidelines in order to make sure that the LA remains compliant with regard to funding guidelines.

CONSULTATION & TIMING

NA

ATTACHMENTS:

1  local-authority-project-funding-guidelines (1).pdf

Funding Guidelines

Local Authority Project Funding

Purpose

To encourage the continued development of local authorities and their respective communities through the provision of funding to undertake priority community projects that are in line with these guidelines.

Objectives

The objectives of the program are to:

- Assist in building stronger communities and assist community priority projects as recommended by local authorities.
- To assist local governing bodies and the constituent communities they represent to become stronger and self-sustaining.
- Assist in the provision of quality community infrastructure that facilitates community activity and integration.
- Assist in developing local government capacity to provide legitimate representation, effective governance, improved service delivery and sustainable development.

Funding Pool

The Local Authority Project funding pool is non-application based and is distributed through a methodology developed by the Northern Territory Grants Commission to regional councils.

This funding is only available for those local authorities published in the guidelines made by the Minister under Part 5.1 of the *Local Government Act 2019*.

Local Authority Project Approvals

Individual local authorities must formally resolve each initiative this funding will be used for. A copy of this resolution is to be recorded in the minutes of the relevant local authority meeting.

At each local authority meeting, a report is to be submitted detailing the total amount of funding available and spent on local authority projects under this program in each financial year.

The report is to include details and amount spent on each project of the relevant local authority for which funding has been provided.

Funding Guidelines

Examples of Acceptable Purposes for Expenditure

- Repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council. For example:- office upgrades, fencing, solar lighting, road repairs and ablution facilities.
- Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery. For example:- trailers, garden maintenance equipment such as brush cutters, lawn mowers and pressure cleaners, rubbish bin enclosures /stands.
- Upgrade/enhancement of community sporting facilities. For example upgrade of community ovals, basketball courts and playgrounds, shade structures, picnic areas, seating and park furniture, tree planting and irrigation.
- Festivals or other events – but must only be conducted within a council's own Local Authority area.

Employee costs

If council employees are utilised as general labour to assist with approved projects, the value of such labour that can be expensed to the project is a maximum of \$30 per hour. The maximum amount that can be costed to general labour hours is 5% of the total annual local authority funding.

Risk Management

Where funds are to be used for a purpose outside the council's control or on an asset that is not owned or controlled by council, the council should consider the liability and insurance requirements associated with that project. Councils should consider each project on its merit before progressing with the project. All risks associated with the project are to be considered and met by the council. The Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet will not be held responsible for any liability arising out of the use of these funds.

Pre-conditions

If the proposed project relies on pre-conditions (such as the acquisition of a section 19 lease under the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976*), then the project should not be undertaken until there is conclusive evidence that the condition will not hinder the progress of the project for which funds have been allocated.

Examples of Unacceptable Purposes for Expenditure

- Purchase of vehicles and fuel expenses
- Payment of salaries, cash prizes or recurrent operating costs of council
- Meeting costs and payments to local authority members
- Sponsorship by way of uniforms, travels cost and allowances
- Purposes that are not related to local government services and that should be addressed by another government agency.

Administration and/or project management fees are not to be levied on this grant funding.

Funding Guidelines

Process for Grant Payment

Once the respective allocations for each local authority have been calculated regional councils will receive a letter of offer and acceptance documentation from the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet.

This advice will comprise the total grant amount being offered to the regional council as well as a breakdown of the amount to be made available to each local authority.

Regional councils eligible to receive these grants will need to comply with the following:-

- Ensure that there are no outstanding grant acquittals relevant to this Department's local government grants, otherwise there will be no payment made of approved grant/s
- Return the signed acceptance form back to the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet with appropriate authorisation.

These grants will be released around mid-September once the signed acceptance and the previous year's certification reports are received.

Annual Certification

- The grant must be fully expended within two years of receipt of funding. Failure to do so may result in the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet taking action, including but not limited to: withholding further grant payments under this program or requesting unspent funds to be repaid.
- Councils are to submit a certified income and expenditure report (financial report) for the year ended 30 June for each of its local authorities.
- The financial report must be completed in the format as required by the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet and formally approved by Council. The financial report is to be submitted to the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet on or before 31 August in each year. Failure to provide the financial reports by 31 August will result in delays in paying further funds.
- All approved projects are required to be procured in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2019* and, as far as practical under the NT Government's Buy Local Plan.
- Requests to carry-over unspent funds remaining after two consecutive years is to be submitted via email to: lg.grants@nt.gov.au. All requests will be considered on a case by case basis and approval is not automatic.

Funding Guidelines

- The Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet reserves the right to request the full value of the grant to be returned if the council disposes of an asset acquired with this funding within four years of the payment of the grant.

Contact Details

For further information please contact lg.grants@nt.gov.au or by phone:

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Manager Grants Program
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Grants Officer
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GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	6.3
TITLE	Community Development March Report
REFERENCE	349255
AUTHOR	Sharen Lake, Director of Community Development

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority note and receive the Community Development report for March 2022

SUMMARY:

YOUTHLINX

Participant numbers for this month were 1086. This month we have had to change our hours around to accommodate after School care programs that are no longer available with the closing of Anyinginyi Service end of 2021.

We have been trailing new hours with the inclusion of a Monday operation. The program now commences:

Monday 2.30 pm – 4.30pm

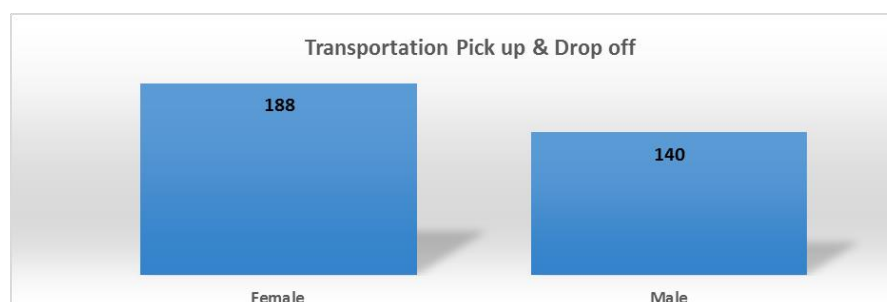
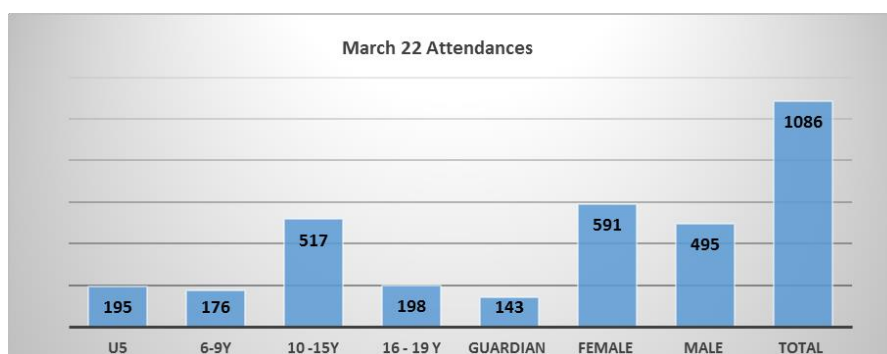
Tuesday to Friday 2.30pm – 6.30pm

Saturday 2.30pm – 7.30pm

We have seen large numbers attending the program straight from school. This has been a fantastic opportunity to provide fun activities, provide some routine for some kids to spend time in our program before going home with a full tummy.

Feedbacks from the families has been “my kids are so tired after Youthlinx, they stay home”, and “kids are getting home before dark”.

Minister Lauren Moss visited the Youthlinx Program on Wednesday, 26th which was being held at the pool. She then attended the new Youth Centre tour with our Mayor and other dignitaries.



LOCAL LAW RANGERS (includes Environmental Health)

Dogs Impounded: 5

Dogs Rehomed: 2

Dogs Returned: 2

Snake Callouts/Captures: 2

Euthanized: 1

currently have 9 dogs in the pound

Local Laws officer completed an overnight trip to Alice Springs RSPCA and delivered 4 dogs as our pound is regularly at capacity or exceeding.

Fire Hazard audits conducted throughout March, ongoing follow up with owners of properties with timelines for completion or council will complete hazard reduction and clearing with costs raised against rates per property.



LIBRARY SERVICES

We have had good numbers through the library this month, however there have been ongoing issues with the Public Internet café hardware which is down and irreparable, the Administration PC which controls the café program & Wi-Fi signal does not turn on anymore, IT has been informed and we are currently sourcing new equipment.

Statistics	
Adults:	268
Children:	36
Wi-Fi users/Hours used:	3 / 6
Total patronage:	304
Daily Average:	11
Item Circulation:	598
New Items:	25
Total Members:	763

SWIMMING POOL

It was a great Month for the Tennant Creek Swimming Pool. This month we transitioned out of our summer opening hours. Our Summer Opening Hours were from 11am – 7pm (Weekdays) & 10am – 7pm (Weekend's). As we transition into our cooler months our new Opening Hours as of the 9th of March 2022 are 11am – 6pm (Weekdays) & 11am – 6pm (Weekends). These are our Operating hours until the first week of June.

As many people are aware that around April our temperature starts to drop so many of our regular pool customers and lap swimmers were really making the most out of the summer heat while it lasted. We had many events occur during March 2022, some of these include:

- Youth Links Afterschool Program.
- Tennant Creek Primary School Swimming Carnival.
- And, visits from our NT Government Ministers.

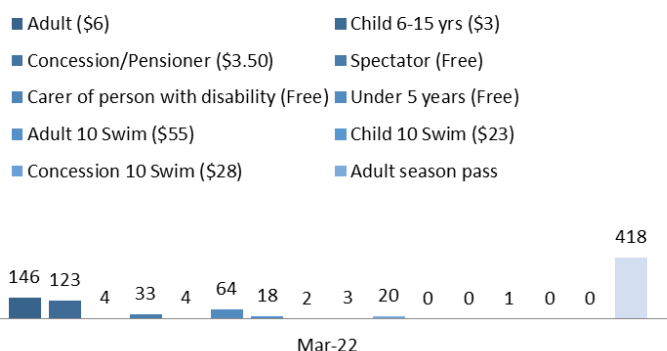
The Tennant Creek Primary School's Annual Swimming Carnival was a great event and had many numbers attend. Also, the Youth Links after school program was a busy month having a total of **918** children attend our Town Pool over March 2022. As the temperature starts to cool down, our numbers will slowly decrease.

There have been a number of issues with our chlorination, with the chlorine being affected by previous we weather and not going through the automatic feeder, this means we have been having to do this manually. We have ordered new chlorine and hope to have it delivered later in April.

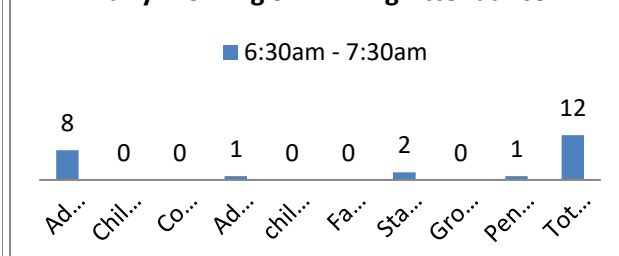
Other maintenance has included:

- Solar Heating System leak Repaired.
- Descaling of grates around the pool edge (this is ongoing and very difficult to lift stains)
- Kiosk Air conditioner Blocked Drain Repaired.
- Cleaning all the calcium build up on the hand rails in the pool.
- Getting the retractable hose reels installed by the Depo staff.
- Organising with 'Double JJ Cleaning' to get both the Male and Female's toilets pressure cleaned once a month to reduce the calcium build up in the toilets and showers. We are planning to get this done over our winter period (June/July).

Total Pool Entries for March 2022



Early Morning Swimming Attendance



Regional Sports Program (BRD)

This month the Regional Sports Coordinators took on the gym and getting it ready for opening.

Staff have worked together to get all areas completed, including cleaning, scopes of works, staffing, completion of templates and working on systems to support community access, payments etc. This has been a huge piece of work and I would like to thank them for all the many hours they have put in, and it shows in the numbers already coming through the centre – watch this space, more to come next month.



This month we will lose Chris Combridge to the NT Fire Department, we are proud of Chris and wish him all the very best.

Soccer

Continuing on Tuesday's with strong participation. The program is now being delivered by community members with Sports Coordinators playing a supportive role only and not take the lead.

Tennis

Tennis sessions continue to run every Thursday night with the support of the Sports Coordinators. The session has been running from 6pm until 8pm for the last 15 weeks and is continuing to grow, with regular numbers of 10-12 participants.

Tennant Creek has been invited to participate in a Katherine event mid-April. This will see around 6 community members travel and participate. We aim to build relationships with both Katherine and Alice Springs Tennis Clubs with a hope to build a local completion that will see them all attend.

Touch football

Touch Football has continued to grow since starting back in January. Numbers have been small, however with school returning and people returning home and new people coming into the Barkly, numbers have steadily increased. Touch football is currently been delivered on Monday nights.

Yoga

Still ongoing and very successful with continuously increasing numbers, this would be a great activity to relocate to our Fitness Centre once all repairs and maintenance have been completed.

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ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	6.4
TITLE	Infrastructure Directorate report for month of April 2022
REFERENCE	349388
AUTHOR	Santosh Niraula, Director of Infrastructure

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority

- a) Receive and note the Infrastructure Directorate Report for the month of April

SUMMARY:

This report addresses activities within Infrastructure Directorate during the month of April 2022.

BACKGROUND

CURRENT PROJECTS:

1. Tennant Creek Youth Centre: Construction in progress (80%) – expected completion Late June 2022
2. Demountable Office for Tennant Creek Landfill – Fabrication of the demountable has been completed, delivery to Tennant Creek due to be completed by end of May 2022.
3. Dangerous Good Containers for Tennant Creek Swimming Pool – Design Phase

PROCUREMENT:

Closed Tenders: Detailed information about the tender assessment outcomes the closed tenders will be provided on May Council Meeting.

1. Tennant Creek Bike Path: Tender closed on 14 April 2022
2. Replacement of toilet facility in Peko Park: Tender closed on 24/03/2022

Current Tenders:

1. Lake Mary Ann Dam Toilet Facility Upgrade: Tender closes on 19 May 2022

PLANNING:

1. Street lighting in Karuru Road, Tennant Creek: Waiting for final design; due to be completed by end of May 2022.
2. Weighbridge in Landfill site, Tennant Creek: Project on hold due to DCA approval for the rezoning of extended landfill site.
3. Refurbishment of Admin Office Building at 58 Peko Road: Applied for BBRF funding.
4. Refurbishment of CIVIC hall: Applied for BBRF funding
5. Fencing the eastern side of extended landfill site (i.e. Lot 2161): Developing the scope of works

WASTE MANAGEMENT

1. Shade structure for Waste Oil Collection Tanks- completed.

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

The current pandemic environment has contributed to delays in the rollout of some infrastructure projects.

CONSULTATION & TIMING

All projects are bound to individual based assessments and reporting.

ATTACHMENTS:

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COMMUNITY: TENNANT CREEK

SN	Project Type	Asset Type	Local Authority	Project Details	Priority	Cost Estimate (\$)	Budget (\$)			Project Category	Status
							Grant (\$)	Council (\$)	LA CP (\$)		
1	Bike Path	Transport	Tennant Creek	Construction bike path with lighting	P1P					Major	Commenced
2	Footpath	Transport	Tennant Creek	Construction of Footpath	P2P					Major	
3	Staff Housing	Building	Tennant Creek	D&C of 2 BDR (5 nos) town units - 32 Schmidt St	P2P					Major	Applied for funding
4	Office	Building	Tennant Creek	D&C new animal management facility/office	P2P					Major	
5	Admin Block	Building	Tennant Creek	Upgrade council admin block	P1P					Major	
6	Office	Building	Tennant Creek	Weighbridge and office at landfill site	P2P					Major	Commenced
7	Fencing	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Extension and construction of fence around cemetery	P1P					Minor	Completed
8	Lighting	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Install new external lighting at council office & civic hall	P1P					Minor	Completed
9	Fencing	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Council office security fencing	P1P					Minor	Completed
10	Civic Hall	Building	Tennant Creek	Civic Hall upgrade	P1P					Minor	Completed
10A	Civic Hall	Building	Tennant Creek	Civic Hall upgrade	P1P					Major	Applied for funding
11	Public Toilet	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Construct public bathroom and showers for visitor use	P2P					Major	
12	Anzac Hill	Parks and Gardens	Tennant Creek	Redevelopment of ANZAC hill and addition of viewing platform	P2P					Major	
13	Lake Mary Ann Dam	Parks and Gardens	Tennant Creek	General upgrade	P1P					Major	
14	Lake Mary Ann Dam	Parks and Gardens	Tennant Creek	Upgrade toilet facilities	P2P					Minor	Applied for funding
15	Lake Mary Ann Dam	Parks and Gardens	Tennant Creek	Caravan park development	P2P					Major	
16	Street Light	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Upgrade existing street light with energy efficient light and vandal resistant. Addition of extra light to dark spots	P2P					Major	Completed
17	Youth Links	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Youth Links - special purpose buildings	P1P					Major	
18	Football Oval	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Construction of Staunton oval - fencing, field upgrade, line post	P1P					Minor	Completed

19	Swimming Pool	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Swimming Pool solar water heater	P3P					Minor	Completed
20	Civic Hall	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Air conditioning Civic Hall	P1P					Major	Completed
21	Admin Building	Building	Tennant Creek	Refurbishment of the admin building (58 Peko Road)	P1P					Major	Applied for funding
22	Footpath	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Footpath along Ambrose St	P1P					Minor	
23	Footpath	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Footpath along Karguru Road	P1P					Minor	
24	Bowling Club	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Bowling Club Green	P3P					Major	
25	Seating and Shade	Facilities	Tennant Creek	New Seating and Shade in parks	P2P					Minor	Completed
26	Anzac Hill	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Anzac Hill viewing platform	P2P					Minor	
27	Lake Mary Ann Dam	Parks and Gardens	Tennant Creek	New Play equipment at Lake Mary Ann Dam	P1P					Major	Completed
28	One Tank Hill	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Walk path and lighting up the hill	P3P					Major	
29	Dog Park (Karguru)	Parks and Gardens	Tennant Creek	New Dog park in Tennant Creek	P2P					Minor	
30	Storage Shed	Building	Tennant Creek	Construction of storage shed at Depot	P2P					Minor	
31	Cemetery	Building	Tennant Creek	Construction of Chapel hall in Cemetery	P2P					Major	Completed
32	Roads	Transport	Tennant Creek	Resealing of Tennant Creek Roads	P2P					Major	Completed
33	Council Chambers	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Refurbishment of the council chambers building (Pyramid)	P1P					Major	
34	Landfill site	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Fencing extended area of landfill site	P1P					Major	
35	Lighting	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Karguru Road Lighting	P1P					Minor	Commenced
37	Road Gutterters	Transport	Tennant Creek	Replacement of damaged road gutters in town of TC	P1P					Major	looking for funding
38	Drain Covers	Facilities	Tennant Creek	Replacement of all drain covers in town of TC	P1P					Major	looking for funding

REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

ITEM NUMBER	9.1
TITLE	April Council Meeting
REFERENCE	349022
AUTHOR	Millicent Nhepera, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION**That the Authority**

- a) Receive and note the report

SUMMARY:

This report sets out the highlights from the April council meeting.

BACKGROUND

Barkly Regional Council met on the 28th of April 2022. The councillors had a training with the Northern Territory Government the day before the meeting, so it was nice to have most of the out of town councillors in town for the meeting.

There were two presentations to council. One from senate candidate Jacinta Price, the other from Fortune Agribusiness.

It was noted that the former Deputy Mayor of Barkly Regional Council, Dianne Stokes, tendered her resignation to run in the Senate elections. Under the Local Government Act, she can request to be reinstated to council if she does not win the senate elections. For this reason, council chose not to appoint a new deputy mayor until the outcome of the election is known.

Council noted the concern of the safety of residents who line up outside the Centerlink office, who sometimes wait in line for up to 5 hours. Council resolved to write a letter to the minister raising these concerns. Council will also raise that shade and seating should be provided for those waiting.

There was a request from the Tennant Creek Muslim Community, to use the Tennant Creek Civic Hall as a prayer facility. While Council declined this request, citing that a standing booking for the civic hall may hinder the rest of the community from benefiting from use of the civic hall. However, Council affirmed its support for the Muslim community to find a dedicated Mosque. Therefore if any of you have any suggestions or options that council can take back to the Tennant Creek Muslim Community, these are welcome.

Council also approved Catholic Care NT's civic hall hire request for the "Dolly's Day" event.

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Nil

CONSULTATION & TIMING

Nil

ATTACHMENTS: