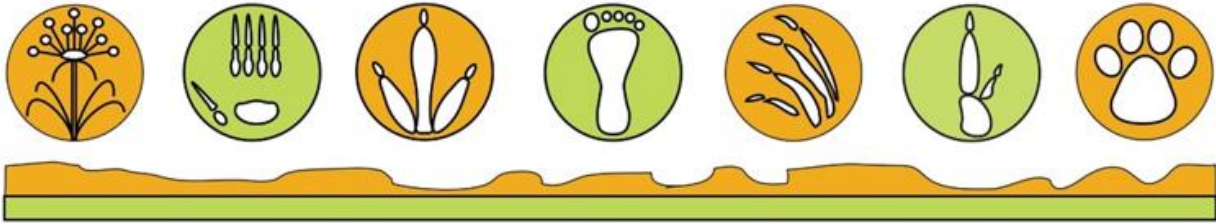


BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES Arparra LA Meeting

Barkly Regional Council's Arparra LA Meeting was held via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday 5 March 2024 at 10:09 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.

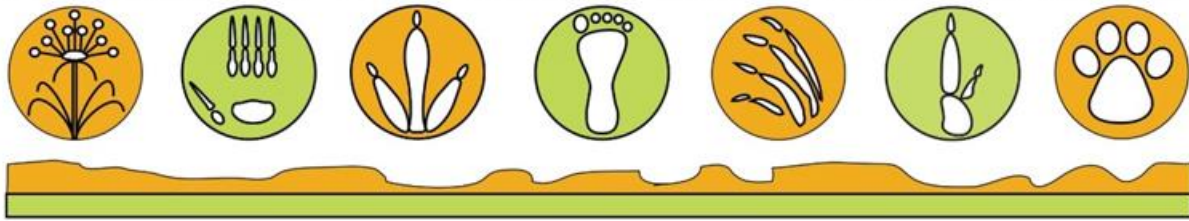
We want to ensure that our services are sustainable and that our region has a standard consistent level of services.

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.

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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

1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Authority Members Present

- Graham Long (Chair)
- Michelle Stacey
- Malcolm Loy
- Esau Nelson
- Kim Riley
- Allen Kunoth
- Roscoe Loy
- Valda Morton
- Shane Loy
- Jack Club

1.2 Staff and Visitors Present

- Ian Bodill (CEO, BRC)
- Peter Holt (Official Manager, BRC)
- Brody Moore (Director of Operations and Remote communities)
- Murray Davies (Director of Corporate Services)
- Paul Hyde Kaduru (Local Authority Coordinator)
- Jim Stacey (CEO, Urapuntja Aboriginal Corporation)
- Rebecca Moore (Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet)

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

- Joyce Jones

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

Nil

1.5 Resignations

Nil

1.6 Disclosure of Interests

Nil

1.7 Review of Disclosure of Interest

Nil

2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports

4.1 Chief Executive Officers Report - Ian Bodill

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the report from the Chief Executive Officer.

SUMMARY:

The following issues were mentioned and discussed by LA members during the report presentation.

Item	Details	Proposed Funding Source
Advocacy	Review provision of Age Care services in collaboration with Health Centre Review Night Patrol service	
Roads/Plant	Community needs in dire need of maintenance – grading, etc Access Roads grading Homelands Roads – grading Investigate purchasing a skidsteer or tractor (slasher as an add on)	
Buildings	Develop a wayside rest area in between store & police station,	150K

	<p>Visitors and communal use:</p> <p>Camping ground, shade trees, bbq facilities, ablution facilities, water tank/taps (could be a pre-fit donga)</p> <p>Fencing, gates @ BB courts</p> <p>Refurbish Big Shed</p>	
Aged Care	<p>Laundromat (donga)</p> <p>Expand respite access – currently 23 funded places</p> <p>A bus would be useful</p>	
Youth, Sport, and Rec	<p>Skate park</p> <p>Shade @ park</p> <p>Upgrade existing playground</p> <p>New playground @ new estate & Homelands</p> <p>New oval development – grandstand</p> <p>Resurface BB court</p>	50K
Animal Welfare	Vet visits – twice yearly BRC	
Night Patrol	Looking forward to resuming – vehicle issues	
Safe Houses	Develop one, funding application submitted, to be adjacent to Police complex	

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Shane Loy

Seconded: LA Member Esau Nelson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ARLA-24/0

5 FINANCE REPORTS

Finance Reports

5.1 Finance Report

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and confirms the Finance report.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Shane Loy

Seconded: LA Member Esau Nelson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ARLA-24/1

6 AREA MANAGERS REPORTS

Nil

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business

7.1 Official Manager - Peter Holt

MOTION

That the Local Authority receives and notes a verbal update from the Official Manager.

SUMMARY

1. Explanation of the role of the Official Manager appointed in place of the suspended Barkly Regional Council during an investigation into council processes and procedures from January 1, 2022, to October 16, 2023.
2. Investigation conducted by Alice Springs-based lawyer Ruth Morley, concluding on March 12, 2024. Parties mentioned in the report will have three weeks to respond. The Minister for Local Government will decide on council reinstatement or dismissal based on investigation outcomes and responses.
3. Establishment of the Barkly Regional Advisory Committee (BRAC) to engage suspended councilors during the investigation. BRAC assists in budget planning and priorities for the 2024-25 Regional Plan, with its inaugural meeting held on January 30, 2024.
4. Implementation of a register for each local authority to track meeting requests, briefings, and funding needs, promoting two-way information exchange between Local Authorities (LAs) and the Barkly Regional Council (BRC).
5. Initiation of planning for the 2024-25 Barkly Regional Council Regional Plan, seeking input from LAs on their preferred projects, priorities for BRC commitment, and funding needs or advocacy requests.
6. Identification of approximately \$800,000 of Local Authority Project Fund (LAPF) funds at risk of being returned unspent. LAs are urged to prioritize expenditure of funds received more than two years ago, unless committed to larger projects.
7. Peter mentioned he has a follow-up meeting with Jim Stacey, CEO of Urapuntja Aboriginal Corporation to discuss buildings access for the council.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Shane Loy

Seconded: LA Member Esau Nelson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ARLA-24/2

General Business

7.2 Rest Area Upgrade

MOTION

That the Local Authority has allocated \$150,000 for the transformation of a rest area into a camping ground.

SUMMARY

The Local Authority has requested to establish a wayside area situated between store and police station, catering to both visitors and communal needs. This area would feature a camping ground, shaded by trees, equipped with barbecue facilities, ablution blocks and water tanks or taps, which could be housed in pre-fitted dongas. Additionally, fencing and gates to be installed around basketball courts, and a large shed will be refurbished.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Shane Loy

Seconded: LA Member Esau Nelson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ARLA-24/3

General Business

7.3 Playground upgrade

MOTION

That the Local Authority has allocated \$50,000 to upgrade the playground area.

SUMMARY

The Local Authority requested to upgrade the existing playground area which includes the shade at the park, develop the oval with a grandstand and resurface the basketball court.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Shane Loy

Seconded: LA Member Esau Nelson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ARLA-24/4

8 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

9 OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Other Matters For Noting

9.1 Remuneration Tribunal - Local Authorities

MOTION

That the Local Authority receives and notes the Remuneration Tribunal – determination of allowances for the members of Local Authorities.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Shane Loy

Seconded: LA Member Esau Nelson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ARLA-24/5

10 REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Reports from Barkly Regional Council

10.1 Verbal report from the Director of Operations and Remote communities - Brody Moore

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the verbal update from the Director of Operations and Remote communities.

SUMMARY

Brody informed that he aims to meet and visit the community soon. Staff inductions are ongoing, including training on Work Health and Safety. Additionally, supporting staff will be temporarily assisting local municipal staff in the communities.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Shane Loy

Seconded: LA Member Esau Nelson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved ARLA-24/6

11 VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Nil

12 OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

13 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Arlparra LA next meeting date is 23/04/2024.

Meeting Closed at 11:30 AM

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