

This **Provisional** Meeting of the Mataranka Local Authority was opened by Chair Deputy Mayor Judy MacFarlane at 5.35pm and the Pledge was read.

**1. Present:**

**1.1 Elected Members:**

Deputy Mayor Judy  
Macfarlane

**1.2 Local Authority Members:**

Alan Chapman  
Leah Niehus  
Diane Jones  
Sue Edwards

**1.3 Staff:**

Michael Soler, Council Services Manager  
Jo Nicol, Local Authority Coordination Officer  
Juan Hernandez, Night Patrol Coordinator

**1.4 Visitors/Guests:**

Nathaniel Knapp, Department Local Government and Community Services  
Sally Anne Sherman, Mataranka Clinic  
John Difrancesco, Mataranka Clinic

**2. Apologies:**

Di Angel, Tracy-Anne Wilson, Michael Somers

Apologies Accepted

**Moved:** Sue Edwards      **Seconded:** Di Jones

**Carried**

**3. Conflict of Interest-Members & Staff:**

Nil

**4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Minutes from the previous meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2016.  
To be approved at next Local Authority Meeting

**5. Business Arising/Action List;**

**5.1. Previous Minutes Action List**

Date	Agenda Item #	Item Description	Responsible Person	Status	Status Comments/ Completion Date

09.03.15		Obtain more Post Boxes	CSM	Ongoing	<p><b>05.05.2015:</b> Post office boxes have been requested as part of an office upgrade under the 15/16 budget for the SDC</p> <p><b>25.08.2015:</b> Office upgrade has been declined this year. Further opportunities may arise through Council project list.</p> <p><b>05.04.2016:</b> Post office boxes have been requested as part of an office upgrade under the 16/17 budget for the SDC.</p>
05.05.15		Seek to fund equipment upgrade for catering shed facilities	LA	Ongoing	<p><b>01.02.2016</b> LA moved a motion that funding be sought for this through Community Benefit Fund Grant. RGRC to Auspice.</p> <p><b>05.04.2016</b> All information currently with Grants Officer Application done awaiting submission date.</p>
05.05.15		Work with CDP to determine if possible for slab to be completed through CDP	CSM	Ongoing	<p><b>25.08.2015</b> This is on the CDP project list for Mataranka</p> <p><b>01.02.2016</b> CSM advised work on slab to begin in fortnight.</p> <p><b>05.04.2016</b> No longer a CDP project. Slab to be laid by Muns Team and Contractor. A cricket pitch will be laid on the oval as part of the project as well.</p>
25.08.15		Concern over underspend in the Library of approx. \$35K for last Financial Year	CSM/DM/Director Community services	Ongoing	<p><b>25.08.2015</b> Dir Comm. Services to meet with CSM and D M to discuss underspends when frequent requests for upgrades or exchange of books were denied due to lack of funds.</p> <p><b>01.02.2016</b> Excess funds (\$5,054 surplus 2014-15) still awaiting approval from funding body to access.</p> <p>NB: In 2015 only 13/20 hours/week were delivered.</p> <p><b>05.04.2016</b> approx. \$1200 from underspend to be spent on books.</p>
25.08.15		Dump Point	CSM/Michael Somers	Ongoing	<p><b>25.08.2015</b> CSM to meet with Michael Somers to establish if there may be a better way of setting up the dump point. 01.02.2016 still negotiating.</p> <p><b>05.04.2016</b> ongoing</p>

6.10.15		Contact DOI re: Dangerous road edges on Martin and Homestead Rd	CSM	Completed	<b>01.02.2016</b> Works Completed but LA would like CSM to follow up with DOI on state of works.
08.12.15		Director of Community Services report back to LA on Night Patrol Services after three months from start date.	CSM	Ongoing	<b>01.02.2016</b> Director Community Services to follow up with NP Manager as to why NP trial operations roster had not yet commenced. <b>05.04.2016</b> still not commenced. LA requested NP Manager and Director to attend next LA meeting.
01.02.16	8.6 Repairs to Statues & Termite Mound	Council Services Manager to investigate and bring	CSM	Ongoing	<b>05.04.2016</b> Tourism Grant to be investigated
01.02.16	8.8 Maintain Laneway between Stuart Hwy & Gunn St	CSM to investigate state of the laneway	CSM	Completed	

**Moved:** Leah Niehus                      **Seconded:** Di Jones  
**Carried**

**Night Patrol** – Mataranka Local Authority noted at a Special Local Authority Meeting held December 2015 to specifically discuss the Night Patrol new Roster was approved by Council at the January OCM 2016, Roster has not yet been implemented.

**Motion:** That the CSM to follow up on the implementation of the new Night Patrol Roster that was to commence in January, and invite the Director of Community services and manager of Night Patrol to the next Mataranka Local Authority meeting.

**Moved:** Leah Niehus                      **Seconded:** Sue Edwards  
**Carried**

**Action:** CSM to follow up on status of the new Night Patrol Rosters.

**Action:** CSM to follow up on status of Night Patrol Vehicles whereabouts via Tracking

## 6. Correspondence

### 6.1. Outgoing Correspondence:

Email to DOI re: Daly Waters Floodway & Pavement

### 6.2. Incoming Correspondence:

NIL

## 7. General Business

### 7.1 \*Elected Member Report:

- The March 2016 OCM was held in Barunga
- The Local Government Professional Management Challenge was held in Darwin, Roper Gulf

- Regional Council attended for the first time and won second place.
- Attended Town Priority Community Consultations held in Jilkmिंगgan, Mataranka, Larrimah and Daly Waters, mostly very well attended.

**Motion:** That the Mataranka Local Authority receive and note the Elected Members report.

**Moved:** Sue Edwards                      **Seconded:** Alan Chapman  
**Carried**

**7.2 \*Council Services Managers Report:**

**Motion:** That the Mataranka Local Authority receive and note the Council Services Managers report.

**Moved:** Leah Niehus                      **Seconded:** Sue Edwards  
**Carried**

**7.3 \*Council Financial Reports:**

Nil

**7.4 \*Governance Updates:**

- **\*Town Priorities**

Community Consultation held Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March, identified Toilet Block at Showground, Museum, Upgrade to Statues as top 3 priorities.

- **\*Complaints Register**

8-Mar-	Dog attack	Ongoing	
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- **\*Policy Updates**

CL006 Elected Council Member Allowance policy - Review of the Elected Council Member Allowance policy has been revised inline with the Local Government Act and name change from Shire to Regional Council.

LA001 Local Authority Policy – Review of the Local Authority policy has been revised inline with the Local Government Guideline 8 amendments February 2016.

**Motion:** That the Mataranka Local Authority receive and note the updates from Governance.

**Moved:** Leah Niehus                      **Seconded:** Di Jones  
**Carried**

**7.5 \*CDP-Community Development Program:**

Deputy Mayor Judy MacFarlane congratulated all Staff involved in the program on how well it is working; special mention was made of Anthony Heaslips great work.

**Motion:** That the Mataranka Local Authority receive and note the Community Development report.

**Moved:** Alan Chapman                      **Seconded:** Leah Neihus  
**Carried**

**7.6 \*Alcohol Management Plan:**

NIL

**7.7 Sports and Recreation Program Update:**

New staff member Dianne Brumby.  
Members asked if there would be a School Holiday Program.

**Motion:** That the Mataranka Local Authority receive and note update on Sports and Recreation Program.

**Moved:** Di Jones

**Seconded:** Sue Edwards

**Carried**

## 8. Other Business

### 8.1 Solar light update

4 more Solar Lights have been applied for under Safer Communities grant funding.

**Motion:** That the Mataranka Local Authority support in principal the installation of Solar Lighting in surrounding Outstations.

**Moved:** Sue Edwards

**Seconded:** Alan Chapman

**Carried**

### 8.3 Museum Walkway:

Materials have just arrived and work is expected to be completed within next few weeks to replace the old deck.

### 8.4 ANZAC Day:

Dawn Service to be held and Gunfire Breakfast at Catering Shed. Cricket Match to be held on new cricket pitch. It will be Town vs Rusty Bugles cast from last year.

### 8.5 Mataranka Health Clinic

Clinic Manager, Sally Anne Sherman gave an update on how the Health Clinic was tracking.

### 8.6 Bowls Club:

Lease signed over to Mataranka Fishing Sports and Recreation Club 30.03.2016

### 8.7 NT Grants Commission:

Nathaniel advised Commissioners would be visiting 03.05.2016 at 12:30pm and requested as many LA members as possible attend.

**Action:** Send reminder notice to Local Authority members.

### 8.8 Community Updates:

- The Op Shop items have been sent to Jilkminggan
- The Council Flat remains empty as it could be needed due to Jilkminggan Leases
- Camp Dogs roaming around Town – **Action:** CSM to follow up.
- Sport & Recreation Fencing needs fixing- **Action:** CSM to follow up
- Culvert opposite School- **Action:** CSM to follow up with P&W and DCIS
- Investigate Shade for Statues

## 9. Meeting Closed 8:12pm