



AGENDA

BESWICK LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2022

Notice is given that the next Beswick Local Authority Meeting of the Roper Gulf Regional Council will be held on:

Wednesday, 12 October 2022 at 10:00am
The Conference Room Council Service Delivery Centre, Beswick

Or Via Video/Phone Conference

ID #: (03) 9260 8565
Guest Pin: 6183

Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

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Marc GARDNER
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

BESWICK CURRENT MEMBERSHIP:**Elected Members**

1. Councillor Selina ASHLEY.

Appointed Members

1. Raelene BULUMBARA;
2. Trepina BUSH;
3. Eddie KENNEDY;
4. Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY (Chairperson);
5. Brett CAMERON; and
6. Anne-Marie RYAN.

MEMBERS: 7

COUNCIL: 1

LOCAL AUTHORITY: 6

QUORUM: 5 (minimum requirement)

PROVISIONAL: 2 (minimum requirement)

EXPLANATORY NOTE:

Meetings must meet a quorum of 50% + 1 of all Members.

If no quorum is achieved, a provisional meeting can be held in one third of the total members (elected members and appointed members) are present.

During a provisional meeting, all agenda items may be discussed, and minutes must be kept.

Members at a provisional meeting may by majority vote make recommendations to Council. However, the recommendations shall be considered as those of a provisional meeting rather than a quorum meeting of the Local Authority.

A provisional meeting does not have the power or functions delegated to a Local Authority and cannot approve minutes of a Local Authority meeting.

Local Authority appointed members are paid for attending meetings (not for informal meetings or Roper Gulf Regional Council Employees during their hours of work).

PLEDGE

“We pledge to work as one towards a better future through effective use of all resources.

We have identified these key values and principles of Honesty, Equality, Accountability, Respect and Trust as being integral in the achievement of our vision, that the Roper Gulf Regional Council is Sustainable, Viable and Vibrant.”

PRAMIS BLA WI

“Mela pramis bla wek gudbalawei bla meigim futja bla wi wanwei, en bla yusim ola gudwan ting bla helpum wi luk lida.

Mela bin luk ol dijlod rul, ebrobodi gada tok trubalawei, wi gada meik so wi gibit firgo en lisiin misalp, abum rispek en trastim misalp bla jinggabat bla luk lida, Roper Galf Rijinul Kaunsul deya maindim en kipbum bla wi pramis, dum wek brabli gudbalawei, en im laibliwan.”

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15 CLOSED SESSION

15.1 Beswick Local Authority Meeting Previous Confidential Minutes

The report will be conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s51(1)(e), 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.

16 CLOSE OF MEETING

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES



ITEM NUMBER	7.1
TITLE	Beswick Local Authority Meeting Previous Minutes
REFERENCE	1296551
AUTHOR	Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Beswick Local Authority confirms the minutes from the meeting held on 17 January 2022 and 19 July 2022 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of the meetings decisions and proceedings.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

The Beswick Local Authority met and held a **PROVISIONAL** meeting on Tuesday, 19 July 2022. Attached are the recorded minutes from that meeting for the Local Authority to confirm.

The Beswick Local Authority meeting scheduled for Monday, 04 July 2022 was **POSTPONED** due to Sorry Business.

The Beswick Local Authority scheduled a meeting for Monday, 04 April 2022. However due to lack of member attendance, the meeting was **CANCELLED**.

The Beswick Local Authority met with a **QUORUM** on Monday, 17 January 2022. Attached are the recorded minutes from that meeting for the Local Authority to confirm.



ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

There are no more scheduled Beswick Local Authority Meetings for the remainder of the 2022 calendar year.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

- [1](#)  Beswick Local Authority 2022-01-17 [1946] Minutes.DOCX
- [2](#)  Beswick Local Authority 2022-07-18 [2063] Minutes.DOCX



MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, BESWICK LOCAL
AUTHORITY MEETING HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM COUNCIL SERVICE
DELIVERY CENTRE, BESWICK
ON MONDAY, 17 JANUARY 2022 AT 10:00AM

1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

1.1 Members

- Councillor Selina ASHLEY; Chairperson
- Raelene BULUMBARA;
- Trepina BUSH; and
- Eddie KENNEDY.

1.2 Staff

- Marc GARDNER, Acting Chief Executive Officer;
- David HURST, Acting General Manager Community Services and Engagement;
- Kaylene DOUST; Program Manager Animal Control;
- Paul BERTHON, Acting Regional Manager for Central Arnhem;
- Lachlan THOMAS, Regional Community Safety Coordinator; and
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer (Minute Taker).

1.3 Guests

- William BRIDGEMAN, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet;
- Melina DAVIDSON, Office of Selena Uibo MLA, Member for Arnhem; and
- Jessi HILLEN, Warren Snowdon's Office

2 MEETING OPENED

The Beswick Local Authority Meeting opened at 10:18am with **QUORUM**. The Chairperson welcomed members, staff and guests to the meeting and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

3 WELCOME TO COUNTRY

4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1/2022 **RESOLVED** (Eddie KENNEDY/Raelene BULUMBARA) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority;

- a) Accepts the tendered apologies from the Mayor Tony JACK; and
- b) Notes the absence with no tendered apology from Local Authority Member Anne - Marie THOMPSON- KENNY.

5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil.

6 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at this Beswick Local Authority Meeting.

7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

7.1 BESWICK LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING PREVIOUS MINUTES

2/2022 RESOLVED (Trepina BUSH/Raelene BULUMBARA) CARRIED

That the Beswick Local Authority confirms the minutes from the meeting held on 09 August 2021 and 07 June 2021 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of the meetings decisions and proceedings.

8 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

8.1 ACTION LIST - NEW VERSION

3/2022 RESOLVED (Raelene BULUMBARA/Trepina BUSH) CARRIED

That the Beswick Local Authority:

- (a) Receives and notes the Action List; and
- (b) Approves the removal of completed items.

9 CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

12 OPERATIONAL REPORTS

12.1 VET TEAM UPDATE

4/2022 RESOLVED (Raelene BULUMBARA/Eddie KENNEDY) CARRIED

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Vet Team update report.

William BRIDGEMAN left the Meeting, the time being 10:36am

Cr. Selena ASHLEY joined the Meeting, the time being 10:38am

13 GENERAL BUSINESS

13.1 ELECTED MEMBER REPORT

5/2022 RESOLVED (Raelene BULUMBARA/Trepina BUSH) CARRIED

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member report.

13.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER ATTENDANCE REPORT

6/2022 RESOLVED (Eddie KENNEDY/Trephina BUSH) CARRIED

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Member Attendance Report.

13.3 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT

7/2022 RESOLVED (Raelene BULUMBARA/Eddie KENNEDY) CARRIED

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Council Services Report.

13.4 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

8/2022 RESOLVED (Trephina BUSH/Selina ASHLEY) CARRIED

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update.

13.5 COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 01.07.2021 - 31.12.2021

9/2022 RESOLVED (Raelene BULUMBARA/Selina ASHLEY) CARRIED

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Council Financial Report for the period July 2021 to December 2021.

14 OTHER BUSINESS

14.1 RESIGNATION FROM LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER ANNE MARIE RYAN

10/2022 RESOLVED (Selina ASHLEY/Trephina BUSH) CARRIED

That the Beswick Local Authority accepts the Resignation letter from the Local Authority Member Anne-Marie RYAN.

15 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 11:00 am

This page and the proceeding pages are the Minutes of the Beswick Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 19 July 2022 and confirmed Monday, 10 October 2022.

Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY Chairperson
Confirmed on Monday, 10 October 2022



MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, BESWICK LOCAL
AUTHORITY MEETING HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM COUNCIL SERVICE
DELIVERY CENTRE, BESWICK
ON TUESDAY, 19 JULY 2022 AT 10:00AM

1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

1.1 Members

- Councillor Selina ASHLEY;
- Trepina BUSH; and
- Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY.

1.2 Staff

- Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer (via videoconference);
- Debbie BRANSON, Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer (via teleconference);
- Dave HERON, Acting General Manager Corporate Services and Sustainability;
- Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator (minute taker);
- Rebecca LINN, Information Integrity Officer;
- Michael McFARLANE, Senior Projects Coordinator;
- Rodney HOFFMAN, Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer; and
- Lachlan THOMAS, Regional Community Safety Coordinator

1.3 Guests

- Mayor JACK (Chairperson);
- Anne-Marie RYAN, Beswick Community Resident;
- William BRIDGEMAN, Department of Chief Minister & Cabinet.

2 MEETING OPENED

The Beswick Local Authority Meeting opened at 10:27am as a **PROVISIONAL** meeting. The Chairperson welcomed members, staff and guests to the meeting and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

3 WELCOME TO COUNTRY

4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

BES P-11/2022 (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority notes the absence with no tendered apologies from Local Authority Members Raelene BULUMBARA and Eddie KENNEDY.

5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil.

6 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at this Beswick Local Authority Meeting.

7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

7.1 BESWICK LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING PREVIOUS MINUTES

BES P-12/2022 (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority confirms the minutes from the meeting held on 17 January 2022 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of the meetings decisions and proceedings.

Councillor Selina ASHLEY joined the meeting, the time being 10:34am.

8 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

8.1 ACTION LIST

BES P-13/2022 (Selina ASHLEY/Trepina BUSH) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Action List.

9 CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

- Beswick Local Authority Memberships

10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

12 OPERATIONAL REPORTS

Nil.

13 GENERAL BUSINESS

13.1 STRONGER FUTURES ACT SUNSETTING

BES P-14/2022 (Selina ASHLEY/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Stronger Futures Act Sunsetting report.

13.2 BIG RIVERS REGION LIVEABILITY SURVEY REPORT 2022

BES P-15/2022 (Selina ASHLEY/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receive and note the Big Rivers Region Liveability Survey Report 2022 presented by a representative from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet.

13.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER ATTENDANCE REPORT

BES P-16/2022 (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Member Attendance.

13.4 ELECTING A CHAIRPERSON

BES P-17/2022 (Trepina BUSH/Selina ASHLEY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority appoints Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY as Chairperson for the period of six (6) months

13.5 ELECTED MEMBER REPORT

BES P-18/2022 (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member report.

13.6 COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 01.07.2021 - 31.5.2022

BES P-19/2022 (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Financial (Expenditure) Report for the period July 2021 to May 2022.

13.7 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUND UPDATE

BES P -20/2022 (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Project Fund Update Report.

13.8 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT

BES P-21/2022 (Selina ASHLEY/Trepina BUSH) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Council Services Report; and
- (b) requests the Chief Executive Officer write a letter to Power and Water and Telstra regarding the number of power outages and Telstra service interruptions and submit a report back to the 10 October 2022 Beswick Local Authority Meeting.

14 OTHER BUSINESS

14.1 BESWICK LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIPS

The Beswick Local Authority discussed the constant lack of Quorum. The Governance Engagement Coordinator advised that only one (1) new nomination had been received to fill the two (2) vacancies and encouraged the reapplication from previous chairperson and Local Authority Member Anne-Marie RYAN. The issue of member attendance will be discussed further at the next Beswick Local Authority Meeting, scheduled for 10 October 2022.

15 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

MOVE TO 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 the meeting was closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda:-

15.1 Local Government Representation (Electoral) Reviews 2022 - *The report will be conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s 51(1)(c)(i) (c)(ii) (c)(iii) (c)(iv) (e).*

The meeting moved to the Confidential Items at 11:33am.

15.1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATION (ELECTORAL) REVIEWS 2022

BES P-22/2022

(Selina ASHLEY/Trephina BUSH)

CARRIED

That the Beswick Local Authority:

- a) receives and notes the report in relation to the Local Government Representation Reviews 2022 and provides feedback to Council; and
- b) moves the motion to the open section.

RETURN TO OPEN

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 was re-opened to the public.

The meeting re-opened to the public at 11:48am.

15 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 12:01 pm.

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Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY Chairperson
Confirmed on Monday, 10 October 2022

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES



ITEM NUMBER	8.1
TITLE	Action List
REFERENCE	1296553
AUTHOR	Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Action List.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

The Action List is a **non-authoritative** reference document for Business Arising out of Previous Minutes.

BESWICK ACTION LIST

13.8 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT

BES P-1/2022

That the Beswick Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Council Services Report; and
- (b) requests the Chief Executive Officer write a letter to Power and Water and Telstra regarding the number of power outages and Telstra service interruptions and submit a report back to the 10 October 2022 Beswick Local Authority Meeting.

REPORT IN AGENDA?

Refer to Local Authority for more information re: dates and times

14.1 BESWICK LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIPS

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REPORT IN AGENDA?

Refer to Local Authority Member Attendance report.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE



ITEM NUMBER 10.1
TITLE Incoming Correspondence
REFERENCE 1293062
AUTHOR Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Beswick Local Authority notes the incoming correspondence.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

Item No.	Sender	Sent To	Correspondence Details	InfoXpert Number
01	Nigel MULES, Senior Hydrologist Bureau of Meteorology	Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer	Beswick Flood Classification Review	1293060

ATTACHMENTS

1 Beswick Flood Classification Review_Final.pdf

Flood Classification Review sheet

Name of reviewer and role	Nigel Mules, Senior Hydrologist BoM NT		
Council	Roper Gulf Regional Council		
Station name	Beswick Bridge		
Station number	514603		
Flood classifications	<i>Minor</i>	<i>Moderate</i>	<i>Major</i>
Current	7.7	8.1	8.3
New (revised)	7.7	8.1	8.7
Known / expected flood impacts at each flood classification (i.e. justification for flood classifications, including flood extent information if available)	No change to flood class level.	No change to flood class level.	At 8.7 m, the causeway linking the lower section of Beswick to the newer area on higher ground is inundated and limits access within the community. There is no impact to the sewage ponds as these have a levee bank around them. Buildings along Balanda Street will begin to be impacted. Water will be starting to enter buildings along road to the new section of the community at this level as well.
Consultation	A meeting of the Beswick Local Emergency Management Committee at 1300 on 29 June 2022. This meeting was attended by staff from BoM, NTES, Roper Gulf Regional Council and Sunrise Health. Local community members that had been born and raised in Beswick were also consulted on expected impacts at 8.7 m and 8.9 m in relation to flood class level guidelines. Agreement was reached that 8.7 m is an appropriate height for the major flood class level but there was no reasonable advantage in changing the minor or moderate flood class levels.		
Review	Reviewed by NT FWCC?	Yes/No	
	Reviewed by Beswick LEMC?	Yes/No	
	Notification of changes provided to council?	Yes/No	

OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 11.1
TITLE Outgoing Correspondence
REFERENCE 1296873
AUTHOR Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the outgoing correspondence.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

Item No.	Date Sent	Sender	Sent To	Correspondence Details	InfoXpert Number
01	15/09/2022	Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer	Brett CAMERON, newly appointed Beswick Local Authority Member	Notification and congratulations on being appointed to the Beswick Local Authority.	1296869
02	15/09/2022	Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer	Anne-Marie RYAN, newly appointed Beswick Local Authority Member	Notification and congratulations on being appointed to the Beswick Local Authority.	1296870

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Brett CAMERON 14.09.22 LA_Appointment_Letter.pdf
- 2 Anne-Marie RYAN 14.09.22 LA_Appointment_Letter.pdf

Nil.

Brett CAMERON
PMB 26 Beswick Community VIA
Katherine, Northern Territory, 0852

14 September 2022



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Dear Brett,

This letter is to inform you that on 24 August 2022 at the Ordinary Meeting of Council, your membership for the Beswick Local Authority was accepted by Council.

I would like to take the time to congratulate you as a newly Appointed Member of the **Beswick Local Authority**.

The next Local Authority meeting is set to be held on **Monday, 10 October 2022 at 10:00am**.

Your role as a Local Authority member is very important to Roper Gulf Regional Council, as you will be representing the interests of the residents in your township.

Please note that if you are a Roper Gulf Regional Council staff member, you will not be entitled to a sitting fee allowance if the meeting is taking place during regular working hours.

As a member of the Local Authority, you will provide leadership, guidance and participate in various community activities.

Local Authority members are asked to make wise decisions in the interests of the community in a balanced way for the greatest benefit, to initiate, coordinate and serve as a catalyst for local effort, and to represent your community.

I wish you the best in your role filled with great new possibilities.

Attached to this letter you will find the 'Local Authority Member Details' form, please fill in the form and return to either your local RGRC Service Delivery Centre or to the Office of the Chief Executive Officer via the email below.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of the Chief Executive Officer on (08) 8972 9033 or email the CEO at governance@ropergulf.nt.gov.au

Yours sincerely,

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Marc GARDNER
Chief Executive Officer
Roper Gulf Regional Council



Anne-Marie RYAN
PMB 26 Beswick Community VIA
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Dear Anne-Marie,

This letter is to inform you that on 24 August 2022 at the Ordinary Meeting of Council, your membership for the Beswick Local Authority was accepted by Council.

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Marc GARDNER
Chief Executive Officer
Roper Gulf Regional Council



GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	13.1
TITLE	Elders Visiting Program
REFERENCE	1299789
AUTHOR	Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Elders Visiting Program report.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

Ms Jody Clarke, Remote Community Engagement Officer – Aboriginal Strategy and Coordination NT Correctional Services, Department of Attorney-General and Justice, Northern Territory Government will present to the Beswick Local Authority on the Elders Visiting Program.

The program is gauging interest with the recruitment of Elders to the program and to provide information to members.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Nil.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

1   Elders Visiting Program Background.pdf

**Program Name:**

NTDCS Elders Visiting Program

Background

- Indigenous people make up 34 percent of the Northern Territory population (the highest count per capita in Australia).
- Indigenous people have the highest rates of offending, re-offending and victimisation of any other population group within NTDCS making up 85 percent of the adult prison population and a staggering 98 percent in youth detention.
- Reducing the over-representation of Indigenous people in the corrections system is crucial to achieving meaningful and sustained reductions in overall offending, imprisonment and victimisation.
- The purpose and vision of Indigenous Services is to influence and lead/influence policy and practice for our Indigenous cohort and advise/support those at all levels who work with Indigenous within the department. To also maintain dialogue with Indigenous communities and organisations, and explore ways in which offenders, their families and communities can be supported to lead change and strengthen capability within their communities.
- Indigenous solutions. For Indigenous by Indigenous.

Program Description:

The Northern Territory **Elders Visiting Program** was developed in partnership between the NT Department of Justice, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC), Community Councils and Elders.

The Elders Visiting Program commenced in 2005 and operates throughout NT Correctional facilities both adult and youth. The program recognizes that cultural contact with Indigenous Elders can improve the reintegration prospects of Indigenous offenders by maintaining links to community and culture while in prison.

The Elders Visiting Program (EVP) objectives are:

1. To support the mental health and wellbeing of Indigenous prisoners by maintaining links to community and culture while in prison; and
2. To improve the reintegration prospects of Indigenous prisoners by talking about behaviors that led to their incarceration and discussing their post release plans, obligations and expectations upon returning to community.

The program provides an important cultural link between Indigenous inmates and Corrections staff, advising staff on cultural and community issues that may impact on an inmate's behaviour or ability to address their offending. They keep the community informed on the offender's progress and also on prison processes such as attending funerals and conducting sorry business. They advise offenders on difficulties they are likely to

face on their release and strive to assist and support them while they readjust back into their communities. Elders are also able to advise corrections on what reintegration options are available within the community and what community hopes and expectations may exist, this can then help to inform a more meaningful and comprehensive release plan.

This program has undergone significant expansion over its lifetime with increasing numbers of communities participating and improved support structures implemented to support the work Elders do with Indigenous people in the correctional centres and in community.

In 2014 the program expanded into a two tier program with the development of regional forums, nominations of the regions being;

- Barkly/Central (Yuendumu, Tennant Creek, Hermannsburg),
- Katherine East and West (Beswick, Ngukurr, Lajamanu, Kalkarindji, Borroloola and Katherine),
- Saltwater/Gulf (Tiwi Islands, Groote Eylandt and Nhulunbuy)

This provides a forum where NTDCS, Elders and stakeholders can identify and discuss concerns and issues impacting on Indigenous offenders from these regions

Program facilitator qualifications:

There are no formal qualifications for the facilitation of this program as it is a cultural based program aimed to address the above mentioned objectives through engagement with recognised respected Elders by their communities with who have the cultural authority to speak on behalf of community and family. The Elders are the facilitators.

The roles of the Elders are;

- Providing an important cultural link between Indigenous prisoners and Corrections staff, advising staff on cultural and community issues that may impact on an prisoners behaviour or ability to address their offending
 - Keep community informed on the prisoners progress and also on prison processes such as attending funerals and conducting sorry business
 - Advise prisoners on difficulties they likely to face on their release and strive to assist and support them while they readjust back into their communities
 - Advise NTDCS on what reintegration options are available within the community hopes and expectations may exist, this can then help to inform a more meaningful and comprehensive release plan
 - Provide in prison counselling and challenging of prisoners on unacceptable behaviours
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- Respond to the challenge of supporting prisoners to reintegrate into their respective communities and have participated in direct actions and supportive processes to circumvent recidivism



- Facilitate/participate in mediation and conflict resolution with prisoners and other key stakeholders, and in the development and assessment of post release plans, consultations and community based counselling.

Deliverables:

The program aims to achieve the following through both aspects of this program being the prison visits and the regional forums;

- Increased support of the mental health and wellbeing of Indigenous inmates through
- Maintaining links to community and culture while in prison;
- Improved reintegration prospects of Indigenous offenders by talking about behaviours that lead to incarceration;
- Enhanced understanding of post-release plans, obligations and expectations for returning to community; and
- Increased understanding for community to prepare members for prisoner release and then supporting inmates after release.
- Improved communication with all throughcare key stakeholders
- Increased understanding of the throughcare process
- Increased awareness of social constraints and access to services
- Ensured equitable communication process
- Identified best use of resources and funds in addressing problems on the ground with Elders and community.
- Enhanced relationships with communities, issues and trends

Participation Information:

Participants access this program at their own free will whilst the visits with the Elders provides an opportunity for them to exchange information on family/community matters, provides a pathway to conflict resolution, counselling where needed, improvement of their wellbeing and supported pre-and post-release reintegration support.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	13.2
TITLE	Local Authority Member Attendance Report
REFERENCE	1296555
AUTHOR	Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Member Attendance.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

The *Local Government Act 2019* states that Local Authority Members may be removed from a Local Authority if they are absent from two (2) consecutive meetings without approved apologies.

Local Authority member attendance of Beswick Local Authority Meetings

Local Authority Meeting Members	9 August 2021	11 October 2021	16 December 2021	17 January 2022	04 April 2022	04 July 2022	19 July 2022
		Cancelled	Cancelled		Cancelled	Postponed	
Mayor Tony JACK	-	-	-	AP	-	-	P
Councillor Selina Ashley	P	-	-	P	-	-	P
Trephina Bush	P	-	-	P	-	-	P
Raelene Bulumbara	AP	-	-	P	-	-	NO AP
Anne-Marie Ryan	P	-	-	Resign Rcvd	-	-	Appointed
Eddie Kennedy	NO AP	-	-	P	-	-	NO AP
Anne-Marie Thompson-Kenny	P	-	-	NO AP	-	-	P

** Table Key

P Present

AP Apologies given and accepted

NO AP No apologies given and not present at meeting

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Nil.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	13.3
TITLE	Elected Member Report
REFERENCE	1299327
AUTHOR	Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member report.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

The Elected Member Report provides Local Authorities with a summary of the decisions made at Ordinary Meetings of Council and Committee meetings since the previous Local Authority Meeting. The aim of this report is to convey the information from those meetings to the Local Authority members, and then from the Local Authority to the wider community.

Complete details of all Council, Committee and Local Authority agendas and minutes, are publicly available at www.ropergulf.nt.gov.au and can be provided upon request at all the Roper Gulf Regional Council offices.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT**Ordinary Meeting of Council – 28 September 2022**

There were no current minutes from the Nyirranggulung ward available for Council to consider or approve.

Council discussed many topics relating to the Nyirranggulung ward at the September Ordinary meeting including requests for the Chief Executive Officer to open a twenty-one (21) day nomination period to fill the three (3) vacancies on the Bulman Local Authority as well as approval to hold the February 2023 Ordinary meeting of Council in Manyallaluk and Beswick.

Council also requested that a report to the Barunga Local Authority in relation to a permanent Library facility is tabled at the next Barunga Local Authority Meeting and that an irrigation qualified expert be engaged to investigate the Barunga Pump water volumes and pressure; and that a report be prepared on relocating the pump and increasing the capacity.

Council raised an issue of Night Patrol in Beswick and have requested that the Chief Executive Officer investigate unsupervised activities, reporting vehicle incidents and safety issues associated with passengers unrestrained in Council's vehicles.

Council has also decided to formally provide its support in relation to the Erlichia Study at Manyallaluk that will be introduced to the community in the near future.

Ordinary Meeting of Council – 24 August 2022

Council approved the recommendations from the Barunga Local Authority Meeting held on 05 July 2022.

Council noted the recommendations from the following provisional meetings:

- Manyallaluk Local Authority Meeting held on 04 July 2022
- Beswick Local Authority Meeting held on 19 July 2022

Council accepted the resignations submitted by Local Authority member Anthony KENNEDY, Aaron RICKSON and Loretta LINDSAY from the Bulman Local Authority.

Council appointed Anne-Marie RYAN and Brett CAMERON to the Beswick Local Authority.

Council discussed the pilot program in Barunga in conjunction with the Animal Management team to teach kids about the important part dogs play in community life. The “Our Barunga Dogs” book is the result of this program which was facilitated by Story Projects.

Council was informed that the costs for the Beswick playground shade structure are likely to be more than budget but contractors are yet to provide the final account. A report will be prepared for the Council and Local Authority. Council also noted that works have commenced on the upgrade of the Bulman Sports Hall.

Audit and Risk Committee meeting – 17 August 2022

The Audit Committee consists of the following members:

- Independent Member Ian SWAN;
- Independent Member Carolyn EAGLE;
- Councillor John DALYWATER; and
- Councillor Gadrian HOOSAN

There were no matters discussed relating to the Nyirranggulung Ward

Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting – 27 July 2022

The Finance and Infrastructure Committee consists of the following members:

- Independent Member Awais UR REHMAN;
- Mayor Tony JACK;
- Deputy Mayor Judy MacFARLANE;
- Councillor Samuel EVANS;
- Councillor Helen LEE;
- Councillor Owen TURNER;
- Councillor Annabelle DAYLIGHT; and
- Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR

There were no matters discussed relating to the Nyirranggulung Ward

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

31 October 2022	10:00am	Audit and Risk Committee Meeting	RGRC Support Centre, Katherine
26 October 2022	8:30am	Ordinary Meeting of Council	RGRC Service Delivery Centre, Numbulwar
23 November 2022	10:30am	Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting	RGRC Support Centre, Katherine

Unless indicated otherwise, all Council meetings are open to the public.

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY THE MAYOR

July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manyallaluk Local Authority – 04 July 2022 • Barunga Local Authority Meeting – 05 July 2022 • Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting – 24 July 2022 • North West Queensland Regional Organisation of Council in Mt Isa – 13 & 14 July 2022
August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garma Festival of Traditional Cultures – 29 July to 1 August 2022 • Ordinary Meeting of Council (Bulman) – 24 August 2022
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority Meeting – 19 September 2022 • Ngukurr Local Authority Meeting – 20 September 2022

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Numbulwar Local Authority Meeting – 21 September 2022• Ordinary Meeting of Council – 28 September 2022
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LOCAL AUTHORITY	NUMBER OF VACANCIES
Barunga Local Authority	<i>0</i>
Beswick Local Authority	<i>2</i>
Bulman Local Authority	<i>3</i>
Manyallaluk Local Authority	<i>0</i>

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	13.4
TITLE	Council Services Report
REFERENCE	1299877
AUTHOR	Susan WEDLOCK, Acting Council Services Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Council Services Report.

BACKGROUND

This report provides an outline of Council's service delivery in Beswick. **CORE SERVICES**

111 – Councils Services General

Djarmalak Festival hosted by Djilpin Arts has been finalized for the year. Hosting some great acts, with Council lending a hand with transporting acts back to Darwin Airport

Several water leaks around Beswick at the moment Power Water have been informed.

New Housing Developments in Beswick are well underway with Council working closely with NJ Homes with initiatives to benefit the community. With a successful sign up of a trade apprentice from the local community.

Council is looking at installing taps at both the basketball court and cemetery, locations have been decided and we are waiting on works to commence, still ongoing

160 – Municipal Services

Municipal Team have been doing a great job maintaining parks and gardens and

Community is looking great

Construction of 11 block houses is well underway in the community

Council has been utilising court appointed community work participants mainly for litter collection in the community

AGENCY SERVICES*348 – Library*

Nothing to report still operating Wi Fi only

350 – Centrelink

Continuing as per contract . Martina has been doing a great job also helping Susan with the SASO duties.

404 – Indigenous Sports and Recreation

Sports and Rec went off to the cinema in Katherine on the weekend all having a great time.

Sport and Rec also have fishing trips planned for school holidays activities

OTHER / MISCELLANEOUS

Update if applicable

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Nil to Report

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	13.5
TITLE	Council Financial Report for the period 01.07.2022 - 31.08.2022
REFERENCE	1298487
AUTHOR	Manisha CHAMKUR, Financial Accountant

RECOMMENDATION

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Council Financial Report for the period July 2022 to August 2022

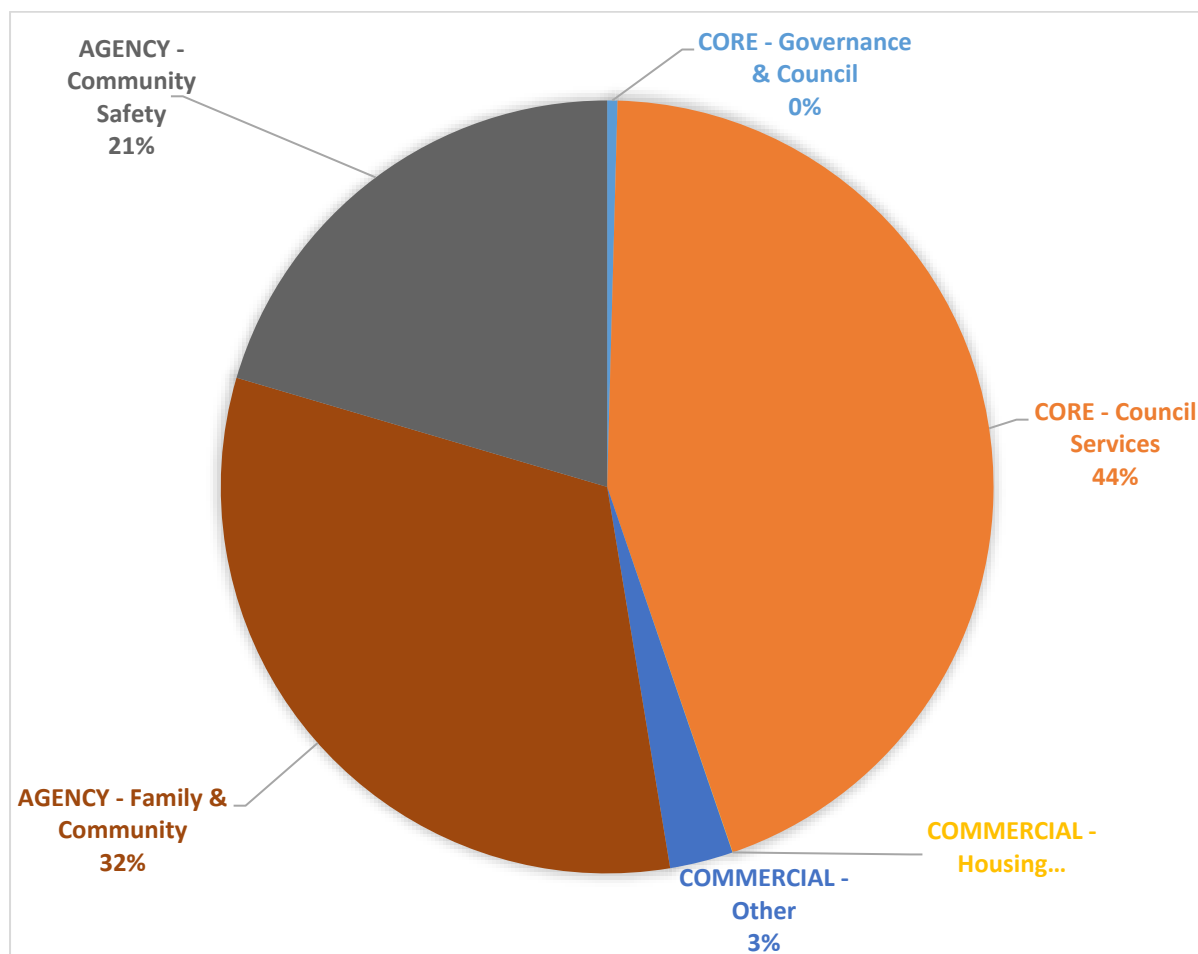
KEY OUTCOME AREA

Economic Development: Foster strengthening and growing jobs, industries, and investment attraction.

BACKGROUND

As per the *Local Government Act 2019* and its' statutory instruments, the council is to submit a current financial report of actual expenditure against the latest approved budget for the Local Authority area.

The below graph depicts the proportion of accumulated expenditures by service category in the community.



ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

There are underspends/overspends in few activities as outlined in the attached expenditure report. The brief explanation for these underspends/overspends for each division is as follow:

Operating Income:

Council received \$21,865 in operating income for Beswick which is leading to a variance of \$156,313. The major cause in variance is from Local Authority funding. Due to recently adopted accounting standards, income can only be recognised from tied funds as projects reach further stages of progression.

Operating Expenditure:

The total underspend in operating expenditure is \$68,061. The major cause in underspend is from Contract and Materials due to less expenditure incurred for Local Authority Projects and roads maintenance.



Capital Expenditure:


The total underspend for capital expenditure is \$20,000. Please see the project register for further detail.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

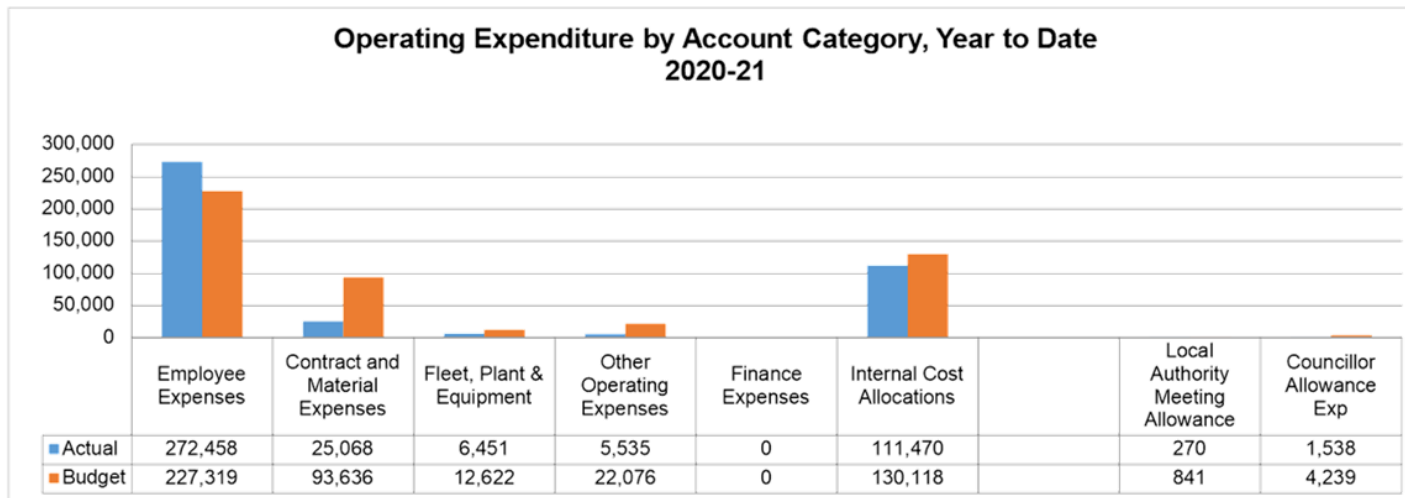
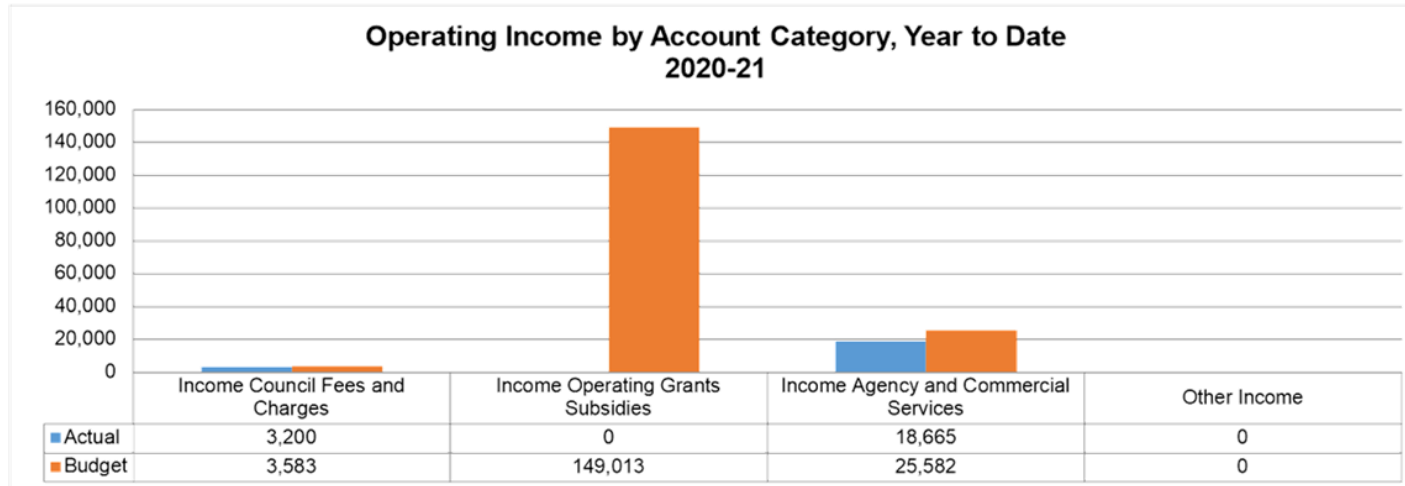
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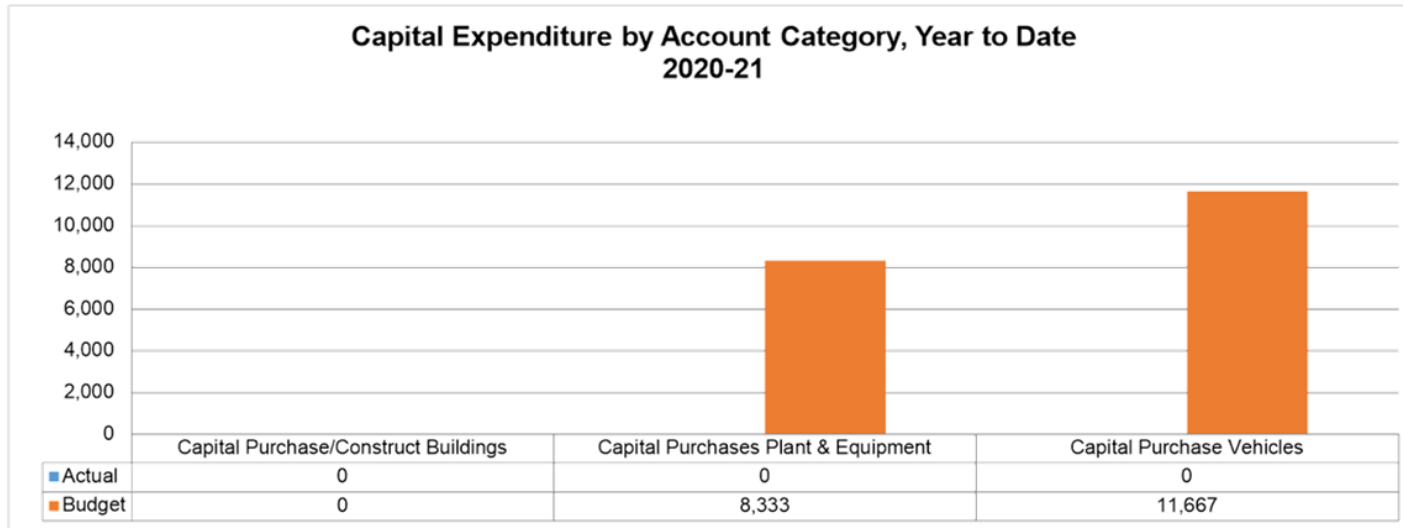
ATTACHMENTS

1   Financial Report 31.8.2022.pdf

Roper Gulf Regional Council					
Financial Report as at					
31-August-2022					
Beswick					
	Year to Date Actual (\$)	Year to Date Budget (\$)	Variance (\$)	Full Year Budget (\$)	Explanation
Income					
Income Council Fees and Charges	3,200	3,583	-383	21,500	
Income Operating Grants Subsidies	0	149,013	-149,013	894,077	The variance is mostly from Creche and Local Authority Funding. As per recently adopted accounting standards, income can only be recognised from tied funds as obligations of the agreement are met. Income will be recognised as projects reach further stages of progression
Income Agency and Commercial Services	18,665	25,582	-6,917	153,492	
Other Income	0	0	0	0	
Total Operating Income	21,865	178,178	-156,313	1,069,069	
Operating Expenditure					
Employee Expenses	272,458	227,319	45,139	1,363,911	The overspend is mainly due to new staff in municipal services and general council operations.
Contract and Material Expenses	25,068	93,636	-68,568	561,819	The underspend is mostly due to less expenses incurred for Local Authority projects and road maintenance
Fleet, Plant & Equipment	6,451	12,622	-6,170	75,730	
Other Operating Expenses	5,535	22,076	-16,541	132,456	The variance is majorly because of training courses and protective clothing equipment.
Finance Expenses	0	0	0	0	

Internal Cost Allocations	111,470	130,118	-18,649	780,710	The variance is majorly because of internal workshop allocation and plant motor vehicle allocation.
Local Authority Meeting Allowance	270	841	-571	5,044	
Councillor Allowance Exp	1,538	4,239	-2,702	25,436	
Total Expenditure	422,790	490,851	-68,061	2,945,106	
Operating Surplus/Deficit	-400,925	-312,673	-88,253	-1,876,037	
Capital Funding					
	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	0	0	
Capital Expenditure					
Capital Purchase/Construct Buildings	0	0	0	244,703	
Capital Purchases Plant & Equipment	0	8,333	-8,333	50,000	
Capital Purchase Vehicles	0	11,667	-11,667	70,000	There has not been any purchase of new vehicles in this month. Hence, there is no actual expense incurred.
Total Capital Expenditure	0	20,000	-20,000	364,703	
Net Operating Position	-400,925	-332,673	-68,253	-2,240,740	





GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	13.6
TITLE	Beswick Local Authority Projects Update
REFERENCE	1299769
AUTHOR	Puspa KARKI, Executive Assistant Community Services and Engagement

RECOMMENDATION

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update Report.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Infrastructure: Support building and maintaining community infrastructure which positively contributes to resident needs and aspirations.

BACKGROUND

Since 2014 the Beswick Local Authority has received a total of \$528,821.00 from the Northern Territory Government and RGRC for the Local Authority Project Fund. Annual allocations provided by the Department of Local Government are based on a formula related to population. To date the Beswick Local Authority has allocated \$471,711.60, accounting for surplus funds from completed projects.



ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Refer to the attached LA Project Funding Report.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**Unallocated Funds**

The Beswick Local Authority now has unallocated funds of \$80,603.77 to allocate to new projects.

ATTACHMENTS

1   LA Projects 310822 attachment Beswick.pdf

Beswick Local Authority Project Funding		31 August 2022
Funding Received from Department	\$	528,821.00
Funds Allocated by Local Authority Members	\$	471,711.60
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects	\$	23,494.37
Remaining Unallocated Funds	\$	80,603.77

Date Approved	Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
24/04/2020	1213820	Solid Shade over playground	\$ 170,495.05	\$ 138,180.74	Costs estimated at \$ 170,000. Scope has been prepared. LA Allocated \$ 50k extra 9/2/2021. Tender awarded. Construction Completed. Waiting on final account
9/08/2021	1213821	Catering for community events	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 886.21	CSC to arrange
9/8/2021	1213822	Playground seating and lighting	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 11,833.93	Playground seating installation by the MUNS team has begun
Total for Current projects			\$ 187,495.05	\$ 150,900.88	
Total for Completed projects			\$ 284,216.55	\$ 250,272.18	
Grand Total			\$ 471,711.60	\$ 401,173.06	

GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	13.7
TITLE	LA Project Funding Certification
REFERENCE	1293499
AUTHOR	Dave HERON, Acting General Manager Corporate Services & Sustainability

RECOMMENDATION

That Local Authority approves the Certification of Local Authority Project Funding Report for 2021-22

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

The Council receives grant funding each year from the Northern Territory Government on behalf of each Local Authority to be allocated for locally identified projects. As part of the acquittal process the annual Certifications of Local Authority Project Funding reports are required to be presented to the Local Authority for its consideration before lodging them with the Department of Local Government.


ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

The Certification is also required to be presented to the Council at its meeting.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

1   LAPF Certification.pdf

GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	13.8
TITLE	Federal Direct Enrolment Update - Trial for People Living in Remote Communities
REFERENCE	1294664
AUTHOR	Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Federal Direct Enrolment Update - Trial for People Living in Remote Communities report.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

The Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) is committed to improving electoral participation amount Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders by working with communities to make voting more accessible for First Nations people.

The AEC will be trialing Federal Direct Enrolment Update (FDEU) in the following communities:

- Barunga
- Beswick
- Borroloola
- Mataranka
- Minyerri
- Ngukurr
- Numbulwar
- Robinson River

The FDEU program is used to assist some Australians to meet their enrolment obligations, without the need to complete an enrolment application.

Roper Gulf will be distributing the information across the communities as well as tabling the information at all upcoming Local Authority Meetings.




ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Nil.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1  FDEU easy read letter.pdf
- 2  FDEU factsheet.pdf
- 3  FDEU trial communities.pdf

Australian Electoral Commission

We will add you to the electoral roll



This letter is to tell you that the **AEC** will add you to the electoral roll.



The electoral roll is the **list of voters** – people who can vote.



We will put you on the electoral roll after **28 days**.



We will use the **address on the letter**.

If the address is correct, you do not need to do anything else.

If the address is wrong:

- fill out Box 1 and Box 3 of the attached letter
- mail the letter to the AEC at Reply Paid 9867 in your capital city.



If you believe you should not be on the electoral roll:

- fill out Box 2 of the attached letter and mail it to the AEC or
- telephone the AEC on 13 23 26.



If having your address on the electoral roll puts you at risk:

- telephone the AEC on 13 23 26.



When you are on the electoral roll **you will have to vote** in:

- Australian elections
- State elections
- Local elections.

aec.gov.au 13 23 26



Federal Direct Enrolment Update (FDEU)

The AEC is committed to supporting the electoral participation of all Australians. The AEC's Federal Direct Enrolment Update (FDEU) program is used to assist some Australians meet their enrolment obligations by applying trusted third party information directly, without the need for that person to complete an enrolment application.

How it works

The AEC is authorised under the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* to collect information from other government agencies for the purpose of maintaining the electoral roll.

The FDEU program applies when sufficient information is available from other government agencies. We will write to you and let you know if we intend to add your name and address to the electoral roll or update your details.



You do not need to reply to the letter if the details are correct.



If the details are incorrect, you have 28 days to respond before any action is taken.



If letters are sent by the AEC, but people no longer live at the address then letters should be 'returned to sender', so they come back to the AEC and we know not to enrol that person at that address.

When individual details are provided to another agency, that agency will have informed you that your information would be shared with other government agencies. The external data received may include details of an individual's surname, given name(s), date of birth, and address.

That data is examined and matched against the electoral roll to identify people who are entitled to enrol and are not currently enrolled, and those who are entitled to enrol but require an update to their enrolment details.

Further information is available at:

aec.gov.au/Enrolling_to_vote/About_Electoral_Roll/direct.htm

FDEU trial

Federal Direct Enrolment Update

The Australian Electoral Commission are trialling Federal Direct Enrolment Update (FDEU) in the following communities in the Northern Territory, Queensland and Western Australia.

Locality

Northern Territory

ALI CURUNG

ALPURRURULAM

ALYANGULA

AMPILATWATJA

BARUNGA

BESWICK

BINJARI

BORROLOOLA

DAGURAGU

FINKE

GALIWINKU

GAPUWIYAK

GUNBALANYA

HERMANNSBURG

ILPARPA

JABIRU

KALKARINDJI

Locality

KALTUKATJARA

KINTORE

MANINGRIDA

MATARANKA

MILIKAPITI

MILINGIMBI

MINIYERI

NAUIYU

NGANMARRIYANGA

NGUKURR

NHULUNBUY

NUMBULWAR

PAPUNYA

PIGEON HOLE

PIRLANGIMPI

RAMINGINING

ROBINSON RIVER

SANTA TERESA

UMBAKUMBA

WADEYE

WARRUWI

WILORA

WURRUMIYANGA

YIRRKALA

Locality

YUENDUMU

MT LIEBIG

Queensland

BADU ISLAND

CAIRNS NORTH

CHERBOURG

COOKTOWN

DOOMADGEE

KIRWAN

PALM ISLAND

SOUTH TOWNSVILLE

THURSDAY ISLAND

TOWNSVILLE CITY

Western Australia

BROOME

CABLE BEACH

DAMPIER PENINSULA

DERBY

GERALDTON

NORTHAMPTON

PERTH

Australian Electoral
Commission

As at 5 September 2022