

# AGENDA BULMAN LOCAL AUTHORITY THURSDAY 9 JANUARY 2025

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

Thursday 9 January 2025 at 10:00 am
The Conference Room Council Service Delivery Centre, Bulman
Or via
Microsoft Teams Meeting

Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 467 367 191 203 Passcode: nh3JE2ur

Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

Cindy HADDOW ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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# BULMAN CURRENT MEMBERSHIP: Appointed Members

- 1. Councillor Selina ASHLEY;
- 2. Councillor John DALYWATER;
- 3. Charmain BRINJEN (Chairperson);
- 4. Spencer MARTIN;
- 5. Francis MURRY
- 6. Aiden LINDSAY;
- 7. Margaret LINDSAY;
- 8. Nathaniel MILLER; and
- 9. Shantal MUNDAL.

MEMBERS: 9

**QUORUM:** 5 (minimum requirement)

**PROVISIONAL:** 3 (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.

# **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 lisin 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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# **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

ITEM NUMBER 6.1

TITLE Bulman Local Authority Meeting Previous Minutes

**AUTHOR** Bhumika Adhikari, Governance Engagement Coordinator

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Bulman Local Authority confirms the minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday, 10 October 2024 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of those 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 Bulman Local Authority met and held the Meeting with **QUORUM** on Thursday, 10 October 2024. Attached are the recorded minutes for the Local Authority to review.

#### ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

The next Bulman Local Authority Meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, 09 October 2025 at 10:00 am.

# FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

1. BUL MIN 10102024 [**6.1.1** - 6 pages]



# MINUTES OF THE BULMAN LOCAL AUHTORITY MEETING OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM, COUNCIL SERVICE DELIVERY CENTRE, BULMAN ON THURSDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2024 AT 10:00AM

#### 1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

#### 1.1 Members

- Charmaine BRINJEN (Chairperson);
- Spencer MARTIN;
- Francis MURRY;
- Aiden LINDSAY;
- Margaret LINDSAY; and
- Nathaniel MILLER.

#### 1.2 Staff

- David HURST, Acting Chief Executive Officer (via audio/video conference);
- Cindy HADDOW, General Manager Corporate Services and Sustainability (via audio/video conference);
- Tony HOPP, Acting General Manager Community Services and Engagement (via audio/video conference);
- Luke HADDOW, Acting General Manager Infrastructure Services and Planning;
- Cristian COMAN, Manager Corporate Compliance;
- Liam FARRELL, Operations Manager (via audio/video conference);
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Engagement Coordinator (minute secretary) (via audio/video conference); and
- Daniele PIGA, Governance Officer (via audio/video conference).

#### 1.3 Guests

- Mayor Tony JACK; and
- Melina DAVIDSON, Electorate Officer, Office Of Selena UIBO MLA, Leader of the Opposition (via teleconference);

## 2 MEETING OPENED

The Bulman Local Authority opened at 10:04 am 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

BUL Q/2024-11 (LA Member Spencer Martin/LA Member Aiden Lindsay)

**CARRIED** 

That the Bulman Local Authority accepts the tendered apologies from Councillor John DALYWATER, Councillor Selina ASHLEY and Shantal MUNDAL.

# 5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil.

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#### **6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

#### **6.1 BULMAN LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING PREVIOUS MINUTES**

BUL Q/2024-12 (LA Member Francis Murry/LA Member Spencer Martin)

**CARRIED** 

That the Bulman Local Authority confirms the minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday, 16 January 2024 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of those meetings decisions and proceedings.

#### 7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

#### 7.1 ACTION LIST

BUL Q/2024-13 (LA Member Nathaniel Miller/LA Member Spencer Martin)

CARRIED

- That the Bulman Local Authority:
  (a) receives and notes the Action List; and
- (b) approves the removal of completed items.

#### 8 CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

#### 9 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

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

#### 10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

## 11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

#### 12 EXECUTIVE REPORTS

# 12.1 RE-ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON REPORT

BUL Q/2024-14 (LA Member Margaret Lindsay/LA Member Spencer Martin) CARRIED

That the Bulman Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Re-Election of Chairperson Report; and
- (b) elects Charmaine BRINJEN as Chairperson for a Term of tweleve (12) months.

Charmaine BRINJEN Chairs the Meeting after this item.

# 12.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER ATTENDANCE REPORT

BUL Q/2024-15 (LA Member Margaret Lindsay/LA Member Spencer Martin) CARRIED

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

#### 12.3 ELECTED MEMBERS REPORT

**BUL Q/2024-16 (LA Member Nathaniel Miller/LA Member Francis Murry)** 

**CARRIED** 

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member Report

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# 13 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT 13.1 BULMAN AUGUST YTD FINANCE REPORT

BUL Q/2024-17 (LA Member Spencer Martin/LA Member Margaret Lindsay) CARRIED That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Council Financial Report for the period 01 July 2024 to 31 August 2024.

#### 13.2 BULMAN LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

BUL Q/2024-18 (LA Member Francis Murry/LA Member Nathaniel Miller)
That the Bulman Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update Report;
- (b) allocates \$5000 for solar lights installation two (2) near the workshop and one (1) near the
- requests lighting at the intersection of the Carpentaria Highway to be installed by the Northern Territory Government and advocacy towards the same;
- (d) allocates \$10,000 towards the replacement of oval goal post;
- (e) allocates \$5000 towards whipper snipper and mower purchasing;
- (f) allocates \$2000 for Bulman Christmas Party; and
- (g) allocates \$10000 for scoping and design for the Bulman Council Office extension.

#### 14 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT

#### 14.1 SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM UPDATE

BUL Q/2024-19 (LA Member Nathaniel Miller/LA Member Margaret Lindsay) CARRIED That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the School Nutrition Program Update Report.

# 14.2 COUNCIL SERVICES MANAGER REPORT

BUL Q/2024-20 (LA Member Margaret Lindsay/LA Member Francis Murry) CARRIED That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Council Services Manager Report.

#### 14.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

BUL Q/2024-21 (LA Member Francis Murry/LA Member Nathaniel Miller) CARRIED That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Community Safety Update Report.

## 14.3 INFORMATION SHEET - PERSONAL USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA

BUL Q/2024-22 (LA Member Margaret Lindsay/LA Member Francis Murry) CARRIED That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Information Sheet – Personal Use of Social Media Report.

# 14.5 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

BUL Q/2024-23 (LA Member Francis Murry/LA Member Spencer Martin)

CARRIED

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Conflict of Interest Report.

# 15 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT

#### 16 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 11:37 am

This page and the preceding pages are the Minutes of the Bulman Meeting, held on Thursday, 10 October 2024 and confirmed.

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Chairperson Confirmed on .

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#### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**ITEM NUMBER** 7.1

TITLE Action List

AUTHOR Bhumika Adhikari, Governance Engagement Coordinator

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Bulman Local Authority:

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

# **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 summary of tasks that the Local Authority has requested be undertaken by Council staff.

The Action List is a non-authoritative reference document for Business Arising out of Previous Minutes. The highlighted points are the actionable item of each resolved matter

or ea	cn resolved matter.		
	ACTION LIST	MEETING DATE	REPORT IN THE AGENDA
13.2	BULMAN LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE		
CAF	. Q/2024-18 (LA Member Francis Murry/LA Member Nathaniel Miller) RRIED t the Bulman Local Authority:	10 October 2024	Local Authority Project, Item Number 13.1 b) allocation completed d) allocation completed e) allocation completed
(a)	receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update Report;		f) allocation completed
(b)	allocates \$5000 for solar lights installation two (2) near the workshop and one (1)		g) allocation completed
	near the turn off;		
(c)	requests lighting at the intersection of the Carpentaria Highway to be installed by		
	the Northern Territory Government and advocacy towards the same;		
(d)	allocates \$10,000 towards the replacement of oval goal post;		
(e)	allocates \$5000 towards whipper snipper and mower purchasing;		
(f)	allocates \$2000 for Bulman Christmas Party; and		



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(g) allocates \$10000 for scoping and design for the Bulman Council Office extension.

# **ATTACHMENTS**



# **EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

ITEM NUMBER 12.1

TITLE Local Authority Member Attendance Report

**AUTHOR** Bhumika Adhikari, Governance Engagement Coordinator

## **RECOMMENDATION**

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

# **KEY OUTCOME AREA**

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# **BACKGROUND**

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

**Local Authority Member Attendance** 

Local Authority Meeting Members	16 January 2024	05 April 2024	16 April 2024	04 July 2024	11 July 2024	10 October 2024
		Postponed	Cancelled	Postponed	Cancelled	
Councillor Selina ASHLEY	AP	-	-	-	-	AP
Councillor John DALYWATER	Р	-	-	-	-	AP
Charmaine BRINJEN	Р	-	-	-	-	Р
Francis MURRY	Р	-	-	-	-	Р
Spencer MARTIN	Р	-	-	-	-	Р
Aiden LINDSAY	-	Appointed	-	-	-	Р
Margaret LINDSAY	-	Appointed	-	-	-	Р
Nathaniel MILLER	-	Appointed	-	-	-	Р
Shantal MUNDAL	-	Appointed	-	-	-	AP

Key

P Present at LA

AP Apology given and accepted by LA

NO AP Did not attend LA and did not tender any apologies

# ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Nil.

# **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

#### **EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

ITEM NUMBER 12.2

TITLE Elected Member Report

**AUTHOR** Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Engagement Coordinator

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the Bulman 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 <a href="www.ropergulf.nt.gov.au">www.ropergulf.nt.gov.au</a> and can be provided upon request at all the Roper Gulf Regional Council offices.

#### ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

# **ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL - 23 October 2024**

At this meeting Council approves the recommendation from the following Local Authority:

- Recommendation from the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority held on Monday, 07 October 2024;
- Provisional recommendation from the Manyallaluk Local Authority Provisional Meeting held on Monday, 07 October 2024; and
- Recommendation from the Barunga Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 08 October 2024.
- Recommendation from the Bulman Local Authority Meeting held on Thursday, 10 October 2024.

Council rescinded the membership of Lloyd BROWN from the Manyallaluk Local Authority and accepted the nominations received from Alison ANDREWS and Richard MILLER for the Manyallaluk Local Authority and appointed them as members on the same

Council received and noted the request from Barunga School Council for the supply of four (4) flag poles and the concrete to stabilise them and Council agreed to supply the Barunga School Council with the items as listed.

Council also received Reconciliation Action Plan Summary Report.

# **ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL - 04 December 2024**

Council received the variation to the Bulman Dump Road Projects.

Council, in accordance with Chapter 14 of the *Local Government Act 2019* (the Act), formally adopts the Annual Report and all content therein, with edits, as a true and accurate record of:

(a) Its audited Annual Financial Statement (in accordance with ss 207, 208, 291 (1) of the Act);

- (b) Its assessed performance against its stated goals as outlined in its Regional Plan; and
- (c) All other reportable obligations according to applicable law;

for the 2023-2024 Financial Year; and

Directs the Chief Executive Officer to supply the Annual Report to the Minister for Local Government.

Following Major Projects were discussed at this meeting:

# Barunga Statement Memorial Project – PR12

This project is progressing in its design phase. Jensen Plus, the architects, have presented three (3) options on 16 Nov 2023. Our team members have reviewed these options and provided feedback to the architects. On site survey works and investigation of site servicing and site layout of nodes are now underway by Jensen Plus, once these are finalised draft plans will be created and reviewed by team members. 70% design has been reached with final amendments sent back to Jensen Plus for incorporation into the final design. The target is to complete the project by the Barunga Festival 2025. An application is being developed to source funding for this project through the Commonwealth Government. Design at 100%. Approached DIPL regarding Central Arnhem Road corridor. S19 application for Cultural Park awaiting NLC meeting 15/08/24. DIPL advised new intersection design underway for entry to Barunga may impact on node 1. 29/07/2024. DIPL advised they will amend their intersection design to include traffic barriers, which RGRC would have to pay for. Awaiting Formal approval from DLI - Dev Roads to build in road corridor.

# **Barunga Night Patrol Building Installation – PR86**

Upside Planning have been engaged to process Development Consent Application for the new lot situated between Lots 215 and 218. The Section 19 Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976 (Cth) for the proposed lot has been secured. Awaiting S19 lease before commencing.

# **Barunga River Pump Relocation - PR16**

Hydrological study has been undertaken on river pump access for water extraction licence. Ecological study completed. Water Use Application submitted 29/07/24, awaiting approval.

# Barunga Oval upgrade to AFLNT standards- PR103

Engage a consultant to conduct a gap analysis to bring the whole facility (playing surface, lights, PA system, irrigation, etc.) up to professional competition standard. This will provide us with a scope of works to then seek funding for the project. It is estimated that this consultancy will cost \$20,000. The consultants have been engaged.

# Wugularr (Beswick) Cameron / Maddigan Intersection & Road Upgrade - PR79

ON HOLD - NEEDS ANALYSIS TO BE CARRIED OUT. Grant funding been sourced for project. LRCI - APPROVED. NEED APPROVAL FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING - Assessing scope for the multiple projects after clarification from Grants Manager on the scope submitted to the funding body. Will need to prepare designs and develop tender documentation.

# Weemol Playground and Basketball Court PR104

Scope and quote the construction of a full-sized undercover basketball court in Weemol. AAPA and S19 approvals have been secured. The estimated cost of the project would be \$500,000. Initial site visit completed. Detailed scope document currently being drafted.

# **Bulman Community Ablution Block - PR06**

The flat pack materials have arrived in Katherine. The s19 Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976 (Cth) application has been approved. We have also received an AAPA clearance certificate around 17 Jan 2024. Tender is being coordinated by AWS. Tender documents are complete and ready for release however we are still waiting for the Power and Water approvals before we release the tender.

# **Bulman Dump Fencing - PR39**

S19 obtained. Quotes being sought for 360 m of fencing awaiting AAPA Clearance Approximately 70,000 more required - Joseph scoping fence requirements.NO GRANT FUNDING

# **Bulman Staff Housing - PR80**

The Bulman Staff housing project was identified for engagement of Project Managers to progress in order to meet the deadlines for the Grant Funding agreement that is partially funding this project. Turner and Townsend have provided a project management plan that is inclusive of the procurement of the building and installation. Turner and Townsend will be undertaking the procurement in accordance with Council's legislated procurement obligations. The project is fully budgeted for in 2023/24 and 2024/25. We have received 4 submissions that are currently being assessed by Turner and Townsend and RGRC. Supplier selected in principle with final budget assessment to be completed to ensure sufficient funding is available to complete.

# **Bulman Dump Road - PR117**

Original project was postponed due to no AAPA and MEA Agreement in place, Council have now received these approvals, and draft tender documentation was reviewed on 26 August for final amendments with the aim to release in September 2024. Tender awarded with mobilisation to site on the 22nd November. Aim to have job completed before the wet season. Contractors onsite. Minor variation required.

# Manyallaluk Cemetery Fencing - PR57

Quotations sort are over budget needs to go back to LA. On 28/08/2024 OMC decided to use \$28264.70 towards AAPA clearance for this project, allocated remaining 13,128.88 from unallocated funds towards it and also allocated extra 37k from the council funds to this project.

# Audit and Risk COMMITTEE MEETING - 13 November 2024

The Audit and Risk Committee Meeting consists of the following members:

- Ian SWAN (Independent Member);
- Carolyn EAGLE (Independent Member);
- Claudia GOLSMITH (Independent Member);
- Councillor Patricia FARRELL; and
- Councillor John DALYWATER.

There was no topics of discussion in relation to the Nyirranggulung Ward at the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting.

#### FINANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING - 27 November 2024

The Finance and Infrastructure Committee consists of the following members:

- Awais UR REHMAN (Independent Member);
- Mayor Tony JACK;
- Deputy Mayor Helen LEE;
- Councillor Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI;
- Councillor Owen TURNER;
- Councillor Annabelle DAYLIGHT:
- Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR; and
- Councillor John DALYWATER.

There was no topics of discussion in relation to the Nyirranggulung Ward at the Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting.

# **UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS**

22 January 2025 at	Finance and Infrastructure	RGRC Support Centre
9:00 am	Committee Meeting	Katherine
19 February 2025 at	Audit and Risk Committee Meeting	RGRC Support Centre
10:00am	Addit and Risk Committee weeting	Katherine
26 February 2025 at	Ordinary Masting of Council	RGRC Support Centre
8:30am	Ordinary Meeting of Council	Katherine

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

# LOCAL AUTHORITY

# **NUMBER OF VACANCIES**

Barunga Local Authority	0
Wugularr Local Authority	0
Bulman Local Authority	0
Manyallaluk Local Authority	0

# **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

1. OMC MIN 04122024 [12.2.1 - 9 pages]



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL SUPPORT CENTRE 2 CRAWFORD STREET, KATHERINE, NT ON WEDNESDAY 4 DECEMBER 2024 AT 8:30 AM

#### 1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

#### 1.1 Elected Members

- Mayor Tony JACK (Chairperson);
- Deputy Mayor Helen LEE;
- Councillor Owen TURNER;
- Councillor John DALYWATER;
- Councillor Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI;
- Councillor Gadrian HOOSAN;
- Councillor Selina ASHLEY;
- · Councillor Edna ILES; and
- Councillor Patricia FARRELL.

#### 1.2 Staff Members

- David HURST, Chief Executive Officer;
- Cindy HADDOW, General Manager Corporate Services and Sustainability;
- Tony HOPP, Acting General Manager Community Services and Engagement;
- Luke HADDOW, Acting General Manager Infrastructure Services and Planning;
- Cristian COMAN, Manager Corporate Compliance;
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Engagement Coordinator; and
- Daniele PIGA, Governance Officer (minute secretary).

#### Guests

- The Honourable Jo HERSEY, Minister for Education and Training, Early Education, Public Services.
- Karen HOCKING, Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development;
- Ursula CHUBB, Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development;
- Matthew WARD, KPMG Enterprise, Audit and Assurance (via audio/video conference);
   and
- Greg EVANS, Financial Consultant, LG Services Group Pty Ltd(via audio/video conference).

# 2 MEETING OPENED

The Ordinary Meeting of Council opened at 8:37 am. The Mayor welcomed members, staff and guests 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**

2024/175 RESOLVED (Deputy Mayor Helen Lee/Councillor Selina Ashley)

**CARRIED** 

That Council:

(a) accepts the tendered apologies from Councillors Annabelle DAYLIGHT, Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR; and

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(b) does not accept the tendered apology from Councillor Samuel EVANS.

#### **5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Nil

#### **6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

# **6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

# 2024/176 RESOLVED (Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Councillor Selina CARRIED Ashley)

That Council confirms the minutes from its Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 23 October 2024, and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of that meeting's decisions and proceedings.

Councillor Owen TURNER joined the Meeting at 8:50 am.

Councillor John DALYWATER left the Meeting at 9:57 am. Councillor John DALYWATER returned to the Meeting at 9:58 am.

Meeting adjourned at 9:59 am and reconvened at 10:26 am.

#### 7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

# 7.1 APPOINTMENT OF AN ELECTED MEMBER

2024/177 RESOLVED (Deputy Mayor Helen Lee/Councillor Patricia Farrell) CARRIED That Council appoints Melissa ANDREWS-WURRAMARRA as an Elected Member (Councillor), representing the Yugul Mangi Ward, on the Roper Gulf Regional Council.

# 7.2 ACTION LIST

# 2024/178 RESOLVED (Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Councillor Edna CARRIED lles)

That Council:

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

#### 8 PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

# **8.1 PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

2024/179 RESOLVED (Deputy Mayor Helen Lee/Councillor Owen Turner)
That Council:

CARRIED

- (a) receives and notes the Previous Committee Meeting Minutes Report;
- (b) ratifies the decisions made by the Committee as tabled in the same; and
- (c) reschedules the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting for April 2025 to Wednesday 19 February 2025 at 08:30 am.

#### 9 CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

#### 10 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

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Councillor Owen TURNER declared a Conflict of Interest at Item 11 and recused himself from the Meeting whilst the matter was deliberated and Resolved.

#### 11 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

#### 11.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

# 2024/180 RESOLVED (Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Councillor Selina CARRIED Ashley)

That Council accepts the Incoming Correspondence Report.

Councillor Owen TURNER declared a conflict of interest and left the Meeting at 10:38 am and rejoined the Meeting at 10:46 am.

#### 12 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

#### 12.1 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

2024/181 RESOLVED (Deputy Mayor Helen Lee/Councillor Gadrian Hoosan) CARRIED

That Council notes the Outgoing Correspondence Report.

#### 13 WARD REPORTS

#### 13.1 NYIRANGGULUNG WARD REPORT

2024/182 RESOLVED (Councillor Selina Ashley/Deputy Mayor Helen Lee)

CARRIED

That Council receives and notes the Nyirranggulung Ward Report.

Councillor Owen Turner left the meeting at 10:54 am.

#### 13.2 NEVER NEVER WARD REPORT

# 2024/183 RESOLVED (Councillor Edna lles/Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi)

**CARRIED** 

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Never Never Ward Report;
- ratifies the resolved decisions of the Jilkminggan Local Authority from its Meeting held on Tuesday, 05 November 2024;
- (c) ratifies the resolved decisions of the Mataranka Local Authority from its Meeting held on Tuesday, 05 November 2024, with the exception of Resolution MAT Q/2024-18 (Meetings to be held outside of Business Hours);
- (d) rescinds the Membership of Michael SOMERS from the Mataranka Local Authority; and
- (e) resolves for the Mataranka Local Autority to comprise of seven (7) Members in total.

#### 13.3 NUMBULWAR NUMBURINDI WARD REPORT

# 2024/184 RESOLVED (Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Councillor Selina CARRIED Ashley)

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Numbulwar Numburindi Ward Report;
- (b) reschedules the Numbulwar Local Authority Meeting from Wednesday, 11 December 2024 to Tuesday, 10 December 2024 due to cultural reasons; and
- (c) resolves for the Numbulwar Local Autority to comprise of eight (8) Members in total.

#### 13.4 YUGUL MANGI WARD REPORT

# 2024/185 RESOLVED (Councillor Patricia Farrell/Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi)

CARRIED

That Council:

(a) receives and notes the Yugul Mangi Report;

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- reschedules the Ngukurr and Urapunga Local Authority Meetings from Tuesday, 10 December 2024 to Wednesday, 11 December 2024 due to cultural reasons;
- (c) rescinds the Membership of Jana DANIELS from the Ngukurr Local Authority and Urapunga Local Authority;
- (d) resolves for the Ngukurr Local Authority to comprise of eight (8) Members in total; and
- (e) resolves for the Urapunga Local Authority to comprise of seven (7) Members in total.

#### 13.5 SOUTH WEST GULF WARD REPORT

2024/186 RESOLVED (Councillor Gadrian Hoosan/Councillor Selina Ashley) CARRIED That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the South West Gulf Ward Report;
- (b) rescinds the Memberships of Maria PYRO, Jack GREEN, Andrew FIRLEY and Jonathon SAUER from the Borroloola Local Authority; and
- (c) resolves for the Borroloola Local Authority to comprise of six (6) Members in total.

#### 14 EXECUTIVE REPORTS

#### 14.1 COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORT

2024/187 RESOLVED (Councillor Patricia Farrell/Councillor Kathy-Anne CARRIED Numamurdirdi)

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Council Meeting Attendance Report; and
- (b) resolves that Councillor Samuel EVANS is absent without the permission of Council in accordance with Section 47(1) (o) of the Local Government Act 2019.

#### 14.2 MAYOR'S REPORT

# 2024/188 RESOLVED (Councillor Selina Ashley/Councillor Kathy-Anne CARRIED Numamurdirdi)

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Mayor's Report; and
- (b) recognises and congratulates Nathaniel MILLER for his ARIA Award win, and ongoing contribution to the Bulman/Weemol Community.

#### 14.3 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

# 2024/189 RESOLVED (Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Councillor Gadrian CARRIED Hoosan)

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Chief Executive Officer's Report; and
- (b) requests the Chief Executive Officer to invite the Executive Director of Housing Local Government and Community Development to attend the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 26 February 2025 to discuss Housing Reference Groups in remote Communities.

Councillor Selina Ashley returned to the Meeting at 11:39 am.

# 15 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT

15.1 ADOPTION OF ANNUAL REPORT INCLUDING AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2024/190 RESOLVED (Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Councillor Selina CARRIED Ashley)

That Council, in accordance with Chapter 14 of the *Local Government Act 2019* (the Act), formally adopts the Annual Report and all content therein, with edits, as a true and accurate record of:

- (a) Its audited Annual Financial Statement (in accordance with ss 207, 208, 291 (1) of the Act);
- (b) Its assessed performance against its stated goals as outlined in its Regional Plan; and
- (c) All other reportable obligations according to applicable law;

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for the 2023-2024 Financial Year; and

Directs the Chief Executive Officer to supply the Annual Report to the Minister for Local Government.

#### 15.2 POLICY REVIEW

# 2024/191 RESOLVED (Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Deputy Mayor CARRIED Helen Lee)

That Council adopts the revised GOV004 Cultural Business Policy.

#### 15.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

# 2024/192 RESOLVED (Councillor Selina Ashley/Councillor Kathy-Anne CARRIED Numamurdirdi)

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

#### 15.4 COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 26.11.2024

# 2024/193 RESOLVED (Councillor Edna lles/Councillor Kathy-Anne CARRIED Numamurdirdi)

That Council receives and notes the Council's Financial Report as at 26 November 2024.

# 16 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT 16.1 PROGRAMS UPDATE

# 2024/194 RESOLVED (Councillor Patricia Farrell/Councillor Selina Ashley)

CARRIED

**CARRIED** 

That Council receives and notes the Programs Update Report.

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 pm and reconvened at 12:59 pm.

Councillor Owen TURNER returned to the Meeting at 12:54 pm.

Councillor John DALYWATER returned to the Meeting at 1:08 pm.

# 16.2 AGED AND DISABILITY CARE - INDIGENOUS EMPLOYMENT INITIATIVE FUNDING AGREEMENT 2024 - 2026

# 2024/195 RESOLVED (Councillor Edna lles/Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi)

That Council:

- receives and notes the new funding agreement for Aged and Disability Care's- Indigenous Employment Initiative Program – 4-K4CGN52;
- approves the Chief Executive Officer to sign the 2024-2026 Indigenous Employment Initiative Funding Agreement with a total grant amount of \$1,081,988.96 excluding GST; and
- (c) approves the use of the Common Seal on the funding agreement documents.

#### **16.3 AGED CARE AND DISABILITY SERVICES REPORT**

# 2024/196 RESOLVED (Councillor Owen Turner/Councillor Gadrian Hoosan) CARRIED

That Council receives and notes the Aged Care and Disability Services Report.

#### 16.4 IAGED HEALTH - SIX-MONTH REVIEW

# 2024/197 RESOLVED (Councillor Selina Ashley/Councillor Kathy-Anne CARRIED Numamurdirdi)

That Council receives and notes the iAged Health six-month Review.

Mayor Tony Jack left the meeting at 1:21 pm.

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#### 16.5 NUMBULWAR CRECHE FEASIBILITY UPDATE

2024/198 RESOLVED (Councillor Owen Turner/Councillor John Dalywater)

**CARRIED** 

That Council receives and notes the Numbulwar Creche Feasibility Update.

Mayor Tony Jack returned to the meeting at 1:25 pm.

# 16.6 JILKMINGGAN AND WUGULARR OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS - PROJECT SCHEDULE 2025-26

2024/199 RESOLVED (Councillor Owen Turner/Councillor John Dalywater) CARRIED
That Council:

- receives and notes the 2025-26 Project Schedule for Jilkminggan and Wugularr communities
   Outside School Hours Care Program 4-K9NEHPH;
- approves the Chief Executive Officer to sign the 2025-2026 Outside School Hours Program Project Schedule to the amount of \$270,637.74 excluding GST; and
- (c) approves the use of the Common Seal on the funding agreement documents.

# 17 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT 17.1 DISPOSAL OF LEGACY TYRES FROM BORROLOOLA WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY

2024/200 RESOLVED (Councillor John Dalywater/Councillor Gadrian Hoosan) CARRIED That Council approves the sum of \$180,000.00 for the disposal of legacy tyres at the Borroloola Waste Management Facility.

Councillor Owen TURNER left the Meeting at 1:35 pm. Councillor Owen TURNER returned to the Meeting at 1:46 pm.

Councillor Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI left the Meeting at 1:57 pm.

Councillor Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI returned to the Meeting at 1:59 pm.

Deputy Mayor Helen LEE left the Meeting at 2:00 pm. Deputy Mayor Helen LEE returned to the Meeting at 2:02 pm.

Councillor John DALYWATER left the Meeting at 2:02 pm. Councillor John DALYWATER returned to the Meeting at 2:04 pm.

Councillor Patricia FARRELL left the Meeting at 2:11 pm. Councillor Selina ASHLEY left the Meeting at 2:12 pm.

Councillor Patricia FARRELL returned to the Meeting at 2:13 pm. Councillor Selina ASHLEY returned to the Meeting at 2:14 pm.

#### 17.2 MAJOR PROJECTS REPORT

2024/201 RESOLVED (Councillor John Dalywater/Councillor Edna Iles) CARRIED
That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Major Project Report;
- evicts the Department of Education from its site at Lot 644 in Borroloola at first opportunity according to law; and
- (c) directs the Chief Executive Officer to issue the Department of Education with a formal eviction notice as pertaining to Item (b).

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#### **18 GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil.

#### 19 DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

The Hon Jo HERSEY, Minister for Education and Training, Early Education, Public Services, joined the Meeting at 8:40 am and made deputation to Council.

Council discussed several matters with Minister Jo HERSEY, as set out below. No resolution made.

- 1. New CLP Government key policy positions;
- Borroloola Cyclone Shelter, including difficulties arising out of Department of Education hindering progress and opening;
- 3. Lack of communications with Northern Territory Government (NTG) pertaining to cyclone shelter prioritisation across Region; and
- 4. Community need for Creche and Early Childhood services in Numbulwar.

Matthew WARD, KPMG Enterprise, Audit and Assurance, joined the Meeting at 9:30 am and made deputation to Council pertaining to its Audited Financial Statement.

#### 20 CLOSED SESSION

#### **DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

2024/202 RESOLVED (Councillor Owen Turner/Councillor Patricia Farrell)

**CARRIED** 

That 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 be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda:

# 21.1 Confirmation of Previous Minutes Confidential Session

Regulation 51(1)(e) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(e). It contains 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.

#### 21.2 Previous Committee Minutes Confidential session

Regulation 51(1)(d) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(d). It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

Regulation 51(1)(e) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(e). It contains information provided to the council on condition that it be kept

#### 21.3 Action List

Regulation 51(1)(c)(iii) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(iii). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.

Regulation 51(1)(d) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(d). It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

#### 21.4 Superannuation for Elected Members

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Regulation 51(1)(c)(iii) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(iii). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.

Regulation 51(1)(e) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(e). It contains 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.

#### 21.5 Compliance Review Action Report

Regulation 51(1)(c)(iii) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(iii). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: prejudice the security of the council, its or staff.

Regulation 51(1)(e) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(e). It contains 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.

#### 21.6 Local Decision Making Agreements

Regulation 51(1)(c)(i) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(i). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

Regulation 51(1)(e) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(e). It contains 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.

#### 21.7 Tender Variation - Bulman Dump Road

Regulation 51(1)(c)(i) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(i). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

21.8 Tender Variation - Mataranka Community Office - Wastewater Management System Regulation 51(1)(c)(i) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government

Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(i). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

# 21.9 Contract Variation-LG Services Group Pty Ltd for Financial Consulting

Regulation 51(1)(c)(i) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(i). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

Regulation 51(1)(d) - The Report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(d). It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

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# 20.1.1 Return to Open Meeting

2024/212 RESOLVED (Councillor Selina Ashley/Deputy Mayor Helen Lee) CARRIED
That 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 be re opened to the public.

# 21 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 3:17 pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 04 December 2024 and will be confirmed at the next meeting.

Mayor Tony JACK Confirmed on 26 February 2025.

# CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT



ITEM NUMBER 13.1

TITLE Bulman Local Authority Projects Update
AUTHOR Puspa Karki, Executive Support Coordinator

# **RECOMMENDATION**

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

# **KEY OUTCOME AREA**

Wellbeing: Contribute to the wellbeing of residents individually and communities as a whole; by fostering increased participation in community activities, education, healthy lifestyles, and a safe living environment. Infrastructure: Support building and maintaining community infrastructure which positively contributes to resident needs and aspirations.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Since 2014 the Bulman Local Authority has received a total of \$340,259 from the Northern Territory Government for the Local Authority Project Fund. Annual allocations are based on a formula related to population. The Council has approved a further \$32,581 allocation to cover unspent funding returned to the NTG. To date the Bulman Local Authority has allocated \$426,370.49, accounting for surplus funds from completed projects.

# ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

- Please refer to the attached LA Project funding report as at 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024.
- Mowers and snippers have been delivered to the community.

# FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

# **Unallocated Funds**

The Bulman Local Authority currently has \$15,289.95 to allocate to new projects.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Bulman Weemol LA projects 30.11.2024 [13.1.1 - 1 page]

BULMAN LOCAL AUTHORITY AGENDA 9 JANUARY 2025

Bulman/Wee	emol Local Authority Pro	ject Funding			30 November 2024
Funds Received from Department			\$	340,259.00	
Allocated by Council			\$	32,581.00	
	to projects by Local Authority M	embers	\$		
Surplus/(Deficit)	from completed projects		\$	68,820.44	
Remaining una	llocated funds		\$	15,289.95	
Date Approved					
Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Ac	ctual Expenditure	Project Status
5/12/2018 1413806 PR6	Toilet near council office/ Community Ablution Block				\$72,000 was LA allocated on 05/12/2018 and addition allocation of \$25,000 on 22/08/2019 LA meeting. The project is under planning stage. \$19 License approved. PWC to be contacted for services response by 31/3/2021. Currently in Design phase to provide a final costing. 12/6/2021 Unallocated funds (\$47,361.59) allocated to toilet block. In procurement phase. Site visit scheduled for Feb 2nd. Project now with RGRC Assets Team. Purchased Ablution block. Projects team soon to start tender documents. AWS preparing services designs.  \$19 approved. Awaiting AAPA clearance.AAPA certified. Now this project will need to go for public quotation for installation after completion of hydraulic plans. AWS undertaking tender documentation complete and with RGRC for review. Awaiting SSP's prior to tender readiness 31/08/24,
	Solar light installation X3	\$ 144,361. \$ 5,000.		101,377.00	Pending power and water approvals.  LA allocated 5K towards solar light installation. 2 near the workshop and 1 near turn off.
10/10/2024	Oval goal post replacement	\$ 10,000.	00		LA allocated 10k towards replacement of oval goal post.
10/10/2024	Mower and Whipper snipper	\$ 5,000.	00 \$	4,545.45	LA allocated 5K towards purchasing mower and whipper snipper. PO raised. In Procurement stage.  Delivered and Completed.
10/10/2024	Christmas party	\$ 2,000.	00		LA allocated 2K towards christmas party. CSM to organise.
10/10/2024	Council office extension	\$ 10,000.	00		LA allocated 10k towards Bulman council office extension. Need scoping.
	Total for current projects in progress	\$ 171,361.	59 \$	101,377.00	
	Total for completed projects	\$ 255,008.	90 \$	186,188.46	
	Grand total	\$ 426,370.	49 \$	287,565.46	

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# CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT

ITEM NUMBER 13.2

TITLE Bulman LA November YTD Finance Report

AUTHOR James Sanders, Finance Manager

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Council Financial Report for the period 01 July 2024 to 30 November 2024.

#### **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.

#### ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

There are variances to budget amounts in some activities as outlined in the attached expenditure report. An explanation for the major variances for each division is as follows:

## **Operating Income:**

Operating Income of \$725,052 has been received against a budget of \$923,423 YTD. The resulting shortfall variance of \$198,371. Grant Income makes up the bulk of this with shortfalls in employment and contract expenditure as seen in operating expenditure creating the variance.

# **Operating Expenditure:**

Total Operating Expenditure of \$725,052 has been received against a budget of \$923,423 YTD. The resulting shortfall variance of \$198,371. is due to employment shortfalls in staffing numbers on site. Allocations and internal invoicing will also be drivers of this with Internal Charges showing a variance of 185K.

# **Capital Expenditure:**

YTD capex expenditure \$85,320 has occurred against a budget of \$322,917, work in progress to date, Lot 50 Bulman Development makes up the bulk of this spend at \$77.2K.

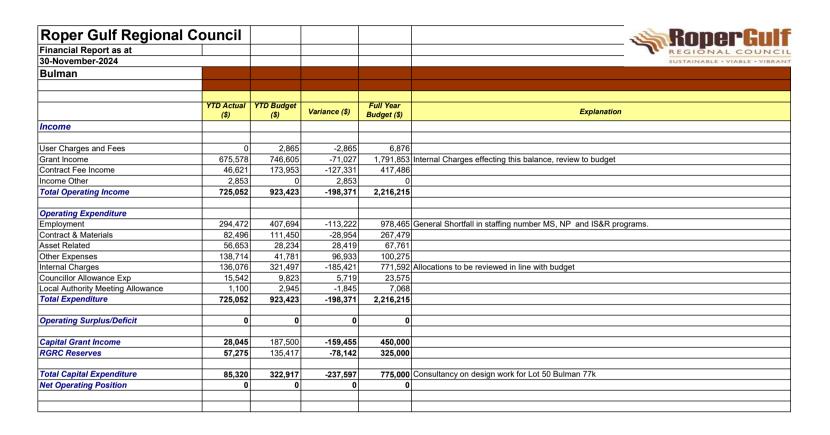
# **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil

# **ATTACHMENTS**

1. LA Report Bulman Nov YTD 2024 [13.2.1 - 1 page]

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# CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT



ITEM NUMBER 13.3

TITLE Annual Report

AUTHOR Cristian Coman, Manager Corporate Compliance

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Annual Report.

# **KEY OUTCOME AREA**

Environment: Protect and care for the physical environment, including developing and maintenance of clean and environmentally focused communities.

Wellbeing: Contribute to the wellbeing of residents individually and communities as a whole; by fostering increased participation in community activities, education, healthy lifestyles, and a safe living environment.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Council adopted Annual Report at Ordinary Meeting of Council on Wednesday, 04 December 2024.

#### ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Annual Report is supplied to Local Authority Members for review. Annual Report is currently with printers and hard copies shall be available soon.

#### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

# **ATTACHMENTS**



# **COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT**

ITEM NUMBER 14.1

TITLE Community Services Manager Report

**AUTHOR** Susan Wedlock, Council Services Coordinator-Bulman

RECOMMENDATION

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

#### **KEY OUTCOME AREA**

Environment: Protect and care for the physical environment, including developing and maintenance of clean and environmentally focused communities.

Wellbeing: Contribute to the wellbeing of residents individually and communities as a whole; by fostering increased participation in community activities, education, healthy lifestyles, and a safe living environment.

# **BACKGROUND**

# **Core Services**

111 - Council Services General

- Council Office has been open, and all services are being delivered
- Community Safety Coordinator position is vacant and recruitment for the position is underway
- Community Christmas Party happened in December with great community attendance
- Weemol access road has been graded

# 160 - Municipal Services

Municipal services have been operational preparing for the wet season

# **Agency Services**

350 - Centrelink

Centrelink has been open and operational

401 - Community Night Patrol

 Community Night Patrol continues to be delivered to contractual obligations (Report attached separately)

404 – Sport and Recreation Program

 Sport and Recreation Program continues to be delivered to contractual obligations (Report attached separately)

349 - School Nutrition Program

The School Nutrition Program Continues to be delivered to contractual obligations

341 - Aged Care

 Aged Care Program continues to be delivered to Bulman and Weemol to contractual obligation.

#### ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Nil.

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

# **COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT**



ITEM NUMBER 14.2

**TITLE** Town Priorities

**AUTHOR** Cristian Coman, Manager Corporate Compliance

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the Bulman Local Authority nominates the following priority for Council's consideration for the 2024-25 Financial year.

#### **KEY OUTCOME AREA**

Environment: Protect and care for the physical environment, including developing and maintenance of clean and environmentally focused communities.

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

#### **BACKGROUND**

The prescribed functions of a Local Authority are tabled at Chapter 5 of the *Local Government Act* 2019, and include participation in the development of Council's Regional Plan for each Financial Year.

# ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Council develops a Regional Plan annually to be adopted by no later than 30 June, that outlines its priorities and goals for the coming financial year and is inclusive of an allocated (and adopted) budget for the implementation of the same.

As part of the development of the Regional Plan (2024-25), the Bulman Local Authority is requested to nominate priority projects for the Community, for Council to consider and assess as part of its goals for the Financial Year 2024-25.

The nominated town priorities will be assessed and ranked by Council as part of the Regional Plan development process, and will be put back to the Local Authority for review and comment as part of the draft Regional Plan consultation process.

N.b. Town priority projects are not dependent on Local Authority Project Funding.

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Not Applicable (for nomination)

# **ATTACHMENTS**

# **COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT**



ITEM NUMBER 14.3

TITLE Community Safety Update

AUTHOR Rodney Hoffman, Program Support Coordinator

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Community Safety Update Report.

# **KEY OUTCOME AREA**

Wellbeing: Contribute to the wellbeing of residents individually and communities as a whole; by fostering increased participation in community activities, education, healthy lifestyles, and a safe living environment.

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

#### **BACKGROUND**

Council receive funding from the National Indigenous Australian's Agency to delivery Community Night Patrol, Indigenous Sport & Recreation, School Nutrition Program and the Indigenous Broadcasting & Media Program in Bulman. Council also receives funding from the Northern Territory Government to deliver the Remote Sport Program in Bulman.

# ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Community Night Patrol, Sport and Recreation and School Nutrition Program are currently being delivered in line with funding agreements and regulatory requirements. A statistics update will be provided for all programs after 15 January 2025 for the period 1 July 2024 to 31 December 2024 in line with that required under the funding arrangements.

# FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.