



AGENDA

FINANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 24 JANUARY 2024

Notice is given that the next Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting of the Roper Gulf Regional Council will be held on:

Wednesday, 24 January 2024 at 9:00am
The Council Chambers Roper Gulf Regional Council Support Centre
2 Crawford Street, Katherine, NT

Or via
Microsoft Teams Meeting
Meeting ID: 411 849 712 59
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Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marc Gardner", is positioned above the name and title of the Chief Executive Officer.

Marc GARDNER
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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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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.

14.2 Outstanding Rate Balances & Action Undertaken.

The report will conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s51(1)(b) (c)(iv), information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer; AND information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person.

14.3 Information Communication and Technology Transition UPDATE

The report will conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s51(1)(c)(i) (c)(iii) (c)(iv), information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person; AND information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff; AND information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person.

15 CLOSE OF MEETING

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES



ITEM NUMBER	5.1
TITLE	Confirmation of Finance and infrastructure Committee Previous Minutes – 29 November 2023
REFERENCE	1387810
AUTHOR	Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee confirms the minutes from the meeting held on 29 November 2023 and affirms them to be true and accurate record of that meeting's decisions and proceedings.

BACKGROUND

The Finance and Infrastructure Committee met and held a Meeting as a **Quorum** in Katherine on 29 November 2023 at 9:00 am.

Attached are the unconfirmed minutes from that meeting for the Committee to confirm.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

The next Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting is on 27 March 2024 at 9:00am.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Finance Infrastructure Committee Meeting 2023-11-29 [2380] Minutes.DOCX



MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, FINANCE AND
INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL
CHAMBERS ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL SUPPORT CENTRE
2 CRAWFORD STREET, KATHERINE, NT
ON WEDNESDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 2023 AT 9:08AM

1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

1.1 Elected Members

- Deputy Mayor Helen LEE (Acting Principal Member) (Chairperson);
- Councillor Samuel EVANS (via teleconference);
- Councillor Annabelle DAYLIGHT;
- Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR (via teleconference);
- Councillor Owen TURNER; and
- Independent Member Awais UR REHMAN (via teleconference).

1.2 Staff

- David HURST, Acting Chief Executive Officer;
- Cindy HADDOW, General Manager Corporate Services and Sustainability;
- Mruthyunjaya Patil KULKARNI, General Manager Infrastructure Services and Planning;
- Cristian COMAN, Manager Corporate Compliance; and
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer (minute secretary).

1.3 Guests

- Mr Michael MARTIN OAM – Chair of NT Remuneration Tribunal (via videoconference);
- Mr. Gary HIGGINS – Member of NT Remuneration Tribunal; and
- Hon Sydney STIRLING – Member of NT Remuneration Tribunal.

2 MEETING OPENED

The Finance Committee Meeting opened at 9:08am. The Mayor welcomed members and staff to the meeting and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

104/2023 RESOLVED (Owen TURNER/Samuel EVANS)

CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee:

- (a) accepts the tendered apology from Mayor Tony JACK; and
- (b) does not accept the apology from Councillor John DALYWATER noting that it was never tendered.

4 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Owen TURNER declared an interest as being a board Member of Yugul Mangi Development Corporation.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF FINANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE PREVIOUS MINUTES - 27 SEPTEMBER 2023

105/2023 RESOLVED (Awais Ur REHMAN/Owen TURNER)

CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee confirms the minutes from the meeting held on 27 September 2023 and affirms them to be true and accurate record of that meeting's decisions and proceedings.

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 ACTION LIST - FICM

106/2023 RESOLVED (Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR/Awais Ur REHMAN)

CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee:

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

7 CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

- Basketball Court funding – Yugul Mangi Development Corporation- Cr. TURNER; and
- Mataranka Community Town Hall fees waiving.

8 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCES

107/2023 RESOLVED (Awais Ur REHMAN/Annabelle DAYLIGHT)

CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee accepts the incoming correspondence report.

9 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

10 EXECUTIVE REPORTS

10.1 FINANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEMBER ATTENDANCE REPORT

108/2023 RESOLVED (Owen TURNER/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR)

CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee receives and notes the Finance and Infrastructure Committee Member Attendance Report.

11 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT

Nil.

12 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT**12.1 COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 31.10.2023**

109/2023 **RESOLVED** (Annabelle DAYLIGHT/Awais Ur REHMAN) **CARRIED**

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee receives and notes the financial reports as at 31 October 2023.

13 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT**13.1 MAJOR PROJECTS REPORT**

110/2023 **RESOLVED** (Samuel EVANS/Awais Ur REHMAN) **CARRIED**

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee receives and notes the Major Projects report.

13.2 BASKETBALL COURT FUNDING – YUGUL MANGI - Councillor Owen TURNER

111/2023 **RESOLVED** (Owen TURNER/Annabelle DAYLIGHT) **CARRIED**

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee requests the Acting Chief Executive Officer to contact Yugul Mangi Development Corporation Chief Executive Officer noting concerns on funding inadequacy for the Basketball Court undertaking.

13.3 MATARANKA COMMUNITY TOWN HALL FEES WAIVING

112/2023 **RESOLVED** (Owen TURNER/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR) **CARRIED**

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee, noting the urgency of request waives the Mataranka Community Town Hall fees for Mataranka School for traditional School End of Year Concert.

NT Remuneration Tribunal presented to Meeting at 11:15am and finished the meeting at 11:55am.

13.4 NT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

No Resolution passed

Northern Territory Remuneration Tribunal presented an overview of its decision making process and considerations to the Finance and Infrastructure Committee noting lack of consultation.

Note: Northern Territory Remuneration Tribunal requests to forecast Councillor Travel allowance, Extra meeting and activity allowances and based on forecast to plan next year budget.

14 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL**

113/2023 **RESOLVED** (Awais Ur REHMAN/Owen TURNER) **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.

14.1 Confirmation of Finance and Infrastructure Committee Previous Confidential Minutes - 27 September 2023 - *The report will 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.*

14.2 Enterprise Resource Planning Considerations - *The report will conducted in*

accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s51(1)(c)(iii) (c)(iv) (e), information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff; AND information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person; AND 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.

The meeting moved to the Confidential Session at 10:07am.

RETURN TO OPEN

114/2023 **RESOLVED (Owen TURNER/Samuel EVANS)**

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.

The meeting re-opened to the public at 10:23am.

Meeting adjourned at 10:24am and reconvened at 11:03am for the NT Remuneration Tribunal presentation.

15 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 11:56am.

This page and the proceeding pages are the Minutes of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 29 November 2023 and will be confirmed on .

Mayor Tony JACK
Confirmed on .

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER	6.1
TITLE	Action List - FICM
REFERENCE	1387788
AUTHOR	Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee:

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

12.2 COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 28.02.2023

30/2023 RESOLVED (Samuel EVANS/Annabelle DAYLIGHT)

CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee:

- (a) receives and notes the financial reports as at 28 February 2023; and
- (b) requests Independent Member to assist Finance Manager in preparation of Financial report.

In progress

12.4 RGRC LOCAL AUTHORITIES - UPDATE ON LA FUNDING AND FUTURE PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS

69/2023 RESOLVED (Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR/Annabelle DAYLIGHT)

CARRIED

In progress

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee:

- (a) receives and notes the information on RGRC Local Authority funding, Northern Territory Government (NTG) audit of past funding and the recommendations to Local Authority members on future Local Authority Projects;
- (b) requests the Chief Executive Officer to include the time frames and progress on projects in the Local Authority Project report; and
- (c) requests the Chief Executive Officer to advocate on the matter to the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) Meeting and to the Local Authority Members.

12.6 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

71/2023 RESOLVED (Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR/Helen LEE) CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure committee:

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update report; and
- (d) requests the Chief Executive Officer to include the due date of the Local Authority Project funding.

14.5 OUTSTANDING RATE BALANCES & ACTION UNDERTAKEN.**61/2023 RESOLVED (Awais Ur REHMAN/Annabelle DAYLIGHT) CARRIED *In progress***

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee:

- (a) receives and notes the report for Outstanding Rate Balances & Action Being Undertaken to Recover the Due Rates for The FY 2022-2023;
- (b) considers waiving the interest fees for outstanding rates for 17 Jose Street; and
- (c) makes public the resolution from this report in the open minutes of this Council meeting.
- (d) requests the Chief Executive Officer to present Outstanding Rate Balances & Action Undertaken report to the Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled on Wednesday, 23 August 2023 and in writing doubtful debts associated with debts and for 17 Jose street.

8.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCES**82/2023 RESOLVED (Awais Ur REHMAN/Owen TURNER) CARRIED *Completed***

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee:

- (a) accepts the incoming correspondence report; and
- (b) requests the Chief Executive Officer to write a letter to Dr Frank DALY, Chief Executive Officer, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet in regards to Funding Levels and Consumer Price Index increases.

13.2 BASKETBALL COURT FUNDING – YUGUL MANGI - Councillor Owen TURNER**111/2023 RESOLVED (Owen TURNER/Annabelle DAYLIGHT) CARRIED *Completed***

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee requests the Acting Chief Executive Officer to contact Yugul Mangi Development Corporation Chief Executive Officer noting concerns on funding inadequacy for the Basketball Court undertaking.

13.3 MATARANKA COMMUNITY TOWN HALL FEES WAIVING

112/2023 **RESOLVED (Owen TURNER/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR)**

CARRIED

Completed

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee, noting the urgency of request waives the Mataranka Community Town Hall fees for Mataranka School for traditional School End of Year Concert.

13.4 NT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

No Resolution passed

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Note: Northern Territory Remuneration Tribunal requests to forecast Councillor Travel allowance, Extra meeting and activity allowances and based on forecast to plan next year budget.

14.6 6 ROPER TERRACE MATARANKA – CHARGED COMMERCIAL LAND

203/2023 **RESOLVED (Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR/Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI)** **CARRIED**

Report included

That Council requests to present a report pertaining to the methodology used to calculate rates as applicable to Charged Commercial Land at the Finance and Infrastructure Committee on Wednesday, 24 January 2024.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 8.1
TITLE Incoming Correspondences
REFERENCE 1387817
AUTHOR Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee accepts the incoming correspondence report.

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 Received	Sender	Sent To	Correspondence Details	InfoXpert Number
01	04/01/2024	Anna MALGORZEWICZ, A/Executive Director, Local Government	Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer	Unsuccessful-Regional and Remote Burial Areas Grant 2023-24	1388457
02	21/11/2023	Chansey PAECH, Minister for Local Government	Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer	Regional and Remote Burial Areas grant program for 2023-24	1388731
03	10/01/2024	Selena UIBO Member for Arnhem	Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer	Congratulation Letter - Regional and Remote Burial Areas (RRBA) grant	1389089
04	12/01/2024	Meeta RAMKUMAR, Director Sustainability and Compliance / Local Government Inspector, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet	Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer	Update on Compliance Review	1389444

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER	10.1
TITLE	Finance and Infrastructure Committee Member Attendance Report
REFERENCE	1387820
AUTHOR	Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee receives and notes the Finance and Infrastructure Committee Member Attendance 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 *Local Government Act 2019* states that the Committee Members will be disqualified as a member of a Committee if the person is absent, without permission or the approved apologies of the Committee in accordance with the regulations, from two (2) consecutive Committee meetings.

Committee Member Attendance

Committee Members	25 January 2023	22 March 2023	24 May 2023	26 July 2023	27 September 2023	29 November 2023
Independent Member Awaiz UR REHMAN	AP	P	P	P	P	P
Mayor Tony JACK	P	AP	P	P	P	AP
Deputy Mayor Helen LEE	P	P	P	P	P	P
Councillor Samuel EVANS	P	P	AP	AP	AP	P
Councillor John DALYWATER	-	-	-	-	-	No AP
Councillor Owen TURNER	P	P	P	AP	P	P
Councillor Annabelle DAYLIGHT	P	P	AP	P	AP	P
Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR	P	P	P	P	P	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

EXECUTIVE REPORTS



ITEM NUMBER	10.2
TITLE	Call for Council Member Nominations - NT Heritage Council
REFERENCE	1388653
AUTHOR	Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee:

- (a) receives and notes the Call for Council Member Nominations – NT Heritage Council – LGANT representation; and
- (b) notifies the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory that Cr XXX has been nominated to the NT Heritage Council.

BACKGROUND**Nominations**

The Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage - Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) are seeking that all NT local government councils nominate **at least one** suitable elected member to serve a three (3) year term on the Heritage Council.

- The Northern Territory Heritage Council provides advice to the Northern Territory Government on matters affecting the Territory's cultural and natural heritage.
- Section 128(2)(c) of the Heritage Act 2011 allows for one of the appointed members of the Heritage Council to be from an organisation representing the interests of local government and the Minister for Local Government has deemed LGANT to be the appropriate organisation.
- LGANT HAS BEN ASKED TO nominate a person to the Heritage Council starting from 1 February 2024 for a period of three years.
- Representative will be expected to attend ALL meetings and participate fully in NT Heritage Council business.

The process:

- Nominees **MUST BE** elected members and NOT staff.
- Nominees to complete the attached nomination form.
- Nominations must be submitted online to info@lgant.asn.au by Thursday 1 February 2024. Late submissions will not be accepted.
- Nominations **MUST BE** endorsed at a local government council meeting by the council.
- Nomination form **MUST BE** signed by the local government council CEO prior to submission.
- **The LGANT Board will consider the nominations at the Friday 9 February 2024 Board meeting and endorse only ONE nominee to the Minister.**
- The LGANT Secretariat will forward the LGANT Board endorsed nominee to the Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage for appointment.
- The Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities (Heritage Branch) will contact the successful nominee.

Members

The Heritage Council has 11 members. Six are appointed by the Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage at their discretion. The other five members are:

- the CEO, or a nominee of the CEO, of the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities

- a nominee from the National Trust (NT)
- a nominee from the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority (AAPA)
- a nominee from an organisation representing the interests of **local government**.
- a nominee from an organisation representing the interests of landowners.
- At least two Council members must be of Aboriginal descent.

Current members (The term of the current NT Heritage Council will expire on the 1 February 2024.)

- Mr Allan McGill AM, chairperson
- Mr Robert Pocock, Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority
- Mr Michael Liddle, Local Government Association of the NT
- Ms Francine McCarthy, Aboriginal Peak Organisations NT
- Mr Eddie Webber, National Trust (NT)
- Dr Ilka Schacht, Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities
- Ms Katy Moir
- Ms Rachel Perkins
- Mr Randle Walker
- Dr Daryl Wesley
- Mililma May

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Nil.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 2023-11-15 Nomination Form - NT Heritage Council.pdf



LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

NOMINATION FORM

Northern Territory Heritage Council (NTHC)

LGANT Nominations Close: 1 February 2024

Council Name:

1. Agreement to be nominated

I, _____ agree to be nominated as a member
(Name in full)

of the *Northern Territory Heritage Council*.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

2. Council Confirmation of Nomination

I, _____ the Chief Executive Officer

hereby confirm that _____

was approved by resolution of Council to be nominated as a member of the *Northern Territory Heritage Council* at a meeting held on / /

Signature: _____ Date: _____

3. Nominee's Contact Details

Email address: _____

Phone No: _____

4. Nominee Information

The following information is required to enable the LGANT Board to make an informed decision. If you want to submit further information, please attach it to this form.

4.1 What is your current council position? _____

4.2 How long have you held your current council position? _____

4.3 Please list your educational qualifications:

4.4 What experience do you have that is relevant to this committee?

4.6 Apart from your current position what other experience have you had in local government?

5. You agree to supply LGANT with reports on the committee meetings you attend for inclusion in the LGANT General Meeting agendas?

I agree I Disagree

6. Have you read and agree to the Outside Committee procedures

Yes

BACKGROUND

The Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage is seeking nominations for one representative of the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory to the Northern Territory Heritage Council (NTHC).

The Northern Territory Heritage Council provides advice to the Northern Territory Government on matters affecting the Territory's cultural and natural heritage.

Section 128(2)(c) of the Heritage Act 2011 allows for one of the appointed members of the Heritage Council to be from an organisation representing the interests of local government and the Minister for Local Government has deemed LGANT to be the appropriate organisation.

The Council must meet at least 4 times in each year.

Extract below from the NT Heritage Act 2011

Division 2 Provisions about membership**128 Membership of Council**

(1) The Council consists of:

- (a) 10 members appointed by the Minister (appointed members); and
- (b) the CEO or, if the CEO nominates another person to be a member in the CEO's place, the nominee.

(2) The appointed members are:

- (a) a representative of The National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory); and
- (b) a representative of the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority; and
- (c) a representative of an organisation representing the interests of local government; and
- (d) a representative of an organisation representing the interests of landowners; and
- (e) 6 persons with expertise or experience relevant to the administration of this Act.

(3) A representative of an entity must be nominated by the entity.

(4) In appointing members, the Minister must, as far as practicable, ensure at least 2 of the appointed members are of Aboriginal descent.

129 Nominations for appointment of member

(1) Before appointing a member under section 128(2)(e), the Minister must invite nominations for appointment.

2) The invitation may be made by public advertisement or in another way the Minister considers appropriate.

130 Duration of appointment

An appointed member holds office for the period, not exceeding 3 years, stated in the instrument of appointment.¹³¹ Conditions of appointment

An appointed member holds office on the conditions stated in the instrument of appointment.

132 Chairperson and deputy chairperson

(1) The Minister must appoint an appointed member to be the chairperson.

(2) The members must elect an appointed member to be the deputy chairperson.

133 When appointed member ceases to hold office

(1) An appointed member ceases to hold office if:

(a) the member resigns by giving written notice of resignation to the Minister; or

(b) the member's term of office comes to an end and the member is not reappointed; or

(c) the member is convicted of an indictable offence or sentenced to imprisonment for an offence; or

(d) the member is absent, except on leave granted by the Council, from 3 consecutive meetings of the Council:

More information on current members: <https://tfhc.nt.gov.au/heritage-libraries-and-archives/heritage-council-members>

Please send completed nomination forms by email to: info@lgant.asn.au by **COB Thursday 1 February 2024**.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS



ITEM NUMBER	10.3
TITLE	Nomination of Council representative for Roper River Water Resource Assessment - Steering Committee
REFERENCE	1390116
AUTHOR	Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee on behalf of the Roper Gulf Regional Council, nominates a Councillors (or a staff member) as the Council representative for the Roper River Water Resource Assessment Steering Committee.

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.

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.

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

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

BACKGROUND

The Council has an official position on the Roper River Water Resource Assessment Steering Committee. This position has been filled by the previous Deputy Mayor of the Council until her resignation in July 2023.

The committee's secretariat is now seeking a new nominee from the Council to sit on the committee.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Attached are the committee's information sheet.

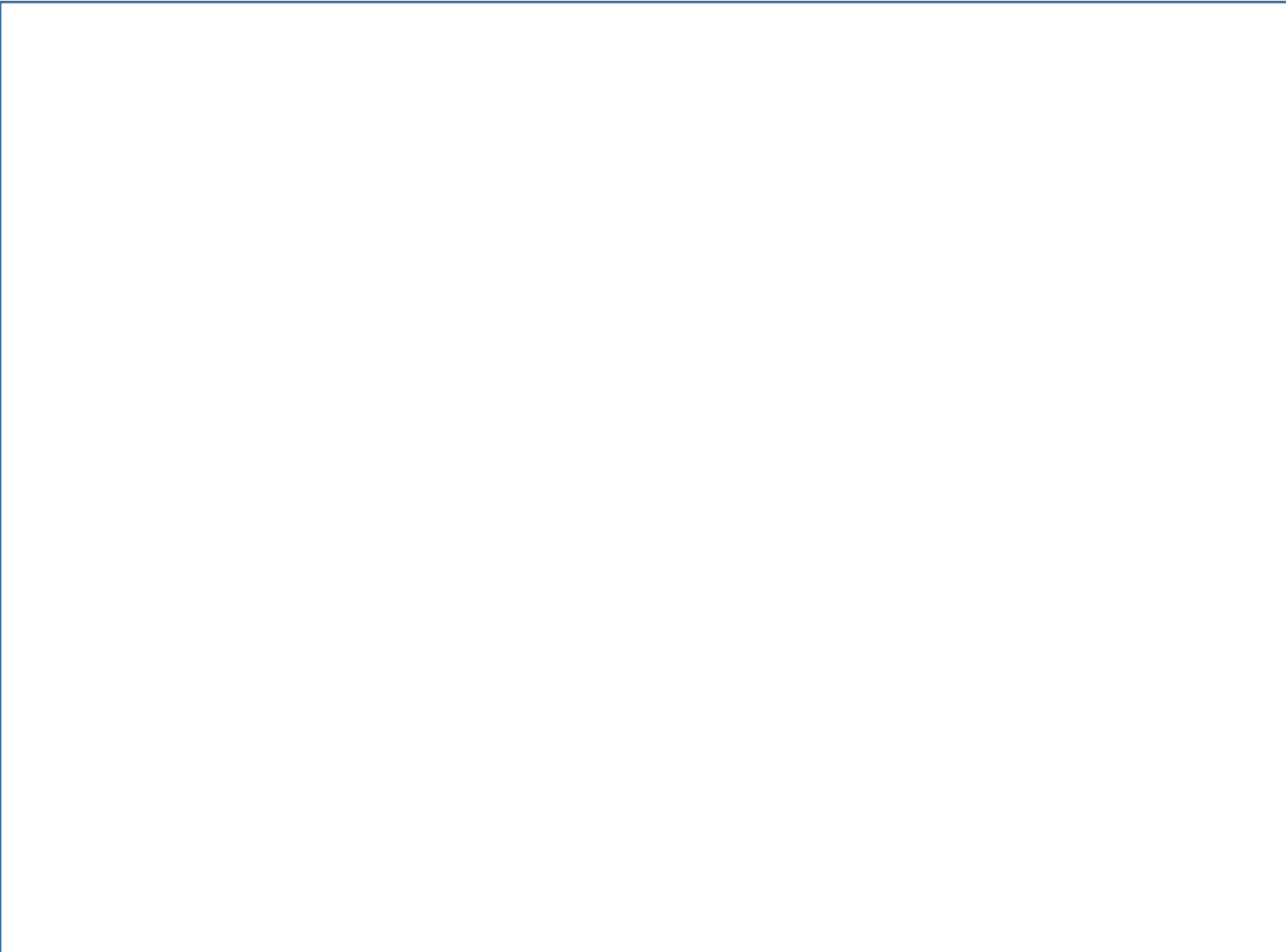
The Council has an option of nominating a Councillor or another appointee (staff member) to the committee.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil, attendance to the committee meetings incurs minor travel and attendance costs, which Council has not experienced anything significant to date.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 2024018 New nominee correspondence.pdf
- 2 RoWRA_factsheet_overview.pdf



Sent: Thursday, 18 January 2024 2:54 PM
To: Info RoperGulf <info@ropergulf.nt.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Roper River Water Resource Assessment - Steering Committee

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Hello,

Judy McFarlane was previously a member of our Roper River Water Resource Assessment Steering Committee (now combined with the Victoria River Water Resource Assessment Steering Committee).

Below is the original email sent to Judy in 2019.

With Judy's departure from council, **can you nominate someone else to join this committee?** We have the next steering committee meeting happening on Feb 13.

If you can provide contact details for a replacement, I can forward the meeting invitation and ancillary documents.

The Roper River Water Resource Assessment is wrapping up, with release of final reports and results likely to happen in the next month or two.

Cheers,

Caroline



Dear Judy

This email is to invite you to join the Roper River Water Resource Assessment – Steering Committee.

Following the success of the Northern Australia Water Resources Assessment (NAWRA), the Australian Government engaged CSIRO to lead the \$5 million Roper River Water Resource Assessment (the 'Assessment') in collaboration with the Northern Territory government, research partners and communities. This collaborative project will provide greater confidence in the scale and nature of the opportunities in the Roper catchment and a better understanding of the risks involved.

RoWRA is funded through the Australian Government's \$1.5 billion National Water Infrastructure Development Fund established to identify and accelerate construction of water infrastructure that will provide new and affordable water and support growth in regional economies and communities.

The Assessment will focus on the Roper River catchment, and seeks to:

- evaluate the soil and water resources
- identify and evaluate water capture and storage options and supply reliability
- identify and test the commercial viability of agricultural (irrigated agriculture, aquaculture and forestry) opportunities and other uses of water, and
- assess potential environmental, social and economic impacts and risks.

The Assessment will seek to:

- support deliberation and decisions concerning regional economic development
- clarify the scale and nature of the opportunities for new agricultural and other development
- reduce uncertainty for investors and regulators, reduce start-up costs, enhance the ability of investors to attract capital
- consider the simultaneous pursuit of multiple development activities across multiple assets and take a whole-of-region approach, and
- explicitly address local needs and aspirations.

Some more detail is given in the attached factsheet.

The Assessment commenced in July 2019 and will be completed by June 2022. The support for further commercial development will operate over a longer timeframe, and as such the Assessment's products will be designed to have a multi-decadal 'shelf-life', by not assuming any particular development pathway or barriers to development imposed by market, infrastructure or institutional constraints.

In order to guide the Assessment, a Steering Committee will provide guidance and local intelligence to the project's Implementation Team. High-level governance and leadership for the project will be supported by a Program Governance Committee.

Each Steering Committee will assist the Implementation Team to coordinate activities between participating agencies and will ensure the Assessment is on track and delivering on its intent. Each Steering Committee will assist

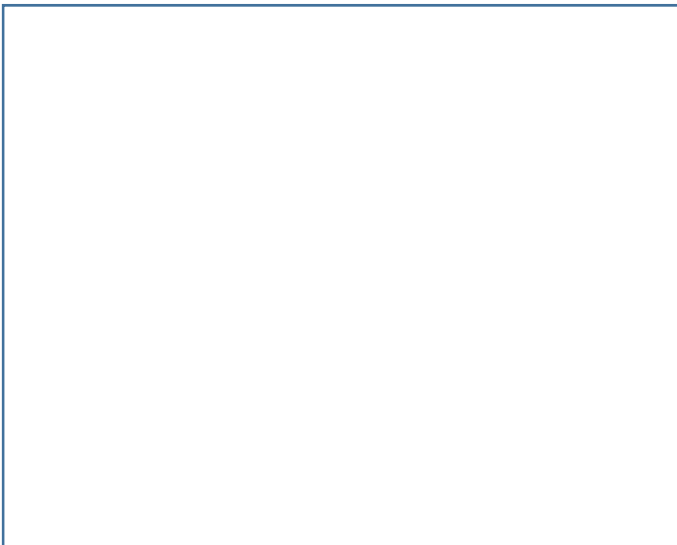
in ensuring that project staff both have access to the best available sources of information and communicate with appropriate sources of local knowledge.

The Steering Committee will meet every six months (or as close to this timeframe as is convenient to the members). The intention is to have members of the Steering committee who can provide locally relevant advice to the Implementation Team. Meetings will be via video/ phone conference due to the geographical distribution of committee members.

The membership isn't exclusive in any sense, and members are not expected to necessarily represent the views of their own organisation, but have been selected on their ability to bring a perspective to the committee and the implementation team. If you are unable to make the meetings then send someone else, and if you think there are others who should/could attend, then we can invite them.

As a first pass, allow me to suggest a proposed meeting date of Friday 6th December, 10:00am to 12:00 midday (ACST). If this doesn't suit, please let me know and I will set up a Doodle Poll once I have received acceptances to this invitation.

Should you have any queries or questions regarding the assessment, or this invitation, feel free to contact me using the details below.



Roper River Water Resource Assessment

The Australian Government and CSIRO are partnering to investigate opportunities for water and agricultural development in the Roper River catchment, Northern Territory.

Northern Australia makes a substantial contribution to the Australian economy, particularly through agriculture, mining and tourism.

There are opportunities to unlock significant new investment in the north. This will require confidence about the scale and nature of the opportunities and understanding of the risks involved.

Millions of hectares of soil are potentially suitable for irrigated agriculture across northern Australia but access to water is one of several constraints to development.

Following the successful Flinders and Gilbert Agricultural Resource Assessment and the Northern Australia Water Resource Assessment, CSIRO has been engaged by the Australian Government to assess the opportunities for water and agricultural development in the Roper River catchment in the Northern Territory.

We will work with the Northern Territory government, research partners and communities to complete this assessment by June 2022.

About the Assessment

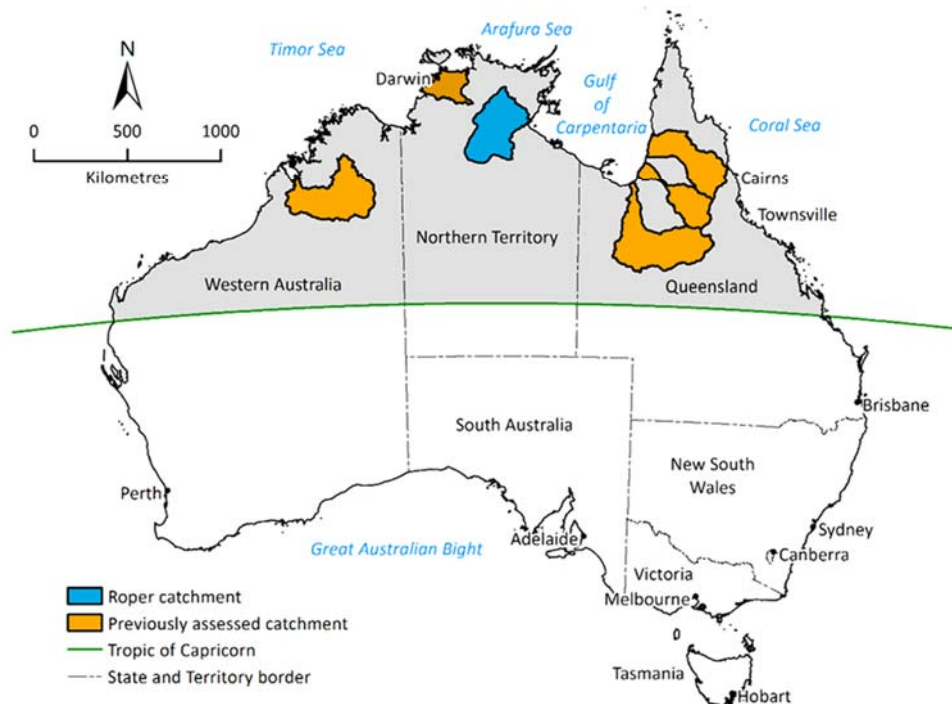
The Roper River Water Resource Assessment will provide a comprehensive and integrated evaluation of the feasibility, economic viability and sustainability of water and agricultural development in the Roper River catchment.

Assessment goals

The Assessment seeks to:

- evaluate the soil and water resources
- identify and evaluate water capture and storage options
- identify and test the commercial viability of irrigated agricultural and aquaculture opportunities
- assess potential environmental, social and economic impacts and risks of water resource and irrigation development.

While agricultural developments may be the most likely to proceed in the foreseeable future, the Assessment will also consider opportunities for and intersections between different types of potential water-dependent development. For



example, the Assessment will explore the nature, scale, location and impacts of developments relating to tourism and agriculture development in relevant locations.

Supporting regional decision making and investment

The Assessment aims to support decision making about sustainable regional development by clarifying the scale and nature of the opportunities for agriculture, reducing the uncertainty of investors and regulators, reducing enterprise start-up costs and enhancing the capacity for investors to attract capital.

Where previous assessments have focused on single development activities or assets – without analysing the interactions between them – this Assessment will consider the opportunities presented by the simultaneous pursuit of multiple development activities and assets. By this means, the Assessment will use a whole-of-region (rather than an asset-by-asset) approach to considering development.

Importantly, the Assessment seeks to lower the barriers to investment in regional development by:

- explicitly addressing local needs and aspirations
- meeting the needs of governments as they regulate the sustainable and equitable management of public resources with due consideration of environmental and cultural issues
- meeting the due diligence requirements of private investors by addressing questions of resource reliability and profitability at a broad scale.

The Assessment will not recommend one development over another nor assume any particular development pathway. It will provide a range of possibilities and the information required to interpret them, consistent with regional values and aspirations. The Assessment does not seek to replace any planning processes, and will not recommend changes to existing plans or planning processes. The results, however, can be used to inform planning decisions by citizens, councils, investors and state and federal governments. Please contact the relevant government department to discuss matters such as water allocation, clearing, change of land use including diversification permits, and land development approval processes.

Assessment activities

This is a complex project, drawing on the capabilities of scientists across Australia. Key activities include:

- Surface water modelling to assess the volume and reliability of river flow
- Topographic mapping and automated terrain analysis to identify and evaluate water storage and development options
- Mapping land and soil suitability and production risks across agricultural, horticultural, bush foods and pastoral systems and for aquaculture developments
- Assessing cropping and crop-forage-livestock systems with potential to generate attractive investment returns
- Cost-benefit analysis for multiple uses and users of water
- Identifying logistical and value chain assets, opportunities and bottlenecks
- Understanding the trade-offs between water resource development and freshwater environments
- Identifying Indigenous aspirations and water values
- Examining the potential for co-benefits to other industries (i.e. tourism) arising from irrigated agriculture
- Information and data distribution through Web-based information products, reports and regular community-based information sessions.

The Roper River Water Resource Assessment is an initiative of the Australian Government.

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CORP SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT



ITEM NUMBER	12.1
TITLE	Local Authority Projects Update
REFERENCE	1389782
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RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance and Infrastructure committee 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.

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 purpose of Local Authority Project Funding is to encourage the continued development of local authorities and their respective communities through the provision of funding to undertake priority community projects that are in line with these guidelines.

Objectives

The objectives of the program are to:

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

Local Authority Project Approvals

Individual local authorities must formally resolve each initiative this funding will be used for a copy of this resolution is to be recorded in the minutes of the relevant local authority meeting. At each local authority meeting, a report is to be submitted detailing the total amount of funding available and spent on local authority projects under this program in each financial year.

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

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Recent Completions;

- **Barunga:** Oval beautification Project is now complete with surplus.

- **Bulman:** Community notice boards has been delivered.
- **Minyerri:** Water cart trailer has been delivered to the community.
- **Mataranka:** Payment made to fishing club for Mataranka fishing competition.
- **Urapunga:** Welcome sign delivered to the community with surplus.
- All surplus amounts from completed projects are now back to unallocated funds.
- Please refer to the attached LA funding report as at 31st December 2023.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

NIL

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 LA Projects attachment 31.12.2023.pdf

**Summary Local Authority Projects
31 December 2023**

	Funds Received from Department & Council	Funds Allocated by Local Authorities	Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects	Remaining Unallocated funds
Barunga	\$ 419,839.00	\$ 435,352.32	\$ 37,306.99	\$ 21,793.67
Beswick	\$ 604,321.00	\$ 524,793.10	\$ (79,528.25)	\$ (0.35)
Borrooloola	\$ 1,045,408.00	\$ 1,070,063.49	\$ 24,655.49	\$ (0.00)
Bulman	\$ 331,440.00	\$ 394,370.49	\$ 65,329.53	\$ 2,399.04
Hodgson Downs	\$ 636,240.00	\$ 586,140.00	\$ 67,240.00	\$ 117,340.00
Jilkminggan	\$ 391,131.00	\$ 382,770.00	\$ 26,222.58	\$ 34,583.58
Manyallaluk	\$ 108,978.00	\$ 122,880.36	\$ 14,131.24	\$ 228.88
Mataranka	\$ 419,763.00	\$ 374,913.20	\$ 45,516.49	\$ 90,366.29
Ngukurr	\$ 1,191,091.00	\$ 1,300,882.61	\$ 4,747.29	\$ (105,044.32)
Numbalwar	\$ 1,068,556.00	\$ 1,265,670.91	\$ 12,114.91	\$ (185,000.00)
Urapunga	\$ 77,600.00	\$ 58,800.00	\$ 3,850.49	\$ 22,650.49
Robinson River	\$ 97,500.00	\$ 97,500.00	\$ 2,409	\$ 2,409.09
	\$ 6,294,367.00	\$ 6,516,636.48	\$ 221,586.76	\$ (682.72)

**Summary Local Authority Projects
31 December 2023**

Project Expenditure	Funds Received from		Funds Expended	Unexpended		
	Department					
Barunga	\$	419,839.00	\$	360,415.83	\$	59,423.17
Beswick	\$	604,321.00	\$	549,568.68	\$	54,752.32
Borrooloola	\$	973,931.00	\$	684,107.24	\$	289,823.76
Bulman	\$	298,859.00	\$	234,027.28	\$	64,831.72
Hodgson Downs	\$	636,240.00	\$	505,900.04	\$	130,339.96
Jilkminggan	\$	391,131.00	\$	323,547.42	\$	67,583.58
Manyallaluk	\$	108,978.00	\$	80,484.42	\$	28,493.58
Mataranka	\$	419,763.00	\$	321,156.44	\$	98,606.56
Ngukurr	\$	1,191,091.00	\$	892,754.85	\$	298,336.15
Numbalwar	\$	1,068,556.00	\$	664,348.76	\$	404,207.24
Urapunga	\$	77,600.00	\$	34,949.51	\$	42,650.49
Robinson River	\$	97,500.00	\$	32,264.55	\$	65,235.45
	\$	6,190,309.00	\$	4,683,525.02	\$	1,604,283.98

Barunga Local Authority Project Funding				31 December 2023
Funding Received from Department		\$	419,839.00	
Funds Allocated by Local Authorities		\$	435,352.32	
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects		\$	37,306.99	
Remaining Unallocated funds		\$	21,793.67	
Date Approved Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
10/01/2023	Oval Beautification	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,081.82	On 10/01/2023 LA provisionally allocated \$10K for the beautification around the oval and softball oval. Officially allocated on 04/04/2023 LA meeting. In procurement phase. Purchased aerator. Completed and surplus now back to unallocated funds.
10/01/2023 PR36	Barunga Cemetery Arch	\$ 25,130.00		On 10/01/2023 LA provisionally allocated \$20K towards the barunga Cemetery Arch. Officially allocated on 04/04/2023 LA meeting. Quotation request ongoing. Further added \$5130 towards the project on 09/01/2024.
03/10/2023 PR 82	Shade shelter at Airport turnoff/front park area	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 8,750.25	Allocated on 03/10/2023 LA. In procurement phase. PO raised for shade and freight.
03/10/2023 PR 81	Shade shelter for Airstrip	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 8,750.25	Allocated on 03/10/2023 LA. In procurement phase. PO raised for shade and freight.
	Total for current projects in progress	\$ 55,130.00	\$ 17,500.50	
	Total for Completed Projects	\$ 380,222.32	\$ 342,915.33	
	Grand Total	\$ 435,352.32	\$ 360,415.83	

Beswick Local Authority Project Funding		31 December 2023
Funding Received from Department	\$ 604,321.00	
Funds Allocated by Local Authority Members	\$ 524,793.10	
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects	\$ (79,528.25)	
Remaining Unallocated Funds	\$ (0.35)	

Date Approved	Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
9/08/2021	1213821	Catering for community events	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,328.83	<i>CSM notified.</i>
27/11/2023		Lawn mowers and whipper snippers	\$ 5,000.00		<i>Allocated for 2X mowers and snippers .</i>
27/11/2023		Ablution block-Upgrade	\$ 28,081.50		In procurement phase.
24/11/2023		Speed bumps	\$ 20,000.00		<i>Allocated towards upgrade of ablution block.</i>
					<i>Allocated towards purchase and installation of 5X speed bumps.</i>
		Total for Current projects	\$ 56,081.50	\$ 1,328.83	
		Total for Completed projects	\$ 468,711.60	\$ 548,239.85	
		Grand Total	\$ 524,793.10	\$ 549,568.68	

Borroloola Local Authority Project Funding		31 December 2023	
Funding received from Department	Funds Allocated	Remaining Unallocated Funds	
Funds Received from Department		\$ 973,931.00	
Funds allocated from Council		\$ 71,477.00	
		\$ 1,045,408.00	
Funds Allocated to projects by Local Authority Members		\$ 1,070,063.49	
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects		\$ 24,655.49	
Remaining Unallocated funds		\$ (0.00)	

Date Approved Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
Pre 2017 1313818 PR7	Toilet at Cemetery	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 26,960.00	Should include the steel shade structure attached to the toilet block, as well as a concrete slab under the shade and in front of both toilet entries. The septic tank and its location will also need to be identified. The project team working on this project. The toilet from the sports court is non-compliant. Projects team soon to start tender process. Change in Scope to portable toilets. In Procurement Phase. PO raised for 2X double trailers.
6/2/2020 1313822 PR9	Replace Toilet Block at Airport	\$ 428,464.49	\$ 111,721.38	Commenced - Funded allocated \$ 130,580 on 6.12.18. A further \$ 140,000 on 6.2.2020. \$ 17746.45 allocated 8.10.2020. Construction contract signed. Works have begun. Underground plumbing complete. Request for tender paperwork in progress. Undergoing consult with AWS for hydraulics.
9/02/2023 PR38	Tamarind Park Power supply	\$ 129,831.00	\$ 83,313.35	On 9/02/2023 LA allocated \$129,831 to install power supply at the Tamarind Park. Investigating Solar Lights as an option for power supply to BBQ area. Suggest putting solar lights at the memorial and a few trough the park as well. Purchased Solar lightning system and cement premix. All materials are now onsite awaiting installation.
	Total for current projects in progress	\$ 583,295.49	\$ 221,994.73	
	Total for Completed projects	\$ 486,768.00	\$ 462,112.51	
	Grand Total	\$ 1,070,063.49	\$ 684,107.24	

Bulman Local Authority Project Funding				31 December 2023
Funds Received from Department		\$	298,859.00	
Allocated by Council		\$	32,581.00	
Funds allocated to projects by Local Authority Members		\$	394,370.49	
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects		\$	65,329.53	
Remaining unallocated funds		\$	2,399.04	
Date Approved Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
5/12/2018 1413806 PR6	Toilet near council office/ Community Ablution Block	\$ 144,361.59	\$ 82,747.91	<p>\$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. S19 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.</p> <p>S19 approved. Awaiting AAPA clearance.</p>
12/01/2023	2X Community Notice Boards	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 5,600.96	<p>On 12/01/2023 LA allocated \$8000 to purchase two community notice boards. Purchase order raised. In Procurement stage. Order received in Katherine, ready for delivery. Delivered. Completed. Suplus now back to unallocated funds.</p>
12/01/2023 PR18	Weemol Basketball Court	\$ 33,400.00		<p>On 12/01/2023 LA allocated \$33,400 to extend Weemol Basketball court to a full sized court. S19 approved for extended space.</p> <p>Awaiting AAPA clearance.</p>
	Total for current projects in progress	\$ 177,761.59	\$ 82,747.91	
	Total for completed projects	\$ 216,608.90	\$ 151,279.37	
	Grand total	\$ 394,370.49	\$ 234,027.28	

Hodgson Downs Local Authority Project Funding		31 December 2023
Funds received from Department		\$ 636,240.00
Funds allocated to projects by Local Authority Members		\$ 586,140.00
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects		\$ 67,240.00
Remaining unallocated funds		\$ 117,340.00

Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
27/03/2023 PR54	Signage	\$ 2,000.00		ON 27/03/2023 LA allocated \$2000 towards Signage. Quotation requests ongoing.
27/02/2023 PR55	Water Cart Trailer	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 13,972.73	ON 27/02/2023 LA allocated \$20000 towards Water Cart Trailer. In Procurement stage. Quotation requests ongoing. PO raised. Order received in Katherine, ready for delivery. Delivered, Completed. Surplus now back to unallocated funds.
27/03/2023 PR56	Plantation around public areas	\$ 1,000.00		ON 27/03/2023 LA allocated \$1000 towards Plantation around public areas. In Procurement Phase. PO raised.
27/03/2023	Rubish BinsX60	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,800.00	ON 27/03/2023 LA allocated \$2000 towards purchase of Rubish BinsX60. Purchase order raised. In Procurement stage. Order received in Katherine, ready for delivery. Delivered bins worth \$2K. Completed.
6/12/2023	Furniture for Women's Centre	\$ 5,000.00		LA allocated 5k towards purchase of furniture for women's centre. Alawa Aboriginal corporation to purchase.
	Total projects in Progress	\$ 13,000.00	\$ -	
	Total completed projects	\$ 573,140.00	\$ 505,900.04	
	Grand Total	\$ 586,140.00	\$ 505,900.04	

Jilkmिंगgan Local Authority Project Funding				31 December 2023
Funds received from Department			\$ 391,131.00	
Funds allocated to projects by Local Authority Members			\$ 382,770.00	
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects			\$ 26,222.58	
Unallocated remaining funds			\$ 34,583.58	
Date Approved Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
7/02/2023 PR33	Musical Instruments	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,315.21	On 07/02/2023 LA provisionally allocated \$10K towards purchasing of musical instruments. To be finalised on next LA meeting. Officially allocated on 02/05/2023. In Procurement phase, Purchase Order raised. Order received. Completed , surplus now back to unallocated funds.
30/11/2023	Trees for Community	\$ 33,000.00		On 30/11/2023 LA allocated 33K towards trees for whole community.
	Total for current projects in progress	\$ 33,000.00	\$ -	
	Total for completed projects	\$ 349,770.00	\$ 323,547.42	
	Grand Total	\$ 382,770.00	\$ 323,547.42	

Manyallaluk Local Authority Project Funding		31 December 2023
Funds Received from Department	\$	108,978.00
Funds allocated to projects by Local Authority Members	\$	122,880.36
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects	\$	14,131.24
Remaining Unallocated funds	\$	228.88

Date Approved Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
3/04/2023 PR057	Fencing at bottom Cemetery	\$ 28,264.70		<i>On 03/04/2023, LA provisionally allocated remaining funding(\$28,264.70) towards purchasing and installing mesh fence at the bottom cemetery. Officially allocated on OMC 27/04/2023. Quotation requests ongoing. Quotations sort are over budget.</i>
	Total for current projects in progress	\$ 28,264.70	\$ -	
	projects	\$ 94,615.66	\$ 80,484.42	
	Grand Total	\$ 122,880.36	\$ 80,484.42	

Mataranka Local Authority Project Funding		31 December 2023
Funding received from Department	\$	419,763.00
Funds allocated to projects by Local Authority Members	\$	374,913.20
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects	\$	45,516.49
Remaining Unallocated Funds	\$	90,366.29

Date Approved Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
8/11/2022 PR1813822	Ramp access to Museum	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,759.73	On 08/11/2022 LA allocated \$10,000 towards installation of ramp to museum building. COMPLETED. Awaiting final invoice.
2/05/2023	Plaque for the Cemetery	\$ 561.00	\$ 510.00	On 02/05/2023 LA allocated \$561 towards purchasing of A4 size plaque for Mataranka Better Half Club. Plaque Ordered. Plaque installed at Cemetery. Completed.
2/05/2023 PR58	Surveying for Installation of Footpaths	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 3,568.00	On 02/05/2023 LA allocated \$30K towards surveying of one side of Gunn street for installation of Footpaths. Survey completed, Report received. Completed. Surplus now back to unallocated funds.
	Mataranka Fishing Competition	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	Provisionally allocated on 01.08.2023 LA. Officially allocated OMC 25.10.2023. Invoiced, ready to pay. Paid. Completed.
	Total for current projects in progress	\$ 10,561.00	\$ 2,269.73	
	Total for completed projects	\$ 364,352.20	\$ 318,886.71	
	Grand Total	\$ 374,913.20	\$ 321,156.44	

Ngukurr Local Authority Project Funding				31 December 2023
Funds received from Department			\$	1,191,091.00
Funds allocated to projects by Local Authority Members			\$	1,300,882.61
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects			\$	4,747.29
Remaining Unallocated funds			\$	(105,044.32)
Date Approved Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
29/06/2020 PR41	Sports Court Drainage	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 100,976.14	\$ 170k allocated June 20 - \$ 150k from RGRC. Council approved in Budget 2020/21. Design for storm water drainage received and under reviewed. SCP doing peer review and are putting together a fee to redesign. SCP engaged to do designs. Completed awaiting final invoice. LA reallocated 10K towards new year and christmas celebrations.
24/06/2021 PR43	Town Beautification Project	\$ 165,156.61		Initial scoping has identified the need for a S19 lease on the proposed site of the new park . Section 19 submitted. Block spots established awaiting street light report from CSM to proceed
20/09/2022 PR42	Refurbishment of Sport and Recreation Hall.	\$ 169,200.00		Need scope from LA & Community, Ideas for indoor activity center been sort for proposal.
4/12/2023	New year eve celebrations	\$ 5,000.00		LA reallocated 5k from sports Court project towards NY celebrations.
4/12/2023	Christmas celebration event	\$ 5,000.00		LA reallocated 5k from sports Court project towards christmas celebrations.
Total for current projects in progress		\$ 504,356.61	\$ 100,976.14	
Total for completed projects		\$ 796,526.00	\$ 791,778.71	
Grand Total		\$ 1,300,882.61	\$ 892,754.85	

Numbulwar Local Authority Project Funding			31 December 2023	
Funds received from Department		\$	1,068,556.00	
Funds allocated to projects by Local Authority Members		\$	1,265,670.91	
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects		\$	12,114.91	
Remaining Unallocated funds		\$	(185,000.00)	
Date Approved Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
12/6/2018 2113805 PR47	New/Upgrade Toilets at the Airport	\$ 97,000.00		\$87,000 allocated on 12/06/2018 \$10,000 allocated on 09/10/2018; Design commenced; Expression of interest with NLC has been lodged. Awaiting response. Location to be discussed with TO's. S19 license approved. Preparing design docs and research for options. Site inspections done. Quotes received. Tender documents for the construction being prepared. AAPA clearance required. Change in Scope to portable toilets. Projects Team to soon start Tender process.
9/10/2017 PR46	Sports Precinct Upgrade	\$ 349,145.91		Lot - 97 Sports and Rec Hall: \$ 40,000 Allocated on 09/10/2018 \$66,305.04 Allocated on 20/02/2019; Finalising Design. Extra funding needed. Proposed to allocate \$ 159,589.97 (no quorum at LA to decide) Approved to go to tender. Site inspections done. Fencing Purchased. Awaiting Mobilization. Fencing Commenced. Fencing Completed.
24/05/2023 PR51	Pig Removal	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 40,291.82	Reallocation of LAPF towards removal of pigs in the community. Contractor has attended community to complete phase one of the project. Completed awaiting final invoice.
15/09/2023	Portable ablution for festival	\$ 10,000.00		LA allocated \$10K towards portable ablution for festival.
15/09/2023 PR62	Shade structure and seatingX6	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 17,500.49	LA allocated \$60K towards 6X shade structure and seating at various parks. PO raised.
15/09/2023 PR63	Solar LightsX4-Park areas	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 15,535.00	LA allocated 40k towards one solar light in each park. PO raised.
15/09/2023 PR64	Large solar light-Top of boat ramp	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 7,050.00	LA allocated large luminous solar light at the top of boat ramp. PO raised.
15/09/2023 PR65	Solar light-old workshop at Newtown	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 5,126.36	LA allocated 10K for installing solar light at seating area of old workshop. PO raised.
15/09/2023 PR66	Seating-Old workshop at Newtown	\$ 10,000.00		LA allocated 10K for seating at old workshop.
15/09/2023 PR67	Large solar lightsX3- Newtown to mission area.	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 16,435.00	LA allocated 40K for installing 3 large solar lights along dirt road from newtown to mission area. PO raised.
Total for current projects in progress		\$ 691,145.91	\$ 101,938.67	
Total for completed projects		\$ 574,525.00	\$ 562,410.09	
Grand Total		\$ 1,265,670.91	\$ 664,348.76	

Urapunga Local Authority Project Funding		31 December 2023
Funds received from Department	\$	77,600.00
Funds allocated to projects by Local Authority Members	\$	58,800.00
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects	\$	3,850.49
Remaining Unallocated funds	\$	22,650.49

Date Approved	Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
18/08/2020		Irrigation	\$ 10,000.00		<i>Provisionally reallocated to a new project on 14.0</i>
18//8/2020	PR59	Welcome Sign	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,310.91	<i>Quotation and Design request ongoing. Design approved. PO raised. Sign ready for delivery.Delivered. Completed. Surplus now back to unallocated funds.</i>
		Total for current projects in progress	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	
		Total for completed projects	\$ 38,800.00	\$ 34,949.51	
		Grand Total	\$ 58,800.00	\$ 34,949.51	

Robinson River Local Authority Project Funding		31 December 2023
Funds received from Department	\$	97,500.00
Funds allocated to projects by Local Authority Members	\$	97,500.00
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects	\$	2,409.09
Remaining Unallocated funds	\$	2,409.09

Date Approved	Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
25/10/2023	PR68	Speed Humps	\$ 5,000.00		Provisionally allocated on 31.08.2023 LA. Official allocation OMC 25.10
25/10/2023	PR69	AFL gear	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,950.00	Provisionally allocated on 31.08.2023 LA. Official allocation OMC 25.10 In Procurement phase.
	PR70	Soft ball gear	\$ 1,000.00		Official allocation OMC 25.10
	PR71	Robinson River fishing competition	\$ 2,000.00		Official allocation OMC 25.10
25/10/2023	PR72	Solar lights Installation X4	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 16,223.64	Provisionally allocated on 31.08.2023 LA. Official allocation OMC 25.10 PO raised.
	PR73	Signage-Road Safety	\$ 5,000.00		Official allocation OMC 25.10
	PR74	Bollards for the Park	\$ 10,000.00		Official allocation OMC 25.10
	PR75	Basketball Equipment	\$ 500.00		Official allocation OMC 25.10
	PR76	AFL Post Installation	\$ 10,000.00		Official allocation OMC 25.10
	PR77	Portable BBQ	\$ 2,000.00		Official allocation OMC 25.10
	PR78	Food for Community BBQ	\$ 500.00		Official allocation OMC 25.10
		Total for current projects in progress	\$ 81,000.00	\$ 18,173.64	
		Total for completed projects	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 14,090.91	
		Grand Total	\$ 97,500.00	\$ 32,264.55	

**CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY
DIVISIONAL REPORT**



ITEM NUMBER	12.2
TITLE	Finance Report
REFERENCE	1390113
AUTHOR	Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee receives and notes the Finance 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 Finance Report was not completed in time for the agenda preparation for this meeting and will be presented to members before the meeting or in a supplementary agenda.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Nil.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES & PLANNING DIVISIONAL RPT



ITEM NUMBER	13.1
TITLE	Major Projects Report
REFERENCE	1390022
AUTHOR	Mruthyunjaya Patil KULKARNI, General Manager Infrastructure Services and Planning

RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee receives and notes the Major Projects report.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Infrastructure: To support building and maintaining community infrastructure which positively contributes to the delivery of council services in the communities and satisfy the needs and aspirations of residents.

BACKGROUND

This Major Project Report provides the status of projects – at the stages of pre-design, design and construction stages through the use of Council’s Project Gate System. The system relies on an approach, where project status is assessed in a way that relates to Council’s strategic goals. Each new project is assessed by the Project Steering Committees, consisting of the CEO and General Managers, as to its viability, and is reported back to Council when it is ready to enter its business case and procurement phase.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Urapunga Community Hall

The tender for this project closed on 29 August 2023. A tender panel has since assessed the submissions and TTs Build are the successful tenderer. Currently, a construction program, with commencement and completion dates, is currently being finalised jointly by the Council team and TTs Build in such a way that risks of stop and start due to wet weather are minimised.

Urapunga Community Welcome Signs

The sign design was approved by the Urapunga Local Authority on 14 September 2023. Signs have been procured since then. The installation activities were planned for 18 Jan 2024.

Numbulwar Clinic Road

As reported in the last report, the Clinic Road had to be redesigned as Power and Water did not want their infrastructure moved. The engineering Consultant SCP have been commissioned to carry out the redesign. However, the redesign is stalled due to:

- an additional s19 lease over a small portion of land due to realignment of road
- accurate identification of hidden services and major Telstra infrastructure is required to be moved
- AAPA clearance before any works could be carried out

Once the redesign has been completed the project will be put out to tender.

Numbulwar Office Redesign

As advised previously, Troppo Architects have been engaged to do the design work on this project. They visited the community on 15 September to conduct consultations and present to the Local Authority. They have since provided to us two documents setting out:

- their understanding of our requirements
- their design options

The CEO and the GM’s are currently reviewing these documents.

Ngukurr Sports Court Drainage

Works have been completed by TTs Build and a review the performance has been positive.

Barunga Statement Memorial Project

This project is progressing in its design phase. Jensen Plus, the architects, have presented 3 options on 16 Nov 2023. Our team members are currently reviewing these options and providing feedback to the architects. We plan to iteratively finalise the design by the coming Barunga festival in June 2024. The target is to complete the project by the Barunga Festival 2025.

Barunga Playground Softfall

This project has been completed and commissioned in December 2024.

Mataranka Aged Care Kitchen

The roof has been made weatherproof temporarily by means of tarpaulins. Currently, efforts are on by the project team to finalise all the scope items in order to get the facility back functioning and fully compliant. The project team will then prioritise these scope items and finalise a project schedule and budget.

Mataranka Dump Point

The construction was completed, on schedule, on 24 November 2023. Testing, certification and handover were completed on 27 November 2023.

Mataranka Septic – Council Office

TTs Build, the contractor, completed the work on Stage 1 in December 2023. Stage 2 of the works will be carried out after the Aged Care Kitchen works are completed.

Mataranka Septic – Showgrounds

AWS Consultants have provided the engineering documentation for the new waste water treatment facility with septic tanks and soak and our team has provided their comments. The documents are currently being finalized for incorporation into tender documents and for costing for the purpose of funding exercises. The tender will be publicly advertised as soon as possible.

Borrooloola Cyclone Shelter

This project is being project managed by DIPL. The project includes the variation of sport court resurfacing requested by RGRC. DIPL provided a project progress report for the month of January 2024. The current projected completion date is February 2024, which seems to be affected by wet weather. We are waiting for an advice from DIPL on a feasible completion date.

Borrooloola Recycling Centre

Further to the contractor withdrawing from the project due to their issues with the concreting subcontractor, we now need to re-tender the work. Utilising this opportunity, our project team has fine-tuned the requirements based on improved clarity on the equipment in the facility and finalized the scope of works. This is being documented by the consultants CAT Architects. This will be expected to go to tender in Feb – March 2024 period.

Borrooloola Tamarind Park Power Supply

All materials are now onsite awaiting installation.

Borrooloola Airport Toilets – Stage 2

New design drawings were tabled at the LA meeting in November 2023. Despite a lack of quorum, the members present were supportive of the new design documents. The consultants AWS are preparing the tender documents.

Bulman Community Ablution Block

The flat pack materials have arrived in Katherine. The s19 application has been approved. We have also received an AAPA clearance certificate around 17 Jan 2024. A tender process for installation works will commence soon. Work on site is expected to commence towards the end of April 2024.

Weemol Playground and Basketball Court

Section 19 agreement is secured. We have also received an AAPA clearance certificate around 17 Jan 2024. This project is about extending the half basketball court to full and for providing a cover to the extended court. A costing exercise will be carried out soon and followed up with funding options in order to progress the project.

Beswick Cameron and Madigan Roads Upgrade

AAPA Clearance has been granted and is valid until 2024. Design work is currently underway by external consultants TPM. The project team is making efforts to start construction well before the expiry of the AAPA clearance.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS