



AGENDA WUGULARR LOCAL AUTHORITY

WEDNESDAY 1 JULY 2026

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

Wednesday 1 July 2026 at 10:00 am
Roper Gulf Regional Council Service Delivery Centre-Wugularr
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David HURST
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

WUGULARR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP:**Appointed Members**

1. Deputy Mayor Helen LEE;
2. Councillor Preston LEE;
3. Selina ASHLEY;
4. Samuel Junior BUSH (Chairperson);
5. Trepina BUSH;
6. Eddie KENNEDY;
7. Raelene BULUMBARA;
8. Loretta GEORGE;
9. Alonza ASHLEY; and
10. Danielle BUSH.

MEMBERS: 10**QUORUM: 6** (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 Rijnul Kaunsul deya maindim en kipbum bla wi pramis, dum wek brabli gudbalawei, en im laibliwan.”

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6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER	6.1
TITLE	Wugularr Local Authority Meeting Previous Minutes
AUTHOR	Bhumika Adhikari, Governance Engagement Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Wugularr Local Authority confirms the minutes from the meeting held on Monday, 12 January 2026 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of the meetings decisions and proceedings.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

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

BACKGROUND

The Wugularr Local Authority met on Monday, 12 January 2026 at 10:00 am with **QUORUM**. Attached are the recorded minutes from that meeting for the Local Authority to review.

The Wugularr Local Authority scheduled to be held on Monday, 30 March 2026 was Cancelled due to severe weather events.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

The next Wugularr Local Authority Meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, 05 October 2026.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

1. WUG MIN 12012026 [6.1.1 - 3 pages]



MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, Wugularr Local Authority HELD AT THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL SERVICE DELIVERY CENTRE WUGULARR ON MONDAY 12 JANUARY 2026 AT 10:00 AM

1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

1.1 Members

- Deputy Mayor Helen LEE;
- Samuel Junior BUSH; (Chairperson);
- Trepina BUSH;
- Eddie KENNEDY;
- Raelene BULUMBARA; and
- Loretta GEORGE

1.2 Staff

- Cindy HADDOW, Acting Chief Executive Officer;
- Tony HOPP, General Manager Community Services and Engagement;
- Luke HADDOW, General Manager Infrastructure Services and Planning;
- Alicia MIRANDA, Council Services Manager;
- Simon PELAYO; Acting Projects Coordinator;
- Cristian COMAN, Manager Corporate Compliance;
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Engagement Coordinator (minute secretary); and
- Daniele PIGA, Governance Coordinator.

1.3 Guests

- Mayor Tony JACK.

2 MEETING OPENED

The Wugularr Local Authority opened at 10:07 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

The Chairperson welcomed all persons to Country.

4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 Re-Election of a Chairperson

WUG Q/2026-1 (Deputy Mayor Helen Lee/LA Member Loretta George)

CARRIED

That the Wugularr Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Re-Election of Chairperson Report; and
- (b) elects Samuel Junior BUSH as Chairperson for a term of twelve (12) months

4.2 Apologies and Leave of Absence

WUG Q/2026-2 (Deputy Mayor Helen Lee/LA Member Trepina Bush)

CARRIED

That the Wugularr Local Authority accepts the tendered apologies from Selina ASHLEY, Alonza ASHLEY.

5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil.

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 Wugularr Local Authority Meeting Previous Minutes

WUG Q/2026-3 (LA Member Raelene Bulumbara/LA Member Trepina Bush) CARRIED

That the Wugularr Local Authority confirms the minutes from the meeting held on Monday, 13 October 2025 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of the meetings decisions and proceedings.

7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

7.1 Action List

WUG Q/2026-4 (LA Member Trepina Bush/LA Member Raelene Bulumbara) CARRIED

That the Wugularr 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 Wugularr Local Authority Meeting

10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

12 EXECUTIVE REPORTS

12.1 Local Authority Member Attendance Report

WUG Q/2026-5 (LA Member Raelene Bulumbara/LA Member Loretta George) CARRIED

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

12.2 Elected Member Report

WUG Q/2026-6 (Deputy Mayor Helen Lee/LA Member Trepina Bush) CARRIED

That the Wugularr Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Elected Member Report; and
- (b) requests Council to progress the Blanas Collection matter and to undertake appropriate consultation.

12.3 Town Priorities

WUG Q/2026-7 (LA Member Loretta George/LA Member Raelene Bulumbara) CARRIED

That the Wugularr Local Authority nominates the following priorities for Council's consideration for the 2026-27 Financial year.

- Ride on mower for the Municipal team;
- Basketball Court fencing and refurbishment;
- Traffic Management and Safety;
- Roads maintenance and repair; and
- Community Safety.

13 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT

13.1 Wugularr LA November YTD Finance Report

WUG Q/2026-8 (LA Member Trepina Bush/LA Member Loretta George) CARRIED

That the Wugularr Local Authority receives and notes the Council Financial (Expenditure) Report for the period 01 July 2025 to 30 November 2025.

14 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT

14.1 Council Services Manager Report

WUG Q/2026-9 (Deputy Mayor Helen Lee/LA Member Trepina Bush) CARRIED

That the Wugularr Local Authority receives and notes the Council Services Manager Report.

*LA Member Eddie Kennedy left the meeting at 10:59 am.
LA Member Eddie Kennedy returned to the meeting at 11:01 am.*

*LA Member Raelene Bulumbara left the meeting at 11:02 am.
LA Member Eddie Kennedy returned to the meeting at 11:06 am.*

15 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT

15.1 Wugularr Local Authority Projects Report

WUG Q/2026-10 (LA Member Loretta George/LA Member Raelene Bulumbara) CARRIED

That the Wugularr Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update Report;
- (b) allocates \$30,000 to the Steel Bollards project and requests for commencement of barrier rocks with steel bollards;
- (c) requests for the progression of the Street Naming project; and
- (d) requests for playground lighting and allocates \$10,000 for this purpose.

*LA Member Trepina Bush left the meeting at 11:08 am.
LA Member Trepina Bush returned to the meeting at 11:10 am.*

16 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 10:55 am.

This page and the proceeding pages are the Minutes of the Wugularr Local Authority Meeting held on Monday, 12 January 2026 and confirmed.

Chairperson
Confirmed on 30 March 2026



BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER 7.1
TITLE Action List
AUTHOR Bhumika Adhikari, Governance Engagement Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Wugularr 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.

ACTION LIST

MEETING DATE REPORT IN THE AGENDA

15.1 WUGULARR LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

WUG Q/2025-29 **RESOLVED (LA Member Trephina Bush/Councillor Selina Ashley) CARRIED**

01 July 2025

*Local Authority Project Report Item number 15.1
 c) ongoing*

That the Wugularr Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update Report;
- (b) authorises purchase of additional speed bumps with the already allocated funding for the same; and
- (c) requests scoping of oval irrigation.

14.1 Community Services Manager Report

WUG Q/2025-36 **RESOLVED (LA Member Selina Ashley/LA Member Loretta George) CARRIED 13 October 2025**

That the Wugularr Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Council Services Manager Report;
- (b) requests for boxing to be dropped as a Sport and Recreation activity;
- (c) requests additional foot patrols (Community Night Patrol);
- (d) requests additional pothole repairs;

b) Completed
 c), d), e) & f) In-Progress

- (e) requests for (unnamed) Street to be named 'Bulumbara Street' if possible; and
- (f) supports in principle the Community Mural to be scoped and design discussed at next meeting.

15.1 Wugularr Local Authority Projects Update

WUG Q/2025-37 RESOLVED (LA Member Selina Ashley/LA Member Samuel Junior Bush) 13 October 2025

CARRIED

That the Wugularr Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update Report;
- (b) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Funding Certification 2024-25;
- (c) requests for speed bumps to be made of concrete rather than plastic and for a costing estimate to be presented at next Meetings;
- (d) authorises the already allocated Local Authority Projects Funding for speed bumps to be used for concrete bumps;
- (e) requests for steel bollards to replace rocks as roadside barriers and for a costing estimate to be presented at its next Meeting;
- (f) requests to the Chief Executive Officer to contact Power Water Corporation to arrange Community consultation and investigation of water supply issues and extraction licence from billabong and springs for town beautification purposes; and
- (g) allocates an additional \$1,000 for the generator project and an additional \$2,000 for toilet project.

c), d) & g) Local Authority Project Report, Item number 15.1

e) In-Progress
f) Pending

12.2 Elected Member Report

WUG Q/2026-6 (Deputy Mayor Helen Lee/LA Member Trepina Bush) CARRIED

12 January 2026

That the Wugularr Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Elected Member Report; and
- (b) requests Council to progress the Blanasi Collection matter and to undertake appropriate consultation.

15.1 Wugularr Local Authority Projects Report

WUG Q/2026-10 (LA Member Loretta George/LA Member Raelene Bulumbara) CARRIED

That the Wugularr Local Authority:

12 January 2026

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update Report;
- (b) allocates \$30,000 to the Steel Bollards project and requests for commencement of barrier rocks with steel bollards;
- (c) requests for the progression of the Street Naming project; and
- (d) requests for playground lighting and allocates \$10,000 for this purpose.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

12 EXECUTIVE REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER	12.1
TITLE	Local Authority Member Attendance Report
AUTHOR	Bhumika Adhikari, Governance Engagement Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Wugularr 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 authorisation.

Local Authority Member Attendance

Local Authority Meeting Members	01 July 2025	13 October 2025	12 January 2026	30 March 2026
				Cancelled
Deputy Mayor Helen LEE	Appointed at 25 September 2025 OMC	P	P	-
Councillor Preston LEE	-	-	Appointed at February 2026 OMC	-
Selina ASHLEY	P	P	AP	-
Trephina BUSH	P	P	P	-
Raelene BULUMBARA	P	P	P	-
Eddie KENNEDY	P	No AP	P	-
Samuel Junior BUSH	P	P	P	-
Loretta GEORGE	Appointed at 23 July 2025 OMC	P	P	-
Alonza ASHLEY	Appointed at 23 July 2025 OMC	AP	AP	-
Daniele BUSH	-	-	Appointed at 2026 April OMC	-

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

Nil

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER	12.2
TITLE	Elected Member Report
AUTHOR	Bhumika Adhikari, Governance Engagement Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Wugularr Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member Report.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

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

BACKGROUND

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

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

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – 11 June 2026

At this meeting Council appointed Councillor Preston LEE to the Bulman Local Authority.

Projects on Hold:

Barunga Statement Memorial - Project Awaiting Funding– PR12

Projects in Progress:

Barunga Upgrades to Sport and Recreation Hall – PR125

New design received. Reviewing for suitability and budget availability.

Barunga Night Patrol Building Installation – PR86

Awaiting Power Water Approval.

Barunga River Pump Relocation – PR16

Procurement underway for replacement pump and new switchboard

Barunga Oval upgrade to AFLNT standards - PR103 Awaiting AFL NT to confirm site visit to assess oval. Deloitte have been engaged to assist with scoping and sourcing funding to upgrade the facilities. Changeroom design ideas presented to Council. Additional scoping being undertaken to develop comprehensive scope.

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

Works in progress

Bulman Community Ablution Block – PR06

Building practically complete. Awaiting water meter to be installed by Power Water.

Manyallaluk Cemetery Fencing – PR57

Grant received, procurement underway.

AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MEETING – 12 June 2026

The Audit and Risk Committee Meeting (as of 25 September 2025) consists of the following members:

- Ian SWAN (Independent Member);
- Carolyn EAGLE (Independent Member);
- Claudia GOLDSMITH (Independent Member);
- Councillor Preston LEE; and
- Councillor Samuel EVANS.

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

FINANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING – 20 May 2026

The Finance and Infrastructure Committee consists of the following members:

- David BLAIR (Independent Member);
- Mayor Tony JACK;
- Deputy Mayor Helen LEE;
- Councillor Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI;
- Councillor Michelle FARRELL;
- Councillor Des BARRITT;
- Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR; and
- Councillor Ash GARNER.

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

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

22 July 2026 at 8:30am	Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting	RGRC Support Centre Katherine
19 August 2026 at 10:00am	Audit and Risk Committee Meeting	RGRC Support Centre Katherine
26 August 2026 at 9:00am	Ordinary Meeting of Council	RGRC Service Delivery Centre Numbulwar

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 11062026 [12.2.1 - 8 pages]



MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL SUPPORT
CENTRE

2 CRAWFORD STREET, KATHERINE, NT ON THURSDAY 11 JUNE 2026 AT 8:30 AM

1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

Elected Members

- Mayor Tony JACK (Chairperson);
- Deputy Mayor Helen LEE;
- Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR;
- Councillor Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI;
- Councillor Michelle FARRELL, (*joined at 10:18 am*);
- Councillor Samuel EVANS;
- Councillor Patricia FARRELL, (*joined at 10:18 am*);
- Councillor Preston LEE;
- Councillor Des BARRITT; and
- Councillor Sue EDWARDS.

Staff Members

- David HURST, Chief Executive Officer;
- Cindy HADDOW, General Manager Corporate Services and Sustainability;
- Tony HOPP, General Manager Community Services and Engagement;
- Luke HADDOW, General Manager Infrastructure Services and Planning;
- Cristian COMAN, Manager Corporate Compliance;
- Kellie JOHNSTON, Assets Manager;
- Chaturangi DIAS, Acting Finance Manager;
- Cristie GEER, Programs Manager; and
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Engagement Coordinator.

Guests

- Greg EVANS, Financial Consultant

2 MEETING OPENED

The Ordinary Meeting of Council opened at 8:58 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

2026/64 RESOLVED (Councillor Edwin Nungumajbarr/ Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi) **CARRIED**

That Council accepts the tendered apologies from Councillor Michelle FARRELL, Patricia FARRELL, Councillor John DALYWATER and Councillor Ash GARNER.

n.b. Councillors Michelle FARRELL and Patricia FARRELL attended the Ordinary Meeting of Council at 1018hrs.

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL MINUTES

11 JUNE 2026

5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil.

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**6.1 Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

2026/65 **RESOLVED (Councillor Samuel Evans/Councillor Des Barritt)** **CARRIED**
That Council confirms the minutes from its Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 22 April 2026.

7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**7.1 Action List**

2026/66 **RESOLVED (Councillor Sue Edwards/ Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi)** **CARRIED**

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**

2026/67 **RESOLVED (Councillor Samuel Evans/ Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi)** **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Previous Committee Meeting Minutes.

9 CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

10 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Councillor Des BARRITT declared a Conflict of Interest at Item number 11.1.
Councillor Sue EDWARDS declared a Conflict of Interest at Item number 13.2.
Mayor Tony JACK declared a Conflict of Interest at Item number at item 13.5

11 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**11.1 Incoming Correspondence**

2026/68 **RESOLVED (Councillor Edwin Nungumajbarr/ Councillor Samuel Evans)** **CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) accepts the Incoming Correspondence including the Certification of the Assessment Record as supplied by the Chief Executive Officer;
- (b) waives the fees request for Mataranka Better Half Club, in the event of annual Mataranka Campdraft; and
- (c) waives the fees request for Nathan "Whippy" Griggs' show.

Councilor Des BARRITT recused himself from the Meeting at 9:17 am, as he declared interest at item 11.1 and returned at 9:18 am, after the deliberations at which he had a conflict were resolved.

12 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE**12.1 Outgoing Correspondence**

2026/69 **RESOLVED (Councillor Des Barritt/Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi)** **CARRIED**

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL MINUTES

11 JUNE 2026

That Council notes the Outgoing Correspondence Report.

13 WARD REPORTS

13.1 Nyirranggulong Ward Report

2026/70 **RESOLVED (Councillor Des Barritt/Councillor Sue Edwards)**

CARRIED

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Nyirranggulong Ward Report; and
- (b) appoints Councillor Preston LEE to the Bulman Local Authority.

13.2 Never Never Ward Report

2026/71 **RESOLVED (Councillor Edwin Nungumajbarr/Deputy Mayor Helen Lee)**

CARRIED

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Never Never Ward Report;
- (b) does not accept the nomination of David John EAST for appointment as a Member of the Mataranka Local Authority;
- (c) approves the recommendations from the Jilkminggan Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 05 May 2026;
- (d) approves the recommendations from the Mataranka Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 05 May 2026;
- (e) approves the recommendations from the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority Meeting held on Monday, 01 June 2026;
- (f) considers the Jilkminggan Local Authority's request for Council's assistance to convey its concerns pertaining to inadequate and inappropriate funeral services within Jilkminggan; and rescinds the membership of Sonia ROBERTS from the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority;
- (h) invites Jilkminggan Community Aboriginal Corporation (JCAC) to Meet with the Mayor and the Ward Councillor to address common issues including cemeteries, service delivery, Community Roads and cooperation for community benefit, at a time nominated by the JCAC's board;
- (i) approves Councillor BARRITT's motion of future fees waiver and sponsorship, community grants requests to require public acknowledgment of Council as a condition of them being granted;
- (j) scopes community barbeque for Meetings of Electors if practical; and
- (k) requests for urgent road repairs to be carried out at Jilkminggan noting safety hazards, subject to tenure restrictions.

Councillor Sue EDWARDS declared interest at item 13.2 and left the Meeting at 9:27 am and returned at 9:49 am.

Councillor Preston Lee left the meeting at 10:11 am and returned at 10:14 am.

Councillor Samuel Evans left the meeting at 10:17 am and returned at 10:18 am.

Councillor Michelle FARRELL and Councillor Patricia FARRELL joined the meeting at 10:18 am.

Meeting adjourned at 10:19 am and reconvened at 11:22 am

13.3 Numbulwar Numburindi Ward Report

2026/72 **RESOLVED (Councillor Patricia Farrell/Councillor Sue Edwards)**

CARRIED

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Numbulwar Numburindi Ward Report;
- (b) approves the Provisional Recommendations of the Numbulwar Local Authority Meeting held

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL MINUTES

11 JUNE 2026

- on Wednesday, 03 June 2026;
- (c) rescinds the membership of Douglas WUNUNGMURRA from the Numbulwar Local Authority; and
- (d) directs the Chief Executive Officer to commence the nomination process.

13.4 Yugul Mangi Ward Report**2026/73 RESOLVED (Councillor Des Barritt/Councillor Preston Lee)****CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Yugul Mangi Ward Report;
- (b) appoints Clayton JOHN as a member of the Urapunga Local Authority;
- (c) notes the Danny DUNCAN's resignation from the Urapunga Local Authority;
- (d) approves the recommendations from the Ngukurr Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 02 June 2026;
- (e) approves the recommendations from the Urapunga Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 02 June 2026;
- (f) considers the Ngukurr Local Authority's request for Council to advocate for Outstations and Homelands support and maintenance, noting the Community frustration arising out of the inadequacy of current arrangements.

13.5 South West Gulf Ward Report**2026/74 RESOLVED (Councillor Des Barritt/ Councillor Edwin Nungumajbarr) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the South West Gulf Ward Report;
- (b) appoints Dean JACK as a member of Robinson River Local Authority;
- (c) approves the recommendations from the Borroloola Local Authority Meeting held on Thursday, 07 May 2026;
- (d) authorises the Borroloola Local Authority's request for Council to advocate for slashing of Highway (Borroloola to Stuart Highway) and maintenance and grading with the Northern Territory Government; and
- (e) authorises the Borroloola Local Authority's request for Council to raise its concerns with the Northern Territory Government pertaining to insufficient road lighting creating dangerous potentially fatal conditions.

Mayor Tony JACK left the Meeting at 11:46 am as declared interest at item 13.5 and returned at 11:49 am.

14 EXECUTIVE REPORTS**14.1 Mayor's Report****2026/75 RESOLVED (Councillor Sue Edwards/ Councillor Edwin Nungumajbarr)****CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Mayor's Report.

14.2 Chief Executive Officer's Report**2026/76 RESOLVED (Councillor Des Barritt/ Councillor Samuel Evans)****CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Chief Executive Officer's Report, including the approved Community Grants (Round 2) that are as follows:

- (1) Borroloola Gulf show society;
- (2) Jilkminggan School - FAFT;
- (3) Numbulwar School;
- (4) Borroloola Amateur Race Club;
- (5) Urapunga op shop;
- (6) Ngukur Arts;
- (7) Numburindi Corporation

14.3 Council Meeting Attendance Report

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2026/77 RESOLVED (Councillor Sue Edwards/ Councillor Edwin Nungumajbarr)**CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Council and Committee Meeting Attendance Report.

15 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT**15.1 Regional Plan 2026-27****2026/78 RESOLVED (Councillor Helen Lee/Councillor Sue Edwards)****CARRIED**That Council adopts the 2026-27 Regional Plan and all contents therein in accordance with Section 35 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* (the Act) and its statutory instruments, including:

- (a) Elected Member Allowances in accordance with Section 106 of the Act;
- (b) Declared Rates in accordance with Sections 237 and 238 of the Act, having been certified by the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with Regulation 29 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*;
- (c) Fees and Charges in accordance with Section 288 of the Act;
- (d) Budget for Financial Year 2026-27 in accordance with Section 203 of the Act; and
- (e) authorises the Chief Executive Officer to submit the finalised, adopted version of the Regional Plan 2026-27 to the Minister for Local Government.

15.2 May 2026 Financial Report**2026/79 RESOLVED (Councillor Samuel Evans/Councillor Des Barritt)****CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Council's Financial Report as at 22 May 2026, and
- (b) acknowledges the career progression and accreditation of Chaturangi DIAS, Acting Finance Manager, expressing its gratitude and appreciation for the same.

Meeting adjourned at 12:32 pm and reconvened at 1:26 pm.

15.3 Policy Revision**2026/80 RESOLVED (Councillor Edwin Nungumajbarr/Councillor Preston Lee)****CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) Adopts the revised OCEO002 Financial Delegations Manual;
- (b) Adopts the revised FIN011 Investment Policy; and
- (c) Adopts the revised AS001 Fleet Procurement and Allocation Policy.

15.4 Cultural Safety Framework**2026/81 RESOLVED (Councillor Sue Edwards/Councillor Des Barritt)****CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the draft Cultural Safety Framework.

16 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT**16.1 Programs Update****2026/82 RESOLVED (Councillor Michelle Farrell/ Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi)****CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Programs Update report.

*Deputy Mayor Helen LEE left the meeting at 2:23 pm and returned at 2:24 pm.**Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi left the meeting at 2:25 pm and returned at 2:29 pm.***16.2 Aged Care and Disability Services Report****2026/83 RESOLVED (Councillor Des Barritt/Councillor Sue Edwards)****CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Aged Care and Disability Report, and
- (b) acknowledges and thanks Ashab HASSANAR, Aged Care Coordinator in Mataranka for his efforts,

Councillor Des Barritt left the meeting at 2:32 pm and returned at 2:34 pm.

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Deputy Mayor Helen Lee left the meeting at 2:33 pm and returned at 2:36 pm.

17 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT

17.1 Major Projects Report

2026/84 **RESOLVED (Councillor Sue Edwards/Councillor Michelle Farrell)** **CARRIED**
That Council receives and notes the Major Projects Report

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm and reconvened at 3:18 pm.

17.2 LA Projects Report

2026/85 **RESOLVED (Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdiridi/ Councillor Des Barritt)** **CARRIED**
That Council receives and notes the Local Authority Project report

18 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

19 DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

Nil.

20 CLOSED SESSION

DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

2026/86 **RESOLVED (Councillor Patricia Farrell/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 closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda :-

20.1 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.*

20.2 Action List

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.*

20.3 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 confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.*

20.4 Finance and Infrastructure Committee

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*

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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 interests.*

20.5 Contracts

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.*

20.6 Regional and Remote Land Releases

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.*

20.7 Asset Disposal

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*

20.8 Elected Member Administration

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 o 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.*

20.9 Chief Executive Officer Leave

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.*

20.1.1 Return to Open Meeting

2026/97 RESOLVED (Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/ Councillor Des Barritt)

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 4:21 pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Thursday, 11 June 2026 and will be confirmed at the next meeting.

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Mayor Tony JACK
Confirmed on 26 August 2026

UNCONFIRMED

13 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT

ITEM NUMBER	13.1
TITLE	Wugularr LA May YTD Finance Report
AUTHOR	Chathurangi Dias, Acting Finance Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That the Wugularr Local Authority receives and notes the Council Financial (Expenditure) Report for the period 01 July 2025 to 22 May 2026.

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 in a few activities as outlined in the attached expenditure report. The brief explanation for these differences in budget and actual cost for each division is as follows:

Operating Income:

Operating Income of \$3,424,521 was received YTD for Wugularr against a budget of \$2,982,237 resulting in a variance of \$442,284. The variance largely as a result of timing of grant and contract revenue and should be corrected during the year. .

Operating Expenditure:

Total Operating Expenditure for the year of \$3,424,521 against a budget of \$2,982,237 the resulting total variance in operating expenditure of \$442,284. The variance is largely due to timing of expenses, changes in allocation methodology for internal cost allocations, and vacancies in labour.

Capital Expenditure:


There has been \$26,100 Capital expenditure for the year against a budget of \$1,333,750 the resulting in a variance of \$1,307,650. The variance is caused by the timing of minor projects and Cameron / Maddigan Intersection & Road Upgrade.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Wugularr LA Report 22 May 2026 [13.1.1 - 1 page]

Roper Gulf Regional Council					
Financial Report as at					
22-May-26					
Wugularr					
	Year to Date Actual (\$)	Year to Date Budget (\$)	Variance (\$)	Full Year Budget (\$)	Explanation
Income					
RGRC Contribution	2,050,515	0	2,050,515	0	RGRC Untied Contribution, represents proportion of activity covered by untied grant funding.
User Charges and Fees	19,474	21,214	-1,740	23,143	
Grant Income	1,266,785	2,816,320	-1,549,536	3,072,350	Timing variance
Contract Fee Income	86,977	144,703	-57,725	157,858	Timing variance
Income Other	770	0	770	0	
Total Operating Income	3,424,521	2,982,237	442,284	3,253,350	
Operating Expenditure					
Employment	1,611,228	1,839,188	-227,961	2,006,387	Staff vacancies
Contract & Materials	796,222	297,376	498,846	324,410	Timing Variance
Asset Related	0	70,777	-70,777	77,211	Depreciation now costed at corporate level, budget to be corrected in 2026/27
Other Expenses	509,188	168,660	340,528	183,993	Timing variance
Banking & Finance	369	39	330	42	
Internal Charges	500,594	576,780	-76,187	629,215	New budget allocation methodology
Councillor Allowance Exp	4,221	22,743	-18,522	24,811	Timing Variance
Local Authority Meeting Allowance	2,700	6,673	-3,973	7,280	
Total Expenditure	3,424,521	2,982,237	442,284	3,253,350	
Operating Surplus/Deficit	0	0	0	0	
Total Capital Income	24,825	18,333	6,491	20,000	Timing Variance
RGRC Contribution	0	18,333	-18,333	20,000	
Capital Grant Income	24,825	0	24,825	0	
Total Capital Expenditure	26,100	1,333,750	-1,307,650	1,455,000	Cameron / Maddigan Intersection , Minor Projects and Road Upgarde
Net Operating Position	-1,275	-1,315,416	1,314,141	-1,435,000	

14 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT

ITEM NUMBER	14.1
TITLE	Community Services Manager Report
AUTHOR	Samantha Wright, Relief Council Services Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That the Wugularr Local Authority receives and notes the Council Services Manager 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.

BACKGROUND

This report provides the Wugularr Local Authority with an overview of council remote service delivery within the Wugularr community.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

111- Council Services General

- The Council Office has been reopened and operational after the flood event
- Recruitment is ongoing for a Community Safety Coordinator, Media Officer and Cleaner
- Mail is continued to be delivered to the community weekly, with two mail deliveries from town per week.
- New office furniture has been ordered and awaiting delivery
- Several dangerous trees have been removed from the community.
- Road Works to New Sub area have been completed
- Streetlight audit was completed at the start of June
- Wheelie Bin Audit was completed mid-June with replacement bins to commence been delivered to households in the coming weeks
- Kuron Scrubby has been appointed acting Community Safety Coordinator for the interim along with Xavier Cooper as acting Team leader for Night Patrol
- A Community BBQ will be held on the 8th of July at 12:00 at the Basketball court for NAIDOC Week.
- Territory Day Fireworks display will be held at the Oval on the 1st of July for the community

160 – Municipal Services

- Municipal Services are continuing to be delivered
- The Municipal team have been working extensively to clean up Wugularr after the flood event
- Focus has been in Bottom camp clearing all long grass, rubbish and fire breaks
- The Rubbish collection has been completed twice a week
- The Wugularr Municipal team also assisted the Barunga Municipal team with the Barunga festival preparation
- 5 new Municipal casuals have joined the team over the last few months
- Hard rubbish has been removed from the Billabong area
- Focus over the coming weeks will be in the New Sub area, clearing rubbish, kerbside whopper snipping and mowing and clearing drain ways.

Agency Services**350 – Centrelink**

- The Centrelink Office is open Monday to Friday,
- we are still awaiting new equipment to be delivered after been damaged in the flood event,

342 – Aged Care and Disability

- The Aged Care and Disability services operate Monday to Friday,
- The Aged Care & Disability provides a comprehensive range of services to their clients, this includes nutritious meals on wheels, transportation services and laundry services all depending on the individuals care plan package.

374 – Creche

- The Creche operating hours are Monday to Friday, supported by a team consisting of 7 local educators and a Coordinator that provide high-quality early childhood care for 17 children enrolled and averaging between 10 to 15 children regularly attending.

346 – Indigenous Broadcasting

- Wugularr is actively recruiting for a Media Officer. Training will be provided by TEABBA.

401 – Community Night Patrol

- Community Night Patrol continues to be delivered to contractual obligations.
- **403 – Outside School hour Care**
- Outside of School Hours Care are operational Monday to Friday and continues to be delivered to contractual obligations and running in conjunction with the Indigenous Youth, Sport and Recreation program.

404 – Indigenous Youth, Sport and Recreation (YSR)

- Indigenous Youth, Sport and Recreation (YSR) are operational Monday to Friday and continues to be delivered to contractual obligations.
- The School Holiday program has commenced with a lot of fun activities for the children to attend.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

15 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT

ITEM NUMBER 15.1

TITLE Wugularr Local Authority Projects Report

AUTHOR Luke Haddow, General Manager of Infrastructure Services and Planning

RECOMMENDATION

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

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

BACKGROUND

Since 2014 the Wugularr Local Authority has received a total of \$679,821.00 from the Northern Territory Government and RGRC for the Local Authority Project Fund. Annual allocations provided by the Department of Local Government are based on a formula related to population. Until January 2026 Wugularr Local Authority has allocated \$554,793.10, accounting for funds from completed projects.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Please refer to the attached LA projects funding report as at 25 June 2026.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**Unallocated Funds**

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

1. Wugularr - LA - Projects Report [15.1.1 - 1 page]

Wugularr Local Authority Project Funding								13 April 2026
Funding Received from Department					\$	679,821.00		
Funds Allocated by Local Authority Members					\$	554,793.10		
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects					\$	(78,124.25)		
Remaining Unallocated Funds						\$0.00		
Date	Project ID	Projects	Project Description	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Expenditure Breakdown	Project Variance	Project Status
27/11/2023	PR089	Speed bumps	Installation of five speed bumps.	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 7,285.78	Speed Hump mid section: \$4773.60 Speed Hump ends: \$311.60 8mm Spikes: \$2080.00 Freight: \$120.58	\$ 12,714.22	<p>27/11/2023: LA allocated \$20,000 towards purchase and installation of five speed bumps.</p> <p>29/02/2024: Quotation request ongoing.</p> <p>30/06/2024: Awaiting confirmation from LA before procurement.</p> <p>31/08/2024: PO raised for speed bumps. Under procurement stage.</p> <p>06/01/2025: Awaiting on roads project and filling potholes before proceeding.</p> <p>07/03/2025: Currently awaiting other project completion before progression can occur.</p> <p>15/07/2025: Additional speedbumps to be ordered with the balance.</p> <p>14/10/2025: LA has requested (LA meeting 13/10/2025: concrete speed bumps are installed instead of plastic. Rescoping to be done</p>
7/10/2024	PR109	Cemetery Arch	purchase and installation of cemtery arch.	\$ 25,000.00	-		\$ -	<p>07/10/2024: LA allocates \$25000 for the purchase of Wugularr Cemetery Arch and requests Arch to be scoped;</p> <p>26/02/2024: Quotation requests ongoing. (Contractor that constructed Barunga arch has closed the business and left town)</p> <p>07/03/2025: Scoping still to be completed.</p> <p>15/07/2025: Obtained Barungas drawings to duplicate, design in progress.</p> <p>25/06/2026: Awaiting quote for construction of arch</p>
10/07/2024	PR130	Water tap	scope and Quote for water tap as closed to the Cemetery;	\$ -	\$ 3,480.00	Site Servicing Plan: \$3,480.00	\$ (3,480.00)	<p>07/10/2024: The Local Authority requests scope and Quote for water tap as closed to the Cemetery.</p> <p>20/08/2025: Working through the power and water submission for the tap. Solar lighting still to come.</p> <p>17/09/2025: originally plan was rejected and scope needs to be reduced.</p>
15/10/2025		Steel Bollards	Steel Bollards to replaced existing Rocks on road side	\$30,000	\$ -		\$ -	<p>15/10/2025: Requests for steel bollards to replace rocks as roadside barriers and for a costing estimate to be presented at its next Meeting</p> <p>13/04/2026: Materials have been delivered</p>
14/01/2026	PR 149	Playground Lighting	Solar Lighting to be supplied for the playground	\$10,000				<p>06/03/2026: Lights in stock, awaiting installation</p>
Total allocation for current projects				\$ 88,000.00	\$ 12,946.69		\$ 10,053.31	
Total for Completed projects				\$ 511,293.10	\$ 574,683.26		\$ (67,061.33)	
Grand Total				\$ 599,293.10	\$ 587,629.95		\$ (57,008.02)	