

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNCIL
CHAMBERS ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL SUPPORT CENTRE
2 CRAWFORD STREET, KATHERINE, NT ON WEDNESDAY 22 JULY 2026 AT 9:00 AM

1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

Members

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

Staff Members

- David HURST, Chief Executive Officer (via audio/video conference);
- 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;
- Chathurangi DIAS, Finance Manager; and
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Engagement Coordinator (minute secretary).

Guests

- Greg EVANS, Financial Consultant.

2 MEETING OPENED

The Finance Committee Meeting opened at 9:10 am. The Mayor welcomed members and staff to the meeting and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

3 WELCOME TO COUNTRY

4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

FICM 2026-20 RESOLVED (Councillor Ash Garner/Councillor Des Barritt)

CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee accepts the tendered apology from Councillor Michelle FARRELL.

5 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Independent Member David BLAIR declared a conflict of Interest at item 17.1 of Confidential Session and recused himself.

6 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil.

7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

7.1 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

FICM 2026-21 RESOLVED (Councillor Ash Garner/Deputy Mayor Helen Lee) CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee confirms the Minutes of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 20 May 2026 and affirms them to be true and accurate record of that meeting's decisions and proceedings.

8 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

8.1 Action List

FICM 2026-22 RESOLVED (Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Councillor Ash Garner) CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee:

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

9 CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

12 EXECUTIVE REPORTS

12.1 Finance and Infrastructure Committee Member Attendance Report

FICM 2026-23 RESOLVED (Councillor Ash Garner/Councillor Des Barritt) CARRIED

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

13 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT

13.1 Council Financial Report as at 30.06.26

FICM 2026-24 RESOLVED (Councillor Edwin Nunggumajbarr/Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi) CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee:

- (a) receives and notes the Council's Financial Report as at 30 June 2026; and
- (b) requests a program breakdown to be included in the upcoming Finance Report.

14 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT

Nil.

15 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT

15.1 Major Projects Report

FICM 2026-25 RESOLVED (Councillor Des Barritt/Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi) CARRIED

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

*Councillor Des Barritt left the meeting at 10:09 am.
Councillor Des Barritt returned to the meeting at 10:10 am.*

*Councillor Edwin Nunggumajbarr left the meeting at 10:27 am.
Councillor Edwin Nunggumajbarr returned to the meeting at 10:28 am.*

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 am and reconvened at 11:05 am.

15.2 LA Projects Report

FICM 2026-26 RESOLVED (Councillor Ash Garner/Deputy Mayor Helen Lee) CARRIED

That the Finance and Infrastructure Committee receives and notes the Local Authority Projects update report.

16 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

*Councillor Des Barritt left the meeting at 11:50 am.
Councillor Des Barritt returned to the meeting at 11:58 am.*

17 CLOSED SESSION

DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

FICM 2026-27 RESOLVED (Councillor Ash Garner/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.

17.1 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.

17.1.1 Return to Open Meeting

FICM 2026-29 RESOLVED (Councillor Des Barritt/Councillor Edwin Nunggumajbarr) 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.

18 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 11:59 am.

This page and the proceeding pages are the Minutes of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 22 July 2026 and will be confirmed at the next meeting.

Mayor Tony JACK
Confirmed on 23 September 2026