

MINUTES OF THE BARUNGA LOCAL AUTHORITY OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, MEETING HELD AT THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL SERVICE DELIVERY CENTRE-BARUNGA LOT 198, BARUNGA NT 0852 ON TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2026 AT 10:00 AM

1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

1.1 Members

- Deputy Mayor Helen LEE;
- Anne-Marie LEE (Chairperson);
- Charlane BULUMBARA;
- Damien BULUMBARA;
- Lana BROOME (via audio conference); and
- Eventhia FRIDAY (via audio conference).

1.2 Staff

- 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;
- Kathy MARA, Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer;
- John DOGAN, Recruitment Coordinator;
- Alicia MIRANDA, Council Services Manager;
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Engagement Coordinator (Minute Secretary); and
- Daniele PIGA, Governance Coordinator.

1.3 Guests

- Mayor Tony JACK;
- Debbie LOCKHART, Director, National Disability Insurance Scheme Remote Service (via audio/video conference);
- Stuart LAUGHLIN, Assistant Director, National Disability Insurance Scheme Remote Service (via audio/video conference); and
- Kathy GLASS, Office of the Hon. Marion Scrymgour MP (via audio/video conference).

2 MEETING OPENED

The Barunga Local Authority Meeting opened at 10:12 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 RE-ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Nil.

5 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

5.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

BAR Q/2026-27 RESOLVED (LA Member Charlane Bulumbara/LA Member Anne-Marie Lee) CARRIED

That the Barunga Local Authority:

- (a) accepts the tendered apologies from Nell BROWN and Scott LEE, Damien BULUMBARA; and
- (b) notes that no apology was received from Ambrose BULUMBARA, and thus none can be accepted.

6 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil.

7 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at this meeting.

8 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**8.1 Barunga Local Authority Meeting Previous Minutes**

BAR Q/2026-28 RESOLVED (LA Member Anne-Marie Lee/Deputy Mayor Helen Lee) CARRIED

That the Barunga Local Authority confirms the minutes from the meeting held on Thursday, 02 July 2026 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of that Meeting's decisions and proceedings.

9 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**9.1 Action List**

BAR Q/2026-29 RESOLVED (Deputy Mayor Helen Lee/LA Member Charlane Bulumbara) CARRIED

That the Barunga Local Authority:

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

Damien BULUMBARA joined the meeting at 10:23 am.

10 CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

11 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

12 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

13 EXECUTIVE REPORTS**13.1 Local Authority Member's Attendance Report**

BAR Q/2026-30 RESOLVED (LA Member Charlane Bulumbara/LA Member Damien Bulumbara) CARRIED

That the Barunga Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Member's Attendance Report.

13.2 Elected Member Report

BAR Q/2026-31 RESOLVED (LA Member Damien Bulumbara/LA Member Anne-Marie Lee) CARRIED

That the Barunga Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Elected Member Report; and
- (b) receives Mayor's update in relation to the long-term advocacy and planning for key infrastructure, including Major Projects, Waste Management, roads and upcoming Ministerial visits.

LA Member Charlane Bulumbara left the meeting at 10:56 am and returned at 10:58 am.

14 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT**14.1 Barunga LA AUG YTD Finance Report**

BAR Q/2026-32 RESOLVED (LA Member Charlane Bulumbara/LA Member Anne-Marie Lee) CARRIED

That the Barunga Local Authority receives and notes the Council Financial (Expenditure) Report for the period 01 July 2026 to 31 August 2026.

15 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT**15.1 Council Services Manager Report**

BAR Q/2026-33 RESOLVED (LA Member Damien Bulumbara/LA Member Charlane Bulumbara) CARRIED

That the Barunga Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Council Services Manager Report;
- (b) receives and notes the Chair's concerns pertaining to fire affecting the Cemetery and damaging grave sites and memorials; and
- (c) requests additional fire mitigation, repairs to be carried out at the Cemetery, and the restoration of fire-damaged memorials.

15.2 Animal Management Update Report

BAR Q/2026-34 RESOLVED (Deputy Mayor Helen Lee/LA Member Charlane Bulumbara) CARRIED

That the Barunga Local Authority receives and notes the Animal Management Update Report.

LA Member Charlane Bulumbara left the meeting at 11:37 am and returned at 11:39 am.

Deputy Mayor Helen Lee left the meeting at 11:40 am returned at 11:43 am.

16 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT**16.1 Barunga Local Authority Projects Update**

BAR Q/2026-35 RESOLVED (LA Member Anne-Marie Lee/LA Member Damien Bulumbara) CARRIED

That the Barunga Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update Report;
- (b) requests Council to fund by 50% the Water Taps Installation Project at Heritage Park (PR20);
- (c) allocates \$3,000 of Local Authority Project Funds (LAPF) for support of local Sporting Awards Festivities; and
- (d) allocates \$5,000 of LAPF for Local Christmas Festivities.

17 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Nil.

18 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 12:15 pm.

This page and the proceeding pages are the Minutes of the Barunga Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 06 October 2026 and confirmed.

Chairperson
Confirmed on 06 January 2027

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