



Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council a Local Authority Meeting  
Thursday, 26 October 2023 At 10:00

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**Chairperson Andy Garnarradj declared the meeting open at 10:30am, welcomed all in attendance and did an Acknowledgement of Country.**

**APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chairperson	Andy Garnarradj
Member	Henry Yates
Member	Evonne Gumurdul
Member	Connie Nayinggul
Member	Maxwell Garnarradj

**ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT**

Deputy Mayor	Elizabeth Williams
Councillor	Otto Dann

**STAFF PRESENT**

Chief Executive Officer (acting)	Jessie Schaecken
Chief Operating Officer (acting)	Fiona Ainsworth (via video conference)
Chief Corporate Officer	James Stockdale (via video conference)
Governance and Risk Advisor (acting)	Jasmine Mortimore
Council Services Manager	Ted Warren
General Manager Technical Services (acting)	Clem Beard (via video conference)
Projects Coordinator Infrastructure	Sam Fazzolari

**GUESTS**

Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet	Phoenix Brown
National Indigenous Australians Agency	Jill
National Indigenous Australians Agency	Zara

## **APOLOGIES**

### **3.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The Committee considered Apologies and Leave of Absence.

#### **GUN191/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Mr Yates**

**Seconded Ms Gumurdul**

**That the Gunbalanya Local Authority noted Member's apologies for Matthew Ryan, Donna Nadjamerrek, Kenneth Mangiru, Gabby Gumurdul for the meeting held on 26 October 2023.**

**CARRIED**

## **ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE**

### **4.1 ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE**

The Committee considered Absent Without Notice.

#### **GUN192/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Mr Yates**

**Seconded Ms Gumurdul**

**That the Gunbalanya Local Authority noted member's absences without notice for the meeting held on 26 October 2023.**

**CARRIED**

## **ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

### **6.1 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

The Committee considered Acceptance of Agenda.

#### **GUN193/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Chairperson Garnarradj**

**Seconded Ms Nayinggul**

**That the agenda for the Gunbalanya Local Authority meeting of 26 October 2023 as circulated be accepted.**

**CARRIED**

## **DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF**

### **7.1 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF**

The Committee considered Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff.

#### **GUN194/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Chairperson Garnarradj**

**Seconded Ms Gumurdul**

**That Gunbalanya Local Authority received and recorded declarations of interest for the meeting held on 26 October 2023.**

**CARRIED**

Grant Nayinggul Joined at 10:37

## **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **8.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES 24 AUGUST 2023**

The Committee considered Confirmation of Previous Local Authority Meeting Minutes 24 August 2023.

#### **GUN195/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Chairperson Garnarradj**

**Seconded Councillor Dann**

**That the minutes of the 24 August 2023 Gunbalanya Local Authority meeting are adopted as a true and correct record of the meeting.**

**CARRIED**

Andrew Maralngurra Joined at 11:00 and left at 11:12

#### **LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION ITEMS**

##### **10.1 REVIEW OF LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION ITEMS**

The Committee considered Review of Local Authority Action Items.

#### **GUN196/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Chairperson Garnarradj**

**Seconded Mr Yates**

**That Gunbalanya Local Authority**

- 1. reviewed the action items list and approved to remove any completed actions.**
- 2. Admin to investigate OCM111/2017 – determined the need to consider alternative location ‘old peanut farm’ and consult with ILSC via NLC**

**CARRIED**

#### **CEO / CSM REPORT ON REGIONAL COUNCIL SERVICES**

##### **11.1 CSM OPERATIONS REPORT ON CURRENT COUNCIL SERVICES**

The Committee considered CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services.

#### **GUN197/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Mr Garnarradj**

**Seconded Ms Nayinggul**

**That the Gunbalanya Local Authority**

- 1. Received and noted the report entitled ‘CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services’.**
- 2. Raised improving the access to bores in the wet season.**

**CARRIED**

Broke for lunch at 11:30 and recommenced at 12:05

#### **FINANCE REPORT**

##### **14.1 FINANCIAL REPORT TO SEPTEMBER 2023**

The Committee considered Financial Report to September 2023.

#### **GUN198/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Chairperson Andy Garnarradj**

**Seconded Mr Henry Yates**

**That Gunbalanya Local Authority received and noted the Financial Report for the year to date period, September 2023.**

**CARRIED**

#### **VISITOR PRESENTATIONS**

##### **15.1 PRESENTATIONS AND VISITORS**

The Committee considered Presentations and Visitors.

#### **GUN199/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Chairperson Andy Garnarradj**

**Seconded Councillor Otto Dann**

**That Members noted the:**

- 1. Presentation by Gretl, Jaylee and Jill from NIAA**
- 2. Presentation by Cassidy Fitzclarence from AFL NT**

**CARRIED**

## GENERAL ITEMS

### 16.1 SOLAR LIGHTS - GUNBALANYA BACK ROAD - POWERHOUSE ROAD AND CEMETERY

The Committee considered Solar Lights - Gunbalanya Back Road - Powerhouse Road and Cemetery.

#### **GUN200/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Ms Connie Nayinggul**

**Seconded Mr Henry Yates**

**That Gunbalanya Local Authority:**

1. Received and noted the report;
2. Reviewed and approved 2 x Solar Lights - Gunbalanya Back Road - at the Cemetery and Powerhouse Road and approved the allocation of \$13,424.98 from Gunbalanya Local Authority funding.

**CARRIED**

### 16.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

The Committee considered Local Authority Membership.

#### **GUN201/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Chairperson Andy Garnarradj**

**Seconded Councillor Otto Dann**

1. That the Chairperson invited discussions around encouraging new members to apply and expanding the overall membership of the Gunbalanya Local Authority;
2. Members nominated Grant Nayinggul to join the Gunbalanya Local Authority

**CARRIED**

Broke for lunch at 13:21 and recommenced at 13:53

Connie Nayinggul left the meeting at 13:53

### 16.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS QUESTIONS

The Committee considered Local Authority Members Questions.

#### **GUN202/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Chairperson Andy Garnarradj**

**Seconded Mr Henry Yates**

**That the Chairperson invited questions from Gunbalanya Local Authority Members.**

**Members raised to write a letter to CDU on potential to conduct Agricultural soil testing for future viability at Lot 649 for community market garden.**

**CARRIED**

## GENERAL ITEMS

### 17.1 STAFF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER PAYMENTS

The Committee considered Staff Local Authority Member Payments.

#### **GUN203/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Ms Evonne Gumurdul**

**Seconded Mr Maxwell Garnarradj**

**That Members:**

1. Received and noted the report entitled '*Staff Local Authority Member Payments*'
2. Chairperson Andy nominated to be paid the LA allowance.

**CARRIED**

## GENERAL ITEMS

## **17.2 CHAIRPERSONS ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

The Committee considered Chairpersons Items for Discussion.

**GUN204/2023 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Ms Evonne Gumurdul**

**Seconded Mr Henry Yates**

**That Members:**

**Received and noted report entitled 'Chairpersons Items for Discussion'.**

**CARRIED**

### **NEXT MEETING HELD ON**

### **MEETING DECLARED CLOSED**

Chairperson Andy Garnarradj declared the meeting closed at 14:29

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Gunbalanya Local Authority meeting  
Gunbalanya Local Authority Meeting held in Gunbalanya on Thursday, 26 October 2023.