



## **AGENDA**

# **AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING THURSDAY 9 JULY 2026**

The Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting of the MacDonnell Regional Council will be held at the Amoonguna Council Office on Thursday 9 July 2026 at 10:30 AM.

Belinda Urquhart  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**



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**14 NEXT MEETING – 7 OCTOBER 2026**

**15 MEETING CLOSED**

### **3 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE**

**ITEM NUMBER** 3.1  
**TITLE** Attendance, Apologies and Leave

#### **LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Developing Communities  
Goal 02: Healthy Communities  
Goal 03: Empowered Communities  
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report is to acknowledge the attendance and to table, for the Authority's record, any apologies received from Members for this meeting.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) notes the Member's attendance at this meeting;**
- b) tables apologies received for this meeting; and**
- c) records the Member absences, without notice, for this meeting.**

#### **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

The Authority can choose to accept the apologies as presented, or not accept them. Apologies that are not accepted will be recorded as absent without notice.

## 4 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

|             |                                    |
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| ITEM NUMBER | 4.1                                |
| TITLE       | Local Authority Membership         |
| AUTHOR      | June Crabb, Coordinator Governance |

### LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making  
 Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities  
 Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets  
 Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This purpose of this paper is to highlight the vacancies on the Local Authority (the Authority) and to apprise the Authority of any legislative changes to appointments introduced in the Local Government Act 2019 (the Act).

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

- notes the attendance at the previous meeting;
- notes that two vacancies are currently available on the Authority; and
- calls for community nominations to open to fill the vacancies.

### BACKGROUND

The chart below shows the members attendance at the previous meeting held 13 April 2026.

| Appointed Members Amoonguna LA | Meeting Attendance<br>13 April 2026 |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Lawrence Webb                  | Present                             |
| Samantha Stuart                | Present                             |
| Sharon Alice                   | Apology                             |
| Rhekita Stuart                 | Apology                             |
| Henry Oliver                   | Present                             |
| VACANT                         |                                     |
| VACANT                         |                                     |

| Elected Members Rodinga Ward |         |
|------------------------------|---------|
| Cr Patrick Allen             | Present |
| Cr Andrew Davis              | Present |
| Cr Veronica Lynch            | Present |
| Cr Matthew Palmer            | Present |

The Local Authorities are made up of local members. They have four (4) Local Authority meetings per year and discuss things like council service delivery, project funding, project ideas and progress, finances etc.

Functions of the Local Authority (Local Government Act 2019 section 78):

- To involve local communities more closely in issues related to local government; and
- To ensure that local communities are given an opportunity to express their opinions on questions affecting local government; and

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- c) To allow local communities a voice in the formulation of policies for the locality as well as policies for the area and the region; and
- d) To take the views of local communities back to the council and act as advocates on their behalf; and
- e) To contribute to the development of the relevant regional plan; and
- f) To make recommendations to the council in relation to:
  - (i) The council's budget; and
  - (ii) The part of the council's area within which the local authority performs its functions; and
- g) To perform other functions assigned to the local authority by the Minister, in accordance with any guidelines that the Minister may make.

### **ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Council's Local Authority Meeting Procedure, para.4.14: Nominations and Appointments states:

- a) nominations will be tabled at the next local authority meeting and considered. A recommendation on the nominations to Council will be recorded and presented with the nomination forms at the next Council meeting.
- b) in the case that there is a nomination, or nominations submitted but no timely local authority meeting (that is before the next council meeting), nominations will still be presented to the next Council meeting. The Council may appoint based on the submitted nominations.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

If Local Authorities do not maintain their membership numbers, their ability to make quorum for their meetings is impaired and they may not be able to commit funds to Community projects and events

### **CONSULTATION**

The Local Authority

### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

## **5 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT**

**ITEM NUMBER** 5.1

**TITLE** MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report contains all of the details about the MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct Policy.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority notes the Council Code of Conduct.**

### **MacDonnell Regional Council Code of Conduct**

#### **Interests of the Council and Community come first**

A member must act in the best interests of the community, its outstations and the Council.

#### **Honesty**

A member must be honest and act the right way (with integrity) when performing official duties.

#### **Taking care**

A member must be careful to make good decisions (diligence), and must not be under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs, when performing official duties.

#### **Respect/Courtesy**

A member must be respectful to other members, council staff, constituents and members of the public.

#### **Conduct towards council staff**

A member must not direct, reprimand, or interfere in the management of council staff.

#### **Respect for culture**

A member must respect different cultures, families and language groups (cultural diversity) and not be unfair towards others, or the opinions of others, because of their background.

#### **Conflict of interest**

A member must, if possible, avoid conflict of interest between the member's private interests (family, other job, business etc.) and duties.

Where a conflict exists, the member must inform the Council, Local Authority or Council Committee and not take part in the discussion or vote.

#### **Respect for private business**

A member must not share private (confidential) information that they heard as a member, outside of meetings.



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A member must not make improper use of confidential information to gain a benefit or to cause harm to another.

### **Gifts**

A member must not ask for or encourage gifts or private benefits from anyone who might want to do business with or obtain a benefit from Council.

### **Accountable**

A member must be able to show that they have made good decisions for the community, and have allocated the Council's resources carefully and to benefit the region.

Failure to comply with this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action.

## **ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

The Code of Conduct Policy helps Council to ensure that the:

- MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC) exercises strong and accountable governance;
- constituents of MRC are aware of the behaviours they can expect from members.

## **6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**ITEM NUMBER** 6.1  
**TITLE** Confirmation of Previous Minutes

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides the minutes of the previous Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting held 13 April 2026 to be approved by the Authority.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Authority confirms the unconfirmed minutes of the previous Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting held 13 April 2026 as a true and correct record of the proceedings.**

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MEETING 13.4.2026 - MINUTES [ 9 pages]

MINUTES OF THE AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE  
AMOONGUNA COUNCIL OFFICE ON MONDAY 13 APRIL 2026 AT 10:30 AM

## **1 MEETING OPENING**

The meeting was declared open at 10.35AM

### **1.1 NOMINATION OF ACTING CHAIRPERSON**

**AMLA2026-18 RESOLVED (Patrick Allen/Andrew Davis)**

**That members nominated Henry Oliver as acting Chair of the Local Authority Meeting.**

## **2 WELCOME**

Henry Oliver welcomed the attendees to the meeting and Quorum was achieved.

## **3 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE**

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|---------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>3.1</b>                             |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Attendance, Apologies and Leave</b> |

### Local Authority Members

Member Lawrence Webb, Member Samantha Stuart and Member Henry Oliver.

### Councillors

Councillor Patrick Allen, Councillor Andrew Davis, Councillor Veronica Lynch and Councillor Matthew Palmer

### Council Employees

Deputy CEO and Director Council Services Keith Hassett

Manager Commercial services Mark O'Bryan

Council Services Coordinator Amoonguna Roselene Rankin

Governance Coordinator Shae Millar

Via Teams: Project Management Officer Ryan Rosenberg

### Guests

Shane Franey – Bill Yan's Office

Adele McCorkindale and Donna Lemon – Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development - NTG

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report is to acknowledge the attendance and to table, for the Authority's record, any apologies received from Members for this meeting.

**AMLA2026-19 RESOLVED (Lawrence Webb/Patrick Allen)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted the Member's attendance at this meeting;
- b) tabled apologies received from Member Sharon Alice, Member Rhekita Stuart, CEO Belinda Urquhart and President Roxanne Kenny for this meeting; and
- c) recorded no Member absences, without notice, from this meeting.

**4 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP**

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>4.1</b>                                   |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Membership of the Local Authority</b>     |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance</b> |

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This purpose of this paper is to highlight the vacancies on the Local Authority (the Authority) and to apprise the Authority of any legislative changes to appointments introduced in the Local Government Act 2019 (the Act).

**AMLA2026-20 RESOLVED (Matthew Palmer/Andrew Davis)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) elected to wait for more members to be in attendance before choosing a chairperson for the next 12 months;
- b) noted that there are two vacancies on the Local Authority after Paul Williams's membership was revoked due to 2 consecutive absences without notice; and
- c) called for community nominations to remain open to fill the vacancies.

**5 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT**

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>5.1</b>                                |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct</b> |

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report contains all of the details about the MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct Policy.

**AMLA2026-21 RESOLVED (Veronica Lynch/Lawrence Webb)**

That the Local Authority noted the Council Code of Conduct.

## **6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>6.1</b>                              |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Confirmation of Previous Minutes</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides the minutes of the previous Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting held 22 January 2026 to be approved by the Authority.

#### **AMLA2026-22 RESOLVED (Patrick Allen/Samantha Stuart)**

That the Local Authority confirmed the unconfirmed minutes of the previous Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting held 22 January 2026 as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

## **7 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>7.1</b>                  |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Acceptance of Agenda</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Agenda papers are submitted for acceptance by the Members for this Local Authority Meeting.

#### **AMLA2026-23 RESOLVED (Veronica Lynch/Patrick Allen)**

That the agenda papers for this Local Authority meeting as presented, were received for consideration at this meeting.

## **8 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>8.1</b>                  |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Conflict of Interest</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report outlines the minimum standard of behaviour expected of the Local Authority in relation to declaring personal or family financial interest that may impact on the performance of their roles and ability to make objective decisions.

#### **AMLA2026-24 RESOLVED (Matthew Palmer/Andrew Davis)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted the Conflict of Interest Policy; and
- b) declared no conflicts of interest.

## **9 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS**

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>9.1</b>                                   |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Census Engagement Team - ABS</b>          |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Census Engagement Team are attending the Local Authority Meeting to introduce their staff, provide information about the Census, outline employment opportunities, gain community support for the Census and seek input regarding the best approach to ensure participation is maximised.

### **AMLA2026-25 RESOLVED (Patrick Allen/Andrew Davis)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted that the Census Engagement Team did not attend today's meeting;
- b) discussed the importance of the Census count for future funding for programs within the community; and
- c) were advised to attend the Tangentyere office for assistance applying for work with the Census team.

## **10 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>10.1</b>                                  |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Introduction to the Regional Plan</b>     |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this paper is to provide the Local Authority with the opportunity to contribute to the development of MacDonnell Regional Council's (MRC) Regional Plan.

It is important that Local Authorities are consulted during the development of the Regional Plan to ensure that the priorities and needs of residents across the region are accurately represented

### **AMLA2026-26 RESOLVED (Samantha Stuart/Lawrence Webb)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) recalled the information presented at the last meeting; and
- b) had no additional feedback for MacDonnell Regional Council on the development of the Regional Plan.

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>10.2</b>                               |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Action Register</b>                    |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>June Crabb, Coordinator Governance</b> |

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides a running list of Local Authority action items as raised in previous meetings.

### AMLA2026-27 RESOLVED (Patrick Allen/Lawrence Webb)

That the Local Authority notes the progress on the action items as follows:

#### a) Electricity Top Up Options

- That Council Services has been in communication with Power and Water and the third party provider.
- It is expected that this item will be resolved prior to the next meeting.
- The community will be informed through posters on the notice board and an update will be provided at the next meeting; and

#### b) Youth Services Ideas

- After Executive Manager Libby Taylor reached out to Drive Safe, she was informed that Drive Safe do not operate in Amoonguna as it is not considered a remote community.
- Youth services will investigate including music lessons in the school holiday program.
- Libby Taylor is still trying to contact Star.
- NTG representatives advised that community members should raise that they would like driver education with Tangentyere and that MRC Youth Services could approach MVR directly about requesting that Drive Safe provide the training as the Drive Safe program operates under MVR.

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>10.3</b>                               |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Local Authority Project Register</b>   |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>June Crabb, Coordinator Governance</b> |

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from The Northern Territory Government (NTG) and invested in projects and development to benefit and improve the community.

#### Examples of acceptable purposes for expenditure include:

- Repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council. e.g. park fencing, solar lighting, road repairs and ablution facilities.
- Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery. e.g. trailers, graders, garden maintenance equipment such as brush cutters, lawn mowers and pressure cleaners, rubbish bin enclosures/stands.
- Upgrade/enhancement of community facilities, e.g. sporting venues, upgrade of community ovals, basketball courts and playgrounds, shade structures, picnic areas, seating and park furniture, tree planting and irrigation; upgrade of women's or men's sheds /shelters.
- Festivals or other events – to be conducted only within the Local Authority area LAPF has been provided for.

- Community based programs – including music, art or dance; uniforms for sporting events; or preservation of culture or traditions.

*At risk funds* are funds that may include unallocated funds and/or funds that have been allocated but remains unspent.

#### **AMLA2026-28 RESOLVED (Andrew Davis/Lawrence Webb)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- noted the Project funding acquittal and certification (attached) as at 30 June 2025;
- acknowledged that \$18,593.75 are funds at risk of being returned to NTG;
- accepted the unallocated funds of \$68,893.75 includes the 2025/26 funding grant of \$33,800.00;
- noted the progress on their current project 2102 'New Playground' that the PMO thanked the civil team for their work dismantling the old playground furniture and that the contractors are expected to begin installation of the new furniture within the next 2 weeks;
- created a new project 'Solar Street Lights' and allocated \$20,000.00 to buying as many lights as possible within this budget; and
- created a new project from the wish-list and action item 'Pool Table for the Rec Hall' and allocated \$3,000.00 to the purchase of a 7 foot pool table/air hockey table and a 7 foot pool table; and
- requested quotes for the wishlist items 'Shade Structure at the Sorry Camp' and 'Water Trailer for the Sorry Camp' with the additional specification that the water trailer is for the purpose of providing drinking water.

**Minute Note:** Keith Hassett is in contact with CLC regarding funding for lights for the football oval and will provide an update when information is available.

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>10.4</b>                                |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Local Authority Discretionary Funds</b> |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>June Crabb, Coordinator Governance</b>  |

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Each financial year, MacDonnell Regional Council grants a discretionary fund allocation of \$4,000.00 to the Local Authority. These funds cannot be carried over from year to year and must be spent (with goods received) between 1 July and 30 June.

#### **AMLA2026-29 RESOLVED (Lawrence Webb/Samantha Stuart)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- noted that the cleaning and gardening equipment has arrived and will be delivered to the houses in the next week;
- allocated the remaining funds of \$198.35 to Youth Services for a Youth activity; and
- acknowledged that funds must be spent with goods received by 30 June 2026.



## **11 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS**

|                     |                                                        |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>11.1</b>                                            |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Council Services Amoonguna LA Report</b>            |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Ellen Fitzgerald, Senior Administration Officer</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report is an update of Council Delivered Services in Amoonguna across the area of Local Government Service Delivery

### **AMLA2026-30 RESOLVED (Lawrence Webb/Andrew Davis)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the attached report; and
- b) were advised that the Civil team are waiting on uniforms and that Council Services are in the process of hiring an additional customer service officer and 2 new civil team members.
- c) were advised that Council Services and the Youth team are working with CLC to prepare the Rec Hall for the CLC BBQ; and
- d) requested that the Council Services Coordinator contact CLC to request that they organise portable toilets for the BBQ as the Rec Hall toilets will be insufficient for the event.

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>11.2</b>                                           |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Youth and Community Safety Report</b>              |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Annaliza Rivera, Senior Administration Officer</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides an update on the delivery of services for Community Safety and Youth Services.

### **AMLA2026-31 RESOLVED (Lawrence Webb/Andrew Davis)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted Community Safety and Youth Services report; and
- b) were informed by Samantha Stuart about a trip for female youth from Amoonguna to Harts Range to attend the Dream Academy where the young women played football and interacted with WAFL players.

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>11.3</b>                                           |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Aged Care Report</b>                               |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Annaliza Rivera, Senior Administration Officer</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides an update on the delivery of services for Aged Care

**AMLA2026-32 RESOLVED (Lawrence Webb/Andrew Davis)**

That the Local Authority noted and accepted the Aged Care Services report.

**12 GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS**

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>12.1</b>                     |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>General Council Business</b> |

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to give Members the opportunity to discuss General Council Business items.

**AMLA2026-33 RESOLVED (Matthew Palmer/Patrick Allen)**

That the Local Authority did not raise any matters of General Council Business.

**13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS**

|                     |                                           |
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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>13.1</b>                               |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Non-Council Business Items</b>         |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>June Crabb, Coordinator Governance</b> |

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to provide members with the opportunity to raise matters relating to Non-Council Business.

**AMLA2026-34 RESOLVED (Matthew Palmer/Patrick Allen)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted that previous matters 'Fences and Gates' and 'Low Water Pressure' have been referred to the Repairs and Maintenance team and the NTG representatives will provide an update at the next meeting;
- b) requested that Tangentyere be invited to the next Local Authority Meeting to discuss activities that community members would like to have run within the community including the driver's education program discussed earlier in the meeting;
- c) members raised that many members of the community have recently received large bills from Power and water. This resulted from an emergency program enacted during the recent floods which allowed people to continue to use power after the power recharges had run out. This was done because the floods may have caused residents to be unable to travel to Alice Springs to pay for recharges for their power meters. These bills must be paid before residents can buy credit to turn their power back on. Members felt that people in the community were unprepared for these bills due to a lack of communication. Members requested that Power and Water be contacted to investigate if they can provide any support on this issue;

- d) Shane Franey from the office of Bill Yan advised that there is funding for emergency relief and that this funding could be used to resolve the issue of the large power bills. He stated that this could be accessed by community members providing a proposal to Bill Yan's office and that this would be done as a community;
- e) Shane Franey proposed opening a bakery in the old store. It would include aboriginal employment, training and ownership. He advised that NT bakery has offered to help out with the training and that Marion Scrymgour will help out with the funding. He requested that members think about this and get back to him. After which, Shane would write up a proposal and present at the next meeting; and
- f) Shane Franey advised that Bill Yan is chasing up with CLC about funding for the football lights at the oval.

#### **14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY 9 JULY, 2026**

#### **15 MEETING CLOSED**

The meeting terminated at 12:00 pm.

This page and the preceding 6 pages are the minutes of the Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting held on Monday 13 April 2026 and are UNCONFIRMED.

## **6 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

**ITEM NUMBER**        6.1  
**TITLE**                Acceptance of Agenda

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Agenda papers are submitted for acceptance by the Members for this Local Authority Meeting.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the agenda papers for this Local Authority meeting as presented, be received for consideration at this meeting.**

## **7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

|             |                      |
|-------------|----------------------|
| ITEM NUMBER | 7.1                  |
| TITLE       | Conflict of Interest |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report outlines the minimum standard of behaviour expected of the Local Authority in relation to declaring personal or family financial interest that may impact on the performance of their roles and ability to make objective decisions.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) **notes the Conflict of Interest Policy; and**
- b) **that members declare any conflicts of interest.**

### **BACKGROUND**

Conflicts of interest arise when members are influenced, or appear to be influenced, by personal interests when doing their jobs. The perception of a conflict of interest – the way it seems to the public - can be as damaging as an actual conflict, because it undermines public confidence in the integrity and fairness of MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC).

Under the *Local Government Act*, not declaring a conflict of interest or improperly disclosing information can lead to imprisonment.

### **Examples of conflicts of interest and improper disclosure of information:**

Tendering and Purchasing – financial conflict of interest

- Example: Council has advertised for a contractor for irrigation of a football oval. A member is employed by a company which has tendered for the contract. This may affect, or it may reasonably be suspected that it could affect, their ability to make an unbiased or fair decision when the contract choice is considered by Council.

Tendering and Purchasing – non-financial conflict of interest

- Example: A contractor tendering for a Council contract for road works offers to seal the road to a member's house. The member would not be seen as impartial or fair when choosing the contractor for the job.

Information and Opportunities

- Example: a member may know a lot of information about tenders for contracts coming up in the MRC area before the tenders are made public. Conflicts can arise if the member gives this information to a friend or relative working for a company so they can have a better chance of winning the contract.

Undue Influence

- Example: a member tries to pressure a hotel in Alice Springs into providing free accommodation, because they are a member of Council.

### **Declaring a Conflict of Interest**

As soon as practical after a member becomes aware of a conflict of interest in a matter that has come up or is about to come up before or during a meeting (council, local authority or council committee), the member must disclose or tell the relevant interest to the meeting and to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of MRC.

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Details of members' interests and the nature of those interests will be recorded in the relevant Register of Interests published on the Council's website and to be available for any member of the public to look over at the Council's public office.

In addition, if a member enters into a personal or business relationship with another member or Council employee that could result in a conflict of interest, then this relationship must be reported to the President and CEO. A file note will be made and recorded on the relevant Register of Interests.

### **Uncertainty about whether a conflict of interest exists or not**

If a member is unsure whether or not they have a conflict of interest, they should give full details to the CEO or seek independent legal advice.

The CEO does not have a responsibility to decide whether or not a member has a conflict of interest in a matter. The responsibility for determining whether a member has a conflict of interest is up to the individual member.

### **If you do have a Conflict of Interest**

After a member has disclosed the nature of the interest, the member must not, without approval from the Minister:

- be present during any discussion of the meeting when the matter is being discussed
- take part in any decision related to the matter
- Influence another member in their decision.

Members will not become involved in the promotion or endorsement of products and/or services unless this has been approved in line with Council's policies and Code of Conduct.

### **Complaints Regarding Failure to Disclose an Interest**

Any person may make a complaint that a member has or may have failed to disclose or tell of a conflict of interest. All complaints should be directed to the MRC CEO.

### **ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

The Disclosure of Interests Policy helps Council to ensure that:

- the business of Council is conducted with efficiency, fairness, and integrity; and
- members act in the best interests of Council and do not seek personal or family gain when performing their duties or use their public office for personal gain.

## 10 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

**ITEM NUMBER** 10.1  
**TITLE** Action Register  
**AUTHOR** June Crabb, Coordinator Governance

### LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making  
 Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities  
 Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets  
 Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides a running list of Local Authority action items as raised in previous meetings.

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

- a) notes the progress on the action items; and
- b) considers closing the Youth Services action item as this matter was addressed at the previous meeting.

### BACKGROUND

Amoonguna Local Authority Action Register as at 1 July 2026

| Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Officer/Director | Subject                    |
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| Amoonguna Local Authority 23/04/2025                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Council Services | Electricity top up options |
| <b>AMLA2025-047 – Power top ups</b><br><b>23-Apr-25:</b> Keith Hassett, Director Council Services will investigate the feasibility of selling power top-ups at the Council office to support residents with accessible electricity top-up options.<br><br><b>2-Oct-25: AMLA2025-67</b><br>Electricity top-up options until more advice can be received from Power and Water.<br><br><b>22-Jan-26: AMLA2026-10</b><br>Were advised that Council Services is working with Power and Water and an external provider on the top-up options for power cards in Amoonguna. It is expected that this will be up and running before the next Local Authority meeting.<br><br><b>13-Apr-26: AMLA2026-27</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council Services has been in communication with Power and Water and the third-party provider</li> <li>• It is expected that this item will be resolved prior to the next meeting</li> <li>• The community will be informed through posters on the notice board, and an update will be provided at the next meeting.</li> </ul> |                  |                            |
| <b>1-Jul-26:</b> An update is yet to be received.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                  |                            |

| Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Officer                                      | Subject              |
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| Amoonguna Local Authority 22/01/2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Executive Manager Youth and Community Safety | Youth Services Ideas |
| <p><b>AMLA2026-15: Youth Services ideas</b></p> <p>a) requested the following be investigated for the Youth Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• learner's licence training;</li> <li>• hairdresser training;</li> <li>• purchasing music equipment;</li> <li>• running a music education program;</li> <li>• quotes be obtained for a snooker table</li> </ul> <p><b>30-Mar-26: Action reminder emailed to Executive Manager for update</b></p> <p><b>13-Apr-26: Update from Executive Manager Youth &amp; Safety, Libby Taylor</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council was informed by Drive Safe that they do not operate in Amoonguna as it is not considered a remote community.</li> <li>• The make-up and beauty artist 'Star' has so far been unreachable</li> <li>• Youth Services will investigate including music lessons in the school holiday program</li> <li>• NTG representatives advised that community members should raise that they would like driver education with Tangentyere and that MRC Youth Services could approach MVR directly about requesting that Drive Safe provide the training as the Drive Safe program operates under MVR.</li> </ul> <p><b>Recommend to close action</b></p> |                                              |                      |

**ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Nil.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

**CONSULTATION**

Executive Leadership Team

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments to this report.



## **10 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

**ITEM NUMBER** 10.2  
**TITLE** Local Authority Project Register  
**AUTHOR** June Crabb, Coordinator Governance

### **LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making  
Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities  
Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets  
Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from The Northern Territory Government (NTG) and invested in projects and development to benefit and improve the community.

#### **Examples of acceptable purposes for expenditure include:**

- Repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council. e.g. park fencing, solar lighting, road repairs and ablution facilities.
- Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery. e.g. trailers, graders, garden maintenance equipment such as brush cutters, lawn mowers and pressure cleaners, rubbish bin enclosures/stands.
- Upgrade/enhancement of community facilities, e.g. sporting venues, upgrade of community ovals, basketball courts and playgrounds, shade structures, picnic areas, seating and park furniture, tree planting and irrigation; upgrade of women's or men's sheds /shelters.
- Festivals or other events – to be conducted only within the Local Authority area LAPF has been provided for.
- Community based programs – including music, art or dance; uniforms for sporting events; or preservation of culture or traditions.

*At risk funds'* are funds that may include unallocated funds and/or funds that have been allocated but remains unspent.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the local authority:**

- a) notes that \$18,593.75 are funds at risk of being returned to NTG;**
- b) accepts the progress on the projects as provided by the PMO Office;**
- c) notes that \$45,893.75 are unallocated funds currently available;**
- d) discusses the wishlist items; and**
- e) closes any completed projects.**

### **BACKGROUND**

Members of the Local Authority allocate project funds to support community and sporting infrastructure, open space developments and community priorities. These projects are intended to assist communities to improve community amenity through the provision of social and community facilities.

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Local Authorities must formally resolve each initiative for which this funding will be used.

| Project 2102 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | New Playground            | \$           |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
|              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Status                    | Committed    |
| 2-Oct-25     | Res.068 - Created a new project 'New Playground Furniture' and allocated \$17,000.00 as a co-contribution towards \$120,000.00 new playground furniture (see attached images). This will be installed as a replacement for damaged existing furniture. This co-contribution is a requirement of receiving the balance of funding for this project from the Community Benefit Grant from the NTG. |                           | \$ 17,000.00 |
| 22-Jan-26    | Res.011 - The civil team will dismantle the current damaged playground furniture and then the PMO will organise the contractor to begin the installation. The LA requested that the new playground be locked at night to prevent vandalism.                                                                                                                                                      |                           |              |
| 13-Apr-26    | Res.028 - The PMO thanked the civil team for their work dismantling the old playground furniture and that the contractors are expected to begin installation of the new furniture within the next 2 weeks.                                                                                                                                                                                       |                           |              |
|              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | underspend or (overspend) | \$ 17,000.00 |

| Project 2107 |                                                                                                                                          | Solar Street Lights       | \$            |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
|              |                                                                                                                                          | Status                    | Committed     |
| 13-Apr-26    | Res.028 - Created a new project 'Solar Street Lights' and allocated \$20,000.00 to buying as many lights as possible within this budget. |                           | \$ 20,000.00  |
| 12-Jun-26    | Purchase Order issued to Green Frog Systems.                                                                                             |                           | -\$ 10,115.00 |
|              |                                                                                                                                          | underspend or (overspend) | \$ 9,885.00   |

| Project 2108 |                                                                                                                                                                         | Pool Table for the Rec Hall | \$           |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
|              |                                                                                                                                                                         | Status                      | Committed    |
| 13-Apr-26    | Res.028 - Created a new project 'Pool Table for the Rec Hall' and allocated \$3,000.00 to the purchase of a 7-foot pool table/air hockey table and a 7-foot pool table. |                             | \$ 3,000.00  |
| 14-May-26    | Purchase Order raised with Intersport Alice Springs. The tables are currently not in stock with delivery expected in September.                                         |                             | -\$ 2,270.91 |
|              |                                                                                                                                                                         | underspend or (overspend)   | \$ 729.09    |

| Budget consideration |  |                                      |                     |
|----------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
|                      |  | Balance of underspend or (overspend) | \$ 27,614.09        |
|                      |  | Unallocated funds                    | \$ 45,893.75        |
|                      |  | <b>Total unspent funds</b>           | <b>\$ 73,507.84</b> |

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| WISHLIST ITEMS |                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| 28-Nov-24      | <b>BMX Track</b><br>Scope requested to build a BMX Track at the back of Lot 69/70 Traditional Owners and neighbouring houses will need to be consulted about the location of the BMX track. |  |
| 28-Nov-24      | <b>Bike Rack</b><br>Added to the wishlist from Youth Board recommendations                                                                                                                  |  |
| 28-Nov-24      | <b>Lights for the Oval</b><br>Added to the wishlist from Youth Board Recommendations                                                                                                        |  |
| 13-Apr-26      | <b>Noted that the Member for Namatjira was pursuing consultation with CLC regarding funding for the lights.</b>                                                                             |  |
| 13-Feb-25      | <b>Pit Toilet at the Sorry Camp</b><br>The PMO to source quotes                                                                                                                             |  |
| 13-Feb-25      | <b>Shade structure at the sorry camp</b><br>Added to the wishlist from the Action Register.                                                                                                 |  |
| 13-Apr-26      | <b>Res.28: The Authority requested quotes for this item.</b>                                                                                                                                |  |
| 13-Feb-25      | <b>Water Trailer for Sorry Camp</b><br>Added to the wishlist from Project 2101                                                                                                              |  |
| 13-Apr-26      | <b>Res.28: The Authority requested quotes for this item with the additional specification that the water trailer is for the purpose of providing drinking water.</b>                        |  |

### PROJECTS CLOSED 2025-26

| Project 2103 |                                                                                                   | Bin Trailers (2)                 | \$          |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
|              |                                                                                                   | Status                           | Committed   |
| 18-Sep-24    | Res.047 - New Project established September 2024, \$35,000 allocated.                             |                                  | 35,000.00   |
| 13-Feb-25    | Res.009 - Project kept open.                                                                      |                                  |             |
| 25-Feb-25    | PMO update - estimated delivery time 4 months - should be arriving before July meeting.           |                                  |             |
| 2-Jun-25     | Invoice received from Modern Trailers                                                             |                                  | - 26,636.36 |
| 31-Jul-25    | Invoice received from Napa Auto Parts - Battery Chargers                                          |                                  | - 309.20    |
| 5-Sep-25     | Invoice received from Steve's Electrix Pty Ltd - GPO's and Inlets.                                |                                  | - 505.35    |
| 22-Sep-25    | PMO update - Trailers ready to go - Delivery to be arranged - good to close project.              |                                  |             |
| 2-Oct-25     | Res.068 - Project closed - funds to be returned to unallocated - all invoices have been received. |                                  | - 7,549.09  |
|              |                                                                                                   | <b>underspend or (overspend)</b> | -           |

| Project 2104 |                                                                                                                                    | Stealth Lighting for Sorry Camp Shade Structures | \$         |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------|
|              |                                                                                                                                    | Status                                           | Committed  |
| 18-Sep-24    | Res.068 - created a new project – 2 x Stealth lighting for each of the Shade Structures at the Sorry Camp, allocating \$14,378.41. |                                                  | 14,378.41  |
| 13-Feb-25    | Res.009 - Project kept open.                                                                                                       |                                                  |            |
| 28-Feb-25    | Invoice received from Green Frog Systems.                                                                                          |                                                  | - 4,740.00 |
| 28-Feb-25    | Invoice received from Green Frog Systems.                                                                                          |                                                  | - 475.00   |

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|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| 10-Mar-25                        | Invoice received from Bunnings.                                                                                      | - 63.37    |
| 11-Mar-25                        | PMO update - lights are in community waiting to be installed by Civil Team.                                          |            |
| 2-Jul-25                         | Res.049 - lights are in community, the location has been selected, and they should be installed in the coming weeks. |            |
| 22-Sep-25                        | PMO update - Lights have been installed - no further costs - project to be closed.                                   |            |
| 2-Oct-25                         | Res.068 - Project closed - funds returned to unallocated.                                                            | - 9,100.04 |
| <b>underspend or (overspend)</b> |                                                                                                                      | -          |

| <b>Project 2106 Community Sporting Event</b> |                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>\$</b>        |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Status</b>                                |                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>Committed</b> |
| 23-Apr-25                                    | Res.028 - Allocated \$7,000.00 to a new project 'Community Sporting Event' for young people to be run in conjunction with the Youth Services School Holiday Program. | 7,000.00         |
| 24-Jun-25                                    | Invoice received from K-Mart Alice Springs                                                                                                                           | - 1,675.19       |
| 24-Jun-25                                    | Invoice received from K-Mart Alice Springs                                                                                                                           | - 37.27          |
| 25-Jun-25                                    | Invoice received from Jacksons Drawing Supplies                                                                                                                      | - 120.85         |
| 25-Jun-25                                    | Invoice received from Bunnings                                                                                                                                       | - 136.19         |
| 25-Jun-25                                    | Invoice received from Alice Springs Cinema                                                                                                                           | - 590.91         |
| 25-Jun-25                                    | Invoice received from Sport Power                                                                                                                                    | - 545.45         |
| 26-Jun-25                                    | Invoice received from Woolworths                                                                                                                                     | - 455.60         |
| 26-Jun-25                                    | Invoice received from Woolworths                                                                                                                                     | - 517.75         |
| 26-Jun-25                                    | Invoice received from Milner Meats                                                                                                                                   | - 392.08         |
| 26-Jun-25                                    | Invoice received from Creative Gist & Awards                                                                                                                         | - 34.55          |
| 27-Jun-25                                    | Invoice received from Woolworths                                                                                                                                     | - 276.84         |
| 2-Jul-25                                     | Res.049 - the event was a success, and this project will be closed once all invoices have been received.                                                             |                  |
| 2-Sep-25                                     | Invoice received from Intersport Alice Springs                                                                                                                       | - 272.70         |
| 23-Sep-25                                    | All PO's have been fulfilled and invoices received - this project can be closed.                                                                                     |                  |
| 2-Oct-25                                     | Res.068 - Project closed - funds returned to unallocated.                                                                                                            | - 1,944.62       |
| <b>underspend or (overspend)</b>             |                                                                                                                                                                      | -                |

**ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**
**Examples of unacceptable purposes for Expenditure include:**

- Purchase of vehicles and fuel expenses.
- Payment of salaries, cash prizes or recurrent operating costs of Council.
- Meeting costs and payments to Local Authority members.
- Sponsorship by way of uniforms, travel costs and allowances.
- Purposes that are not related to local Government Services and that should be addressed by another Government agency.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The purchase of any product or service must comply with MRC's Procurement Policy.

Funds from the grant must be fully expended within two years, or in the case of major projects, within four years of receipt of funding. Failure to expend the funds may result in the funds being returned to the Northern Territory Government.

**CONSULTATION**

Project Management Office

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

## 10 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

**ITEM NUMBER** 10.3  
**TITLE** Local Authority Discretionary Funds  
**AUTHOR** June Crabb, Coordinator Governance

### LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making  
 Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities  
 Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets  
 Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each financial year, MacDonnell Regional Council grants a discretionary fund allocation of \$4,000.00 to the Local Authority. These funds cannot be carried over from year to year and must be spent (with goods received) between 1 July and 30 June.

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

- notes the spending of their 2025/26 Discretionary funds;
- accepts the allocation of \$4,000.00 for the 2026/2027 financial year;
- acknowledges that these funds must be spent with goods received by 30 June 2027.

### BACKGROUND

**Examples that Discretionary funds can be used for:**

Community Christmas and New Year's Festivities Community BBQ's Sports weekends  
 Naidoc Celebration Youth Board

| Date | 2026/2027 Discretionary funds | Budget \$4,000.00 |
|------|-------------------------------|-------------------|
|      |                               |                   |
|      |                               |                   |

### 2025/26 Financial Year Allocations

| Date                  | 2025/2026 Discretionary funds                                                                                                                                                                     | Budget \$4,000.00 |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 02-Jul-25             | Allocated \$1,000.00 to a NAIDOC week celebration for young people run in conjunction with the Youth Services Program.<br>\$915.65 was spent at Kmart, Mad Harry's, Woolworths and Cakes for You. | - \$ 915.65       |
| 22-Jan-26<br>2-Feb-26 | Res.011 – Allocated the balance of \$3,084.35 to cleaning and gardening equipment for each occupied house<br>PO raised to Bunnings                                                                | - \$ 2,623.63     |
| 13-Apr-26             | Res.29 – Allocated the remaining funds to Youth Services for a Youth Activity.                                                                                                                    | - \$ 345.45       |
|                       | <b>Funds Returned</b>                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>\$ 115.27</b>  |

**ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Local Authorities decide how to best spend this money to broadly benefit the community. The Local Authority is responsible for consulting with community members to ensure that community priorities are considered when allocating discretionary funds.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The use of funds must be approved at a Local Authority meeting with a full quorum, or a form signed by more than half of the active Local Authority members.

Failure to spend the funds within the financial year (1 July to 30 June) will result in these funds being returned to MacDonnell Regional Council.

**CONSULTATION**

The Local Authority

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments to this report.

## **11 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.1  
**TITLE** Council Services LAR  
**AUTHOR** Ellen Fitzgerald, Senior Administration Officer

### **LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making  
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Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report is an update of Council Delivered Services in Amoonguna across the area of Local Government Council Services.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority notes and accepts the Council Services report**

### **BACKGROUND**

Nil

### **ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Nil

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **CONSULTATION**

Keith Hassett – Deputy Chief Executive Officer | Director Council Services  
Mark O'Bryan – Area Manager  
Roselene Rankine – Council Services Coordinator

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1 Council Services LAR





# Council Services - Amoonguna



**100% First Nations  
Employees in SCD**



**4 Area Manager  
Visits to  
Community**



**494 Council  
Office  
Hours of Service**

## Snapshot



**5603 Liters Fuel  
Usage Total**



**16 Vehicles and Plant in  
Use**



**35 Street Lights Operational  
3 Street Lights  
Non-Operational**



**1 Sport Grounds  
Maintained**



**15/18 Toolbox Talks  
Completed YTD**



**123 Bins Emptied  
Weekly**



**2 Centrelink  
Agents**



**6 Parks & Playgrounds  
Inspections**



**7631 bottles filled since  
refill station was  
installed**

### Animal Management

- AMRRCI Vet's 2<sup>nd</sup> Visit- 20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> July
- Antiparasitic & Animal Census Programs visit 20<sup>th</sup> July

### Internal Road Maintenance

- Civil team ongoing with putting back the speed bumps, bollards and signages around the community
- Civil team will continue to maintain the cleanliness of the roads, by removing any broken glass by using the sweeper

### Maintenance of Parks and Open Spaces

- New Playground has been completed and installed at Stuart Park
- Grass cutting- slashing and whipper snipping, ongoing
- Civil crew continue to pick up rubbish around the community and playgrounds, when required

### Sports Grounds

- Civil team will continue to clean the basketball courts, by remove any gravity, glass, graffiti, pick-up rubbish and whipper snipper grass where is necessary.
- Softball oval is in good condition; civil crew will continue to pick up rubbish and whipper snipper where it's necessary
- Football Oval is in good condition, but fencing is very old and needs updating.

### Waste Management

- Work has started on the digging of the new pit and Waste Bays
- New entrance to Landfill via Community after first speed dump
- Removal of old and damaged vehicles

### Weed Control and Fire Hazard Reduction

- Slashing, scrapping, mowing and whipper snipping grass has continued around the community and on the highway.
- ESO continues to maintain the grass at all power & water sites

### Other Community Updates

- All Allocated household received Cleaning and gardening equipment's, rake, shovel, broom, mop, garden hose.







## **11 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.2  
**TITLE** Aged Care Services Report  
**AUTHOR** Annaliza Rivera, Senior Administration Officer

### **LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making  
Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities  
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Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides an update on the delivery of Aged Care services in Amoonguna.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority notes and accepts the Aged Care Services report.**

### **BACKGROUND**

The Aged Care Services programs continue to be delivered in line with funding requirements

### **ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Nil

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **CONSULTATION**

Ainsley Roscrow – Executive Manager of Aged and Children's Services  
Emma Hacche - Senior Coordinator Quality Compliance & Strategy of Aged Care and Administration

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Aged Care Services Amoonguna LAR March-May 2026





## Local Authority Report Amoonguna Aged Care Services

**Aged Care  
Services**



**March-May 2026**



**4 Staff in the Amoonguna team**  
**100% Community-based Employees are**  
**Aboriginal**

**Stakeholders' engagements:**  
**Clinic, Congress, NT Health, APM**



**Lifts provided: 20**



**Client Interactions: 254**  
This includes client welfare  
checks and client engagement at  
the Aged Care Centre



**Personal Care provided: 87**  
Including:  
shower & toilet assistance, laundry  
loads, tablet reminders



**Active Clients: 14**

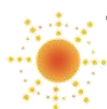


**Training:**  
First Aid Training  
and Commencement of  
Cert III - Individual Support



**Meals Provided**  
Breakfast, lunches  
& Hampers: 1405

### Updates



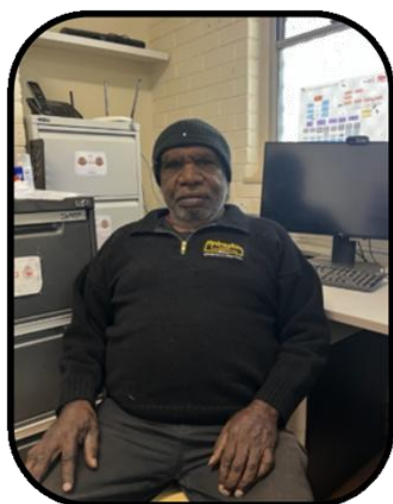
- Temporary closures due to community-wide electricity shutdown for scheduled works and observed Public Holidays - Client support maintained through provision of hampers during closures
- Periods of heavy rainfall earlier in the reporting period led to reduced client attendance at the centre and Cancellation/postponement of activities and planned trips
- Activities through the reporting period included: Easter BBQ held (low attendance, with only two clients present - some clients unavailable due to travel into town and medical appointments. Ongoing transport of clients to town for shopping, ANZAC and Mother's Day lunches successfully delivered
- Ongoing visits and collaboration with key stakeholders, including Physiotherapists, Alice Springs Hospital, APM and Central Australian Aboriginal Congress (CAAC)



## Local Authority Report Amoonguna Aged Care Services March-May 2026

Aged Care  
Services

Clients attending the centre, actively engaging in and enjoying  
services and activities

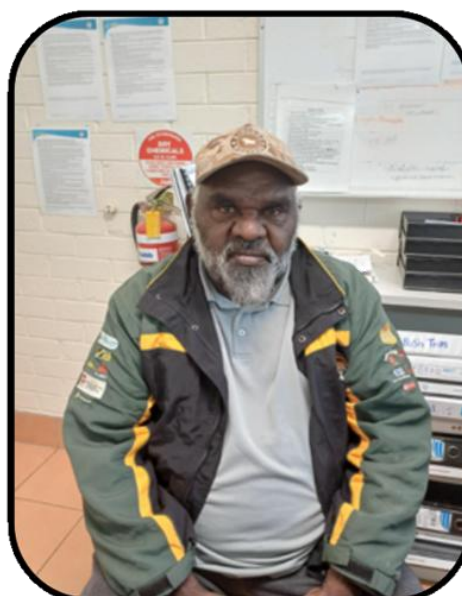




## Local Authority Report Amoonguna Aged Care Services March-May 2026

Aged Care  
Services

Clients attending the centre, actively engaging in and enjoying  
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## Local Authority Report Amoonguna Aged Care Services March-May 2026

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## **11 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.3  
**TITLE** Youth Services and Community Safety Report  
**AUTHOR** Libby Taylor, Executive Manager Youth and Community Safety

### **LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making  
Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities  
Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets  
Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides an update on the delivery of services for Community Safety and Youth Services.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Local Authority notes and accepts Community Safety and Youth Services report.**

### **BACKGROUND**

The Youth Services and Community Safety programs continue to be delivered in line with funding requirements

### **ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Nil

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **CONSULTATION**

Libby Taylor - Executive Manager of Youth and Community Safety  
Yarran Cavalier – A/ Senior Coordinator of Community Safety Youth Services  
Coordinator and Admins

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Youth and Community Safety Amoonguna LAR March - May 2026



# Local Authority

Amoonguna  
Community Safety  
March - May 2026



- 5 Staff in the Amoonguna Team
- 100% Community-based Employees are Aboriginal
- 396 Hours Patrolled
- Work: 6 hour shifts Mon-Fri Between 6pm - 12pm



91 Engagements  
with young people



102 Engagements  
with over 18's



139 Young people  
taken home



13 Training  
Hours



109 Are you okay?  
Checks



0 Community  
gatherings

## Highlights



- The Coordinator, Gilbert smith is currently living out at Amoonguna and is providing the team with support with IT - MacSafe app - Time sheets
- Travis Alice has been successful in his application and joined the team last month and is helping out on the team very well
- There has been training for the team's Certificate III in Community Safety over the last few months and the team is doing well participating
- The team also got their APR done well as their Contract Extension
- The HR team went out to Amoonguna for their first road show and it went well with the team

Clint Jackson and Brandon doing their first Aid training with Dan



Jackson and Brandon doing their WHS training

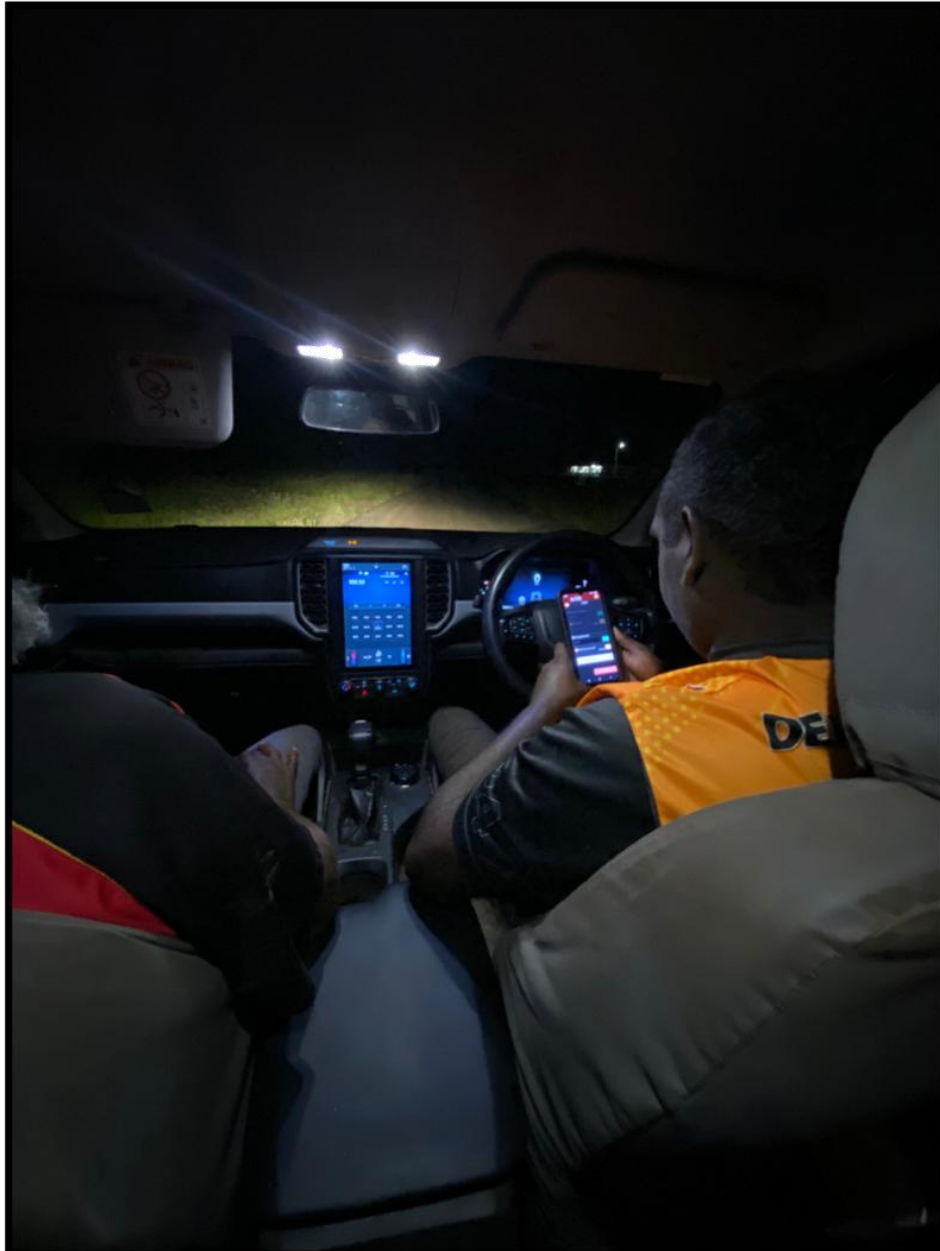




The HR team road show to Amoonguna with Clint Jason and Brandon



Clint and Jason working with the Mac Safe App







# Local Authority Youth Services

## Amoonguna March - May 26



### Employees

7 Staff  
100% Aboriginal



### Activities

350 Hours  
open



### Engagements

75 Participants  
1038 Engagements



### Bush/Town Trip

0



### Art Craft

18



### Average Participant Age

11



### Youth Board

1



### Activities Delivered

74



### Events

1

## Highlights



- **Youth Participation in Harts Range Football Tournament:** Ammonguna Youth Services collaborated with other communities to take a group of young girls to a football carnival held at Harts Range. Throughout the week, participants camped on site and took part in the competition. The event provided an opportunity for the girls to build new friendships, develop their skills, and proudly represent their communities through sport.
- **Cooking and Recreation Program:** Each week, Youth Services brings young people and their parents together for cooking activities, where they prepare traditional and multicultural foods. The program also includes bingo, softball, and dodgeball, helping young people stay active, build teamwork skills, and stay connected with their community.



The girls are ready and excited to participate in the football tournament at Harts Range.

The girls enjoyed camping at Harts Range while participating in the football tournament.

As part of the regular indoor games, the kids are playing musical chairs at Rechall.



Youth participated in learning how to prepare a range of traditional and multicultural dishes as part of the regular cooking program.



## **12 GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 12.1  
**TITLE** General Council Business

### **LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making

Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities

Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets

Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to give Members the opportunity to discuss General Council Business items.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Local Authority:

- a) notes and discusses the matters raised; and
- b) notes that any action items arising from these discussions will be moved to the action register for Council to respond.

### **BACKGROUND**

Nil

### **ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Nil

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **CONSULTATION**

Nil

### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

## 13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

|             |                                    |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| ITEM NUMBER | 13.1                               |
| TITLE       | Non-Council Business Items         |
| AUTHOR      | June Crabb, Coordinator Governance |

### LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making  
 Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities  
 Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets  
 Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide members with the opportunity to raise matters relating to Non-Council Business.

This may include the following:

- Roads outside of MRC's area
- NT Police
- Land Management
- Health
- Education
- Other Service Providers

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

- a) notes the updates on previous matters; and
- b) raises and discusses new matters of Non-Council business.

### BACKGROUND

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development provides updates in regard to Northern Territory Government Services.

| Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Officer/ Organisation | Subject          |
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| Amoonguna Local Authority 2/07/2025                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | DLGHCD                | Fences and Gates |
| <b>AMLA2025-045 – Fences and Gates</b><br>Members advised that fences and gates within community are in need of repair, resulting in people being unable to lock dogs in or out of their yards. This has led to issues with aggressive dogs.<br>The CSC will do an audit of the fences and gates that need fixing and provide the house lot numbers to Jessica Scrutton who will raise this matter with NT Housing. |                       |                  |
| <b>10/07/25 – Response from Governance</b><br>This information has been emailed to Jessica Scrutton, NTG Representative.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                       |                  |
| <b>7/08/25</b> Governance emailed Jessica Scrutton for a response.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                       |                  |
| <b>2/10/25 – Res.67</b><br>noted that the CSC has done an audit on the fences and gates in need of repair and has passed this information on to Jessica Scrutton and <b>moved this item to Non-Council Business.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                |                       |                  |

**7/01/26** Governance emailed Tomas King and requested a response.

**22/01/26 – Res.17**

That the Local Authority noted that NTG have not provided an update regarding the state of disrepair of fences and gates in Amoonguna. There have been staff changes at NTG. The CSC will provide an updated audit to Governance so that this can again be raised with NTG.

**13/04/26 – Res.34** Noted that previous matters ‘Fences and Gates’ and ‘Low Water Pressure’ have been referred to the Repairs and Maintenance team and the NTG representatives will provide an update at the next meeting.

**14/04/26 - Response from Dee McCorkindale**

Remote Tenancy will conduct inspections of leased dwellings over the next couple of months.

During this process, the Tenancy Officer will:

- Speak with tenants directly.
- Assess whether the fencing damage is tenant damage.
- Complete an electronic inspection report, which automatically sends a maintenance request to Property Services.
- All repairs and maintenance sit with Property Services, regardless of who caused the damage.
- Property Services only receives information once inspections are completed and the electronic report is submitted.

There is no immediate action on the fencing repairs until Remote Tenancy completes their inspection cycle.

Please Note it is important community understand this audit is starting with **leased dwellings**.

**7/07/26** – The Housing Property Services team has yet to provide an update regarding the audit on the fences and gate.

| Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Officer/ Organisation | Subject            |
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| Amoonguna Local Authority 22/01/2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | DLGHCD                | Low Water Pressure |
| <b>22/01/26 – Res.17</b> - That the Local Authority requested that NTG look into the low water pressure experienced by all houses within the community.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                       |                    |
| <b>13/04/26 – Res.34</b> - Noted that previous matters ‘Fences and Gates’ and ‘Low Water Pressure’ have been referred to the Repairs and Maintenance team and the NTG representatives will provide an update at the next meeting.                                                                                                                                                                |                       |                    |
| <b>6/05/26 update</b> - Dee McCorkindale has been communicating with the housing team to organise some plumbers to come out to Amoonguna and check the water pressure in some sample houses. Roselene Rankin was able to find some people to volunteer their houses for this investigation. The contractors should be coming out before 11 May.                                                  |                       |                    |
| <b>7/07/26</b> – The Housing Property Services team has been advised by the Contractor that they have been to Lot 50 and spoken with the tenant, tested the pressure and undertook some minor works and the pressure is better.<br>The Contractor also visited Lots 69 and 117, however the tenants were not at home and the Contractor cannot undertake any tests if the tenants are not there. |                       |                    |

## Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting 9 July 2026 – Agenda

| Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Officer/ Organisation | Subject            |
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| Amoonguna Local Authority 13/04/2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | MRC Governance        | Invite Tangentyere |
| <b>13 /04/26 - AMLA2026-34</b><br>Requested that Tangentyere be invited to the next Local Authority Meeting to discuss activities that community members would like to have run within the community including the driver's education program discussed earlier in the meeting;<br><br><b>30/04/26</b> - Governance extended an invitation to Tangentyere through the case manager for Amoonguna – <a href="mailto:Namal.rathnayaka@tangentyere.org.au">Namal.rathnayaka@tangentyere.org.au</a> .<br><br><b>1/05/26</b> – Namal Rathnayaka accepted the invitation.<br><br>Action to close on attendance of the Representative. |                       |                    |

| Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Officer/ Organisation         | Subject           |
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| Amoonguna Local Authority 13/04/2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Member for Namatjira's Office | Power Bill Relief |
| <b>13/04/26 - AMLA2026-34</b><br>Shane Franey from the office of Bill Yan advised that there is funding for emergency relief and that this funding could be used to resolve the issue of the large power bills. He stated that this could be accessed by community members providing a proposal to Bill Yan's office and that this would be done as a community;<br><br><b>1/5/2026</b> – Governance emailed <a href="mailto:electorate.namitjira@nt.gov.au">electorate.namitjira@nt.gov.au</a> for an update |                               |                   |

| Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Officer/ Organisation                      | Subject   |
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| Amoonguna Local Authority 13/04/2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | LA Members / Member for Namatjira's Office | Old Store |
| <b>13 /04/26 - AMLA2026-34</b><br>Shane Franey proposed opening a bakery in the old store. It would include aboriginal employment, training and ownership. He advised that NT bakery has offered to help out with the training and that Marion Scrymgour will help out with the funding. He requested that members think about this and get back to him. After which, Shane would write up a proposal and present at the next meeting. |                                            |           |

| Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Officer/ Organisation         | Subject           |
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| Amoonguna Local Authority 13/04/2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Member for Namatjira's Office | Power Bill Relief |
| <b>13/04/26 - AMLA2026-34</b><br>Shane Franey advised that Bill Yan is chasing up with CLC about funding for the football lights at the oval.<br><br><b>1/5/2026</b> – Governance emailed <a href="mailto:electorate.namitjira@nt.gov.au">electorate.namitjira@nt.gov.au</a> for an update |                               |                   |

### ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments to this report.

**NEXT MEETING – 7 OCTOBER 2026**