



## **AGENDA**

### **HERMANNSBURG LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2026**

The Hermannsburg Local Authority Meeting of the MacDonnell Regional Council will be held at the Hermannsburg Council Office on Wednesday 23 September 2026 at 10:30 AM.

Belinda Urquhart  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**



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**14 NEXT MEETING – 25 NOVEMBER 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;**
- 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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| <b>ITEM NUMBER</b> | 4.1                                |
| <b>TITLE</b>       | Membership of the Local Authority  |
| <b>AUTHOR</b>      | 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 Local Authority of any legislative changes to appointments introduced in the Local Government Act 2019 (the Act).

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

- notes the current membership of the Local Authority; and
- acknowledges that 2 consecutive absences without notice will result in a termination of membership.

### BACKGROUND

The chart below shows the attendance of the Local Authority members at the previous meeting.

| Appointed Members Hermannsburg LA | Attendance at the meeting<br>16 June 2026 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Nicholas Williams (Chair)         | Present                                   |
| Reggie Lankin                     | Apology                                   |
| Marion Swift                      | Apology                                   |
| Daryl Kantawarra                  | Present                                   |
| Alfie Inkamala                    | Present                                   |
| Taren Williams                    | Apology                                   |
| Patrick Oliver                    | Present                                   |

| Elected Members                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| President Roxanne Kenny            | Present |
| Deputy President Maryanne Malbunka | Present |
| Cr Mark Inkamala                   | 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
- 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

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- 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 to 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.

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 Hermannsburg Local Authority Meeting held 17 June 2026 to be approved by the Authority.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Authority confirms the unconfirmed minutes of the previous Hermannsburg Local Authority Meeting held 17 June 2026 as a true and correct record of the proceedings.**

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. HERMANSBURG LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING 17.6.2026 - MINUTES [ 1 pages]

MINUTES OF THE HERMANNSBURG LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE  
HERMANNSBURG COUNCIL OFFICE ON TUESDAY 16 JUNE 2026 AT 10:30 AM

## **1 MEETING OPENING**

The meeting was declared open at 11.00AM

## **2 WELCOME**

Attendees were welcomed to the meeting by Chairperson Nicholas Williams 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 Nicholas Williams (Chairperson), Member Daryl Kantawara, , Member Patrick Oliver and Member Alfie Inkamala.

### Councillors

President Roxanne Kenny, Deputy President Maryanne Malbunka, Councillor Mark Inkamala.

### Council Employees

CEO Belinda Urquhart, Executive Manager Youth and Community Safety Services Libby Taylor, Area Manager Stuart Millar, Governance Coordinator Shae Millar and Governance Coordinator June Crabb

Via Teams: Project Manager Ryan Rosenberg

### Guests

Donna Lemon and Shanya McAdam Bray from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development

Vishnu Khanal – Menzies School of Health Research

Via Teams: Cherisse Buzzacott from the Office of Marion Scrymgour MP

## **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.

### **HLA2026-18 RESOLVED (Nicholas Williams/Mark Inkamala)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- a) noted the Member's attendance;**
- b) tabled apologies received from Member Marion Swift, Member Reggie Lankin and Member Taren Williams; and**
- c) recorded no Member absences, without notice, for 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 Local Authority of any legislative changes to appointments introduced in the Local Government Act 2019 (the Act).

##### **HLA2026-19 RESOLVED (Daryl Kantawara/Nicholas Williams)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted the current membership of the Local Authority; and
- b) acknowledged that 2 consecutive absences without notice will result in a termination of membership.

#### **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.

##### **HLA2026-20 RESOLVED (Nicholas Williams/Daryl Kantawara)**

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 Hermannsburg Local Authority Meeting held 25 March 2026 to be approved by the Authority.

##### **HLA2026-21 RESOLVED (Nicholas Williams/Maryanne Malbunka)**

That the Local Authority confirmed the following unconfirmed minutes of the previous Hermannsburg Local Authority Meetings as a true and correct record of the proceedings:

- HLA Meeting 7 October 2025
- HLA Meeting 25 March 2026

## **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.

**HLA2026-22 RESOLVED (Maryanne Malbunka/Nicholas Williams)**

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.

**HLA2026-23 RESOLVED (Nicholas Williams/Maryanne Malbunka)**

That the Local Authority Members:

- a) noted the Conflict of Interest Policy; and
- b) that members 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>Menzies School of Health Research</b>     |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Vishnu Khanal from the Menzies School of Health Research will present a summary of an ongoing digital health project entitled, '*Optimizing Digital Solutions to Improve Access to Comprehensive Primary Health Care Services in Remote Indigenous Communities*', which is scheduled for completion at the end of 2026.

Vishnu Khanal will also be seeking in-principle support from the Local Authority to continue activities beyond the current project period.

**HLA2026-24 RESOLVED (Nicholas Williams/Patrick Oliver)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the information presented; and

- b) provided in-principle support for the continuation of the described activities beyond the current project period in the Hermannsburg community.

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

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>10.1</b>                                  |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Action Register</b>                       |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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

**HLA2026-25 RESOLVED (Nicholas Williams/Daryl Kantawara)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted the following updates regarding the action items:
  - ‘signs for illegal dumping’ – the procurement process has begun and the CSC and the Local Authority Chairperson will be consulted on the installation location. Clean up efforts by the Civil team at the public area of the waste facility are being hampered by continual illegal dumping. The Local Authority suggested putting signs up in the community asking the community to comply with the requirements for disposing of rubbish. The CEO will have a meeting with the Council Services team regarding this matter. This will be followed up weekly until the issue has been resolved. Kept this item open until the signs have been installed.
  - ‘Waterpark Update’ – The CEO and the President will be travelling to Canberra and will be advocating for progress on this project and closed this item.
  - ‘Cemetery Clean-up’ – closed this item as Council has followed up with Tjuwanpa who will be responsible for the clean-up.
  - ‘Airstrip’ – closed this item as the council has put in for a grant to bitumen the airstrip.
  - ‘FAFT’ – closed this item as the school has funding for this program.

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>10.2</b>                                  |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Local Authority Project Register</b>      |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Shae Thompson, 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.

#### **HLA2026-26 RESOLVED (Nicholas Williams/Maryanne Malbunka)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- acknowledged that there are no funds at risk of being returned to NTG;**
- noted the progress on their current projects as presented by the Project Management Office as follows:**
  - **Project 2153 'Scoreboard' kept open for the electricians to complete the installation;**
  - **Project 2154 'Water Bottle Refill Stations' requires more funds for installation. The Local Authority decided to transfer \$5,000.00 from project 2158 to this project.**
  - **Project 2158 'Shade Shelter with Cement Flooring' transferred \$5,000.00 from this project to project 2154 [mentioned above] as this will leave sufficient funds to complete this project**
  - **Project 2381 'Upgrade the Football Oval' the goal posts have been realigned, the installation of the fence and 2 taps is in progress.**
- closed completed project 2152 'Change Room Site' once all invoices have been received;**
- added the following items to the Wishlist:**
  - **a cage around the power box for the Football Oval lights**
  - **Solar light above the gate at the Airstrip; and**
- changed wishlist item 'Toilet block on lot 55' to 'Toilet Block on Sesame Street'.**

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>10.3</b>                                  |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Local Authority Discretionary Funds</b>   |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Shae Thompson, 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.

#### **HLA2026-27 RESOLVED (Maryanne Malbunka/Mark Inkamala)**

**That the Local Authority:**

- noted the spending of the discretionary funds to date;**
- noted that the Youth Board has spent the majority of the allocated funds and will be spending the balance by the end of the financial year**

- c) allocated the remaining funds of \$194.01 to Youth Services to pay for power for the basketball lights; and
- d) acknowledged that all funds must be spent with goods received by the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

## **11 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS**

|                     |                                                        |
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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>11.1</b>                                            |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Council Services LAR</b>                            |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Ellen Fitzgerald, Senior Administration Officer</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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

#### **HLA2026-28 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Patrick Oliver)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the Council Services report; and
- b) raised that people are dumping rubbish in inappropriate places and misusing the waste facility. Discussed having a community organised BBQ to educate the community with the assistance and participation of Council Staff.

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>11.2</b>                                           |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Aged Care and Children's Services 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 and Children's Services.

#### **HLA2026-29 RESOLVED (Maryanne Malbunka/Nicholas Williams)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the Aged Care and Children's Services report; and
- b) requested that the Aged Care team check food preferences with clients to ensure that their weekend packs don't include food that the clients don't like. This will be followed up as part of normal operations.

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| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>11.3</b>                                                       |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Youth Services and Community Safety Report</b>                 |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Libby Taylor, Executive Manager Youth and Community Safety</b> |

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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

**HLA2026-30 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Daryl Kantawara)**

That the Local Authority noted and accepted the Youth Services and Community Safety 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.

**HLA2026-31 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Maryanne Malbunka)**

That the Local Authority raised the following matters:

- a) discussed the progress of the road that has been blocked off to protect old grave sites. A letter has been written to NTG to get permission to close off the road permanently. This needs to be done officially in order to protect this area in the future. Updates will be provided as they arise.
- b) reached an agreement with the representative from Marion Scrymgour's office to hold the opening of the new change rooms on the 4th of August;
- c) requested that a one way traffic drop off area near the school be established and were informed that Council will be required to ascertain if the land at the proposed exit is available for this purpose. Updates will be provided as they arise; and
- d) requested that Council Services investigate barriers around the bus stops to prevent kids from running onto the road.

**13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS**

|                     |                                              |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <b>ITEM NUMBER:</b> | <b>13.1</b>                                  |
| <b>TITLE:</b>       | <b>Non-Council Business Items</b>            |
| <b>AUTHOR:</b>      | <b>Shae Thompson, 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.

**HLA2026-32 RESOLVED (Patrick Oliver/Nicholas Williams)**

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted the updates on previous matters as follows:
  - Closed the item 'Pop-up Stall' after requesting 2 weeks notice prior to visits to community by NT Housing.
  - Closed the item 'Housing Maintenance Issue Reference Number' noting that NT Housing has begun using this system.

- Closed the item 'Emergency Housing' noting that Census information is used to determine funding for housing.
  - Closed the item 'Pest Control' noting that this is being rolled out in Hermannsburg on 24 June 2026.
  - Kept open 'Mould at Nicholas Williams House' noting that this issue has not been fixed and there is no ventilation in the bathroom.
  - Kept open 'Dangerous Electrical Issue at lot 359' noting that the Housing Maintenance team are having trouble contacting the tenants and are unable to do any work on the house without the tenant being present.
  - Kept open 'Uneven Water Pressure' noting that the NTG representatives will be taking photos of water leaks in the community. Members stated that the water pressure was previously managed by periodically opening a valve; and
- b) raised the following new matters of Non-Council business:
- that there are significant maintenance issues at Lot 139 including a leaking roof.
  - There are empty housed waiting years for renovations and this is resulting in vandalism of these houses.
  - Requested information about how long the wait list is for new tenants to be assigned houses, particularly for Roxanne Kenny.
  - Requested housing alternatives be provided for single men and single women with children to live in, ie. flats / units. They requested that the community be consulted about where these are built to ensure that they are built with cultural needs in mind.
  - Raised that outstation houses at Merral Outstation are not being maintained to a liveable standard. The bathroom floods, the ablution block does not shelter the washing machine from weather and dust damage and there are snakes getting into the house.
  - Raised that some people have more than one house and that this is unfair for people waiting for housing.
  - Raised that the community would like an audit of the fences in the community and that some of the yards are too large and difficult to maintain.

**Minute Note:** Nicolas Williams discussed that the school has been cooperating with the Youth Services team to work on disciplinary issues and that Nicholas is working towards assisting youth to travel for participation in sport.

#### **14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER, 2026**

#### **15 MEETING CLOSED**

The meeting terminated at 12:28 pm.

This page and the preceding 8 pages are the minutes of the Hermannsburg Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday 16 June 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**

|                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| <b>ITEM NUMBER</b> | 7.1                  |
| <b>TITLE</b>       | 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.

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.

### **13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS**

|                    |                                    |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>ITEM NUMBER</b> | 13.1                               |
| <b>TITLE</b>       | Non-Council Business Items         |
| <b>AUTHOR</b>      | 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.

**Members are strongly encouraged to report individual housing issues to NT Housing directly by calling their toll-free line on 1800 104 076. Local Authority discussions will focus on boarder concerns that affect the wider community.**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Local Authority:

- a) notes and discusses new matters raised;
- b) notes the updates to the current matters from previous meetings; and
- c) notes that individual matters relating to housing will be directed to call the toll-free number and closes these items;
  - Mould at Nicholas Williams house
  - Electrical issue at Lot 359
  - Maintenance issues at Lot 139
  - Lack of maintenance at Merral Ntarrakala Outstation

#### **BACKGROUND**

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

| Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Officer/ Organisation | Subject        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Hermannsburg Local Authority 16/06/2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Power and Water       | Water pressure |
| <b>HLA2026-32: Uneven water pressure</b><br>Members advised that there are water pressure issues in many of the houses within community. At times the water pressure is so low and at other times it is so high that pipes burst.                                                                                                                                                                                   |                       |                |
| <b>1-Apr-26: Update From Adele McCorkindale – Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development (DLGHCD)</b><br>Accurate reporting during the Census is essential for supporting the Closing the Gap Target 9a, which focuses on increasing appropriate and affordable housing for Aboriginal people. All tenants are asked to provide a true and accurate account of how many people are living in |                       |                |

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their household. This information is used to measure overcrowding in communities and is reported to the Commonwealth Government. Reliable data ensures that housing needs are properly understood and helps inform funding decisions to build more homes in remote communities, ultimately improving living conditions and reducing overcrowding.

16-Jun-26: Res.32

Kept action open, noting that the NTG Representative will be taking photos of water leaks in community. Members stated that the water pressure was previously managed by periodically opening a valve.

**20-Jun-26:** Update received from Adele McCorkindale – Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development (DLGHCD)

Water leaks need to be reported on the 1800 104 076 number for repair.

Is the valve mentioned related to the community water supply or a valve for each household?

**8-Sept-26:** Response from the Essential Services Officer

There may be occasions when the water supply to the community is temporarily restricted. While every effort will be made to schedule these interruptions during off-peak periods, this may not always be possible.

Temporary restrictions to the water supply may be necessary when Power and Water requires inspections or maintenance to be undertaken, including checking for leaks, monitoring water quality, or carrying out essential infrastructure works. These activities are necessary to ensure the water supply infrastructure remains safe, reliable and operational

*Recommend to close action.*

| Meeting                                 | Officer/ Organisation   | Subject                 |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Hermannsburg Local Authority 16/06/2026 | Tenancy Management Team | <b>Housing waitlist</b> |

### **HLA2026-32: Housing waitlist**

Members requested information about how long the wait list is for new tenants to be assigned houses and advised that empty houses that have been waiting years for renovations to occur are now being subjected to vandalism.

| Meeting                                 | Officer/ Organisation | Subject                     |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Hermannsburg Local Authority 16/06/2026 | DLGHCD                | <b>Housing alternatives</b> |

### **HLA2026-32: Alternative housing for single men and single women**

Members requested that alternative housing be provided for single men and single women with children to live in. ie. Flats / units. They requested that the community be consulted about where these are built to ensure that they are built with cultural needs in mind.

| Meeting                                 | Officer/ Organisation | Subject                               |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Hermannsburg Local Authority 16/06/2026 | Housing               | <b>Audit on fencing around houses</b> |

### **HLA2026-32: Audit on fences around their houses**

Members requested an audit be conducted on the fences around their property and that some yards are too large and difficult to maintain.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments to this report.

## 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 updates to the actions as received; and
- b) closes completed actions

### BACKGROUND

| Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Officer/Director | Subject                   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| Hermannsburg Local Authority 02/04/2025                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Stuart Millar    | Signs for illegal dumping |
| <b>HLA2025-025: Signs for illegal dumping</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested that signs be placed along the road to the Waste Management Facility and behind the residential area close to the main road.</li> </ul> <b>30-Jun-25: Update from Stuart Millar:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Technical Services have been supplied with the details and have ordered the signs.</li> </ul> <b>9-Jul-25: Res.46</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members asked that the PMO Office consult with the NT Environmental Protection Authority to check what advice and assistance could be given to curb and prevent illegal dumping in Hermannsburg.</li> </ul> <b>7-Oct-25: Res.64</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The PMO Office will update members once the internal report is received from the NTEPA.</li> </ul> <b>25-Mar-26: Res.10</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kept open 'Signs for Illegal Dumping' as the Director of Council Services reviews the report from the NTEPA noting that an update will be provided at the next meeting.</li> </ul> <b>12-Jun-26:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The process for ordering signs to deter illegal dumping of waste has been initiated. These signs should be available in the coming weeks.</li> </ul> |                  |                           |

**16-Jun-26: Res.79**

- The procurement process has begun, and the CSC and the Local Authority Chairperson will be consulted on the installation location. Clean up efforts by the Civil team at the public area of the waste facility are being hampered by continual illegal dumping. The Local Authority suggested putting signs up in the community asking the community to comply with the requirements for disposing of rubbish. The CEO will have a meeting with the Council Services team regarding this matter. This will be followed up weekly until the issue has been resolved.  
Kept this item open until the signs have been installed.

**19-Jun-26:** Email sent to Director Council Services, Project Manager and Area Manager

| Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Officer/Director | Subject                  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| Hermannsburg Local Authority 16/06/2026                                                                                                                                                                          | Council Services | <b>Bus stop barriers</b> |
| <b>HLA2026-085: Barriers at Bus Stop</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested that Council Services investigate barriers around the bus stops to prevent kids from running onto the road.</li> </ul> |                  |                          |
| <b>23-Jun-26:</b> Email sent to Area Manager, Council Services Coordinator and Essential Services Officer                                                                                                        |                  |                          |

**ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Nil

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

**CONSULTATION**

Executive Leadership Team

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for 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) acknowledges that there are no funds at risk of being returned to NTG;**
- b) allocates \$1,713.78 to cover the overspend on Project 2152 – Change room site and closes project;**
- c) notes the progress on their current projects as presented by the Project Management Office; and**
- d) discusses the priority of wish-list items.**

### **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 amenities through the provision of social and community facilities.

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

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| Project 2152 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Change Room Site                                                              | \$                  |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
|              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Status                                                                        | Committed           |
| 2-Apr-25     | Res.030 - Created the new project "Works undertaken to the Change room site", allocating the available funds totalling \$73,060.78, that also included the funds from Project 2154 and 2156.                                                                                                               |                                                                               | \$ 73,060.78        |
| 13-May-25    | PMO update - These funds will be used once the lease has been approved.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                               |                     |
| 9-Jul-25     | Res. 048 - Noted that the lease is with CLC awaiting approval.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                               |                     |
| 22-Sep-25    | PMO Update - Lease has been finalised - PO's have been raised - to check allocation of the PO's.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                               |                     |
| 7-Oct-25     | Res.065 - allocates the underspend from Projects 2155 and 2157, totalling \$11,974.01 to this project. Members advised that Council have received approval from CLC and are now waiting on approval from Power and Water, with an anticipated start date being the end December 2025 - early January 2026. |                                                                               | \$ 11,974.01        |
| 20-Nov-25    | Invoice received from Harvey Developments - Progress Claim #3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                               | -\$ 14,317.63       |
| 19-Jan-26    | Invoice received from Harvey Developments - Progress Claim #4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                               | -\$ 23,281.43       |
| 19-Jan-26    | Invoice received from Harvey Developments - Progress Claim #5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                               | -\$ 16,307.72       |
| 25-Mar-26    | Res. 011 - Noted that the project has been hampered by the recent weather but should be completed by early June.                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                               |                     |
| 13-Apr-26    | Invoice received from Harvey Developments - Progress Claim #6                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                               | -\$ 18,234.76       |
| 20-May-26    | Invoice received from Harvey Developments - Progress Claim #7                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                               | -\$ 14,607.03       |
| 16-Jun-26    | Res.026 - Closed completed project 2152 'Change Room Site' once all invoices have been received.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                               |                     |
|              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PROJECT IS OVERSPENT - ADDITIONAL FUNDS REQUIRED.</b> |                     |
|              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>underspend or (overspend)</b>                                              | <b>-\$ 1,713.78</b> |

| Project 2153 |                                                                                                                       | SCOREBOARD | \$            |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|---------------|
|              |                                                                                                                       | Status     | Committed     |
| 16-Aug-23    | Res. 053 - Created a new project named Scoreboard, allocating \$40,000.00 to the project.                             |            | \$ 40,000.00  |
| 17-Oct-23    | Invoice for Scoreboard from Aus Sport                                                                                 |            | -\$ 11,040.00 |
| 2-Nov-23     | Invoice for Engineered drawings for scoreboard NJA Consulting                                                         |            | -\$ 950.00    |
| 8-Nov-23     | Res.071 - Noted and accepted the design                                                                               |            |               |
| 17-Jan-24    | 2nd Invoice for Scoreboard                                                                                            |            | -\$ 10,195.00 |
| 17-Jan-24    | Final invoice for Scoreboard                                                                                          |            | -\$ 1,750.00  |
| 25-Jan-24    | Res.012 - The scoreboard is yet to be delivered to community. There will also be fencing work, etc., to be completed. |            |               |

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| 4-Apr-24                         | Res.029 - Keep Open and allocates \$5,000 to complete the project                                         | \$  | 5,000.00        |
| 8-Aug-24                         | Invoice received from DNA Steel Direct.                                                                   | -\$ | 1,087.29        |
| 17-Sep-24                        | Res.048 - Waiting for contractors to transport scoreboard to community.                                   |     |                 |
| 14-Nov-24                        | Res.068 - Noted that Contractors will transport the scoreboard to its location.                           |     |                 |
| 10-Jan-25                        | PMO update: Quotation to be provided prior to the meeting for the installation of the scoreboard.         |     |                 |
| 30-Jan-25                        | Res.010 - Allocated an additional \$5,000.00 to the scoreboard project for installation.                  | \$  | 5,000.00        |
| 18-Feb-25                        | PO raised with Harvey Developments.                                                                       |     |                 |
| 25-Feb-25                        | PMO update - PO has been raised - will be installed when they are in community.                           |     |                 |
| 9-Jul-25                         | Res. 048 - Noted that this project will use the same contractor as Project 2152                           |     |                 |
| 22-Sep-25                        | PMO Update - Scoreboard has been delivered - expect installation mid-October.                             |     |                 |
| 7-Oct-25                         | Res.065 - Scoreboard expected to be installed by the end of October 2025.                                 |     |                 |
| 1-Dec-25                         | PMO update - Work on installation has commenced - footings completed.                                     |     |                 |
| 25-Mar-26                        | Res. 011 - Noted that the scoreboard is up and the electrical work will be done when electricians attend. |     |                 |
| 13-Apr-26                        | Invoice received from Harvey Developments - Part of Progress Claim #6                                     | -\$ | 15,695.00       |
| 16-Jun-26                        | Res.026 - Project kept open for the electricians to complete the installation.                            |     |                 |
| <b>underspend or (overspend)</b> |                                                                                                           | \$  | <b>9,282.71</b> |

| <b>Project 2154</b> |                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Water Bottle Refill Stations</b> |                  | <b>\$</b> |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| <b>Status</b>       |                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Committed</b>                    |                  |           |
| <b>4-Apr-24</b>     | Res.029 - Hermannsburg Water Bottle refill station project and allocates \$35,000 – the Refill Stations to be located at the side of Rec Hall, Sporting club rooms, School. | \$                                  | <b>35,000.00</b> |           |
| 26-Jul-24           | Invoice received from Civiq Pty Ltd.                                                                                                                                        | -\$                                 | <b>15,360.00</b> |           |
| 26-Jul-24           | Freight charge                                                                                                                                                              | -\$                                 | <b>650.00</b>    |           |
| 17-Sep-24           | Res.048 - Location for bubblers: near the new club sporting facility, school, Rec Hall                                                                                      |                                     |                  |           |
| 14-Oct-24           | PO raised with Advanced Plumbing and Gas - note PO for \$3,762 has been cancelled.                                                                                          |                                     |                  | -         |
| 22-Nov-24           | Invoice received from AA Signs and Designs - coding incorrect - recoded to 2156 in Jan 25                                                                                   |                                     |                  |           |
| 14-Nov-24           | Res.068 - Noted that the PO for \$1,678.36 may have been miscoded as this was a purchase order raised for the bus stop project.                                             |                                     |                  |           |
| 10-Jan-25           | PMO update: Need Advance Plumbing to do the installation - no more costs to be incurred.<br>Recommendation - that underspend be returned to unallocated funds.              |                                     |                  |           |

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| 30-Jan-25                        | Res.010 - Purchase orders for installation costs have been raised and they will be installed by contractors.                                                                                                |                      |
| 25-Feb-25                        | PMO update - contractors planning to be in community week commencing 24.2.25. The club rooms are 12 months away from being completed - recommend project be closed and possibly reopened in 12 months time. |                      |
| 2-Apr-25                         | Res.030 - Reassign \$10,000.00 to the new Project "Change room site", noting that \$5,228.00 was the remaining project funds.                                                                               | <b>-\$ 10,000.00</b> |
| 9-Jul-25                         | Res. 048 - Waiting on a response from a contractor.                                                                                                                                                         |                      |
| 22-Sep-25                        | PMO Update - To be installed on completion of Change Rooms.                                                                                                                                                 |                      |
| 7-Oct-25                         | Res.065 - Water refill stations to be installed at the new Change room site, the Rec hall and the School.                                                                                                   |                      |
| 25-Mar-26                        | Res. 011 - Noted that the PMO has been waiting for the changerooms to be completed to a sufficient level and then all stations will be installed by a contractor. This should be done in the next 2 months. |                      |
| 16-Jun-26                        | Res. 026 - Project requires more funds for installation. The Local Authority decided to transfer \$5,000.00 from project 2158 to this project.                                                              | <b>\$ 5,000.00</b>   |
| <b>underspend or (overspend)</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>\$ 13,990.00</b>  |

| <b>Project 2158 Shade Shelter with Cement Flooring</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>\$</b>           |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Status</b>                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>Committed</b>    |
| <b>9-Jul-25</b>                                        | Res. 048 - Created a new project - allocating \$95,000.00 towards a Shade Shelter with cement flooring, large enough to fit 200 people and located behind lot 142.             | <b>\$ 95,000.00</b> |
| 22-Sep-25                                              | PMO update - Currently sourcing quotes.                                                                                                                                        |                     |
| 7-Oct-25                                               | Res.065 - members agreed that the project's budget is to determine the size of the shelter and to source quotes                                                                |                     |
| 1-Dec-25                                               | PMO update - Quote has been obtained which has come within budget - have applied to CLC for a lease - completion will be dependent upon signing of lease.                      |                     |
| 25-Mar-26                                              | Res. 011 - Noted that the PMO has received a quote that is within budget and now are waiting for lease approval from CLC. The PMO submitted the lease application in November. |                     |
| 16-Jun-26                                              | Res. 026 - Transferred \$5,000.00 from this project to project 2154 [mentioned above] as this will leave sufficient funds to complete this project.                            | <b>-\$ 5,000.00</b> |
| <b>underspend or (overspend)</b>                       |                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>\$ 90,000.00</b> |

| <b>Project 2381 Upgrade the Football Oval</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>\$</b>        |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Status</b>                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Committed</b> |
| <b>25-Mar-26</b>                              | Res. 011 - Created a new project 'Upgrade the Football Oval' which will involve realigning the goal posts, a new fence on the existing fenceline and installing 2 taps. Allocated all remaining funds to this project including the returned funds from the closed project. | <b>90,889.46</b> |

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| 3-Jun-26  | Invoice received from Harvey Developments.                                                              | -\$ | 7,890.00         |
| 5-Jun-26  | Revised Purchase Order issued to Harvey Developments.                                                   | -\$ | 11,090.00        |
| 16-Jun-26 | Res. 026 - The goal posts have been realigned; the installation of the fence and 2 taps is in progress. |     |                  |
|           | <b>underspend or (overspend)</b>                                                                        | \$  | <b>71,909.46</b> |

|                             |                                      |    |                   |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----|-------------------|
| <b>Budget consideration</b> |                                      |    |                   |
|                             | Balance of underspend or (overspend) | \$ | <b>183,468.39</b> |
|                             | Total un-allocated funds             | \$ | -                 |
|                             | <b>Total unspent funds</b>           | \$ | <b>183,468.39</b> |

**PROJECTS CLOSED 2026-27**

| Date             | WISHLIST ITEMS<br>Items                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Assigned |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>25-Jan-24</b> | <b>Camping area</b><br>Members to advise what they would like and where they would like the area to be.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |          |
| <b>14-Nov-24</b> | Agreed for the Projects Manager to consult with the Chairperson regarding a possible location.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |          |
| <b>02-Apr-25</b> | <b>Streetlights near Rec-Hall</b><br>Taken from Youth Board recommendations 19 March 2025. Install 2 solar-powered streetlights behind the recreation hall, near the oval and footpaths, to improve safety, especially during evening events and youth activities.<br>LA requested that the Youth Board provide exact locations for the solar lights to the PMO. |          |
| <b>07-Oct-25</b> | Agreed that once funding becomes available, the PMO Office to source quotes for the Streetlights near the Rec hall, noting that the Youth Board Coordinator had informed the PMO Office of the locations.                                                                                                                                                        |          |
| <b>07-Oct-25</b> | <b>Playground or Swing Set</b><br>Added to the wishlist a priority item suggested by the Youth Board - Playground or a swing set, to be installed between the Oval and the Basketball Court.                                                                                                                                                                     |          |
| <b>25-Mar-26</b> | <b>Toilet Block on Sesame Street</b><br>added Toilet Block on Lot 55 to the wishlist from the action item of the same name. The PMO will investigate the associated costs [of making the current toilet block useable] and present them at a future meeting.                                                                                                     |          |
| <b>16-Jun-26</b> | Changed the wishlist item from 'Toilet block on lot 55' to 'Toilet block on Sesame Street'.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |          |
| <b>16-Jun-26</b> | <b>A cage around the power box for the football lights</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |          |
| <b>16-Jun-26</b> | <b>Solar light above the gate at the airstrip</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 of receipt of funding. Failure to expend the funds may result in the funds being returned to the Northern Territory Government.

## **CONSULTATION**

Executive Leadership Team

## **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments to 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: Developing Communities  
 Goal 02: Healthy Communities  
 Goal 03: Empowered Communities  
 Goal 04: A Supportive 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:

- a) notes the spending of the 2025/26 Discretionary funds;
- b) receives the 2026/27 allocation of \$4,000.00;
- c) discusses to expend these funds at this meeting; and
- d) acknowledges that all funds must be spent with goods received by the 30 June 2027.

### BACKGROUND

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

- Community Christmas, New Year's festivities and Easter celebrations
- Community BBQ's
- Sports weekends / Trophies / Awards / Equipment
- Naidoc Celebrations Youth Board
- Community Competitions / Tidy Yards / Christmas Lights

| Date     | 2026/2027 Discretionary Funds | Budget \$  |
|----------|-------------------------------|------------|
| 1-Jul-26 | Approved Funds                | \$4,000.00 |
|          |                               |            |
|          | Funds remaining               | \$4,000.00 |

| 2025/26 Funds Allocation |                                                                                             |             |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Date                     | 2025/2026 Discretionary Funds                                                               | Budget \$   |
| 1-Jul-25                 | Approved Funds                                                                              | \$4,000.00  |
| 7-Oct-25                 | HLA2025-66<br>Allocates \$2,000.00 to a Christmas celebration                               |             |
| 17-Mar-26                | All invoices received                                                                       | -\$1,805.99 |
| 7-Oct-25                 | HLA2025-66<br>Allocated \$2,000.00 to the Youth Board with no stipulations on its spending. |             |
| 17-Mar-26                | Update: Coordinator Youth Boards Kaisa Suumann                                              |             |

## Hermannsburg Local Authority Meeting 23 September 2026 – Agenda

|          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                           |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 5-Jun-26 | <p>This will be discussed at the first scheduled Hermannsburg Youth Board meeting on the 31 March 2026.</p> <p><b>Update: Coordinator Youth Boards Kaisa Suumann</b><br/>The Youth Board has spent \$1,417.22 so far on craft and sports equipment.<br/>The rest will be spent before the end of the financial year.<br/>Invoices received</p> | <p><b>-\$2,169.97</b></p> |
|          | <p><b>Total expended</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <p><b>\$3,975.96</b></p>  |

### 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 - Hermannsburg LAR  
**AUTHOR** Prisca Mufambisi, Senior Admin Officer

### **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 is an update of Council Delivered Services in Hermannsburg 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  
Stuart Millar – Area Manager  
Max Baliva – Council Services Coordinator

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Council Services - Hermannsburg LAR



# Council Services Hermannsburg



**100% First Nations Employees in SCD**



**4 Area Manager Visits to Community**



**494 Council Office Hours of Service**

## Snapshot



**8552 Litres Fuel Usage Total**



**19 Vehicles and Plant in Use**



**350+ Bins Emptied Weekly**



**94 Street Lights Operational  
3 Street Lights Non-Operational**



**2 Sport Grounds Maintained**



**9 Toolbox Talks Completed**



**28 loads of Rubbish to the dump**



**3 Water Tests**



**16 Hours of Maintenance completed at Airstrip**



**3 Parks & Playgrounds Inspections**



**19803 plastic bottles saved**

### Animal Management

- Animal management activities were undertaken at the beginning of September. The program was implemented successfully, with strong community participation and positive outcomes achieved.
- Community members will continue to be encouraged to present dogs for assessment, treatment, desexing (where available), and general animal health checks to support ongoing animal health and responsible ownership.

### Cemetery Management

- The Civil Team continues routine cemetery maintenance, including upkeep of access areas and surrounding grounds.
- Preparations are underway for the funeral scheduled on 10 September to ensure the cemetery remains tidy, safe, and accessible.
- Recent rainfall has increased vegetation growth, and slashing will be undertaken as a priority ahead of the funeral.

### Internal Road Maintenance

- Roadside maintenance is ongoing, including vegetation control and litter collection.
- Sign replacements and roadside slashing will continue, prioritising safety-related areas.

### Maintenance of Parks and Open Spaces

- Monthly inspections of all parks have been completed.
- Damage to the Bunny Hill Park playground has been identified and will be assessed for repair.
- Litter collection and general maintenance of open spaces are ongoing.

### Sports Grounds

- Sports grounds are being maintained to a high standard and remain in good condition.
- The new change rooms have been completed and are ready for use for the next football season.
- The official opening of the new change rooms was held on 27 July.

### Waste Management

- Household waste collection continues twice weekly.
- Hard waste collection is undertaken fortnightly or as required.
- Planning for the new Waste Management Facility (WMF) is progressing.

### Weed Control and Fire Hazard Reduction

- Firebreak grading has been completed by the Roads Crew.
- Street slashing and vegetation management are ongoing.
- Following recent rainfall, additional slashing works will continue as required.

### Other

- Project 2154 – Water Refill Stations Installation: Awaiting quotation prior to commencement.
- Project 2381 – Football Oval Upgrade: Works are currently in progress.
- Project 2153 – New Scoreboard Installation: Completed.
- New wheelie bins are scheduled for collection from Amoonguna.



## **11 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.2  
**TITLE** Aged Care and Children's 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  
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 Aged Care and Children's Services.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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

### **BACKGROUND**

Aged Care and Children's Services programs continue to be delivered in line with funding requirements.

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

Nil

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **CONSULTATION**

Ainsley Roscrow - Executive Manager Aged and Children's Services  
Emma Hacche – Coordinator Compliance & Reporting Aged Care Services  
Thersa Peeke Coordinator for Children's Services  
and Admin

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Aged Care and Children's Services Hermannsburg LAR June - August 2026



## Local Authority Report Hermannsburg Aged Care Services June - Aug 26

**Aged Care  
Services**



7 Staff in the Hermannsburg team  
100% Community-based Employees are  
Aboriginal

Stakeholders' engagements: 11 reported



Lifts provided: 492



Client Interactions: 633

This includes client welfare  
checks and client engagement  
at the Aged Care Centre



Personal Care provided: 676

Including:  
shower & toilet assistance, laundry  
loads, tablet reminders



Active Clients: 23



Training:

- First Aid Training
- Cert III Individual Support
- Regular Toolbox Talks



Meals Provided

Breakfast, lunches  
& Hampers: 2335



### Updates



- Activities at the centre included client meetings, watching television, socialising, participating in gentle exercise activities, enjoying time outdoors in the sun, and singing, all of which contributed to client wellbeing and social engagement.
- Attendance at the centre has seen a slight decrease during the colder weather. Staff continued to encourage client participation and attendance to support ongoing social connection and wellbeing.
- New centre signage was installed, making Aged Care easier to find in community.
- Staff participated in First Aid and CPR training progressing through Certificate III studies as part of ongoing workforce development and capacity-building initiatives.
- Stakeholder engagement included visits and collaboration with Allied Health services, Ninti One, Congress, Human Resources, the Census Team, and NT Housing.
- A new washing machine was installed at the centre.



## Local Authority Report Hermannsburg Aged Care Services June - Aug 26

Aged Care  
Services

Clients attending the centre, actively engaging in and enjoying services and activities, including participation alongside visiting stakeholders



Allied Health visit: Clients participating in gentle exercise

Clients attending the centre to socialise and keep warm





## Local Authority Report Hermannsburg Aged Care Services June - Aug 26

Aged Care  
Services

Faye and Sylvia enjoying a cup  
of tea and a yarn



Clients enjoying some warmer weather outside the  
centre





## Local Authority Report Hermannsburg Aged Care Services June - Aug 26

Aged Care  
Services



Hetti attending the visiting  
Congress Podiatrist

Home Care Assistant Samara  
assisting Janie with laundry



Siglinda being taken home after  
a shopping trip





## Local Authority Report Hermannsburg Aged Care Services June - Aug 26

Aged Care  
Services

NintiOne visit



HR roadshow visit



Staff training



New Aged Care Centre sign





# Local Authority Hermannsburg

## June - August 2026



**9 Employees**  
**88.88% First Nation**



**15 - Enrolments**



27 hours  
**Coordinator & Manager  
support**



232.5  
**Service Delivery**



124  
**Meals served**



### **Training**

- Educators attended face to face Child Safe Foundation Training.
- Team Leader enrolled in Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care.
- 3 Educators enrolled in Cert III Early Childhood Education and Care



### **Stakeholder Engagement**

Families  
NT Child Health  
Clinic Children Nurse/Doctor Visit.  
Congress  
School

### **Highlights**

- Families, Educators, held a NAIDOC week cook up enjoying Kangaroo tail together.
- 5 Staff members successfully completed Child Safe Foundation Training; both online and face to face.



# Local Authority Hermannsburg June - August 2026



Children working with nature art, block construction, building and indoor bowling





# Local Authority Hermannsburg June - August 2026



The children engaged in painting, exploring with natural materials, and imaginative play.





# Local Authority Hermannsburg June - August 2026



Exploring textures and colours through hands-on sensory play.



## **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 Service.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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

### **BACKGROUND**

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  
Gilbert Smith - Coordinator of Community Safety  
Coordinators and Admin

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Youth Services and Community Safety Hermannsburg LAR June - August 2026



# Local Authority Report

Hermannsburg  
Community Safety  
June - August 2026



- 5 staff in the team
- 100% Community-based Employees are Aboriginal

- 320 Hours patrolled
- Work 5 nights:
- Mon-Fri; 6.00pm-12pm



725 Engagements  
with young people



235 Engagements  
with over 18's



176 Young people  
taken home



12 Training  
hours



78 Are you okay  
Checks



0 Community  
gatherings

## UPDATES

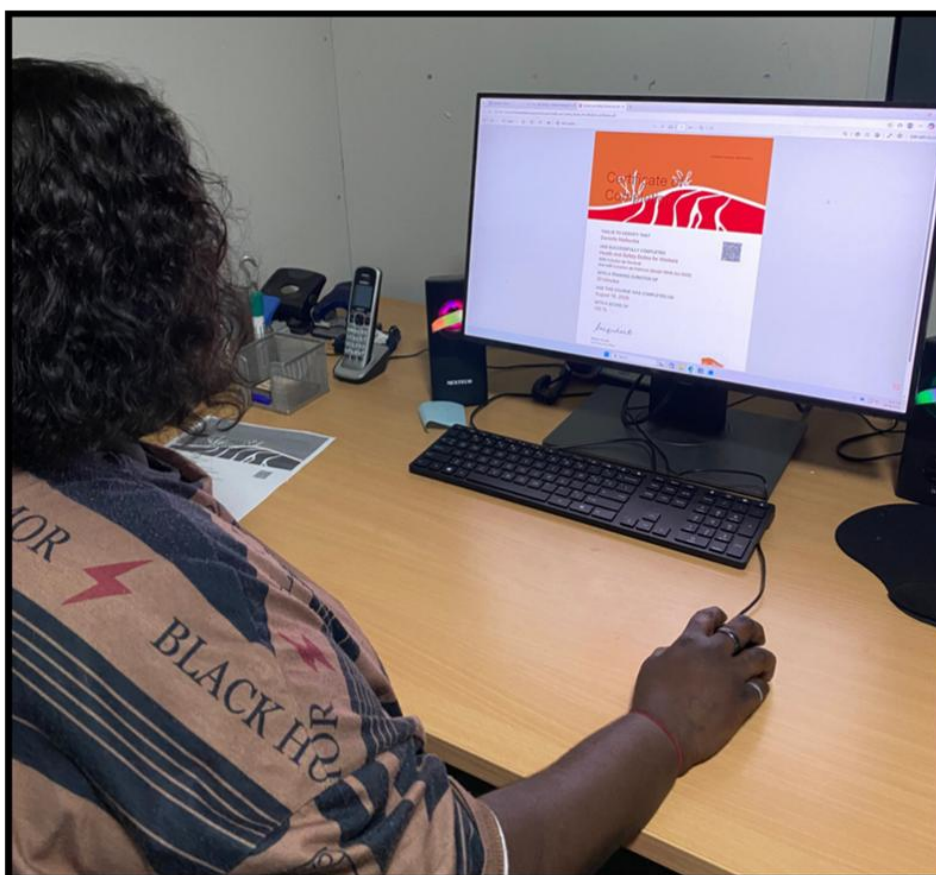
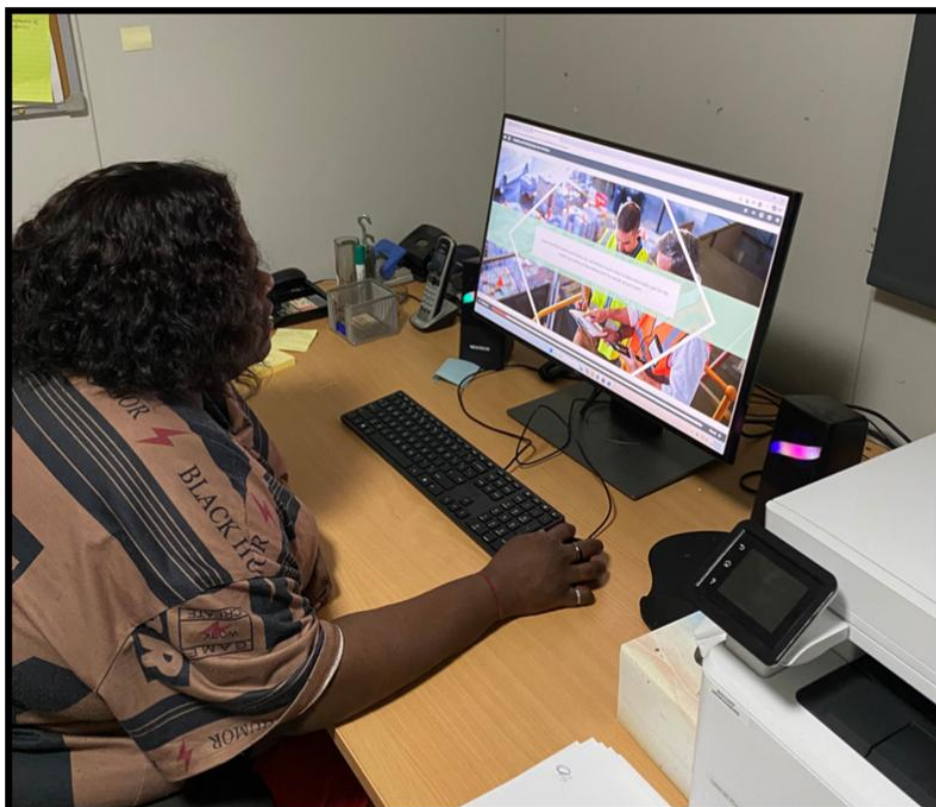


- Coordinators have visited Hermannsburg 2 times in this reporting period.
- The coordinator continues to provide training and support to the Community Safety Staff team.
- Community Safety is prioritising working closely with the youth programs, by providing young people transport to the rec halls and home.
- Providing the team with support to use the computer and IT equipment including scanning documents and attaching Emails correctly.
- The Community safety team has signed on and started their Mental health training as part of the Certificate 3 in Local Government.
- We are still in the process of recruiting casuals.

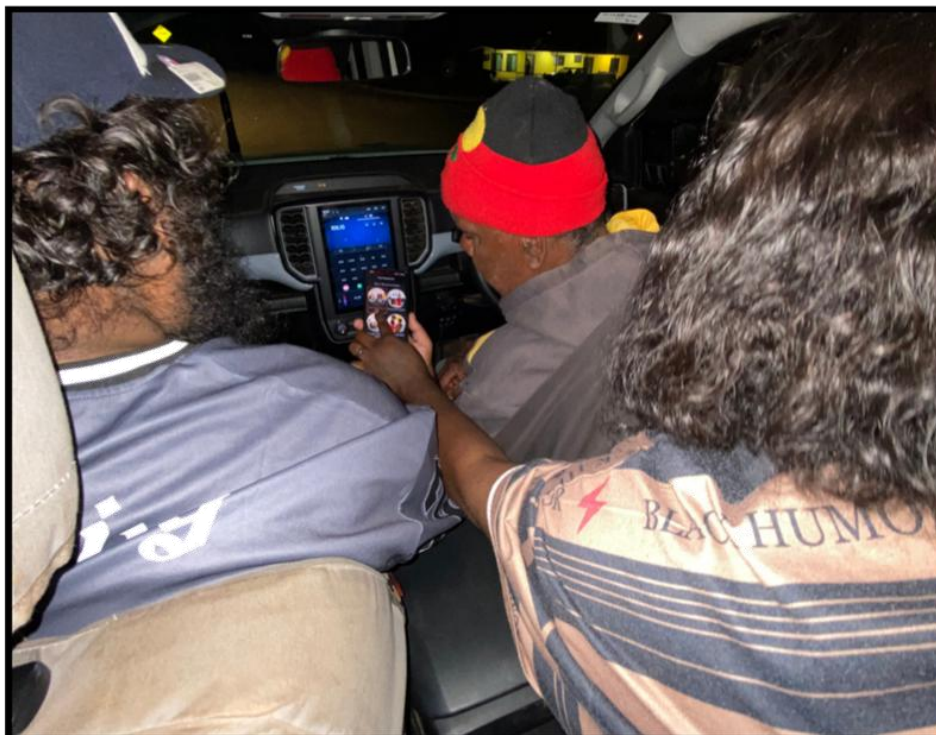
Danielle and Tyrone participating in their mental health training



Danielle has completed her health and safety duties for workers



Community safety team doing their Fleetio check and filling in their timesheets and working with the mac safe app







# Local Authority Youth Services Hermannsburg June-August 26



**Employees**  
7 Staff  
100% Aboriginal



**Activities**  
150 Hours  
open



**Engagements**  
170 Participants  
2589 Engagements



**Bush/Town Trip**  
2



**Art Craft**  
10



**Average  
Participant Age**  
11



**Youth Board**  
1



**Activities Delivered**  
90



**Events**  
1

## Highlights



- **School Holiday Program:** During the three-week school holiday program, Youth Services offered a variety of sports, games, and social activities, including softball, soccer, cricket, basketball, volleyball, egg-and-spoon races, sack races, and a Girls' Night. Participants also enjoyed excursions to the Alice Springs Desert Park and the local cinema. In addition, nine young people participated in a Melbourne trip through the Glen Iris Program, building social connections, experiencing cultural exchange, and gaining valuable new experiences.
- **Regular Activities:** Youth Services regularly organises arts and crafts sessions, disco nights, traditional cooking activities, and workshops on making bush medicine, providing young people with opportunities to learn new skills, connect with culture, and engage in positive social activities.
- **Recruit New Staff:** A new Youth Services staff member joined the team and supported junior football activities.

During the regular after-school program, youth are participating in a softball competition, engaging in teamwork and physical activity.



As part of the regular Youth Program, kids are enjoying painting activities that encourage creativity, self-expression and engagement.



As part of the school holiday program, youth are learning traditional methods of cooking kangaroo tails and gaining knowledge about cultural practices.

Youth are enjoying a day trip to Desert Park, exploring local wildlife, learning about Indigenous culture, and sharing a pleasant lunch.



Youth regularly enjoy disco nights, creating a positive environment for recreation, friendship, and community engagement.



Top End Rhythm is providing music lessons for young people during the School Holiday program, helping them develop musical skills and confidence.



Young people are gaining knowledge of bush medicine from Elders, ensuring that traditional healing practices are preserved and passed on to the next generation.



Youth enjoyed a day trip to the cinema during School Holiday, providing an opportunity for recreation, social connection and fun.



The Hermannsburg Youth Services team travelled to Melbourne to take part in activities with the Glen Iris Football Club. The trip provided a great opportunity for cultural exchange, skill development, and building positive connections, helping young people grow in confidence and broaden their experiences. Here are some photos from the trip.



## **12 GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS**

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

### **LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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