

MINUTES OF THE IMANPA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE IMANPA COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY 3 JULY 2025 AT 10:30 AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10.45AM

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country – Kathleen Luckey

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Member Janie Bulla, Member Roslyn McCormack and Chairperson Kathleen Luckey.

Deputy Gary Mumu arrived at 11:10am.

Via Teams: Member Tanya Luckey

Councillors:

President Roxanne Kenny and Councillor Marlene Abbott

Via Teams: Member Abraham Poulson

Council Employees:

Damien Ryan – Area Manager Council Services, Ryan Rosenburg – Project Management Officer and Shae Millar – Governance Coordinator.

Via Teams: Ruth Tahere – A/Manager Project Management Office

Keith Hassett – Director Community Services and Ken Satour – Director Council Services arrived at 10:57 am

Guests:

Nil

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

Member Lesley Luckey

Nil

3.1 & 3.2 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND ABSENTEES

ILA2025-019 RESOLVED (Janie Bulla/Roslyn McCormack)

That members:

- a) noted the attendance;
- b) noted and accepted the apology from member Lesley Luckey; and
- c) noted that there were no absences without notice from this meeting.
- 3.3 Resignations

NIL

3.4 Terminations

NIL

3.5 Nominations

3.5.1 VACANCIES IN THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

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).

ILA2025-020 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted the current membership of the Local Authority;
- b) noted that two consecutive absences without notice will result in membership being terminated;
- c) noted that there is one vacancy in the Authority; and
- d) called for community nominations to remain open to fill this vacancy; and
- e) decided to encourage younger people in the community to nominate themselves to become members.

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

ILA2025-021 RESOLVED (Roslyn McCormack/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority noted the Council Code of Conduct.

Minute Note: Keith Hassett and Ken Satour entered the meeting at 10:57am.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ILA2025-022 RESOLVED (Janie Bulla/Roslyn McCormack)

That the Imanpa Local Authority accepted the following unconfirmed minutes as an

accurate record of the proceedings:

- a) the provisional meeting held on the 19th of February 2025; and
- b) the ordinary meeting held on the 10th of October 2024.

6 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED

ILA2025-023 RESOLVED (Abraham Poulson/Tanya Luckey)

That the Imanpa Local Authority noted the that the papers circulated were received for consideration at the meeting.

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

CONFLICT OF INTERESTS 7.1

ILA2025-024 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority noted the Conflict of Interest policy.

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

ILA2025-025 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority declared no conflict of interest with the meeting agenda.

DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 **REMOTE HOUSING - REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE AND TENANCY TEAM**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This section provides an opportunity for representatives from the Department of Housing. Local Government and Community Development to provide the Local Authority with updates regarding Remote Housing programs, repairs, maintenance and tenancy.

ILA2025-026 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Local Authority noted that no representative attended the meeting and:

- a) accepted the updates from MRC Area Manager Damien Ryan that the Houses at Lots 7, 14 and 16 have been demolished and will soon be replaced with new builds; and
- b) accepted the update from Tanya Luckey that Housing had advised her that they are also planning to replace Lots 35 and 88 with new builds within the next 6 months.

8.2 2025 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Every four years, people living in the Northern Territory elect representatives to serve on their Local Government Council. Local Government is the level of government most connected to your community, and the 2025 Local Government Elections will be your chance to stand up and represent your local area.

ILA2025-027 RESOLVED (Janie Bulla/Gary Mumu)

That the Local Authority:

- a) urged all eligible residents to ensure they are enrolled to vote;
- b) encouraged community members to consider nominating as candidates; and
- c) noted that nominations are open Friday 11 July to Thursday 31 July.
- d) requested information on the role of Councillors and were advised that Keith Hassett would follow this up.

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 ACTION REGISTER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

ILA2025-028 RESOLVED (Roslyn McCormack/Janie Bulla)

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted the update on the action item 'Air-conditioning in the Aged Care Building';
- b) decided to add improvements to the aged care facility as a 1st priority to the Community Infrastructure Plan; and
- c) noted that Ken Satour and Keith Hassett will investigate a temporary solution before summer.

9.2 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The MacDonnell Regional Council develops Community Infrastructure plans for each community every five years. These plans are created in consultation with the Local Authority to record the community's priorities for the future development of their Infrastructure.

The Local Authority is asked to guide and support MRC staff in the development of the of the community and planning in relation to the community's infrastructure.

ILA2025-029 RESOLVED (Roslyn McCormack/Tanya Luckey)

That the Local Authority:.

- a) noted that the following are priorities that had been raised by the Local Authority on previous iterations of community planning:
 - Safety fence behind the rec-hall
 - Sorry camp additions
 - Wind breaks
 - Sign at the cemetery
 - Bus stop with shade, table and toilet
 - More shade around the clinic and the rec-hall
 - Stage:
- b) added the following priorities to the Community Infrastructure Plan:
 - First priority improvements to the aged care facility to enable airconditioning,
 - Oval seating

- Oval repairs / water at the oval.
- A master plan for the future of Amoonguna Community;
- c) noted that MRC is waiting on CLC to assign them the lease for the basketball court so that CAYLUS can go ahead with the upgrades; and
- d) noted that the NTG project upgrading to the community access road has been approved.

9.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT REGISTER

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.

ILA2025-030 RESOLVED (Gary Mumu/Tanya Luckey)

That the Local Authority:

- a) accepted the 2024/2025 Project funding allocation of \$24,000.00;
- b) noted that \$88.66 are funds at risk of being returned to NTG:
- c) noted the progress on their current project 2161 that the water trailer is in Alice Springs and will be delivered after it has been registered;
- d) created a new project 'Imanpa Master Plan' and allocated all remaining funds to this project, requesting that quotes be obtained to create the master plan with the first stage of the plan to focus on improvements to the sports grounds including fencing, seating and a commentary box;
- e) noted the update on the major project that the shade structures have been installed at the playground and the sportsground and solar lighting for these will be installed in the coming weeks and added a grandstand to be installed at the shade shelter at the sportsground.

9.4 LOCAL AUTHORITY DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

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.

ILA2025-031 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Gary Mumu)

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted that \$2,406.65 discretionary funds have been spent with all invoices recevied:
- b) noted that \$1,593.35 discretionary funds for the last financial year were unspent and forfeited;
- c) accepted the \$4,000.00 discretionary funds for the financial year 2025-2026;
- d) allocated \$2,500.00 to the purchase of football uniforms, softball uniforms and equipment [Imanpa Giants]; and
- e) noted that these funds must be spent by 30 June 2026.

9.5 MRC POSITION VACANCIES REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The attached list of vacancies are opportunities for community members to contribute to the community needs, and the People and Capabilities team asks those present at the Local Authority meeting to encourage community members to apply.

ILA2025-032 RESOLVED (Roslyn McCormack/Janie Bulla)

That the Local Authority accepted the list of vacant positions available with MacDonnell Regional Council in Imanpa as of 22 May 2025.

10 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

ILA2025-033 RESOLVED (Janie Bulla/Marlene Abbott)

That the Local Authority of Imanpa:

- a) noted and accepted the attached Council Services report;
- b) requested new bins that have holes drilled in the bottom to reduce side splitting and prevent them from being filled with water in the summertime. Council Services will be purchasing new bins and will do an audit of how many bins need to be replaced in Imanpa; and
- c) raised that there is a funeral next month and were asked to request that the funeral provider notify the Council when they have dates for funerals.

10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on the delivery of services for Community Safety and Aged & Disability Services for Imanpa.

ILA2025-034 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Gary Mumu)

That the Local Authority noted and accepted the Community Services report.

11 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

Nil

12 GENERAL BUSINESS

12.1 GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Members of the Authority have an opportunity to raise matters that they wish to discuss in General Council Business.

ILA2025-035 RESOLVED (Roslyn McCormack/Janie Bulla)

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

13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

13.1 GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Members can discuss matters in relation to services provided by the Northern Territory Government. This may include:

- NT Housing
- Roads outside of MRC's Area
- Education
- NT Health

ILA2025-036 RESOLVED (Roslyn McCormack/Tanya Luckey)

That the Local Authority raised and discussed the following matters of Non-Council **Business:**

- a) raised that there is no Lot number for the church which is preventing any upgrades from going ahead and were informed that Keith Hassett will look into this:
- b) requested that NT housing be notified that the community did not know that the new power meters were being installed and that many of them were installed while the residents were off community. In addition, the community are getting high power bills because the meters continue to run over weekends after the credit has run out and that community members are having difficulty understanding how to read the balances; and
- c) requested that NT housing attend the next meeting as maintenance issues are not being attended to. The water leak issues are of particular concern as Imanpa is water stressed. Members stated that there has been a drop off in housing maintenance since NT housing has taken over this role.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER, 2025

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 12:35 pm.

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