



MINUTES OF THE MT LIEBIG LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE MOUNT LIEBIG COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY 8 OCTOBER 2026 AT 10:30 AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10.55AM and quorum was achieved.

2 WELCOME

Attendees were welcomed by Chairperson Audrey Turner.

3 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE

ITEM NUMBER:	3.1
TITLE:	Attendance, Apologies and Leave

Local Authority Members

Member Audrey Turner (Chairperson), Member Carol Peterson, Member Jeffrey Wheeler, Member Roderick Kantamara, Member Tristan Robertson and Member Dyson Wheeler.

Councillors

President Roxanne Kenny, Councillor Dalton McDonald, and Councillor Tommy Conway

Council Employees

A/CEO Keith Hassett, Council Services Coordinator Tinashe Mutanga and Governance Coordinator Shae Millar.

Via Teams: Project Management Officer Ryan Rosenberg.

Guests

Community Development Project Officer Adele McCorkindale – Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development.

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.

MLLA2026-30 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Tristan Robertson)

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted the Member's attendance;

- b) accepted apologies received Member Rosalind Dixon and Councillor Lynn Ward; and
- c) recorded no Member absences, without notice, for this meeting.

4 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

ITEM NUMBER:	4.1
TITLE:	Membership of the Local Authority
AUTHOR:	Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance

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).

MLLA2026-31 RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Dalton McDonald)

That the Local Authority:

- a) reviewed the attendance at the previous meeting;
- b) noted that there are no vacancies on the Local Authority; and
- c) acknowledged that 2 consecutive absences without notice will result in a termination of membership.

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.

MLLA2026-32 RESOLVED (Roderick Kantamara/Dyson Wheeler)

That the Local Authority noted the Council Code of Conduct.

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER:	6.1
TITLE:	Confirmation of Previous Minutes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides the minutes of the previous Mt Liebig Local Authority Meeting held 15 July 2026 to be approved by the Authority.

MLLA2026-33 RESOLVED (Tristan Robertson/Carol Peterson)

That the Local Authority confirmed the unconfirmed minutes of the following Mt Liebig Local Authority meetings as a true and correct record of the proceedings:

- Mount Liebig Local Authority meeting held 18 December 2025.
- Mount Liebig Local Authority meeting held 15 April 2026.
- Mount Liebig Local Authority meeting held 15 July 2026.

7 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

ITEM NUMBER:	7.1
TITLE:	Acceptance of Agenda

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

MLLA2026-34 RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Tommy Conway)

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

8 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

ITEM NUMBER:	8.1
TITLE:	Conflict of Interest

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

MLLA2026-35 RESOLVED (Dyson Wheeler/Tristan Robertson)

That the Local Authority Meeting:

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

10 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM NUMBER:	10.1
TITLE:	Non-Council Business
AUTHOR:	Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide members with the opportunity to raise matters that concerns community as a whole; in relation to services provided by the Northern Territory Government and its external Stakeholders.

This may include:

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

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

MLLA2026-36 RESOLVED (Tristan Robertson/Tommy Conway)

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted that the item 'Lot 82 Maintenance' will be followed up by the representative from NTG outside of Local Authority business and closed this item;
- b) received advice that the item 'Fence Maintenance' is currently being considered by NT Housing and kept this item open for a future update and added that there is an issue with horses getting into yards, turning on taps, wasting water and causing damage; and
- c) requested that the NTG representative to contact Animal Welfare to request that they consult with CLC regarding managing the horses to prevent damage to community and housing infrastructure. This may include the installation of a horse trough away from community and the outstations to allow the horses to access water outside of the community.

11 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER:	11.1
TITLE:	Action Register
AUTHOR:	Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

MLLA2026-37 RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Roderick Kantamara)

That the Local Authority

- a) accepted the updates on the action items as follows:

- ‘Solar Light at Sing-Along’ that the installation of new solar lights would be a more efficient option than fixing the old lights and decided to make this a Local Authority Project.
 - ‘Generator Trailer’ that Council services will continue to follow up on this matter; and
- b) closed both these items.

ITEM NUMBER:	11.2
TITLE:	Local Authority Project Register
AUTHOR:	Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance

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.

MLLA2026-38 RESOLVED (Audrey Turner/Dyson Wheeler)

That the Local Authority:

- a) acknowledged that there are no funds at risk of being returned to NTG;
- b) noted the progress on their current projects as provided by the project management office as follows
 - Project 2181 ‘3 x Caution Horse/Camel Road Signs’ – The signs will be ready in the coming weeks and the CSC will work with the community regarding installation.
 - Project 2186 ‘Solar Lights for the Cemetery’ closed this project as it has been completed and returned the unused funds to unallocated.
 - Project 2189 ‘Area of Cultural Significance Exclusion Zone Signs’ the signs are in Mount Liebig, the locations for the signs have been selected with the assistance of the CSC and the CSC work with the PMO to order some concrete for the installation.
 - Project 2420 ‘Basketball Court Upgrade – inc Switchboard and 2 new Water Bubblers’ – PMO is still waiting for the electricians to travel out and have been notified that this will occur in the next few weeks.

- Project 2421 ‘Purchase and Install One New Beehive’ – some of the equipment is on backorder. Once all of the equipment has arrived the PMO will work with Alice Springs Bee Club to order the Bees; and
- c) created a new project ‘2 Solar Lights for the Sing-Along Area’ from the previously discussed action item and allocated \$10,000.00 to this project.

ITEM NUMBER:	11.3
TITLE:	Local Authority Discretionary Funds
AUTHOR:	Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance

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.

MLLA2026-39 RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Dyson Wheeler)

That the Local Authority:

- a) noted that no funds were allocated at the previous meeting;
- b) allocated funds for community BBQs as follows
 - \$1,800 for Christmas BBQ including the purchase of a BBQ.
 - \$1,200 for a New Years Celebration.
 - \$1,000 for an Easter celebration in 2027; and
- c) acknowledged that these funds must be spent, with goods received by 30 June 2027.

12 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER:	12.1
TITLE:	2609 - Council Services - Mt Liebig LAR
AUTHOR:	Prisca Mufambisi, Senior Admin Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

MLLA2026-40 RESOLVED (Roderick Kantamara/Carol Peterson)

That the Local Authority noted and accepted the Council Services Report.

ITEM NUMBER:	12.2
TITLE:	Youth Services and Community Safety Report
AUTHOR:	Libby Taylor, Executive Manager Youth and Community Safety

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

Services

MLLA2026-41 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Tristan Robertson)

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

ITEM NUMBER:	12.3
TITLE:	Children Services Report
AUTHOR:	Annaliza Rivera, Senior Administration Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides an update on the delivery of services for Children's Services.

MLLA2026-42 RESOLVED (Carol Peterson/Audrey Turner)

That the Local Authority noted and accepted the Children's Services report.

13 GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM NUMBER:	13.1
TITLE:	General Council Business

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

MLLA2026-43 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Roderick Kantamara)

That the Local Authority requested an update on the repairs to the fence around the Youth Rec Hall.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 2027 TBD

95 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 12:06 pm.

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