



MINUTES OF THE PAPUNYA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE  
PAPUNYA COUNCIL OFFICE ON FRIDAY, 10 DECEMBER 2021 AT 10:30AM

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**1 MEETING OPENING**

The meeting was conducted via zoom and declared open at 11.00AM

**2 WELCOME**

2.1 Welcome to Country – Chair Karen McDonald

**3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS**

**3.1 Attendance**

Local Authority Members and Councillors attended the meeting from their Council office:

Chair Karen McDonald, Member Graham Poulson, Member Punata Stockman, Member Sammy Butcher and Member Terence Abbott

Councillors:

Councillor Dalton McDonald and Councillor Jason Minor

Council Employees and guest attended the meeting from MRC Head Office:

Belinda Urquhart (Director Service Centre Delivery) and June Crabb (Governance Officer)

Guests:

Bruce Fyfe (Department Chief Minister & Cabinet)

**3.2 Apologies/Absentees**

Apologies:

Member Linda Anderson and Councillor Peter Turner

Absentees:

Member Isobel Gorey

**3.1 & 3.2 ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/ABSENTEES**

**PLA2021-059 RESOLVED (Terence Abbott/Punata Stockman)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority noted and accepted the attendance, apologies and absentees of the meeting.**

### 3.3 Resignations

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**PLA2021-060 RESOLVED (Punata Stockman/Terence Abbott)**

That the Papunya Local Authority accepted the verbal notification from Taralyn Major to resign her membership on the Local Authority.

### 3.4 Terminations

#### 3.4 TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

**PLA2021-061 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Graham Poulson)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) agreed to revoke the membership of Isobel Gorey for being absent without permission from two consecutive Local Authority meetings: and
- b) recommended to Council to endorse the revocation of membership.

### 3.5 Nominations

Nil

## **4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT**

### 4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

**PLA2021-062 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Terence Abbott)**

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

## **5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### 5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

**PLA2021-063 RESOLVED (Punata Stockman/Karen McDonald)**

That the Minutes of the Papunya Local Authority of 3 June 2021 were adopted as a resolution of Papunya Local Authority.

## **6 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA AND NOTIFICATIONS OF GENERAL BUSINESS AND NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS**

- 6.1 That the papers circulated are received for consideration at the meeting.

### 6.1 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

**PLA2021-064 RESOLVED (Graham Poulson/Karen McDonald)**

That the Papunya Local Authority accepted the papers for consideration at the meeting.

- 6.2 That members provide notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business.

### 6.2 NOTIFICATION OF GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

**PLA2021-065 RESOLVED (Karen McDonald/Terence Abbott)**

That the Papunya Local Authority did not provide any notification of matters to be discussed for General Council Business

- 6.3 That members provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.

### **6.3 NOTIFICATION OF GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS**

#### **PLA2021-066 RESOLVED (Punata Stockman/Graham Poulson)**

That the Papunya Local Authority did not provide any notification of matters to be discussed for General Non-Council Business.

### **7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

#### **7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS**

#### **PLA2021-067 RESOLVED (Karen McDonald/Graham Poulson)**

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

#### **7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION**

#### **PLA2021-068 RESOLVED (Karen McDonald/Graham Poulson)**

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

### **8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS**

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### **9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **9.1 PAPUNYA YOUTH BOARD MEETING MINUTES (18 AUGUST 2021)**

##### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Goal 3 of the Regional Plan is for young people to be empowered to be engaged representatives in their communities.

The Regional Plan outlines strategies to achieve this goal.

Specific Council strategies include:

- Provide support for Youth Boards across the MRC region
- Develop and maintain Youth Boards in the nine MacYouth Communities
- Provide Governance training for the Youth Boards.
- Partner with service providers to support the development of Youth Boards in Finke, Imanpa and Docker River.

#### **PLA2021-069 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Karen McDonald)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the minutes of the Youth Board Meeting held 18 August 2021; and
- b) discussed the feedback outlined by the Papunya Youth Board; and
- c) agreed that the Youth Board work with Night Patrol to organise a meeting and invite members and the Police to see what can be done to enforce a 10pm curfew for under 18's.

## 9.2 ACTION REGISTER

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The attached report provides a running list of Local Authority action items as reported in previous meetings.

#### **PLA2021-070 RESOLVED (Karen McDonald/Punata Stockman)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) noted the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings;
- b) kept open action – Signs to slow down traffic to Outstations.  
Director Service Delivery will follow up with Technical Services and report her findings to the CSC within 7 days;
- c) closed actions – Response on whether night patrol hours in Papunya can be extended, proposals and incentives for young children to attend school and raise a request for financial aid to travel to Melbourne, noting that the Youth Board revisit this request once it is deemed safe to travel.

## 9.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet (DCM&C) and invested in projects to benefit and improve the community.

**As part of the 2021/2022 Project funds grant, the Department of Chief Minister & Cabinet released a partial allocation of \$34,406.00 towards Community Projects.**

**\$29,494.00 was retained by DCM&C as these funds were not spent within the timeframe specified of the 2018/2019 grant.**

**To receive the balance of the 2021/2022 project grant, these funds must be expended (*with goods received*) by 28 February 2022.**

***There is currently \$107,723.66 of unallocated funds to spend on Community projects.***

*\$73,317 remains from the 2020/2021 funds and must be expended before 30 June 2022.*

*\$34,406.00 is from the 2021/2022 funds released by the DCM&C and must be expended by 30 June 2023.*

#### **PLA2021-071 RESOLVED (Sammy Butcher/Jason Minor)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) noted the partial release of the allocation for the 2021/2022 project grant;
- b) discussed projects to commit the funds held by DCM&C
- c) noted and accepted the progress of their projects.

#### **PLA2021-072 RESOLVED (Sammy Butcher/Punata Stockman)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) allocated \$11,754.00 to cover the overspend to Project 2191 – Roof for Stage; and
- b) requested quotes to have power and lights connected to the stage.

**PLA2021-073 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Sammy Butcher)**

That the Papunya Local Authority agreed to incorporate the Oval Cracker dust project and funds into the Sports Ground extension project.

**PLA2021-074 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Sammy Butcher)**

That the Papunya Local Authority agreed to incorporate the Softball Diamond project and funds into the Sports Ground extension project.

**PLA2021-075 RESOLVED (Terence Abbott/Graham Poulson)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) kept open Project 2193 – Cemetery and Church signs; and
- b) accepted the quote of \$6,348.54 for both signs made, including freight and installation.

**PLA2021-076 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Terence Abbott)**

That the Papunya Local Authority kept open Project 2194 – Blackboard for Church, requesting that the CSC purchase the Portable Sandwich Chalkboard, quoted at \$230.00.

**PLA2021-077 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Terence Abbott)**

That the Papunya Local Authority kept open Project 2195 – Water at Oval with a request that the Store Committee members raise this ongoing issue with the store at their next store meeting.

**PLA2021-078 RESOLVED (Sammy Butcher/Dalton McDonald)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) kept open Project – Lights for Basketball Court;
- b) Committed \$18,494.00 to the project and requested that Technical Services provide the options and costings for either the solar lights or the hardwire lights.

**PLA2021-079 RESOLVED (Sammy Butcher/Dalton McDonald)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) kept open the Sports Ground extension project, noting the Oval Cracker dust project and Softball Diamond project and their allocated funds were now included; and
- b) requested to continue corresponding with CLC in regards to the application for the licence to extend the boundaries of lot 333.

**PLA2021-080 RESOLVED (Graham Poulson/Jason Minor)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) created a new project named 'Restore Church' (from the wishlist item);
- b) Committed \$30,000.00 towards electrical/fans/lighting; and
- c) Committed \$10,000.00 towards seats and windows with security mesh

**PLA2021-081 RESOLVED (Terence Abbott/Karen McDonald)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority:**

- a) Created a new project named 'Car ramp' (from the wishlist item); and**
- b) was informed that the area behind the store is not suitable as it is not a surveyed lot and MRC does not hold a licence to maintain.**  
**Director of Service Delivery will investigate alternative locations and will forward the map with these locations onto the CSC who will then follow up with the members to decide.**

**Director Service Delivery advised that she will follow up on what happened to the previous car ramp and will investigate whether the new car ramp project can be funded through Infrastructure funds or would the Local Authority have to commit project funds.**

**PLA2021-082 RESOLVED (Terence Abbott/Karen McDonald)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority:**

- a) created a new project named 'Plaques to commemorate the Aboriginal Pastors' (from the wishlist item);**
- b) committed \$5,000.00 towards the project; and**
- c) requested that the CSC seek quotes and with the aid of Pastor Graeme to provide the names and assist with writing the scripts for the plaques.**

**PLA2021-083 RESOLVED (Sammy Butcher/Dalton McDonald)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority noted that the wishlist item 'Outdoor Chapel' be quoted as to the similar design of the Chapel at the Alice Spring cemetery.**

**PLA2021-084 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Sammy Butcher)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority created a new project named 'BBQ Trailer', committed \$13,000.00 and requested that the project commence.**

## **9.4 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Each financial year, MRC grants a discretionary fund allocation of \$4,000.00 to the Local Authority.

The Local Authority decides how best to commit these funds that will benefit the Community and to improve Community development.

Discretionary Funds cannot be carried over from year to year and must be spent (with goods received) between 1 July and 30 June.

**PLA2021-085 RESOLVED (Terence Abbott/Sammy Butcher)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority discussed the spending of its 2021/22 Discretionary Funds.**

## **10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS**

### **10.1 COUNCIL SERVICES COORDINATOR'S REPORT**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report is an update of Council delivered services in Papunya across the area of Local Government Service Delivery.

**PLA2021-086 RESOLVED (Karen McDonald/Dalton McDonald)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority noted and accepted the CSC report.**

### **10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICE PAPUNYA LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

**PLA2021-087 RESOLVED (Terence Abbott/Karen McDonald)**

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

## **11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS**

### **11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2021**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The expenditure report shows spending until 31 October 2021 in the Local Authority Community.

**PLA2021-088 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Jason Minor)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority noted and accepted the expenditure report as at 31 October 2021.**

## **12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2**

### **12.1 GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this paper is to give members the opportunity to discuss with Council the General Business matters raised at item 6.2.

**PLA2021-089 RESOLVED (Karen McDonald/Terence Abbott)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority noted that there were no General Business Items raised at Item 6.2**

### **13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3**

#### **13.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS**

##### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this paper is to note and discuss the matters raised at item 6.3 and to be informed of any updates to the actions relating to services provided by the Northern Territory Government.

##### **PLA2021-090 RESOLVED (Punata Stockman/Graham Poulson)**

That the Papunya Local Authority

- a) noted that there were no Non-Council Business items raised at Item 6.3; and
- b) noted and accepted the updates and progress on actions from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet; and
- c) closed action – Kintore road as it had recently been graded.

### **14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 3 MARCH 2022**

### **15 MEETING CLOSED**

The meeting terminated at 2:20 pm.

This page and the preceding 7 pages are the minutes of the Papunya Local Authority Meeting held on Friday 10 December 2021 and are CONFIRMED on 3 March 2022.