



MINUTES OF THE WALLACE ROCKHOLE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE
WALLACE ROCKHOLE COUNCIL OFFICE ON
THURSDAY 22 OCTOBER 2026 AT 10:30 AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared a provisional meeting and opened at 10:49AM

1.1 NOMINATION OF CHAIRPERSON

WLA2026-41 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Maryanne Malbunka)

That members nominated Amanda Abbott as Acting Chair of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority meeting for this meeting.

2 WELCOME

3 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE

ITEM NUMBER:	3.1
TITLE:	Attendance, Apologies and Leave

Local Authority Members

Member Amanda Abbott

Councillors

President Roxanne Kenny, Deputy Maryanne Malbunka and Councillor Mark Inkamala

Council Employees

Belinda Urquhart – CEO, June Crabb – Coordinator Governance

Guests

Adele McCorkindale and Navina Rajiah – Regional Project Officers, Department Local Government, Housing and Community Development

Apologies

Member Pamela Abbott and Member Nadeen Williams

Absent

Member Terry Abbott, Member Edward Craig and Member Howard Abbott

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.

WLA2026-42 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Maryanne Malbunka)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council that:

- a) the Member's attendance at this meeting was noted;
- b) apologies received from Members Pamela Abbott and Nadeen Williams were tabled for this meeting; and
- c) Members Terry Abbott, Edward Craig and Howard Abbott recorded their first absence, without notice for this meeting.

4 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

ITEM NUMBER:	4.1
TITLE:	Membership of the Local Authority
AUTHOR:	June Crabb, Coordinator Governance

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 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).

WLA2026-43 RESOLVED (Maryanne Malbunka/Amanda Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority vote:

- a) welcomed Amanda Abbott and Nadeen Williams after their memberships were endorsed at the August Council meeting;
- b) noted the attendance at the previous meeting;
- c) noted that the Authority has a full appointment of members; and
- d) acknowledges 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.

WLA2026-44 RESOLVED (Amanda Abbott/Mark Inkamala)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority

vote, made a recommendation to Council and 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 Wallace Rockhole Local Authority Meeting held 23 July 2026 to be approved by the Authority.

WLA2026-45 RESOLVED (Amanda Abbott/Maryanne Malbunka)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to note that:

- a) the unconfirmed minutes of the previous Wallace Rockhole Local Authority Meeting held 23 July 2026 be taken as read; and
- b) the minutes to be confirmed at a meeting with full quorum.

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.

WLA2026-46 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Maryanne Malbunka)

That the agenda papers for this provisional Local Authority meeting as presented, be 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.

WLA2026-47 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Maryanne Malbunka)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council that:

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

10 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM NUMBER:	10.1
TITLE:	Non-Council Business Items
AUTHOR:	June Crabb, Coordinator Governance

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 personal concerns through the relevant channels or with the NTG Representative after a meeting.
Local Authority discussions will focus on boarder concerns that affect the wider community.**

WLA2026-48 RESOLVED (Amanda Abbott/Mark Inkamala)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council that:

- a) noted the updates on previous matters as follows:
 - DLGHCD have approached CLC to work towards holding a community meeting to discuss with residents the possibility of moving to leasing agreements on residents' housing with a suggested date for the meeting being March 2027;
 - Agreed that Council will organise the BBQ
- b) closed Parking in the disused Power and Water compound and Reopening of the Store as these were considered private matters that the residents involved would need to discuss directly with the appropriate organisation or individuals.
- c) no new matters of Non-Council business was raised.

11 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER:	11.1
TITLE:	Local Authority Project Register
AUTHOR:	June Crabb, 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.

WLA2026-49 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Maryanne Malbunka)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council and:

- a) accepted the progress on their current projects as provided by the CEO to keep open:
 - 2221 – Plumbing repairs until all invoices are received;
 - 2222 – Moveable bench seating until a new Coordinator has been employed who will work with the Civil team to install the seats; and
- b) did not close any projects at this meeting.

ITEM NUMBER:	11.2
TITLE:	Local Authority Discretionary Funds
AUTHOR:	June Crabb, 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.

WLA2026-50 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Amanda Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to approve:

- a) \$2,000.00 of their discretionary funds towards a BBQ for a meeting in March 2027 for community to discuss with NTG, CLC and Ngurratjuta, the possibility of moving towards leasing agreements on their houses; and
- b) acknowledged that these funds must be spent with the goods and invoice received by 30 June 2027.

12 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER:	12.1
TITLE:	Council Services LA Report - Wallace Rockhole
AUTHOR:	Prisca Mufambisi, Senior Admin Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

WLA2026-51 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Maryanne Malbunka)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council that the Council Services report was noted and accepted.

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.

WLA2026-52 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Amanda Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to note the matters raised for discussion as follows:

- Recruitment for Wallace Rockhole positions, noting that Council is actively recruiting to fill a dual position as Coordinator and Essential Services Officer.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 2027

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 11:22 pm.

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