

AGENDA

HAASTS BLUFF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING THURSDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2022

The Haasts Bluff Local Authority Meeting of the MacDonnell Regional Council will be held at the Haasts Bluff Council Office on Thursday 1 September 2022 at 10:30am.

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NIL

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NIL

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NIL

4. MACDONNELL COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

ITEM NUMBER 4.1

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 Haasts Bluff Local Authority note 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.

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER 5.1

TITLE Confirmation of Previous Minutes

REFERENCE - 318748

AUTHOR Gaurab Ghimire, Governance Administration Officer

Unconfirmed minutes of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority ordinary meeting held on 10 March 2022 and provisional meeting held 21 July 2022 are submitted to the Authority for confirmation that the minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority meeting held 10 March 2022 and provisional meeting held 21 July 2022 be adopted as a resolution of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 Haasts Bluff Local Authority 2022-03-10 [1192] Minutes.pdf
- 2 Haasts Bluff Local Authority 2022-07-21 [1246] Minutes.pdf



MINUTES OF THE HAASTS BLUFF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE HAASTS BLUFF COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY 10 MARCH 2022 AT 10:30AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10.50am. Member Simon Dixon offered a prayer at the commencement of the meeting.

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country

At the opening of the meeting it was noted that there was currently no appointed Chairperson. Appointed Member Douglas Multa accepted to act as the Chairperson for this meeting.

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Appointed Local Authority Members:

Derek Egan, Simon Dixon, Kieran Multa, Douglas Multa, Randall Butler and Roseranna Larry.

Councillors:

Deputy President Dalton McDonald, Councillor Jason Minor and Councillor Peter Turner.

Council Employees:

Barbara Newland, Manager Governance and Compliance, Natalie Fong, Council Services Coordinator, Donelle Fraser, Manager Service Centre Delivery, Sabine Wedemeyer, Director Community Services.

Guests:

President Roxanne Kenny

Jeff Hulcombe (Representative from Purple House)

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

Appointed Member Martin Jugadai due to ill health.

Absentees:

Nil.

3.3 Resignations

NIL

3.4 Terminations

NIL

3.5 Nominations

NIL

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

HBLA2022-001 RESOLVED (Kieran Multa/Derek Egan)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority notes the Council Code of Conduct.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES HBLA2022-002 RESOLVED(Simon Dixon/Roseranna Larry)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority adopts the minutes of the following meetings as a resolution of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority:

- a) provisional meeting on the 25 March 2020;
- b) provisional meeting on the 25 November 2020;
- c) provisional meeting on the 24 March 2021; and
- d) provisional meeting on the 24 November 2021.

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

6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED

HBLA2022-003 RESOLVED (Douglas Multa/Roseranna Larry)

That the agenda papers for the Haasts Bluff Local Authority meeting held 10 March 2022 as presented be received for consideration at the meeting.

6.2 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS HBLA2022-004 RESOLVED (Kieran Multa/Randall Butler)

That the Chairperson invites Local Authority Members to raise items of concern that they wish to be discussed later in the meeting in relation to:

- General Business
 - 1. Employment of Local People
 - 2. Street Lights

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS HBLA2022-005 RESOLVED (Kieran Multa/Randall Butler)

That the Chairperson invites Local Authority Members to raise items of concern that they wish to be discussed later in the meeting in relation to:

- General Non-Council Business
 - 1. Relocation of public phone

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS HBLA2022-006 RESOLVED (Kieran Multa/Derek Egan)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority meeting:

- a. notes the Conflict of Interest Policy; and
- b. notes that there were no conflicts declared.

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 KURRUNPA KANA RESEARCH PROJECT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This presentation is to inform the Authority of the work we have undertaken thus far and of our successful application for funding to continue the project.

HBLA2022-007 RESOLVED (Roseranna Larry/Randall Butler)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority notes and accepts the presentation on Kurrunpa Kana research project.

Minute note: The meeting adjourned for a lunch break at 12.43pm and resumed at 1.13pm.

8.2 NT STRATEGIC WATER PLAN CONSULTATION EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At its December 2021 meeting Council resolved to work with the NTG and water consultants to provide Local Authorities with the opportunity to engage in the consultation process in relation to the NT Strategic Water Plan. Mr Cocking, Independent Consultant with Northern Possibilities is presenting today to commence the engagement process.

This matter was not considered due to a lack of internet connectivity and the consequent presenter's inability to join the meeting via zoom.

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9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 MANDATORY COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On 13 October 2021 the Chief Health Officer (CHO) issued COVID-19 Directions (No.55) 2021 (the Direction) in which it was announced that it was mandatory for certain workers in the Northern Territory to have received COVID-19 vaccine to be able to continue working in the same role. This Direction also applied to the Elected Members of MRC and the Appointed Members of MRC's Local Authorities.

HBLA2022-008 RESOLVED (Derek Egan/Randall Butler)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority:

- 1. notes the report Mandatory COVID-19 Vaccination for Local Authority Members;
- 2. notes that appointed Authority Members will not be able to attend future meetings of the Authority unless they are fully vaccinated; and
- 3. urges all appointed Authority Members to provide evidence of their vaccination status as soon as possible and before the next Authority meeting.

9.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ENGAGEMENT WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE 2022-2023 REGIONAL PLAN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Regional Plan is developed every year after consultation with MacDonnell Regional Council's (MRC) communities and directs how we will deliver our vision, mission and goals. The Regional Plan guides MRC staff to deliver on our mission to improve the lives of Council residents by delivering valued and relevant services.

The Local Authority is asked to guide and support MRC staff in the development of the 2022-23 Regional Plan.

HBLA2022-009 RESOLVED (Roseranna Larry/Peter Turner)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority:

- a) notes and accepts the report; and
- b) provides guidance and support for MRC staff in the development of the MRC 2022-23 Regional Plan.

9.3 ACTION REGISTER EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

HBLA2022-010 RESOLVED (Kieran Multa/Douglas Multa)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority:

- a) notes the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received;
- b) notes that, in relation to Action Item 1, MRC is looking at all options but anticipates putting in a repeater station;
- c) keeps open Action Item 2;
- d) notes that, in relation to Action Item 5, the Sorry Camp component of this action has been completed and can be closed but that the component relating to the Church is to be kept open.

9.4 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.

Examples of acceptable purposes for expenditure include:

Repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council. For example - office upgrades, fencing, solar lighting, road repairs and ablution facilities.

Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery. For example - trailers, garden maintenance equipment such as brush cutters, lawn mowers and pressure cleaners, rubbish bin enclosures /stands.

Upgrade/enhancement of community sporting facilities. For example upgrade of community ovals, basketball courts and playgrounds, shade structures, picnic areas, seating and park furniture, tree planting and irrigation.

Festivals or other events – but must only be conducted within a council's own Local Authority area.

The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet withheld the entire Haasts Bluff Community's 2021/2022 project grant because \$27,101.00 of the funds had expired and were not spent within the specified timeframe of 2017/2018 & 2018/2019.

The Authority was advised that the project grant funding could be reinstated if the expired funds were fully expended with goods received.

The Project funds from the 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 grant were fully allocated to Infrastructure projects within the Community.

It is to be noted that the Department may withhold any future payments of project funding if the project grant is not fully expended within two years of receipt of funding.

HBLA2022-011 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Douglas Multa)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority:

- a) notes that future LA project funds may be withheld by the Department if they are not fully expended within the timeframe specified;
- b) notes and accepts the progress of their projects;
- c) notes that Donelle Fraser, Manager Service Centre Delivery, undertook to find out if the lights for the Sorry Camp have actually arrived and are awaiting dispatch to the community;
- d) notes that all projects are to remain open; and
- e) asks MRC to consider re-assigning the Atji Creek Outstation as being part of the Haasts Bluff community and not Papunya.

9.5 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Local Authority is granted \$4,000 from the Council every new financial year to spend on enhancing the community and decisions about how to spend this money must benefit everybody. This money cannot be carried over from year to year and it must be spent (with goods received) between 1 July and 30 June.

HBLA2022-012 RESOLVED (Randall Butler/Kieran Multa)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority:

- a) notes and discusses the spending of their 2021/2022 Discretionary fund; and
- b) determines the spending of the remaining balance on the following items:
 - i. \$1,000.00 for Easter celebrations
 - ii. \$2,058.98 (the balance of funds available) on the purchase of an electronic keyboard noting that Donelle Fraser, Manager Service Centre Delivery, undertook to obtain quotations and examples of available keyboards to Appointed Members Dixon prior to acquisition.

9.6 COMMUNITY SERVICES HAASTS BLUFF REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

HBLA2022-013 RESOLVED (Douglas Multa/Simon Dixon)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority notes and accepts the Community Services report.

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 COUNCIL SERVICES COORDINATOR'S REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

HBLA2022-014 RESOLVED (Roseranna Larry/Peter Turner)

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the attached report prepared by Natalie Fong, Council Services Coordinator, Haasts Bluff.

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 JANUARY 2022 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 31 January 2022 in the Local Authority Community.

HBLA2022-015 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Derek Egan)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority notes and accepts the expenditure report as at 31 January 2022.

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12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2

12.1 GENERAL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the beginning of the meeting, under item 6.2, members of the Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.

HBLA2022-016 RESOLVED (Randall Butler/Douglas Multa)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority asks MRC to include the employment of local people as an important item in the 2022-23 Regional Plan.

13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3

13.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet will be in attendance to provide any necessary updates in regards to Northern Territory Government services.

At the beginning of the meeting, under item 6.3, members of the Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.

HBLA2022-017 RESOLVED (Douglas Multa/Derek Egan)

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority asks MRC to approach Telstra to consider the relocation of the Public Phone to the east side of the community.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY 2 JUNE, 2022

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 3.29pm.

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MINUTES OF THE HAASTS BLUFF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE HAASTS BLUFF COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY 21 JULY 2022 AT 10:30AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10:52AM as a provisional meeting due to Quorum not being met.

1.1 NOMINATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITY CHAIR

HBLA2022-023 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Jason Minor)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and nominated Member Simon Dixon as Acting Chair of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority Meeting.

2 WELCOME

2.1 Members present were Welcomed to the meeting

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Derek Egan, Simon Dixon and Roseranna Larry joined at 11:27am

Councillors:

President Roxanne Kenny, Deputy President Dalton McDonald via zoom from Alice Springs office and Councillor Jason Minor via zoom from Mt Liebig council office

Council Employees:

Simon Murphy, Director Technical Services, Donelle Fraser (CT) Area Manager Service Delivery, Simon Walmby CSC and Gaurab Ghimire, Governance Administration

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Guests:

Nil

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

Nil

Absentees:

Member, Kieran Multa, Douglas Multa, Randall Butler and Member Martin Jugadai

3.3 Resignations

NIL

3.4 Terminations

NIL

3.5 Nominations

NIL

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

HBLA2022-024 RESOLVED (Derek Egan/Dalton McDonald)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted the Council Code of Conduct.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority meeting held 10 March 2022 be adopted as a resolution of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority.

Minutes note: Minutes of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority meeting held 10 March 2022 was not discussed as the provisional meeting cannot confirm the meeting held with full quorum.

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

6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED

HBLA2022-025 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted that the papers circulated were received for consideration at the meeting.

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6.2 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

HBLA2022-026 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted that the members have provided notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business as follows:

• Early learning centre is closed for a long time

In response, Director of Technical Services updated to the authority that the new staff member has been recruited for early learning who is going to start the centre up and running from the 2 nd of August 2022.

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

HBLA2022-027 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted that the members have not provided notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business .

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

HBLA2022-028 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Jason Minor)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted the Conflict of Interest policy.

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

HBLA2022-029 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Jason Minor)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and declared no conflict of interest with the meeting agenda.

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 LUTHERAN CARE SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Lutheran Care is seeking to provide an explanation on their services available to the remote communities of the NT. It provides financial capability & financial wellbeing, hence the organisation is looking to establish workshop delivery and how community can potentially benefit from the organisation.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority notes and accepts the presentation by the Lutheran Care representatives.

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Minutes note: The deputation wasn't discussed as there were no one in attendance from the Lutheran Care Services.

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 ACTION REGISTER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this paper is to provide a running list of Local Authority action items as reported in previous meetings.

HBLA2022-030 RESOLVED (Jason Minor/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and:

- a) noted the progress report on actions from the minutes of previous meetings and closed all action items as follows;
- Action item 1- Telstra services, no time limits are predicted and it is out of control for MRC to continue following up on this.
- Action item 2- Basketball court, project is almost completed with a very minimal left to do.
- Action item 3- Provide Materials, component relating to church.
- Action item 4- Consider reassigning Atii Creek Outstation to Haasts Bluff
- Action item 5- Relocate public phone, no timeline has been predicted by Telstra.
- noted that in relation to 'Action Atji Creek Outstation', Council endorsed the request from the Authority to assign Atji Creek Outstation back to Haasts Bluff Community.

9.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING GRANT ACQUITTAL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The attached certificate for NT Local Authority Project Funding is required to be laid before the Authority for noting.

HBLA2022-031 RESOLVED (Derek Egan/Dalton McDonald)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted the certification for use of the 2018-19 expired funds for the Local Authority Project funding.

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.

Examples of acceptable purposes for expenditure include:

- Repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council.
 For example office upgrades, fencing, solar lighting, road repairs and ablution facilities.
- Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery. For example - trailers, garden maintenance equipment such as brush

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- cutters, lawn mowers and pressure cleaners, rubbish bin enclosures /stands.
- Upgrade/enhancement of community sporting facilities. For example upgrade of community ovals, basketball courts and playgrounds, shade structures, picnic areas, seating and park furniture, tree planting and irrigation.
- Festivals or other events but must only be conducted within a council's own Local Authority area.

The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet withheld the entire Haasts Bluff Community's 2021/2022 project grant of \$22,000 because grant funding for 2017/2018 & 2018/2019 was not spent within the specified timeframe.

This funding has since been acquitted as per the Department's requirements and in anticipation of the funds being released, the full amount was allocated to Project 2142, however there is an over-commitment of \$5,101.00 which will need to be recovered.

HBLA2022-032 RESOLVED (Roseranna Larry/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and:

- a) noted that the 2021/2022 project grant funding has been fully allocated;
- b) noted and accepted the progress of their projects as follows;
- Project 2142 Outdoor fitness equipment, orders are being organized and it is on its way, kept the project open until completed
- Project 2143 kept it open noting that the deficit of \$5,101.00 would be covered from this project
- c) noted the deficit in overall project funding of \$5,101.00;
- d) considered the re-allocation of funds from Projects 2143 to cover the deficit;
- approved the closure of projects 2144 noting that new projects have been created to complete this in smaller segments and moved the funds back in to unallocated
- f) created new project named Church Pews from the attached quote and accepted quote for 75C galvanized seating and back rest for 6 of them costing \$5,500.00 (may include transport)
- g) decided to name the Church carpark as "TREVOR carpark" and created new project, committed \$3000.00 for logo, design and 3 disability signage
- h) created new project for Church Pulpit oil works and Spencer Coffin trolley and committed \$1000.00 to the project
- i) created new project for Church Lectern and committed \$1000.00

9.4 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Local Authority is granted \$4,000 from the Council every new financial year to spend on enhancing the community and decisions about how to spend this money must benefit everybody.

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

HBLA2022-033 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Roseranna Larry)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote,

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made a recommendation to council and:

- a) noted and discussed the spending of their 2021/2022 Discretionary fund;
- b) accepted that the PO raised on 30 June 2022 will carry over to the 2022/2023 Discretionary funds as the due date to receive the invoice had expired; and
- noted the spending of the 2022/2023 funds will be discussed at the next meeting.

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 COUNCIL SERVICES COORDINATOR'S REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

HBLA2022-034 RESOLVED (Derek Egan/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted and accepted the report on Council delivered services across the Haasts Bluff area.

10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICE HAASTS BLUFF LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

HBLA2022-035 RESOLVED (Roseranna Larry/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted and accepted the Community Services report.

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 30 April 2022 in the Local Authority Community.

HBLA2022-036 RESOLVED (Derek Egan/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation and:

- a) noted and accepted the expenditure report as at 30 April 2022;
- b) Member Roseranna Larry raised a question why the Manage Project section were in red colours and what they meant, in response CT clarified that the project for Slab was completed within short period of time but the budget is within the allocation. They appeared red as overspending because the report are generated when required to show the expenses instead of yearly report. No further feedbacks.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2

12.1 GENERAL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the beginning of the meeting, under item 6.2, members of the Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.

HBLA2022-037 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Roseranna Larry)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and:

- a) noted that the General Business items raised at Item 6.2 was discussed at item
 6.2: and
- b) noted the update and approved the closure of action item from the previous meeting, employment.

13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3

13.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet will be in attendance to provide any necessary updates in regards to Northern Territory Government services.

At the beginning of the meeting, under item 6.3, members of the Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.

HBLA2022-038 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Dalton McDonald)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and:

- a) noted that the DCMC representative were absent at the meeting:
- b) did not discusses the Non-Council Business on the register from the previous meeting; and
- c) noted that no new items were raised at Item 6.3.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY 1 SEPTEMBER, 2022

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 12:55 pm.

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July 2022

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

6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED

RECOMMENDATION

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority noted the that the papers circulated were received for consideration at the meeting

6.2 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

RECOMMENDATION

a) Noted that the members have / have not provided notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

RECOMMENDATION

a)	Noted that the members have / have not provided notification of matters to be raised in
	General Non-Council Business

b)

c)

d)

e)

7. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

ITEM NUMBER 7.1

TITLE Conflict of Interests



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

RECOMMENDATION

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority Meeting:

- a. Note 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.

LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 9.1

TITLE Discretionary Funds

REFERENCE - 318752

AUTHOR Gaurab Ghimire, Governance Administration Officer

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 02: Healthy Communities Goal 03: Empowered Communities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Local Authority is granted \$4,000 from the Council every new financial year to spend on enhancing the community and decisions about how to spend this money must benefit everybody.

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

RECOMMENDATION

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority:

- a) notes and discusses the spending of their 2022/2023 Discretionary fund; and
- b) notes the spending of their 2022/2023 funds.

BACKGROUND

2022/2023 Discretionary Fund

Approved Project		Approved Expenditure
1-Jul-22	Discretionary Fund	4,000.00
30-Jun-22	PO raised for Community BBQ \$531.00 and approved by Discretionary funds letter. Invoice received \$508.22	-508.22
21-Jul-22	Res.033 – noted that the spending of the 2022/2023 funds will be discussed at the next meeting.	
Balance Rem	aining	3,491.78

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

The Local Authority is responsible for consulting with community members to ensure that community priorities are taken into account when allocation discretionary funds.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Money remaining cannot be carried over from one financial year to the next. Discretionary Funds must be fully expended annually between 1 July and 30 June or forfeited. The community has \$3,491.78 remaining to spend before the end of 30 June 2023.

CONSULTATION

Haasts Bluff Local Authority and community

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 9.2

TITLE Local Authority Projects

REFERENCE - 318719

AUTHOR Gaurab Ghimire, Governance Administration Officer

MacDonnell Regional Connell

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 01: Developing Communities Goal 03: Empowered Communities

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.

Examples of *acceptable* purposes for expenditure include:

- Repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council.
 For example office upgrades, fencing, solar lighting, road repairs and ablution facilities.
- Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery. For example trailers, garden maintenance equipment such as brush cutters, lawn mowers and pressure cleaners, rubbish bin enclosures /stands.
- Upgrade/enhancement of community sporting facilities. For example upgrade of community ovals, basketball courts and playgrounds, shade structures, picnic areas, seating and park furniture, tree planting and irrigation.
- Festivals or other events but must only be conducted within a council's own Local Authority area.

The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet withheld the entire Haasts Bluff Community's 2021/2022 project grant of \$22,000 because grant funding for 2017/2018 & 2018/2019 was not spent within the specified timeframe.

There is no available funds remaining for allocation.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority:

- a) notes that the 2021/2022 project grant funding has been fully allocated;
- b) notes and accepts the progress of their projects;
- c) considers withdrawal of \$1,000.00 funds from Projects 2142 or 2143 noting that \$1,000.00 was over the available funds allocated for new project; and
- d) approves the closure of any completed projects.

BACKGROUND

The Local Authority decides on the allocation of their Project Funds for infrastructure projects to benefit the community. Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet.

Register of Projects and Commitments

Project 2142	Outdoor Fitness Equipment	\$
	Status	Committed
17-Jun-20	Res.32 – The provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to:	24,220.66
	a) Note and accept the progress of their projects; and	
	b) Allocate the remaining funds of \$24,220.66 and open a new project – Outdoor fitness equipment to be placed at the new basketball court.	
9-Jun-21	Res.34 – Kept open project.	
24-Nov-21	Res.055 – Committed expired funds of \$5,101.00 from the 2017/2018 project funds and \$22,000.00 from the 2018/2019 project funds, noting to add a shade structure and concrete slab to the project.	27,101.00
28-Feb-22	PO raised for fitness equipment – outstanding b/o	-2,945.00
18-Mar-22	Inv. 119 received for installation of concrete slab	-13,500.00
26-Jun-22	PO raised for shade structure	-28,220.82
7-Jul-22	Inv. 7279 received for fitness equipment	-2,945.00
21-Jul-22	Res.032 - Orders are being organized and it is on its way, kept the project open until completed. Fright and couriers expenses	-189.00
	underspend or (overspend)	3,521.84

Project 2143	Solar lights for Sorry Camp	\$
	Status	Committed
9-Jun-21	Res.34 – Create a new project from the wishlist item and commit \$11,000.00 being the balance of the 2020/2021 funds.	11,000.00
24-Nov-21	Res.055 - Accepted the reallocation of \$2,076.69 from project 2141 - Sorry camp facilities.	2,076.69
21-Jul-22	Res.032 - kept it open noting that the deficit of \$5,101.00 would be covered from this project	-5,101.00
	underspend or (overspend)	7,975.69

Project 2145	Church Pews	\$
	Status	Committed
21-Jul-22	Res.032 - created new project named Church Pews from the attached quote and accepted quote for 75C – galvanized seating and back rest for 6 of them costing \$5,500.00 (may include transport)	5,000.00
	underspend or (overspend)	5,000.00

Project 2146	Trevor Carpark	\$
	Status	Committed
21-Jul-22	Res.032 - Decided to name the Church carpark as "TREVOR carpark" and created new project, committed \$3000.00 for logo, design and 3 disability signage	3,000.00
	underspend or (overspend)	3,000.00

Project 2147	Church Pulpit oil works and Spencer Coffin trolley	\$
	Status	Committed
21-Jul-22	Res.032 - created new project for Church Pulpit oil works and Spencer Coffin trolley and committed \$1000.00 to the project.	1,000.00
	underspend or (overspend)	1,000.00

Project 2148	Church Lectern	\$
	Status	Committed
21-Jul-22	Res.032 - Created new project for Church Lectern and committed \$1000.00	1,000.00
	underspend or (overspend)	1,000.00

Budget consideration		
Balance	of underspend or (overspend)	21,497.87
	Total un-allocated funds	0.00
	Total unspent funds	21,497.87

Wishlist and estimated costs

Priority

Date proposed

Scope

Estimate \$

Action

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, travels cost and allowances

• Purposes that are not related to local government services and that should be addressed by another government agency.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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 Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet.

CONSULTATION

Executive Leadership Team Finance Grants Officer Area Managers

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 9.3

TITLE Youth Board Project

REFERENCE - 319391

AUTHOR Kaisa Suumann, Administration Officer

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Youth Boards can be a great way for young people to engage in the decision making process for their community. Involving young people benefits their Community by building their skills and knowledge to grow, learn, develop and lead.

Young people can develop these strengths when they are connected to programs that have effective youth engagement strategies.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Santa Teresa Local Authority notes and accepts the minutes of the Youth Board Meeting held 10 August 2022.

BACKGROUND

The Regional Plan outlines strategies to achieve this goal.

Specific Council strategies are:

- 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.

The minutes of the Youth Board meeting held 10 August 2022 is attached to this report as general information of the Local Authority.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

The development of Youth Boards in nine MRC communities has been supported by MRC's MacYouth program. MRC is not resourced to establish Youth Boards in all communities without Community Support and assistance from Stakeholders.

Without Youth Boards, young people do not get the opportunity to engage in community decision-making processes with their Local Authority and see the outcomes of their decisions in their community.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Local Authorities receive project funding annually from the NT Government. Council, through its 2021-2022 Regional Plan, has a strategy for 'Local Authorities to engage with Youth Boards', encouraging Local Authorities to allocate 10% of their Local Authority Project funding to Youth Board identified projects.

Without established Youth Boards in these communities, Local Authorities may not be able to allocate funding to youth identified projects.

CONSULTATION



Haasts Bluff Youth Board Haasts Bluff Local Authority

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Haasts Bluff Youth Board Minutes 10-08-2022 approved version.pdf



MacDonnell Regional Council Youth Board - meeting minutes

Date	10/8/22	
Community	Haasts Bluff	
Chair	David-Lee Nielson	
Minutes	Loretta Penhall	
Youth Board Members	Claudia Marshall Malcolm Multa Larissa Brumby Kathy Curtis	
	David-Lee Nielson, Loretta Penhall, Kathy Curtis	
Youth Workers		
Guests	Kaisa Suumann, Jake Sellers	
This week's agenda items	 Welcome from Chair Feedback for MacYouth Feedback for Council and the Local Authority Questions/comments on anything not in this week's agenda 	

Agenda item1	Feedback for MacYouth	
	More bush trips + hunting	
Notes	More hair colours and make-up for kungka night	
Questions	More town trips – Cinema/Swimming/Shopping	
Comments	Gym equipment (weights/resistance bands) for wati night	
	Wati and kungka night for teenagers	
	New music equipment	

	More short trips such as memory mountain
	Build a BMX track
Outcome/Action	Youth team is to now organise for:
	More hunting bush trips
	○ Buying hair and makeup
	Overnight trips into town
	Buying music equipment
	o Buying gym equipment
	Setting aside rec hall time for teenagers
	○ Discuss building a BMX track on next Youth Board meeting

Agenda item 2	Feedback for the Local Authority and the Council	
Notes Questions Comments	New youth centre at the basketball court	
	 This youth centre will address the shortcomings of the current 	
	youth centre, such as a lack of space and a lack of specialised	
	areas. This will provide opportunity for more activities, such as	
	exercise, cooking and making music, and will provide spaces	
	catered to specific demographics	
	 This new youth centre will include: 	
	 A main lounge space which can also be used for disco 	
	 Kitchen and office area 	
	 Separate spaces for wati and kungka activities 	
	Toilets	
	 A BBQ area 	
	Lights at basketball court need to be installed	
	Remove weeds from oval and softball field	
Outcome/Action	 Request building of a new youth centre at the next LA meeting. 	
	 Enquire about basketball court lights – could they be installed? 	
	Ask CSC to clear oval and softball field from weeds.	

Youth Board – Actions and Outcomes

Date	10/08/2022	
Community	Haasts Bluff	
Community All outcomes &	Youth team will organise:	
actions:	 More hunting bush trips 	
	○ Buying hair and makeup	
	 Overnight trips into town 	
	Buying music equipment	
	 Buying gym equipment 	
	 Setting aside rec hall time for teenagers 	
	 Proposal for the new youth centre to the LA 	
	 Discuss building a BMX track on the next youth board meeting 	
	 Ask CSC to clear oval and softball fields from weeds 	
	Enquire about basketball court lights	
Next meeting date	September 2022 school holidays	

COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 10.1

TITLE Council Services Coordinator's Report

REFERENCE - 319264

AUTHOR Donelle (CT) Fraser, Manager Service Centre

Delivery

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 an update of Council delivered services in Haasts Bluff across the area of Local Government Service Delivery.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the report on Council delivered services across the Haasts Bluff area.

BACKGROUND

Nil

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Natalie Fong, Council Services Coordinator Donelle (CT) Fraser, Manager Service Centre Delivery

ATTACHMENTS:

1 September 2022 Haasts Bluff LA Report CSC.pdf



Service Delivery Report

TITLE Haasts Bluff Service Delivery Report

DATE 26 August 2022

AUTHOR CT Fraser

SUMMARY:

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

Local Government Services Update

Animal Management

- Next Vets visit for Haasts Bluff community and Outstations is 1 2 November 2022
- Residents to be available for the vets to speak to about their dogs or cats
- An MRC employee will escort the vet(s) around community to assist with communication

Cemetery Management

- A lot of long grass among the graves at the cemetery, this will slowly be removed by the team over a period of time
- Grass at the car parking areas has been slashed
- Water tank will be removed now there is a water trailer to utilise



Water trailer

Internal Road Maintenance

- Sealed roads in community are in reasonable condition
- Grader crew has arrived approximately two (2) weeks ago, and have already made a start on the entrance road to community



Parks and Open Spaces

- Clearing has been undertaken around the area at the entrance to the community
- Piles of dirt and rubbish has been removed
- Still long grass in areas to be slashed
- Most areas are neat and tidy



Sports Grounds

- Clearing using the skid steer has completed for the moment, rubbish removed to the waste facility
- Area neat and tidy, rubbish removed





Photos showing clearing of sports grounds

Outstation MES Services

 Autilly Outstation – a fence/barrier is being installed to stop the cattle from damaging the tap, currently underway by the civil team

Waste Management

- The civil team do the rubbish run twice weekly, Monday and Thursday
- Hard rubbish once a week
- Work continues at the waste facility to bring it into line with the waste management guidelines
- Grader crew will assist the civil team in clearing some of the areas while in community

Weed Control and Fire Hazard Reduction

- Fire breaks will be graded while the grader is in community
- Grass will continue to be monitored and slashed
- Dead branches of trees removed to the waste facility

Other Service Delivery Updates

- Welcome Gabriel Fallon, new CSC for Haasts Bluff, Gabriel has experience working on communities in other Councils, we look forward to what he will bring to Haasts Bluff
- Want to thank Simon Walmby for his contribution to Haasts Bluff and the hard work he
 has put into the community working alongside the team. Simon will be transferring to
 Kintore community
- Would like the LA to consider the truck at the entrance of community, repainting it by the
 artists of the community as it's deteriorated since it was originally put there

CT Fraser Area Manager Service Centre Delivery



Haasts Bluff artists repaint this truck and update the design?



Slashing grass at the waste facility

COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 10.2

TITLE Community Service Haasts Bluff Local Authority

Report

REFERENCE - 319163

AUTHOR Sabine Wedemeyer, Director Community Services

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 provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority note and accept the Community Services report.

BACKGROUND

All Community Services programs continue to be delivered in line with funding requirements as per the attached Operations Report.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Executive Leadership Team

Manager of Aged & Disability Services – Daisy Kaur

Manager of Children's Services – Iryna Mustiats

Manager of Community Safety – Liz Scott

Manager of Youth Services – Jessica Kragh

ATTACHMENTS:

1 2022-09 - COMMUNITY SERVICE Haasts Bluff LAR - approved.pdf

Community Service: Report on Operations



LOCATION: Haasts Bluff Community PERIOD: 1/05/2022 to 31/07/2022

AUTHOR: Sabine Wedemeyer, Director Community Services

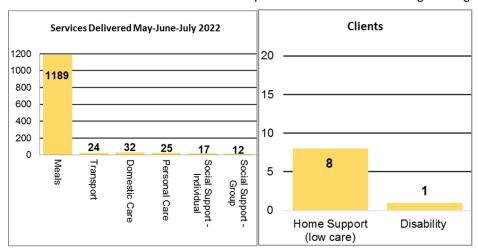
AGED & DISABILTY SERVICES

Service Delivery and Engagement

 All Aged and Disability services and School Nutrition Program fully delivered this reporting period except:



- o 6 May 2022 Centre closed due to funeral in Kintore.
- o 16 & 17 June 2022 Service disruption due to all staff attending training.



Other Updates

- Haasts Bluff MacCare has signed up 1 new Commonwealth Home Support Program client.
- Doreen, Suzie, Patrina, Shrika and Haley attended the Mental Health First Aid Training by Trudy on 16 & 17 of June 2022 along with MacKids staff.
- Coordinator and one staff member attended the Dementia training 19 & 20 June 2022 conducted by Centre for Dementia Learning in Alice Springs.

Haasts Bluff staff after completing Mental Health First Aid Training







CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Service Delivery and Engagement

 The Early Learning Program has been closed due to lack of qualified staff during this reporting period.



Other Updates

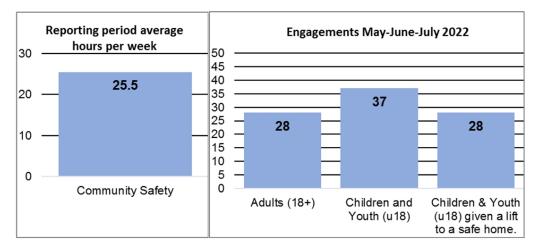
• The Educators are supporting the MacCare team with cooking and delivering meals while the Early Learning service is closed.

COMMUNITY SAFETY

Service Delivery and Engagement

 Community Safety services were disrupted for 21 days during this reporting period due to staff leave, Sorry Business and Training.





Other Updates

- MacSafe continues to work in conjunction with MacYouth to support joint service delivery and making sure young people are returning home safe after nightly activities.
- Whilst Covid 19 restrictions are being lifted the Community Safety Department including the MacSafe Teams, continue to maintain safety precautions being taken include: regular hand washing, use of hand sanitiser, alcohol wipes, social distancing and quarantine protocols.
- Also during June, Jeffrey Jackson and Priscilla Turner travelled to Ross River Resort for the Annual MacSafe Conference. The conference this year was facilitated by Jack and Lisa Bulman, where they ran the Mibbinbah program: 'Be The Best You Can Be', with a focus on common issues faced by MacSafe staff. The Conference was highly beneficial to all in attendance; and greatly enjoyed.
- Coordinator Michael Mitchell is leaving the MacSafe Department and moving to MacYouth, working in the Youth Justice Field. Michael has trained in and worked in Youth Justice for a long time and it is where his passion lies. He did great work in MacSafe and we wish him all the best, knowing the relationships he developed through is time with MacSafe, will be very valuable in his new role.
- The Haasts Bluff MacSafe team continue to utilise recent office upgrades to continue to encourage community members to "drop-in" and yarn with safety officers about how we can make their community safer.

MacSafe Western Region presentation at the MacSafe Conference 2022



2022 MacSafe Conference participants



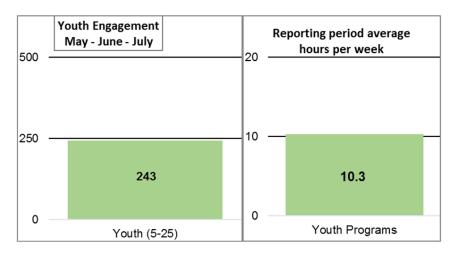
Staff getting ready for a welcoming fire during the cold months



YOUTH SERVICES

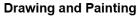
Service Delivery and Engagement

- Due to a senior staff undergoing further safety training and shadowing other community youth programs, funeral commitments, flu and staff shortages, Haasts Bluff youth program was not run at full capacity during this reporting period.
- Young people enjoyed painting and drawing, softball, trampoline, basketball, Wati and Ulla nights with hairdressing, Kungka nights with hair and beauty, movie nights, PlayStation with Virtual Reality and cooking programs.



Other Updates

- During the June July school holidays young people enjoyed breakfast program and PlayStation with Virtual Reality.
- The new basketball courts have been completed in Haasts Bluff providing a new and fun youth space for Haasts Bluff youth program and the community.
- MacYouth had youth worker support from CAYLUS during the June July school holiday program. One of the highlights was a trip to Papunya to play basketball, softball and footy.
- MacYouth Youth Engagement Officer Loretta Penhall has been a huge support to youth program and has worked hard to learning new reporting requirements and recruitment of new staff.





Softball



School Holiday Softball, Basketball and Footy Trip to Papunya



Pool at Rec Hall



FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 11.1

TITLE Expenditure Report as at 30 June 2022

REFERENCE - 319256

AUTHOR Avatar Singh, Management Accountant and Grants

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 30 June 2022 in the Local Authority Community.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority notes and accepts the expenditure report as at 30 June 2022.

BACKGROUND

The attached finance report details the budget, variance, and actual expenditure on Council services in the community.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

The Local Authority Project Funding is to be expended within 2 years of the receipt of the funding otherwise failure to do so may result in the Department withholding any future payments of Local Authority Project Funding or request unspent funding to be repaid. As an example any funds prior to the 2019-20 financial year needs to be spent not just allocated to projects.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The attached report details the expenditure for the Local Authority which is part of the full Council's approved budget.

CONSULTATION

Executive Leadership Team Management Team

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Local Authority Expenditure Report June 2022 - Haasts Bluff.pdf

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Expend	diture by	Commun	ity as at	30th June 22
Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Budget Full Year	Notes on variations greater than 10% or \$10,000
161,992	234,226	72,234		Service Delivery spent less than budgeted.
40,301	33,000	0,013	33,000	
101,043	236,963	135,920		Civil Works spent less than budgeted.
(29,113)	(21,021)	7,932	(21,021)	
14,908	44,590	29,682		Council R&M spent less than budgeted.
14,908	44,590	29,682	44,590	
104,266	100,450	(3,816)	100,450	
104,266	100,450	(3,816)	100,450	
0.067	0.067	(0)	0.067	
9,067				
7,398	7,628	230	7,628	
7,398	7,628	230	7,628	
4,360	9,607	5,247	9,607	
4,360	9,607	5,247	9,607	
93,221	93,221	(0)	93,221	
93,221	93,221	(0)	93,221	
0	2.500	2.500	2.500	
0	2,500	2,500	2,500	
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1,131	1,240	109	1,240	
48,663	49,500	837	49,500	
48,663	49,500	837	49,500	
45,378	45,380	2	45,380	
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44,998	45,380	382	45,380	
591.427	834.372	242,945	834.372	
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8,737	22,928	14,191		HME spent less than budgeted.
22,765	35,960	13,195	35,960	
13 500	36.460	22 051	36.460	
13,509	36,460	22,951	36,460	Homeland housing spent less than budgeted.
19,492	19,490	-2	19,490	
19,492	19,490	(2)	19,490	
102,415	117,266	14,851		Power & water spent less than budgeted.
27,234	20,040	1,243		
5,491	28,896	23,405		Centerlink spent less than budgeted.
5,491	28,896	23,405	28,896	
4.056	23,374	19,318	23,374	NDIS spent less than budgeted.
4,056	23,374	19,318	23,374	
470.070	470.00	(6)	470.00	
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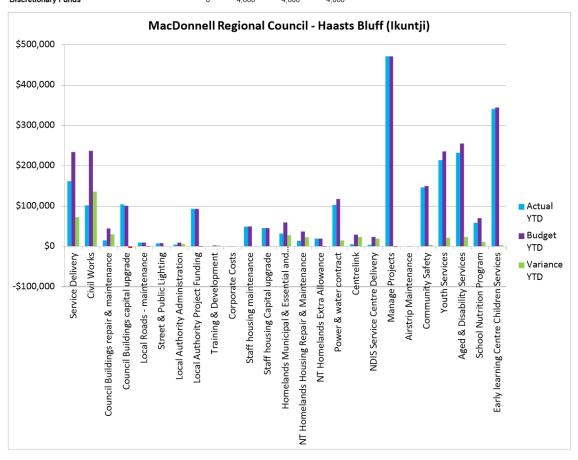
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TOTAL	2,229,952	2,643,976	414,024	2,643,976	
SUB-TOTAL:- NON-COUNCIL SERVICES	1,638,525	1,809,604	171,079	1,809,604	
Other Operational	179,265	144,542	(34,723)	144,542	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	161,390	199,472	38,083	199,472	
Early learning Centre Children Services	340,654	344,014			Early Learning Spent less than Budgeted.
Other Operational	33,615	44,564	10,949	44,364	Low school attendance.
Wages and Other Employee Costs	24,900	24,900	10.949	24,900	Low school attendance.
School Nutrition Program	58,515	69,464	10,949	69,464	
Other Operational	108,849	137,776	28,927	137,776	Not able to buy client's equipments as most of the clients were away.
Wages and Other Employee Costs	122,897	117,034	(5, 863)	117,034	
Aged & Disability Services	231,746	254,810	,	254,810	
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Other Operational	59.015	60,798	1,783	60,798	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	154,850	174,342	19,492	174,342	
Youth Services	213,865	235,140	21,275	235 140	Low staff attendance.
Other Operational	18,813	25,630	6,817	25,630	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	127,493	124,194	(3, 299)	124, 194	

The variance is over 10% or \$10,000 due to more money being spent than budget The variance is over 10% or \$10,000 due to less money being spent than budget

Please note the figures above include internal allocations between functions, so that the program expenditure shown is the true cost to Council's budget.

MacDonnell Regional Council - Haasts Bluff (Ikuntji)					
Expenditure by Community as at 30th June 22					
Actual Budget Variance Budget YTD YTD YTD Full Year					
Discretionary Funds		4.000	4.000	4 000	



GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2

ITEM NUMBER 12.1

TITLE General Business

REFERENCE - 318676

AUTHOR Gaurab Ghimire, Governance Administration Officer

MacDonnell Regional Council

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the beginning of the meeting, under item 6.2, members of the Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.

It is to be noted that Local Authority Meetings are held four times a year and member's attendance is important to meet the quorum requirement in order to hold the meeting successfully. Haasts Bluff has had meeting cancelations and defers more often than other communities in the recent months.

Not meeting a quorum means that the Local Authority cannot make decisions on matters and concerns regarding council business, projects, funds etc and chances of funds & grants allocation to the Local Authority from the NTG will be at risk. Meeting attendance and participation of members is a collective process with the effort from MRC, community members, Local Authority and community stakeholders. Governance is seeking to find out the answers to the questions below from the community and Local Authority members to increase their chances of meeting attendance.

- 1. How can MRC assist the Local Authority members to achieve Quorum?
- 2. What are the suggestion from the Local Authority to encourage members come to the meetings and their active participation?

RECOMMENDATION

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority;

- a) notes and discusses the General Business items raised at Item 6.2;
- b) discusses the questions raised regarding the members attendance; and
- c) provides suggestions and answers to the questions.

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ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS		

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Haasts Bluff Local Authority and community MRC Governance

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER 13.1

TITLE Other Non-Council Business

REFERENCE - 318749

AUTHOR Gaurab Ghimire, Governance Administration Officer

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LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 01: Developing Communities Goal 02: Healthy Communities Goal 03: Empowered Communities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet will be in attendance to provide any necessary updates in regards to Northern Territory Government services.

At the beginning of the meeting, under item 6.3, members of the Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority:

- a) notes and discusses the Non-Council Business items raised at Item 6.3;
- b) notes and accepts any updates and progress on actions from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet.

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ACTION REGISTER

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Date raised	Action	Detail		
24 Nov 2021	Clinic	The Local Authority raised concerns regarding the Clinic		
		not being open. When access into the community is		
		limited, especially during prolonged periods of wet		
		weather, the Authority would like to know if there is a		
		plan in place for residents to receive their medication.		

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.