



AGENDA

AREYONGA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING THURSDAY 23 MARCH 2023

The Areyonga Local Authority Meeting of the MacDonnell Regional Council will be held at the Areyonga Council Office on Thursday, 23 March 2023 at 10:30am.

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

3.1 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

That members noted the attendance and accepted the apologies to the meeting.

3.2 ABSENTEES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCES

That members noted the absentees from the meeting.

3.3 RESIGNATIONS

NIL

3.4 TERMINATIONS

NIL

3.5 NOMINATIONS

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 Areyonga Local Authority Meeting notes 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 - 324061
AUTHOR June Crabb, Governance Administration Officer



Unconfirmed minutes from the 14 September 2022 Areyonga Local Authority ordinary meeting 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 ordinary meeting held 14 September 2022 be adopted as a resolution of Areyonga Local Authority.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Areyonga Local Authority 2022-09-14 [1276] Minutes.pdf



MINUTES OF THE AREYONGA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE
AREYONGA COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2022 AT
10:30AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10:40am

**1.1 NOMINATION OF THE CHAIR
RECOMMENDATION**

That the Areyonga Local Authority nominated Jonathon Doolan as Acting Chair of the Areyonga Local Authority Meeting.

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country – Members present were welcomed at the meeting.

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

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Garnet Djana, Jonathon Doolan, Joy Kunia and Jacob Caroll

Councillors:

Councillor Abraham Poulson

Council Employees:

Belinda Urquhart, Director Service Delivery, Mark O'Bryan, CSC Areyonga, James Walsh, Service Delivery Acting Area Manager, Kaisa Suumann, Coordinator Community Engagement Project Coordinator, Justine Briety, Coordinator Planning and Engagement, Kelly Ryan, ESO Areyonga and Gaurab Ghimire, Governance Admin Officer

Guests:

Matt Adams & David Hanley, Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet

Ephram Poulson, Dickey Dickson, Caesor Dickson and Andrew, Community Resident

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

Councillor Marlene Abbott, Chair Sarah Gallagher, Member Hilda Bert and Naphtali Scobie

Absentees:

Nil

3.3 Resignations

NIL

3.4 Terminations

NIL

3.5 Nominations

NIL

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

ARLA2022-100 RESOLVED(Joy Kunia/Garnet Djana)

That the Areyonga Local Authority Meeting noted the Council Code of Conduct.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ARLA2022-101 RESOLVED(Jonathan Doolan/Jacob Caroll)

That the Minutes of the Areyonga Local Authority of 8 December 2021 and provisional meeting held 15 June 2022 be adopted as a resolution of Areyonga Local Authority.

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

6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED

ARLA2022-102 RESOLVED(Abraham Poulson/Jonathan Doolan)

That the Areyonga Local Authority Meeting noted the that the papers circulated were received for consideration at the meeting

6.2 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

ARLA2022-103 RESOLVED(Jacob Caroll/Joy Kunia)

noted that the members have provided notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business as follows:

- a) Grass at the football oval

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

ARLA2022-104 RESOLVED(Jacob Carol/Joy Kunia)

noted that the members have provided notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business as follows:

- a) Internet and mobile reception in the community
- b) Rangers program for Youth (engagement and volunteer)
- c) Volunteer work for youth with civil teams

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

ARLA2022-105 RESOLVED(Garnet Djana/Jonathan Doolan)

That the Areyonga Local Authority Meeting noted the Conflict of Interest policy.

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

ARLA2022-106 RESOLVED(Garnet Djana/Jonathan Doolan)

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

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

Nil

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 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.

ARLA2022-107 RESOLVED(Abraham Poulson/Garnet Djana)

That the Areyonga Local Authority:

- a) noted and discussed the spending of its 2021/2022 Discretionary funds;
- b) noted the new allocation and discussed the spending of its 2022/2023 Discretionary Funds; and
- c) noted that the funds could be spent with majority member writing a letter to MRC.

9.2 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. • 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.

ARLA2022-108 RESOLVED (Jacob Caroli/Abraham Poulson)

That the Areyonga Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the progress of their projects as follows:
 - Project 2112, Solar lights – transportation is currently being organized, kept project open;
 - Project 2113, Install shade shelter and water tank at the football oval – allocated \$10,000.00 and kept project open;
 - Project 2115, Youth board project – requested that the youth board get a quote for the music speakers;
 - Project 2116, Trees at football oval – there were no inventory available at the Alice Springs nursery and awaiting for quotes from Correction Centre;
- b) approved the closure of project 2114, Shade shelter over playground to recreate a project with available balance \$32,772.5 and named it 'Shade sails, upgrade and repair of playground equipment'; and
- c) created a new project near to basketball court and named it 'Stage near basketball court' with the similar design at Kintore.

9.3 YOUTH BOARD PROJECT

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.

ARLA2022-109 RESOLVED (Garnet Djana/Joy Kunia)

That the Areyonga Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the minutes of the Youth Board Meeting attached;
- b) requested that the letter be written to Department of Education to invite representative for further discussion on higher studies above 6th grade be made available at the community, action item; and
- c) discussed that the Youth be given opportunity to engage and involve in the Ranger program and DCMC to discuss the opportunity and will get back to LA after consultation with CLC.

9.4 ACTION REGISTER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

ARLA2022-110 RESOLVED(Jonathan Doolan/Abraham Poulson)

That the Areyonga Local Authority noted the progress report on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received as follows:

- a) noted that council will be doing some works at the access road, specifically the flood areas; and
- b) The action remains open.

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 COUNCIL SERVICE COORDINATORS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

ARLA2022-111 RESOLVED(Jacob Caroll/Garnet Djana)

That the Areyonga Local Authority noted and accepted the attached CSC report.

10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICE AREYONGA LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Service program delivery.

ARLA2022-112 RESOLVED(Jonathan Doolan/Abraham Poulson)

That the Areyonga Local Authority noted and accepted the Community Service report.

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure reports shows spending until 31 July 2022 in the Local Authority Community.

ARLA2022-113 RESOLVED(Jacob Caroll/Garnet Djana)

That the Areyonga Local Authority noted and accepted the expenditure report as at 31 July 2022.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2**12.1 GENERAL BUSINESS****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this report is to give Members the opportunity to raise matters that they wish to discuss at item 12.1 - General Council Business.

ARLA2022-114 RESOLVED (Jacob Carroll/Garnet Djana)

That the Areyonga Local Authority noted and discussed the items raised at Item 6.2 as follows:

a) Grass at the football oval

LA enquired on getting grass at the football oval similar at Santa Teresa and James, Acting Manager explained that the scope of work involved is significantly extensive and the fund required for the project is far beyond what is available for the work. Instead, it was discussed that the football oval could be made more softer by sand and civil team is to investigate the options. The CSC will report back at the next LA meeting.

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 provides any necessary updates in regards to Northern Territory Government services.

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

ARLA2022-115 RESOLVED (Jacob Carol/Garnet Djana)

That the Areyonga Local Authority noted and discussed the Non-Council Business items raised at Item 6.3 as follows:

a) Internet and mobile reception in the community

LA raised that the telephone lines in the community houses have been disconnected and discontinued after renovation. DCMC representative Matt has taken over the issue and will provide follow up at the next meeting;

b) Rangers program for Youth (engagement and volunteer)

The youth board requested if there were any possibility of engaging the community youth in the rangers programs. This item is suggested for action register and also, Matt has taken over to follow up with CLC and provide update at the next meeting.

c) Volunteer work for youth with civil teams

Youth board enquired the possibility of engaging the community youth in the volunteer work and discussed trainings and volunteer work with civil team.

d) noted and accepted updates and progress on actions from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet and kept open both item from the action register for follow up at the next meeting.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER, 2022

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 1:09 pm.

This page and the preceding 6 pages are the minutes of the Areyonga Local Authority Meeting held on Wednesday 14 September 2022 and are UNCONFIRMED.

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Chair

Date:/...../.....

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

6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED

RECOMMENDATION

That the Areyonga Local Authority Meeting notes the that the papers circulated were received for consideration at the meeting.

6.2 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

RECOMMENDATION

that the members provided / did not provide notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

RECOMMENDATION

that the members provided / did not provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

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 Areyonga Local Authority Meeting 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.

DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	8.1
TITLE	Indigenous Eye Health & NT Trachoma Program - Trachoma
REFERENCE	- 328798
AUTHOR	Gaurab Ghimire, Governance Administration Officer

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of the visit is to seek permission and cooperation from the community for the planned Trachoma trip. Date is yet to be finalised. The program is intended to educate the community about Trachoma and provide information on the Trachoma program.

Local Authority and community will be made aware when the Trachoma trip dates are finalised. At the moment, LA is being informed of the upcoming Trachoma program and seeking cooperation and permission for the program to go ahead.

An IEH community flipchart will be provided at the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Areyonga Local Authority:

- a) **notes and accepts the presentation by IEH;**
- b) **be informed of the upcoming NT Trachoma program; and**
- c) **supports the program and cooperates with the Public Health Unit.**

BACKGROUND

The NT Trachoma program started in 2009 and is committed to eliminating Trachoma from remote communities of the NT.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Trachoma is an infection that can lead to blindness. It can be prevented with improved hygiene and environmental measures. It is estimated that the presentation will take about 10 to 15 minutes followed by any questions and discussion after presentation.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Areyonga Local Authority & Community

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER 8.2
TITLE Healthy Food, Strong Future for Kids Project - AAAC
REFERENCE - 330393
AUTHOR June Crabb, Governance Administration Officer

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Healthy Communities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Healthy Food, Strong Future for Kids Project is led by the University of Queensland, Central Australian Aboriginal Congress and Apunipima Cape York Health Council.

This project, conducted in Central Australia and Cape York, aims to evaluate the impact of price discounting healthy foods for women and children on diet quality, food security, and affordability of a healthy diet; and to learn from community members their experiences and proposed solutions to improve food security, to inform a community-led food security framework.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the presentation shared by Representatives of Central Australian Aboriginal Congress.

BACKGROUND

In Utju this project was conducted with support from the Utju Health Board. This presentation will share the community findings for Utju, as well as the outcomes from the early stages of the translation phase of the project.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Areyonga Local Authority

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER	9.1
TITLE	Areyonga Youth Board's Report
REFERENCE	- 328507
AUTHOR	Kaisa Suumann, Coordinator Community Engagement Project

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek feedback from the Areyonga Local Authority on Areyonga Youth Board's recommendations to the LA. The development of Youth Boards in MRC communities has been supported by MRC's Governance and Compliance Department and Youth Services Department. MRC is not resourced to establish Youth Boards in all communities without Community Support and assistance from Stakeholders.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Areyonga Local Authority:

- 1) Notes the 04/10/2022 Youth Board meeting minutes submitted by Areyonga Youth Board;**
- 2) Receives, notes and discusses the Areyonga Youth Board's letter from 04/10/2022 to the LA;**
- 3) Discusses and decides on Areyonga Youth Board's funding request for 2 speakers for the band room - \$2408.00. Please see a quote attached;**
- 4) Discusses and decides on Areyonga Youth Board's suggestion to get a better solution to bins in front of the rec hall and the basketball court – the current bins often go missing or get broken. Perhaps to replace the current plastic bins with the metal bins like in Hermannsburg;**
- 5) Discusses and decides on funding of Areyonga Youth Board's suggestion from their 24/06/2022 meeting about creating a separate space in the rec hall for males and females. Suggestion to put in a partition at the rec hall, where currently is a lounge room and play area;**
- 6) Provides updates on the oval landscaping idea from the 14/09/2022 LA meeting - Service Centre Delivery team to look into planting some trees around the oval and sealing the ground.**

BACKGROUND

MRC Youth Boards' objectives are to provide opportunities for youth led decision making and encourage young people to identify and participate in issues, ideas and future developments that matter to them. Youth Boards are an important platform for MRC administration, the elected Council members and Local Authorities to engage with young people about community services, programs and strategic direction.

The minutes of the Areyonga Youth Board meeting held on the 4th of October 2022 and on the 24th of June 2022 as well as a letter to the LA, a photo of Hermannsburg bin and a quote for the speakers are attached to this report.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

The Areyonga Local Authority to provide feedback on recommendations provided above.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Youth Boards can ask funding for their ideas from their respective Local Authority. All Local Authorities have two separate funding sources to invest for the broadest benefit in their community:

1. Discretionary Funds provided by MRC to support community activities
2. Project Funds provided by the NTG to support community projects

To empower youth-led decisions and encourage young people to be engaged representatives in their communities, there is a MRC Regional Plan 2022-2023 strategy, Key Performance Indicator (KPI) that states that if Local Authorities engage with Youth Boards, 10% of Local Authority Project Funding continues to be allocated to local Youth Board identified projects. This encourages each Local Authority to resolve in a meeting to allocate 1/10th or more of their Project Funding for a Youth Board project in their community.

MRC's Youth Boards can also seek funding from MRC's Discretionary Funds.

CONSULTATION

Areyonga Youth Board members, MacDonnell Regional Council

Kaisa Suumann, Community Engagement Project Coordinator, MacDonnell Regional Council

Rajan Khadka, Acting Area Coordinator, Youth Services, MacDonnell Regional Council

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 2022-10-04 Youth Board Minutes.pdf
- 2 20220622 Youth Board Minutes Areyonga.pdf
- 3 20221015_Letter-LA.pdf
- 4 Areyonga YB - Quote for speakers.jpg
- 5 Hermannsburg bin.jpg



MacDonnell Regional Council Youth Board - meeting minutes

Date	04/10/2022	
Community	Areyonga/Utju	
Chair	Vice Chair: William Pei Pei, supported by MRC staff	
Minutes	Rajan Khadka	
Youth Board Members	Ceasar Dixon Dickei Dixon Jimmy Doolan Denzel Gallagher Phelep Kitson Jayden Doolan Danny Ebatarinja	Anika Bennett Giselle Larry Monica Kitson
Council Workers	Rajan Khadka Kirsten Joseph Tanya Ebatarinja Nephtali Scobie Kaisa Suumann	
This week's agenda items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome from Chair • Last Youth Board's meeting actions – is there any outstanding matters • Feedback for MacYouth • Feedback for the Council and Local Authority • Questions/comments/topics you would like to discuss that's not in the agenda 	

Agenda item1	Last Youth Board's meeting actions – is there any outstanding matters
Notes Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for additional vehicle is discussed and is subject to funding, additional vehicle might be available if there is funding available in future.

Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Space for Males and Females in the rec hall was discussed with MacYouth. MacYouth is seeking LA help with making this space possible by funding a partition inside the rec hall that would split the front entrance area. • Travel to Macdonnell Regional Council communities available, and looking for opportunities to travel beyond MacDonnell Regional Council. • Write a letter to Local Authority to seek support from the NT Department of Education for training and other engagement opportunities for the youth who are not enrolled to school. • Contact Mark the Areyonga CSC if anyone interested in learning about civil work. • The request for laying grass and installing lights in the oval is expensive. The MRC doesn't have funding for this at the moment. For now, the Council can put some soil on the ground to seal it and plant some trees – follow this action item up on the next LA meeting. • Feedback – there is going to be stage built on the basketball court. • Organise a quote for the speakers.
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Agenda item 2	Feedback to MacYouth
Notes Questions Comments	<p><u>Programs liked by Youth</u> Basketball, Soccer, Music, Painting, Disco</p> <p><u>Programs not liked by Youth</u> Computer Room and Hanging around on their own</p> <p><u>What does the youth like to see more?</u> Watti (Boys) Night – Haircut, Hair Colour, Music, Gym equipment Kungka (Girls) Night – Hair Colour, Nails polish, Dance dress (costumes), Movies – Cartoons, High School musicals Dance Competitions Push Bikes Equipment - In addition to the speakers for band room, the youth board is wondering if there is funding available for other crucial items for the community band project (Such as piano keyboard, bass guitar, drum sticks, drum skin, drum kick).</p>
Outcome/Action	The Areyonga Youth Board would like to ask MacYouth team to give feedback to above listed request (The section the youth would like to see more).

Agenda item 3	Feedback to Local Authority and the Council
Notes Questions Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The bins outside the Youth Centre and Basketball court go often missing. Would it be possible to get new bins and perhaps to look into having more permanent bin solutions. • Space for Males and Females in the rec hall - a partition inside the rec hall that would split the front entrance area (the current lounge and play area). • Follow up on the youth board's suggestion to landscape the oval – the civil team to plant some trees around the oval and put some sand to seal the ground.
Outcome/Action	<p>The Areyonga Youth board would like to ask:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) if the Council could give us new bins/more permanent bin solutions; b) help with creating a space for males and females in the rec hall – putting in a partition; c) the updates from the civil team in regards to the idea suggested on 14/09/2022 LA meeting by the Service Centre Delivery Director to plant some trees and seal the oval.



MacDonnell Regional Council Youth Board - meeting minutes

Date	24/06/2022	
Community	Areyonga	
Chair	James Cameron	
Minutes	Rajan Khadka	
Youth Board Members	Ceaser Dixon Camos Bennett Jimmy Doolan Harry Meneri Ephram Poulson Phelep Kitson	Chantelle Campbell Olivia Gorge
Youth Workers	Jake Sellers Rajan Khadka Kathleen Windy Nephtali Scobie Tanya Scobie Veronica Long	
This week's agenda items	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Resources and use 2. Commuting 3. Youth Interest – <u>Feedback to the LA</u> 4. Issues of the youth – <u>Feedback to the LA</u> 5. Suggestions from the youth – <u>Feedback to the LA</u> 	

Agenda item 1	1. Resources and use
Notes Questions Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The youths suggested to have distinguished resources and space for different gender. Request for separate pool tables for male and female. Request for separate space for male and female to practice their cultural activities.
Outcome/Action	1. The Youth Board will ask MacYouth funding for these ideas.

Agenda item 2	2. Commuting
Notes Questions Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The youths requested for additional vehicle, as the current vehicle has limited capacity to carry only 8 people at a time.
Outcome/Action	1. The Youth Board will ask MacYouth to give them feedback on this possibility.
Agenda item 3	3. Youth Interests
Notes Questions Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The youth are interested in travelling outside the community within the state and interstate to watch footy and other sports. Trainings for youths for capacity building such as construction, hair style, make up and beauty, e.t.c
Outcome/Action	1. The Youth Board would like to ask if Areyonga Local Authority could help them to fund the above mentioned activities.

Agenda item 4	4. Youth Issues
Notes Questions Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The youth has to relocate to other communities/state for education as local school is only available until the 6th Grade. • Some youth do not get admission in schools after 6th Grade as local school does not have capacity and usually the schools that have possibility are full to their capacities. • There are always youth who have no school and are looking for alternatives or engagement path.
Outcome/Action	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Youth Board would like to ask advice from the Areyonga Local Authority in regards to these issues.

Agenda item 5	5. Suggestions from the youth
Notes Questions Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrading the existing facilities. Laying the grass and installing the lights in the oval. • More trainings and engagement activities based on gender.
Outcome/Action	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Youth Board would like to ask the Areyonga Local Authority to help to lay the grass and install lights in the oval. 2. The Youth Board would also like to ask from the LA funding for different engagement activities based on gender, for example a hair dressing and beauty training and construction training.



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Attention: Areyonga Local Authority
Areyonga Community Council Office
Areyonga NT 0872

Dear members of the Areyonga Local Authority,


We are writing to you in regards to an issue that came up during our Youth Board meeting on 24/06/2022 – the issue of Areyonga School finishing providing education to our community's youth after the Year 6th. Unfortunately once students complete the Year 6 education, there are limited opportunities for Areyonga youth for further education and training. Not all children get the opportunity to attend boarding schools as there are only limited spots available. The Areyonga Youth Board would like to know if there are other opportunities available for education or training.


Could we please ask your assistance with this matter and perhaps this issue could be raised with the Northern Territory Department of Education.

Thank you and kind regards,

Areyonga Youth Board Members:

Phelep Kitson - phelep

Camos Bennett - 
Denzel Gallagher - Denzel

Monica Kitson  Diana

Annika Bennett 



ROCK CITY MUSIC

ABN: 73 684 284 297

QUOTE

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PO BOX 9202 ALICE SPRINGS 0871
Ph (08) 89532100 Fax (08) 89531433*

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To: MacDonnell Regional Council
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Quote Number	V759
Quote Date	11-11-2022
Account Number	2272
Order Number	Quote 1
Salesman	Daran

Client Phone. 08 89589600 Client Fax. 89589601

Qty.	Description	Price	Tax%	Total
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2	CHR15 Yamaha 15" Passive Speaker	\$1,044.55	10	\$2,298.00
2	RSN30 Carson Speakon Cable - 30 ft - Speakon	\$50.00	10	\$110.00

The title of all goods does not pass to purchaser until payment in full has been received by our bank

EX GST TOTAL	\$2,189.09
GST TOTAL	\$218.91
QUOTE TOTAL	\$2,408.00

LOCALS SUPPORTING LOCALS

Bank Details: BSB: 015881 A/C: 255445319

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LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 9.2
TITLE Action Register
REFERENCE - 324127
AUTHOR June Crabb, Governance 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:

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

RECOMMENDATION

That the Areyonga Local Authority notes the progress report on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received.

BACKGROUND

This report gives the Local Authority an opportunity to check that actions from previous meetings are being implemented.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Areyonga Local Authority
Executive Leadership Team

ATTACHMENTS:

1 ARLA Outstanding Actions as at 10 Nov 2022.pdf

Meeting	Officer/Director	Section	Subject
Areyonga Local Authority 16/06/2021	Blacker, Aaron	Local Authority Reports and Correspondence	Build the road up
Action ARLA2021-033: Bring in Machinery to build the road up before grading (raised 16 June 2021)			
ARLA2021-033 RESOLVED (Marlene Abbott/Jonathan Doolan) That the Areyonga Local Authority: b) Requested that the Director Technical Services bring in machinery to build the road up before grading.			
1 September 2021 - The Local Authority received the update from CEO, Jeff MacLeod, as received from Simon Murphy, Director TS. Road Coordinator assessing upgrade based on scope/cost estimate completed by CPM in 2019. Cost is in the order of \$1.4 million and will need to go to tender after funding confirmed from R2R and LRCI. Timeframe for work is not known as this stage, but will report back to the LA meetings on this work.			
8 December 2021 - Update from Local Authority meeting ARLA2021-072 RESOLVED (Sarah Gallagher/Joy Kunia) That the Areyonga Local Authority keep the action open.			
15 June 2022 – Update from Local Authority meeting ARLA2022-091 RESOLVED (Jonathan Doolan/Abraham Poulson) That the provisional meeting of Areyonga Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and kept action open, noting that Minister Chanston will write to DIPL and an update will be provided to MRC at the next meeting.			
19 September 2022 – Update from Belinda Urquhart, Director Service Centre Delivery. MRC will be improving the flood ways on the access road. No response from the NT Government about the upgrade.			

Meeting	Officer/Director	Section	Subject
Areyonga Local Authority 14/09/2022	Kendrick, Chris	Youth Board	Invite a Representative from Department of Education
Action ARLA2022-109: Invite a Representative from the Department of Education			
ARLA2022-109 RESOLVED (Garnet Djana/Joy Kunia) That the Areyonga Local Authority: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requests that a letter be written to the Department of Education to invite a representative for further discussion on higher studies above 6th grade be made available at the community. 			
20 September 2022 – Community Engagement Project Coordinator has submitted an invitation to the Department of Education. <i>Recommendation to LA for the November meeting is to close action.</i>			

LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER	9.3
TITLE	Local Authority Projects
REFERENCE	- 324015
AUTHOR	June Crabb, Governance Administration Officer



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

Examples of *acceptable* purposes for expenditure include:

- 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.

There is currently \$17,956.67 of unallocated funds to allocate and spend on Community projects.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Areyonga Local Authority:

- a) notes and accepts the progress of their projects; and
- b) 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.

Local Authorities must formally resolve each initiative this funding will be used for.

Register of Projects and Commitments

Project 2112	Solar lights	\$
	Status	Committed
4-Nov-20	Res.75 – Commit \$20,000.00 and request that the CSC seek quotations for three (3) Solar lights with sites to be determined at the next Local Authority meeting.	20,000.00
31-Mar-21	Res.15 – Commit an additional \$2,000.00 towards concreting.	2,000.00
11-Jun-21	Purchase order awaiting approval.	
12-Aug-21	Invoice received from Green frog for 3 x Solar lights	-14,587.65
28-Nov-21	Lights have arrived in Alice Springs and waiting on distribution approximately mid-January 2022, if not collected sooner.	
8-Dec-21	Res 073 - Kept project open	
2-Mar-22	Solar lights still to be delivered.	
15-Jun-22	Res.092 – 3 solar lights waiting for delivery from Alice springs	
14-Sep-22	Res.108 - Kept project open, noting that transport is being organised.	
15-Sep-22	PO to Spinifex Towing and Transport, to freight the lights from Amoonguna to Areyonga for \$2,000.00	
20-Nov-22	Tax invoice received for the transportation of lights from Outback Vehicle Recovery.	-1,800.00
	underspend or (overspend)	5,612.35

Project 2113	Install shade shelter and water tank at football oval	\$
	Status	Committed
20-Feb-19	Res.99 – Shade shelter over seating at the football oval and install a water tank at the football oval.	15,876.49
19-Jul-19	In progress, the shelter has been measured and ordered. Water tank will be ordered after completion.	
20-Jul-19	As the grandstand has been concreted into the ground it will not be possible to move it, as suggested, to align with the boundary fence.	
20-Oct-19	Shelter materials delivered. Awaiting purchase of water tank and guttering and building can commence.	-11,153.64
16-Jun-21	Res.34 – Install shade shelter and water tank at the football oval and request that the Council Services Coordinator (CSC) purchase scaffolding to assist the team with installing the shade shelter.	
2-Dec-21	Commitment for scaffolding and platform ladder ordered, waiting for collection/freight to bring to community and invoice received (11/01/2022)	-4,034.05
8-Dec-21	<u>Res 073</u> : Kept open project	
2-Mar-22	Scaffold and ladder has been collected and the project will start once a full Civil team is available.	
15-Jun-22	Res.092 – Kept project open.	

14-Sep-22	Res.108 - Allocated an additional \$10,000.00	10,000.00
10-Nov-22	PO raised for the installation of Roof Installation	-4,720.00
	underspend or (overspend)	5,968.80

Project 2114	Shade Sails and upgrade and repairs to playground & equipment	\$
	Status	Committed
5-Sep-17	Res.84 – Shade shelter to be installed over playground.	25,000.00
24-Jul-19	In order to ensure the safety and efficiency of the shade shelter, MRC is seeking advice from the Alice Springs Town Council on the engineering requirements of suitable steel shade shelters they have commissioned.	
3-Oct-19	Plans have been received from Scope builders for a similar shelter and contractors have been asked to price. The minimum cost would be \$50,000.00 and does not include relevant permits (if necessary).	
9-Oct-19	Res.149 – Allocate a further \$15,000.00 to project.	15,000.00
13-Jan-20	Drafting for Areyonga playground shade structure.	-157.50
19-Feb-20	Res.18 – Reverse the allocation of \$15,000.00 .	-15,000.00
24-Jun-20	Drafting for Areyonga playground shade structure	-70.00
1-Dec-21	CSC to present quotes to the Local Authority.	
8-Dec-21	<u>Res 073</u> : Kept open project noting that Technical services will follow up to see if funding was available for the structures in playgrounds	
15-Mar-22	Tech Services have asked the LA to discuss the two quote options regarding the Shade Shelter. Both quotes exceed the allocated amount and are most likely to increase again. Tech Services requests to amend the quote if an options is approved and further funds allocated. (Quotes as attached) Option 1 - \$27,901.34 ex GST <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Flat Roof Patio as per a standard design. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Please note this will technically not be high enough to meet recommendations for playground shade structures. This unit has been priced in a full Colorbond finish. Option 2 - \$40,496.09 ex GST <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Gable Roof <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Shed Frame with no walls (price includes a 500mm Skirt around the gutter to allow for additional shade) o Due to the height of the gable unit we would need to take a few machines out to site such as 4wd scissor lifts and a boom lift so the install did increase a bit due to hire costs <p>There are no upcoming Infrastructure grants that Tech Services is currently aware of.</p>	

15-Jun-22	Res.092 - approved option one for the Shade Structure over playground supplied by Complete Steel Sales, quotation Q1151 (\$30, 691.47)	
15-Jun-22	Res.093 - Committed additional \$8,000.00 which includes the remaining funds \$5,256.67 from 2020/2021 grant to complete the project and accepts the quote Q1151.	8,000.00
23-Aug-22	Update – Tech Services, Simon Murphy Since initial pricing took place the price has risen substantially. The preferred design option (flat roof) has been re-priced on 18/8 at \$43k and the quote is only valid until end of August. The recent addition of \$8k to the project now has the available funds at \$32,772; more funds will be needed to progress this project.	
14-Sep-22	Res.108 – Renamed the project - Shade Sails and Upgrade and Repair of Playground Equipment	
	underspend or (overspend)	32,772.50

Project 2115	Youth board project	\$
	Status	Committed
9-Oct-19	Res.150 – Allocate \$4,140.00 to projects planned by the youth board.	4,140.00
6-Dec-21	Youth to present suggestions to the Local Authority for consideration (noted on the YB report)	
8-Dec-21	<u>Res 073</u> : Kept open project	
7-Jun-22	Email sent to YB Coordinator advising of the deadline for the project funds to be sent and to invite a Representative to attend the LA meeting to provide feedback/update to this project.	
15-Jun-22	Res.092 – kept project open noting that the Youth Team were advised that the funds could be forfeited if not spent by 30 June 2022.	
16-Jun-22	Purchase from EB games	-891.36
15-Jun-22	Purchase from Central fruits and veg	-157.80
29-Jun-22	MacYouth musical equipment	-2,727.27
14-Sep-22	Res.108 - Requested that the Youth Board get a quote for music speakers	
	Underspend or (overspend)	363.57

Project 2116	Trees at Football Oval	\$
	Status	Committed
5-Sep-18	Res.84 – To be planted at the football oval.	
24-Jul-19	This project is on hold and nothing has been ordered.	
19-Feb-20	Res.15 – Confirmation of allocation of \$1,000.00	1,000.00
13-May-20	Res.40 – Allocate \$506.81 from project 2154 to project 2158	506.81
16-Jun-21	Res.34 – Commit an additional \$5,000.00 and request that the CSC purchase trees.	5,000.00

1-Sep-21	Res.55 – Kept project open and advised that the trees were being supplied by the Department of Corrections.	
1-Dec-21	Trees are now being sourced by a local Nursery in Alice Springs	
8-Dec-21	Res 073: Kept open project	
15-Jun-22	Res.092 - Area manager and CSC will seek quotes from either Correction Centre or Alice Springs Nursery.	
14-Sep-22	Res.108 - Noted that there was no inventory available at the Alice Spring Nursery and currently waiting on quotes from the Correctional Centre.	
underspend or (overspend)		6,506.81

Project NEW	Stage near Basketball Court Status	\$ Committed
14-Sep-22	Res.108 - The Local Authority requested a stage, similar to the design in Kintore, be placed near the basketball Court.	
underspend or (overspend)		0.00

Balance of underspend or (overspend)	51,224.03
Total un-allocated funds	17,956.67
Total of unspent funds	69,180.70

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

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 Invoice INV-0303.pdf
- 2 Shade quote AJ Nichol.pdf



TAX INVOICE

Macdonnell Regional Council

Invoice Date

20 Oct 2022

Outback Vehicle Recovery

PO BOX 2737

Invoice Number

INV-0303

ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871

AUSTRALIA

Reference

P/O #089884

ABN

76 159 573 309

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	GST	Amount AUD
Lights x4 Pallets	1.00	1,800.00	10%	1,800.00
				Subtotal
				1,800.00
				TOTAL GST 10%
				180.00
				TOTAL AUD
				1,980.00

Due Date: 27 Oct 2022

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EFT Payment to Hapke PTY LTD

T/A Outback Vehicle Recovery

BSB: 085-995

ACC: 972 741 364

Please Use Invoice Number As Reference



QUOTE

To	Mac Donnell	From	A J Nicol Fencing PO Box 8240 ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871 AUSTRALIA ABN: 56 151 788 859
Quote Number	QU-0195		
Reference	shade roof Areyouga		
ABN	56 151 788 859		
Date	13 September 2022		
Expiry	13 October 2022		

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	GST	Amount AUD
supply Labour to install roof on shade structure at areyouga includes supply of screws and some concrete to reinstall posts (note all shade materials to be supplied.)	1.00	4,720.00	10%	4,720.00
Please Note no traveling cost allowed for will do same time pool fencing done.				
		Subtotal		4,720.00
		Total GST 10%		472.00
		Total AUD		5,192.00

Terms

All materials remain the Property of AJ Nicol fencing until invoice paid in full. Also Please note AJ Nicol fencing will take the proper precaution like ring dial before you dig but take no responsibility for hitting any services while digging footing holes.

LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 9.4
TITLE Discretionary Funds
REFERENCE - 324126
AUTHOR June Crabb, Governance Administration Officer

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Developing Communities
 Goal 02: Healthy Communities

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.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Areyonga Local Authority notes and discusses the spending of its 2022/2023 Discretionary Funds.

BACKGROUND

The Local Authority must decide how to spend their discretionary fund to enhance the community and best benefit everybody.

Date	2022/2023 Discretionary Funds	Approved Commitment \$	Expenditure remaining \$
1 July 2022	Approved funds	4,000.00	4,000.00
Balance Remaining			4,000.00

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

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

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds from the grant must be spent (with goods received) between 1 July and 30 June and cannot be carried over. The Areyonga community has \$4,000.00 to spend on community celebrations before 30 June 2023.

CONSULTATION

Areyonga Local Authority and Community

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 10.1
TITLE Council Service Coordinators Report
REFERENCE - 329864
AUTHOR Ken Satour, Area Manager

**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 Areyonga across the area of Local Government Service Delivery.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Areyonga Local Authority notes and accepts the attached report.

BACKGROUND

Nil

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Damien Ryan, Relief Council Service Coordinator, Areyonga
Ken Satour, Area Manager Service Centre Delivery.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 CSC Report March LA report 2023.pdf

TITLE Areyonga Service Delivery Report
DATE March 2023
AUTHOR Damien Ryan, Council Services Coordinator

SUMMARY:

As a relief CSC for Areyonga I arrived on the 13th February for four weeks. Thanks to the former ESO Kelly Ryan for the work load she carried over the Christmas and New Year period. MRC have a new CSC and ESO starting in Areyonga late this month. Please make them welcome

Update of Council delivered services in Areyonga across the area of Local Government Service Delivery.

Local Government Services Update

Animal Management and Control

- The Vets next visit will be the 15th and 16th of March.
 - The general health and body condition of dogs in Areyonga is good.
 - There is an increase in puppies at this time.
- As reported at the November LA there are still too many dogs per household.

Internal Road Maintenance

- We are waiting for the Loader to attend Areyonga to take away old cars to the tip.
- Community members are required to visit the MRC Council office and sign the car removal form to ensure unwanted cars can be moved to the waste management facility (Tip).
- Internal roads have too many private cars parked up on them which makes it difficult for the civil team to remove rubbish.
- The road have been maintained to a high standard, access into Areyonga has been kept clear of large rocks and spillway keep smooth to drive on. Recent rain caused some washaways on the road to airstrip, Sewage block and Power Station which have had gravel laid back on the surface to maintain these roads.

Parks and Open Spaces

- Parks and open spaces grass have been mowed and whipper sniped providing fire and snake protection to open area and shop area.
- We must be very careful with some much grass after the summer rains that it is everyone's reasonability to talk to family and friends about the harm a fire can cause to this community.

Waste Management

- Waste collection has been conducted twice weekly and hard rubbish twice per week.
- There is a large amount of waste thrown on the ground and we as a community need to encourage each other to "Keep Areyonga Clean, Stick it in the Bins"
- Civil team are kept busy picking up rubbish after others, if we can all use the bins provided our civil team can do other jobs to help our community.

Airstrip

- Reports completed and submitted to DIPL monthly on airstrip condition.
- Work order received and grass cutting has been done on the airstrip. Civil Team will complete this work in the near future

Essential Services

- Areyonga ESO continues to provide ongoing monitoring and maintenance to PowerWater assets in the community. All services have been provided at a high standard.
- Quarterly meter reads have been sent to PowerWater
- ESO has kept the grass and weeds under control in all PowerWater compounds
- NT Housing have recently had contractor plumber fixing leaks in the community.

Kind regards,
Damien Ryan

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COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER	10.2
TITLE	Community Service Areyonga Local Authority Report
REFERENCE	- 328977
AUTHOR	Jenny Murnik, Community Services Coordinator Administration

**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 Areyonga 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
Acting Manager of Youth Services – Dan Broadbent

ATTACHMENTS:

1 2023-03 - COMMUNITY SERVICES Areyonga LAR - approved.pdf

Community Service: Report on Operations

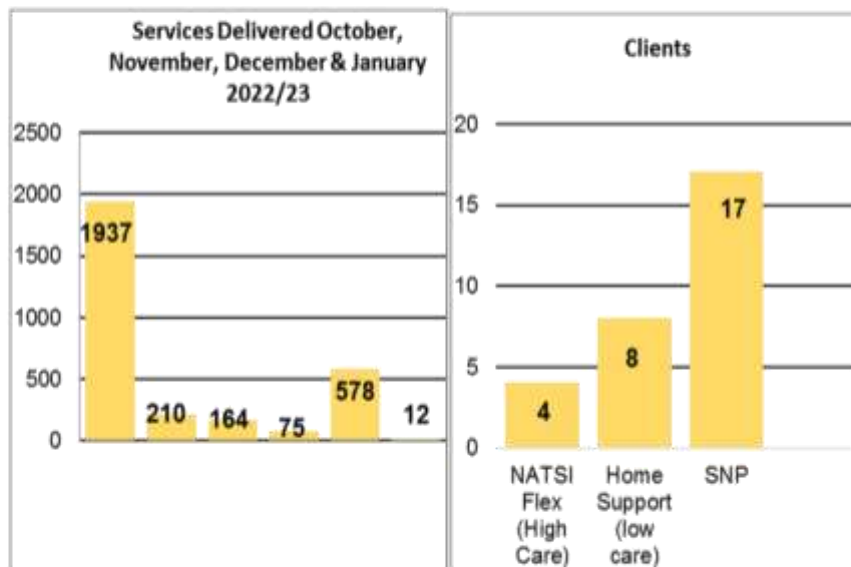


LOCATION: Areyonga Community
PERIOD: 1/10/2022 to 31/01/2023
AUTHOR: Sabine Wedemeyer, Director Community Services

AGED & DISABILITY SERVICES

Service Delivery and Engagement

- All Aged and Disability services fully delivered this reporting period excepting the disruption of Home Care services while the commencing Coordinator (Nolan Woolley) received training at MRC Alice Springs office from 5/12/2022 to 7/12/2022.
- Hampers were delivered as meal replacements to clients during the service disruption.
- Active engagement with stakeholders, and regular meeting/catch ups occurred to ensure quality services were delivered.



Other Updates

- Contingency plans were in place as arranged by MRC staff for the initial five working days of December while new Coordinator received training at MRC Alice Springs office.
- Christmas parties were arranged and took place with celebratory meals and presents for all clients in the Areyonga MacCare centre.
- As the public holidays this festive season fell on the weekends both Xmas, and New Years' eve hampers were prepared and delivered in a timely manner.

Clients enjoying their Christmas party in the Areyonga MacCare centre



CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Service Delivery and Engagement

- Due to a lack of qualified staff Early Learning Program was momentarily disrupted for this reporting period.



Other Updates

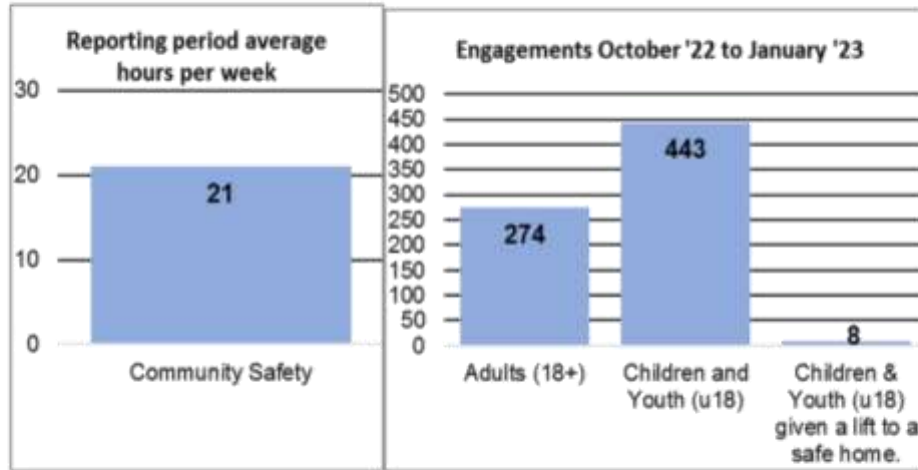
- Team Leader has resigned and position has been advertised since then, however without success.

COMMUNITY SAFETY

Service Delivery and Engagement



- Community Safety services were disrupted for 14 days during this reporting period, due to Cultural Business and staff shortages.



Other Updates

- The Areyonga MacSafe team works Monday to Friday, with the hours varying from 4:00pm to midnight, depending on the needs of the community and the weather.
- 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.
- Team Leader Wilbur and Community Safety Officer Mervyn, commenced Literacy and Numeracy training being run in Areyonga for any MRC employee. It is accredited training being delivered by the Ninti one Training organisation. Due to low attendance numbers, they will deliver the final units in Hermannsburg in a couple of months.
- The Yarning Circle, funded by the NT Department of Health, was completed during this period. All the staff were involved in its creation, with ex-Areyonga MacSafe Coordinator Yarran, helping the new Coordinator Valentine and the team. The space looks great with the new gardens, shade cloth and outdoor sitting area.
- The Areyonga MacSafe team is struggling with low staff numbers. We need new staff members who usually remain in community, to join our service.

Coordinator Valentine assisting Community Safety Officer Hilda, to fill out forms



Wilbur, Mervyn and Yarran working on the yarnning Circle posts



MacSafe ladies sitting at the New Yarning space, preparing for a barbeque



MacSafe Fellas sitting in the new Yarning Space



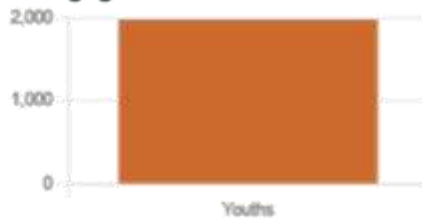
YOUTH SERVICES

Service Delivery and Engagement

- Youth programs delivered 94% (115/122 days) during this reporting period.



Youth engagement: 1976



Average hours per week: 29



Other Updates

- MacYouth Areyonga held a Youth Board Meeting. It was great to see the young people giving feedback about youth programs and telling us about their interests. MacYouth partnered with MRC Governance team to deliver a well organised Youth Board Meeting.
- MacYouth have music rooms and band equipment across of our services to allow young people and community members to engage in music. This includes practicing for concerts or working together to make new music.
- MacYouth Areyonga collaborated with the MacCare and cooked some Kangaroo tails for elders and the youths in the community.
- Youth Engagement Officer, Kathleen, teaches kids about the behaviour at the Rec Hall. She also explains to the kids about the youth workers roles and what other support (except the programs) can they expect from us such as;
 - 1. You can talk to the youth workers if you are having any problems
 - 2. As youth workers we are here to make sure you have fun and stay safe
 - 3. MacYouth are here to help
- MacYouth went loud, the concert was well enjoyed by the kids, youths and other community members. It was great to see people from Areyonga School, Areyonga pool and Mac Safe come by and play with the kids 😊😊
- Local Government Association of the NT Awards: Kathleen Windy, MacYouth Staff with Long Service Award for serving in Areyonga for 12 years.
- Case Manager is building stronger relationships with young people at program in Areyonga
- MacYouth Areyonga organised a cultural activity, where senior youth workers shared cultural stories and tips about wellbeing. After the session the youths danced in a circle in Pitjantjara and English songs. *Pitjantjara - Indigenous language used in some central Australian and south Australian communities including Areyonga.

Art Craft – Painting Mural on the wall



Concert



Cultural Activities



12 Years of Service



FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER	11.1
TITLE	Expenditure Report as at 28 February 2023
REFERENCE	- 330430
AUTHOR	Sheree Sherry, Manager Finance

**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 28 February 2023 in the Local Authority Community.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Areyonga Local Authority notes and accepts the expenditure report as at 28 February 2023.

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 2020-21 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 Areyonga - Local Authority Expenditure Detail by location.pdf

(Areyonga - Local Authority Expenditure Detail by localort_ORG_NAME)

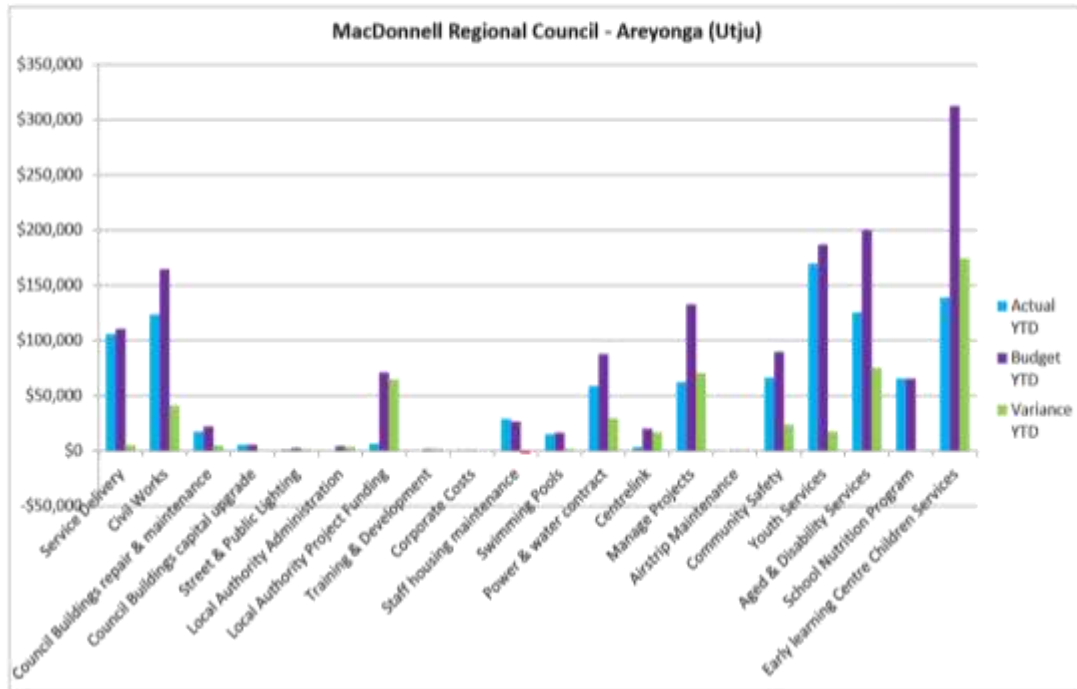
MacDonnell Regional Council - Areyonga (Ulu)					
Expenditure by Community as at 28th February 23					
Expenditure Category	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Budget Full Year	Notes on variations greater than 10% or \$10,000
COUNCIL SERVICES					
Service Delivery	128,878	110,748	4,870	148,388	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	76,869	78,830	1,962	120,472	4%
Other Operational	29,009	31,917	2,908	47,916	2.8%
					8.1%
Civil Works	123,411	164,463	41,051	263,836	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	126,815	158,710	31,895	254,606	Vacancies, Christmas and Business has affected staff turn out. New staff starting soon
Other Operational	(2,403)	5,753	8,156	8,830	
					20.1%
					199.2%
Council Buildings repair & maintenance	17,237	21,908	4,663	32,850	
Other Operational	17,237	21,908	4,663	32,850	
					21%
					21.3%
Council Buildings capital upgrade	8,828	8,830	3	164,770	
Capital	5,528	5,530	3	104,770	
					0%
					0.0%
Street & Public Lighting	1,190	3,320	1,130	3,480	
Other Operational	1,190	2,320	1,130	3,480	
					48%
					48.7%
Local Authority Administration	808	4,081	3,274	6,122	
Other Operational	808	4,081	3,274	6,122	
					88%
					87.6%
Local Authority Project Funding	8,820	70,834	64,214	106,401	
Other Operational	8,820	70,834	64,214	106,401	
					91%
					90.8%
Training & Development	0	1,667	1,667	2,500	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	0	1,667	1,667	2,500	
					100%
					100.0%
Corporate Costs	847	825	(222)	825	
Other Operational	847	825	(222)	825	
					-36%
					-38.8%
Staff housing maintenance	28,743	28,813	(70)	28,920	
Other Operational	28,743	28,813	(70)	28,920	
					-8%
					-8.0%
SUB-TOTAL - COUNCIL SERVICES	289,868	408,881	119,023	728,812	
					29.1%
NON-COUNCIL SERVICES					
Swimming Pools	14,747	14,400	1,683	24,600	
Other Operational	14,747	14,400	1,683	24,600	
					10%
					10.1%
Power & water contract	88,481	87,781	28,388	133,164	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	44,410	89,478	25,068	105,687	Vacant ESO position/Waiting for new staff to start on 27th March
Other Operational	14,071	18,311	4,240	27,467	
					36.1%
					23.2%
Centrelink	3,398	18,818	15,221	28,388	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	3,398	18,818	15,221	28,388	Vacance in the Centrelink position. To be advertised again
					83%
					82.8%
Manage Projects	67,268	122,817	70,581	168,830	
Other Operational	0	122,817	122,817	168,830	Wrong cost code
Capital	67,268	0	(67,268)	0	
					83%
					100.0%
					ADN/07
Airport Maintenance	0	873	873	1,010	
Other Operational	0	873	873	1,010	
					100%
					100.0%
Community Safety	68,046	89,647	23,881	128,889	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	53,822	70,291	16,689	109,505	Lack of available staff due to leave and cultural business
Other Operational	12,424	18,356	6,532	28,034	
					26%
					33.7%
					35.8%
Youth Services	168,831	186,742	17,238	280,832	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	137,614	148,699	11,085	208,789	Wages are low in Areyonga due to staff attendance
Other Operational	37,818	48,063	2,148	72,183	
					9%
					10.3%
					5.4%
Aged & Disability Services	125,177	200,248	74,811	318,787	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	55,750	76,827	21,377	133,606	Lack of staff
Other Operational	88,827	123,421	52,794	185,131	Lack of staff affected the operational expenses
					37%
					27.4%
					43.6%
School Nutrition Program	68,699	65,281	(2,913)	114,242	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	43,603	52,703	(9,000)	65,405	Wrong cost code
Other Operational	22,096	32,578	(10,831)	48,838	Centre link payment canceled by parents
					-1%
					-33.3%
					32.3%
Early Learning Centre Children Services	128,887	313,772	174,878	434,800	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	77,922	181,891	103,675	240,462	The Centre has been closed the entire time
Other Operational	60,775	131,772	90,307	194,338	
					86%
					81.8%
					88.8%
SUB-TOTAL - NON-COUNCIL SERVICES	794,280	1,112,290	408,086	1,842,872	
					36.7%
TOTAL	884,062	1,321,171	327,108	2,371,484	
					34.7%

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

(Areyonga - Local Authority Expenditure Detail by location1_ORG_NAME)

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

Discretionary Funds	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Budget full year
	0	4,000	4,000	4,000



GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2



ITEM NUMBER 12.1
TITLE General Business
REFERENCE - 324128
AUTHOR June Crabb, Governance 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:

The purpose of this report is to give members the opportunity to raise matters that they wish to discuss at item 12.1 - General Council Business.

It is to be noted that Technical Services has on their Capital Works Program a project to upgrade the Areyonga Council Office. Part of that scope is to replace the vinyl flooring with ceramic tiles.

As the flooring has artwork painted on it, members are being asked if they approve the removal of the vinyl flooring.

Additionally, the members are asked to discuss and give feedback on the following matters:

- a) LA meetings to be held in an outdoor space starting April 2023.
- b) LA meetings to be recorded for minute taking purposes.
- c) How can MRC assist the Local Authority members to achieve Quorum?
- d) Is there any suggestions from the Local Authority to encourage members to attend and participate in the meetings?
- e) Consultation to replace the flooring in Areyonga’s Reception Office
- f) Consultation on the Redevelopment of MRC’s 2023/2024 Regional Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Areyonga Local Authority:

- a) **notes and discusses the matters raised at Item 6.2;**
- b) **approves for a meeting to be held outdoors;**
- c) **accepts / does not accept that the Authority meetings can be recorded;**
- d) **provides feedback towards achieving quorum at Authority meetings;**
- e) **agrees that the vinyl flooring can be removed; and**
- f) **provides feedback on the Redevelopment of MRC’s 2023/2024 Regional Plan;**

BACKGROUND

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ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Areyonga Local Authority
Executive Leadership Team

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Areyonga Council Office.JPG



NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	13.1
TITLE	Other non-Council Business
REFERENCE	- 324129
AUTHOR	Gaurab Ghimire, Governance 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:

The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet provides any necessary updates in regards to Northern Territory Government services.

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

RECOMMENDATION

That the Areyonga Local Authority:

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

BACKGROUND

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- 2:.....
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ACTION REGISTER

Date raised	Action	Detail
8 Dec 2021	Housing/Empty Housing	<u>Res. 079</u> The Local Authority asked about future housing, current availability and what can be done to have a tenants removed from their house because they no longer stay in it. The representative advised that if residents have left their houses and moved elsewhere, but continue to pay rent, to raise this at the next Housing Reference Group meeting.
15 June 2022		<u>Res.099</u> - noted that there were no member present from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet (DCMC) and the Hon Minister Paech advised that he will address the existing action on housing/empty

		housing by writing to Minister of Housing and Homelands.
15 June 2022	CDP & Jobs for local resident	<u>Res.099</u> - It was discussed that there are no noticeable activities happening in the community to support local employment opportunities.
14 Sept 2022		<u>Res.115</u> – The Youth Board discussed the possibility to engage in volunteer work.
14 Sept 2022	Internet & Mobile Reception	<u>Res.115</u> – The LA raised that the telephone lines in the community houses have been disconnected and discontinued after renovation. DCMC Representative advised that he will provide a response at the next LA meeting.
14 Sept 2022	Rangers Program for Youth	<u>Res.115</u> – The Youth Board requested if there was any possibility of engaging the community's youth in the Rangers Program. DCMC Representative will consult with CLC and provide an update at the next LA meeting.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Areyonga Local Authority
Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.