



AGENDA

WALLACE ROCKHOLE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

WEDNESDAY 12 JULY 2023

The Wallace Rockhole Local Authority Meeting of the MacDonnell Regional Council will be held at the Wallace Rockhole Council Office on Wednesday, 12 July 2023 at 10:30am.

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

3.1 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

That members notes the attendance and accepts the apologies to the meeting.

3.2 ABSENTEES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCES

That members notes the absentees to 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 Wallace Rockhole Local Authority 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.

5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER	5.1
TITLE	Confirmation of Previous Minutes
REFERENCE	- 334048
AUTHOR	June Crabb, Governance Administration Officer



Unconfirmed minutes of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority Ordinary Meeting held 25 January 2023 and the Provisional Meeting held 5 April 2023 are submitted to the Authority for confirmation that the minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That members adopt the unconfirmed minutes of the Local Authority meetings as a resolution of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority as follows:

- a) **The Ordinary meeting held on the 25 January 2023; and**
- b) **The Provisional meeting held on the 5 April 2023.**

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 2023-01-25 WRH MINUTES (Draft).pdf
- 2 2023-04-05 WLA MINUTES (Draft).pdf



MINUTES OF THE WALLACE ROCKHOLE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD
IN THE WALLACE ROCKHOLE COUNCIL OFFICE ON
WEDNESDAY, 25 JANUARY 2023 AT 10:30AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10:38AM

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country – Chairperson Billy Porter

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

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Chairperson Billy Porter, Member Pamela Abbott, Member Terry Abbott, Member Colin Craig, Member Amanda Abbott, and Member Howard Abbott (arr. 10:44am)

Councillors:

President Roxanne Kenny, Councillor Bobby Abbott and Councillor Mark Inkamala

Council Employees:

Jeff McLeod – MRC's Chief Executive Officer, Michael Tomlinson – Manager Governance and Compliance, James Walsh – Acting Area Manager Service Delivery and June Crabb – Governance Officer

Guests:

Eric Turner – Regional Project Officer, Department Chief Minister and Cabinet

3.1 ATTENDANCE

WLA2023-001 RESOLVED (Bobby Abbott/Amanda Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority noted and accepted the attendance to the meeting.

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies

NIL

Absentees

NIL

3.3 Resignations

NIL

3.4 Terminations

NIL

3.5 Nominations

NIL

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT**4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT**

WLA2023-002 RESOLVED (Bobby Abbott/Amanda Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority noted the Council Code of Conduct.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

WLA2023-003 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Billy Porter)

That the Minutes of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority held 13 April 2022, 8 September 2022 and 19 October 2022, be adopted as a resolution of Wallace Rockhole Local Authority.

6 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA AND NOTIFICATIONS OF GENERAL BUSINESS AND NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS**6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED**

WLA2023-004 RESOLVED (Billy Porter/Bobby Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole 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

WLA2023-005 RESOLVED (Billy Porter/Bobby Abbott)

That the members chose to raise matters for discussion in General Council Business during the meeting.

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

WLA2023-006 RESOLVED (Billy Porter/Bobby Abbott)

That the members chose to raise matters for discussion in General Non-Council Business during the meeting.

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

WLA2023-007 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Amanda Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority noted the Conflict of Interest policy.

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

WLA2023-008 RESOLVED (Billy Porter/Bobby Abbott)

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

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) is an independent Federal Agency that operates under the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* and the reason for this paper is to provide information on the work they are doing in various remote communities on the Indigenous Electoral Participation Program (IEPP)

WLA2023-009 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Billy Porter)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority noted that Representatives from the Australia Electoral Commission did not attend the meeting.

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY REVIEW

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek feedback from the Local Authority on the structure and assembly of the Local Authority meeting Agenda to best meet the needs of the community and to ensure that their regional councils' planning, prioritising, funding and delivery of services and infrastructure is being met.

The intention is that LA's should be able to set their own agendas and conduct their own meetings, while recognising the role of Councils in managing administration and building capacity.

Following this report is an attachment of a meeting Agendas' Table of Contents and the subjects highlighted are a prerequisite for an Agenda.

The Local Authority is asked to discuss what they would like to see included in a meeting agenda and provide examples of good practices.

WLA2023-010 RESOLVED (Bobby Abbott/Terry Abbott)

That the Local Authority:

- a) reviewed and discussed the contents of a meeting agenda; and
- b) advised that the current agenda covered the Authority's needs.

9.2 ACTION REGISTER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

WLA2023-011 RESOLVED (Billy Porter/Terry Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority:

- a) noted the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received; and
- b) kept open action – Community Development Consultant.

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 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 \$400.00 of unallocated funds from the 2021/2022 project funds grant that must be expended (*with goods received*) by 30 June 2023.

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

WLA2023-012 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Pamela Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority noted and accepted the progress of their projects and kept open Projects;

- a) 2221 – Boundary Fence, noting that the Grader will be in community once it had finished with the roads damaged by the recent rain;
- b) 2223 – Upgrade to Gordon Ida Park, noting the request that the fence be made a priority and a quote for the irrigation be presented at the next Authority meeting;
- c) 2224 – Community Hall requesting that quotes be sought. One quote for a new power line connection, a second quote for reconnecting on the current system and a third quote for the prepaid meter box.
The Authority agreed that, should the store approve to having the power reconnected in their name, the ongoing cost would be paid from the Discretionary funds.

On inspection of the current power box, the CEO noted that the hall had its own power line and that Power and Water may just need to install a prepaid meter box;

- d) 2225 – Grade fire breaks, noting that the Grader will attend to the fire breaks.

WLA2023-013 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Bobby Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority approved to close Project 2222 – BBQ Trailer and return the underspend of \$1,522.80 to unallocated funds.

9.4 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

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

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

WLA2023-014 RESOLVED (Billy Porter/Terry Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority:

- a) noted that the gift cards purchased as prizes for best Christmas Lights had not been allocated due to rain affecting the competition;
- b) discussed alternative competitions for the community to participate in; and
- c) elected to discuss spending the remainder of their 2022/2023 Discretionary Funds at a later date.

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 CSC REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

WLA2023-015 RESOLVED (Howard Abbott/Terry Abbott)

That the Local Authority noted and accepted the Council Service Delivery report.

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 31 December 2022 in the Local Authority community.

WLA2023-016 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Amanda Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority noted and accepted the expenditure report as at 31 December 2022.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2

12.1 GENERAL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Under item 6.2, members have the opportunity to raise matters of General Business that are discussed at this report.

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

- a) Consultation on the Redevelopment of MRC's 2022/2023 Regional Plan.
- b) LA meetings to be held in an outdoor space starting April 2023.
- c) LA meetings to be recorded for minute taking purposes.
- d) How can MRC assist the Local Authority members to achieve Quorum?
- e) Is there any suggestions from the Local Authority to encourage members to attend and participate in the meetings?

WLA2023-017 RESOLVED (Amanda Abbott/Bobby Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority;

- a) noted that no General Business matters was raised at Item 6.2;
- b) accepted to hold meetings in an outdoor space;
- d) noted and agreed that meetings can be recorded for minute taking purposes;
- e) suggested sending a list of the Local Authority meeting dates to the CSC to print off and distribute to all members.

WLA2023-018 RESOLVED (Amanda Abbott/Terry Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority discussed the Development of the 2023/2024 Regional Plan and suggested that the highlights of Community Projects be put up on a Community noticeboard.

13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3

13.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

WLA2023-019 RESOLVED (Billy Porter/Bobby Abbott)

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority:

- a) noted that no Non-Council Business items was raised at item 6.3;
- b) noted and accepted the information on Local Decision Making; and
- c) noted that the Representative will follow up with NT Health on maintaining the yard and fence around the clinic.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 5 APRIL, 2023

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 12:08 pm.

This page and the preceding 6 pages are the minutes of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority Meeting held on Wednesday 25 January 2023 and are UNCONFIRMED.



MINUTES OF THE WALLACE ROCKHOLE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD
IN THE WALLACE ROCKHOLE COUNCIL OFFICE ON
WEDNESDAY 5 APRIL 2023 AT 10:30AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was conducted as a provisional meeting and declared open at 10:49am.

1.1 NOMINATION OF CHAIRPERSON

WLA2023-020 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Colin Craig)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority vote nominated Councillor Mark Inkamala as Chairperson of the meeting held 5 April 2023.

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country – Councillor Mark Inkamala

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

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Member Pamela Abbott, Member Terry Abbott and Member Colin Craig

Councillors:

Councillor Mark Inkamala,

Council Employees:

Chris Kendrick – Director Corporate Services, James Walsh – Area Manager Service Delivery, Ada Williams – CSC Wallace Rockhole and June Crabb – Governance Officer

Guests:

Grant Bowley – Community Engagement Officer, NT Health

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

Chairperson Billy Porter, Member Howard Abbott, Member Amanda Abbott, President Roxanne Kenny and Councillor Bobby Abbott

Absentees:

Nil

3.1 & 3.2 ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

WLA2023-021 RESOLVED (Billy Porter/Terry Abbott)

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

- a) the attendance to the meeting was noted; and
- b) the apologies received from Chairperson Billy Abbott, Member Amanda Abbott, Member Howard Abbott, Councillor Bobby Abbott and President Roxanne Kenny were accepted.

It was noted at this point that members were not happy that a Local Authority meeting occurred during Sorry Business and have asked Council to defer all future Local Authority meetings should there be Sorry Business in Community.

3.3 Resignations

NIL

3.4 Terminations

NIL

3.5 Nominations

NIL

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

WLA2023-022 RESOLVED (Pamela Abbott/Colin Craig)

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

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

WLA2023-023 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Pamela Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Minutes of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority meeting held 25 January 2023, were not confirmed as the meeting held on the 5 April 2023 was a provisional meeting.

Deputations / Guest Speakers was moved from between item 7.2 and item 9

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8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 TRACHOMA PROGRAM

WLA2023-023 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Billy Porter)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council and noted that the Representatives from the Trachoma team were an apology to the meeting.

The Chairperson accepted the impromptu deputation from Grant Bowley, Community Engagement Office from the Department of Health.

8.2 LOCAL HEALTH ADVISORY GROUPS

WLA2023-024 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Billy Porter)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council and noted the information shared by the NT Health Representative.

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

6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED

WLA2023-025 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Colin Craig)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council that the papers circulated were received for consideration at the meeting.

6.2 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

WLA2023-026 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Colin Craig)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council and noted that no Council Business matters was raised for discussion at item 12.1.

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

WLA2023-027 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Colin Craig)

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

- a) that no Council Business matters was raised for discussion at item 11.1; and
- b) that a Representative from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet was not in attendance to the meeting.

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

WLA2023-028 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Terry Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to note that the Conflict of Interest Policy was accepted.

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

WLA2023-029 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Terry Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council that no conflict of interest with the meeting agenda was declared.

Deputations / Guest Speakers was moved to between item 5.1 and item 6.

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 ACTION REGISTER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

WLA2023-030 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Mark Inkamala)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council and noted to keep the action – Community Development Consultant open.

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.

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.

There is currently \$1,921.80 of unallocated funds from the 2021/2022 project funds grant that must be expended (*with goods received*) by 30 June 2023.

WLA2023-031 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Colin Craig)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council that the progress of their projects was noted and kept open as follows:

- a) Project 2221 – Boundary Fence, noting that the Grader was currently clearing the fence line;
- b) Project 2223 – Upgrade to Gordon Ida Park, noting that the CSC is to seek quotes for different types of fencing;
- c) Project Community Hall – noting that Service Delivery will investigate on who owns the Hall/Lot; and
- d) Project 2225 – Grade the Fire breaks, noting that the breaks will be attended to once the Grader has completed the fence line.

9.3 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.

WLA2023-032 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Mark Inkamala)

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

- a) that the spending of their 2022 / 2023 Discretionary funds be deferred to a later date; and
- b) acknowledged that the funds had to be spent by June 30 2023.

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 COUNCIL SERVICES COORDINATORS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

WLA2023-033 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Colin Craig)

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

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

11.1 WALLACE ROCKHOLE LOCAL AUTHORITY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 31 March 2023 in the Local Authority community.

WLA2023-034 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Colin Craig)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council that the expenditure report as at 31 March 2023 was noted.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2

12.1 GENERAL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Under item 6.2, members have the opportunity to raise matters of General Business that are discussed at this report.

WLA2023-035 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Mark Inkamala)

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

- a) no General Business matters was raised at Item 6.2; and
- b) reiterated that Local Authority meetings be deferred if Sorry Business is happening in Community.

13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3

13.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

WLA2023-036 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Mark Inkamala)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council that no non-Council Business matters was raised at item 6.3.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 12 JULY, 2023

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 11:29 pm.

This page and the preceding 5 pages are the minutes of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority Meeting held on Wednesday 5 April 2023 and are UNCONFIRMED.

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

6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED

RECOMMENDATION

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority 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 members provides / did not provide notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business.

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

RECOMMENDATION

That members provides / did not provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business

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 Wallace Rockhole Local Authority Meeting:

- a) notes the Conflict of Interest Policy; and**
- b) that members declares / did not 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.

8. DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	8.1
TITLE	Electoral awareness for the 2023 Federal Referendum
REFERENCE	- 335052
AUTHOR	June Crabb, Governance Administration Officer



LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) is an independent Federal Agency that operates under the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* and the reason for this paper is to provide information on the activities being undertaken by the AEC in relation to the upcoming Federal Referendum.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority notes and provides feedback on the presentation from the Australian Electoral Commission.

BACKGROUND

AEC's intention is to address topics of the IEPP program that includes Enrolment and participation in voting events, Community Consultations, Stakeholder engagement and Employment opportunities.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Wallace Rockhole Local Authority

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

8. DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER	8.2
TITLE	Skills Development Program - Charles Darwin University
REFERENCE	- 335050
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 Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade has contracted Charles Darwin University to run a skills development project in the Tourism Industry. The skills development program aims to create economic opportunities and training in the community.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

- a) notes and accepts the presentation shared by the Representative; and
- b) discusses and provides feedback on the opportunities for community members to train and develop tourism skills.

BACKGROUND

Tethloach Ruey is attending to introduce the project to members and to seek expressions of interest in training and business development.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Wallace Rockhole Local Authority

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

9. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER	9.1
TITLE	Wallace Rockhole Youth Board Report
REFERENCE	- 335124
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:

MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC) has set itself a goal to support youth leadership development in all our 13 communities. In order to develop and support our young leaders, the MRC is in the process of developing Youth Boards across the MacDonnell region. MRC is currently working on developing a Youth Board in Wallace Rockhole.

The purpose of this report is to seek feedback from the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority on Wallace Rockhole Youth Board's below recommendations to the LA.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

- 1) Receives and notes the Wallace Rockhole Youth Board's meeting minutes from the 16th of May 2023;**
- 2) Discusses and decides on the Youth Board's funding request for \$100.00 to Intersport for AFL balls for the young people.**

BACKGROUND

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.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

The Wallace Rockhole Local Authority to provide feedback on recommendations above.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Youth Board 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

Wallace Rockhole Youth: Casey Ogivleve, Ethan McCormack, Wayne McMillan, Alton Mills
Kaisa Suumann, Community Engagement Project Coordinator, Governance and Compliance
Department, MacDonnell Regional Council

ATTACHMENTS:

1 MRC Wallace Rockhole Youth Board meeting minutes - 16-05-2023.pdf



MacDonnell Regional Council Youth Board - Meeting Minutes

Date	16/05/2023
Community	Wallace Rockhole
Chairperson	Casey Ogivleve
Minute taker	Ethan McCormack
Youth Board Members	Casey Ogivleve, Ethan McCormack, Wayne McMillan, Alton Mills
Council Employees	Kaisa Suumann
Guests	-

Agenda Item 1	Our meeting's rules Respectful, Honest, Put the interest of the community first, Taking Care, Accountable for decisions made
Agenda Item 2	Welcome from the Chairperson – Casey Ogivleve opened the meeting and welcomed everybody.

Agenda Item 3	Feedback to the MacDonnell Regional Council The Youth Board's suggestions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• There are some holes in the roads around Wallace Rockhole and the Youth Board was wondering if they could be filled.• Is it possible to get one more swing for the park?• Basketball court's hoop post need adjusting to be straight.• New AFL balls, medium size, and soft cover ones. Maybe 3 balls? Resolution: The Youth Board voted on these above listed topics and agreed to put these ideas forward to the Council.
Agenda Item 4	Other Topics/Questions/comments: NIL
Agenda Item 6	Next meeting time In June. Leadership skills workshop on 23/06/2023
Agenda Item 7	Meeting Closed The meeting was closed on 16/05/2023 at 12.15pm

9.

LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER	9.2
TITLE	Local Authority Projects
REFERENCE	- 334052
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.

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.

There is currently \$1,921.80 of unallocated funds that is yet to be allocated to projects.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Wallace Rockhole 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 2221		Boundary Fence	\$
(Raised 9/02/22)			
Action	Status	Committed	
9-Feb-22	Res.014 – The Wallace Rockhole Local Authority created a new project named Boundary fence, committed \$19,400.00 to the project and requested that the Civil team look at what materials are needed and what work needs to be done and to provide these details to the CSC and the Director Service Delivery to ensure that the project gets underway.	19,400.00	
13-Apr-22	Res.031 – Kept project open.		
23-Aug-22	Update from Tech Services, DTS proposed that WRH Civil team could possibly do the work. Will need to follow up with SCD for clarification.		
8-Sept-22	Res.048 – b) noted and discussed the possibility of engaging CDP to assist in the work required for the boundary fence and the CEO responding that the Service Delivery Director will be notified to work out the logistic side of this task such as wages and hours.		
13-Sept-22	Invoice received from Hardy Fencing for supplies and materials.	- 8,937.65	
19-Oct-22	Res.064 – Kept project open.		
13-Jan-22	<u>Update from Tech services:</u> Some parts of the Boundary fence has been done, but the most of it needs to be cleared of trees with a grader to completely complete the boundary fence.		
25-Jan-23	Res.012 -the Grader will be in community once it had finished with the roads damaged by the recent rain.		
5-Apr-23	Res.031 – Kept project open noting that the grader has cleared the fence line.		
28-Jun-23	Update from the CSC – Fence line has been cleared of trees and shrubs, with most of the boundary fencing almost completed.		
	underspend or (overspend)	10,462.35	

Project 2223		Upgrade to Gordon Ida Park	\$
Action	Status	Committed	
19-Oct-22	Res.064 – Created new project naming 'Upgrade to Gordon Ida Park', allocating \$6,000.00 towards the upgrade to include irrigation, plants and established trees. CSC to obtain quotes to present at next meeting.	6,000.00	
13-Jan-22	<u>Update from Tech services:</u> This project has not gone ahead as yet, quote will		

	be given at the next LA Meeting for the irrigation and plants and then it will be discussed with the LA members.	
25-Jan-23	Res.012 – Requested that the fence be made a priority and a quote for the irrigation be presented at the next Local Authority meeting.	
5-Apr-23	Res.031 – kept project open noting that the CSC is to seek quotes for different types of fencing.	
7-Jul-23	Update from CSC – Quote for the fence to be presented at the meeting.	
	underspend or (overspend)	6,000.00

Project 2224		Community Hall	\$
Action	Status		Committed
19-Oct-22	Res.064 – Created new project naming 'Community Hall', allocating \$6,000.00 and requested that a prepaid power meter be installed. Director Community Services advised that MRC will look into who is responsible for the hall and discussed the possibility that the hall could be used for Sports and Recreation for the youth and that a grant might be available through CAYLUS. An update will be provided for at the next Local Authority meeting.		6,000.00
13-Jan-22	<u>Update from Tech services:</u> This project is still in the organizing stage and will be spoken about at the next LA meeting to see where it is at regarding the power for the hall.		
25-Jan-23	Res.012 – Requested that quotes be sought. One quote for a new power line connection, a second quote for reconnecting on the current system and a third quote for the prepaid meter box. The Authority agreed that, should the store approve to having the power reconnected in their name, the ongoing cost would be paid from the Discretionary funds. The Store owner has yet to agree. On inspection of the current power box, the CEO noted that the hall had its own power line and that Power and Water may just need to install a prepaid meter box.		
5-Apr-23	Res.031 – Kept project open noting that Service Delivery will investigate on who owns the Hall/Lot.		
28-Jun-23	Noted that the power connected to the hall may still be under Ken Porter/Store.		
	underspend or (overspend)		6,000.00

Project 2225		Grade fire breaks	\$
Action	Status		Committed
19-Oct-22	Res.064 – Created new project 'Grade fire breaks' – requesting that the fire breaks be maintained around the entire perimeter of the community starting from the turnoff into Wallace Rockhole. Members requested that MRC contact Tjuwanpa and liaise with them to assist with grading and the use of their grader.		0.00
13-Jan-22	<u>Update from Tech services:</u> Community is awaiting word on a grader to do the fire breaks around the whole Community.		
25-Jan-23	Res.012 – Noted that the Grader will attend to the fire breaks.		
5-Apr-23	Res.031 – kept project open noting that the firebreaks will be attended to once the Grader has completed the fence line.		
28-Jun-23	Project completed – Recommend to close		
		underspend or (overspend)	0.00

Budget consideration		
	Balance of underspend or (overspend)	22,462.35
	Total un-allocated funds	1,921.80
	Total unspent funds	24,385.15

Wishlist and estimated costs

Priority

Date proposed

Scope

Estimate \$

Action

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.

9. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER	9.3
TITLE	Discretionary Funds
REFERENCE	- 334054
AUTHOR	June Crabb, Governance Administration Officer

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 02: Healthy Communities

Goal 03: Empowered 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 Wallace Rockhole Local Authority:

- a) notes the expenditure of their 2022/2023 Discretionary funds; and
- b) notes the new allocation and discusses the spending of the 2023/2024 Discretionary funds

BACKGROUND

Date	2022/2023 Discretionary Funds	Approved Commitment \$	Expenditure remaining \$
1 July 22	Approved funds	4,000.00	4,000.00
19 Oct 22	Res.065 - Elected to discuss the spending of their 2022/2023 Discretionary fund at a later date.		
11 Dec 22	Kids Xmas presents purchase from Kmart		-535.00
13 Dec 22	Xmas lights competition gift cards purchase from Woolies.		-1,000.00
15-Dec-22	Purchase from Woolies		-908.89
25-Jan-22	Res.012 – Project 2224, Community Hall requesting that quotes be sought. One quote for a new power line connection, a second quote for reconnecting on the current system and a third quote for the prepaid meter box. The Authority agreed that, should the store approve to having the power reconnected in their name, the ongoing cost would be paid from the Discretionary funds. On inspection of the current power box, the CEO noted that the hall had its own power line and that Power and Water may just		

	need to install a prepaid meter box;		
25-Jan-22	Res.014 – a) that the gift cards purchased as prizes for best Christmas Lights had not been allocated due to rain affecting the competition; b) discussed alternative competitions for the community to participate in; and c) elected to discuss spending the remainder of their 2022/2023 Discretionary Funds at a later date.		
5-Apr-23	Res.032 – Funds be deferred to a later date noting that the funds had to be spent with tax invoice received before 30 June 2023.		
As of 30 June – funds forfeited			1,556.11

2023/2024 Discretionary Funds

Date	2023/2024 Discretionary Funds	Approved Commitment \$	Expenditure remaining \$
1 July 23	Approved funds		4,000.00
Balance Remaining			4,000.00

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Local Authorities decide how to best spend this money to broadly benefit the community. The Local Authority is responsible for consulting with community members to ensure that community priorities are taken into account when allocating discretionary funds.

Examples that Discretionary funds can be used for:

- Community Christmas and New Year's Festivity
- Community BBQ's
- Sports weekends
- Naidoc Celebration

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There is a current balance of **\$4,000.00** to spend before 30 June 2024.

This money cannot be carried over from one financial year to the next and must be fully expended between 1 July and 30 June annually or the funds forfeited.

CONSULTATION

The Local Authority and community

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

10. COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER	10.1
TITLE	Council Services coordinators report
REFERENCE	- 334931
AUTHOR	James Walsh, Area Manager 1

**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 Wallace Rockhole across the area of Local Government Service Delivery

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the Council Service Delivery report

BACKGROUND

NIL

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

NIL

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

NIL

CONSULTATION

Ada Williams, CSC, Wallace Rockhole
James Walsh, SCD Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

1 JULY 2023 Wallace RockHole CSC Report for Local Authority.pdf

Council Services Coordinator's Report

Service Delivery Report

TITLE Wallace Rockhole Service Delivery Report
DATE July 2023
AUTHOR Ada Williams, Council Services Coordinator



SUMMARY:

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

BACKGROUND

Local Government Services Update

Cemetery Management

- Civil team continue to do weekly maintenance at the cemetery keeping it neat and tidy.

Animal Management

- The Vets visit was on April the 27th dogs were treated for ticks with sprays. Dogs and cats also got injections for disease as well. 2 animals got desexed, and some of the female dogs were given injections to stop them breeding.

Internal Roads and Traffic Management

- Sides of the roads are needing slashing this is being done slowly
- Pot holes are appearing again and civil team will be working to fix this.
- Main access road into the Community has had some grader work on it.

Parks and Open Spaces

- General Maintenance done fortnightly on both parks by works team.
- Plants at Levi Penham Park continue to grow fine.
- Gordon and Ida park will hopefully be getting irrigation put in to keep the trees nice and healthy

Waste Management

- Rubbish collection done twice a week (Tuesday & Thursday) and civil have been maintaining a regular schedule for this
- Hard Rubbish collected monthly or when needed
- Dump maintained once a week.
- Waste Separation bays continue to do ok and is cleaned weekly or when full
- Dump has been cleared of all grass.

Weed Control and Fire Hazard Reduction

- Resent rains have made the grass grow again around the Community this will be all slashed..
- Fire breaks around the Community boundary fence has been done

Council Services Coordinator's Report



Local Authority Updates

Other Issues

- Nil



- **Boundary Fence**

The Wallace Boundary fence is almost finished,

Ada Williams

Council Services Coordinator
Wallace Rockhole

11. FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER	11.1
TITLE	Expenditure Report as at 30 June 2023
REFERENCE	- 335005
AUTHOR	Osman Kassem, Acting Finance Manager



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 2023 in the Local Authority community.

RECOMMENDATION

That That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority notes and accepts the expenditure report as at 30 June 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 need 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:

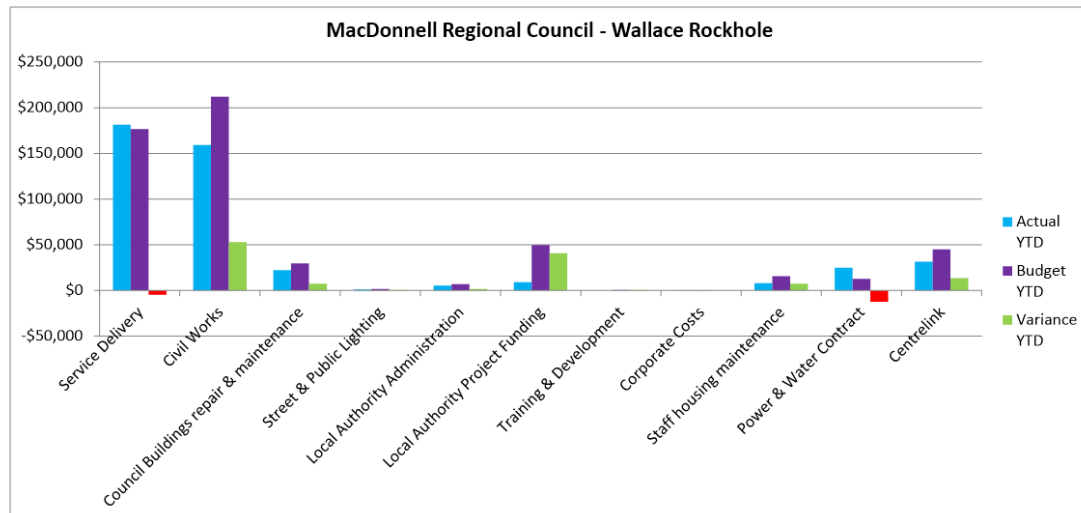
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MacDonnell Regional Council - Wallace Rockhole					
Expenditure by Community as at 30th June 23					
Expenditure Category	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Budget Full Year	Notes on variations greater than 10% or \$10,000
COUNCIL SERVICES					
Service Delivery	181,335	176,684	(4,651)	176,684	-3%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	138,688	131,549	(7,140)	131,549	-5.4%
Other Operational	42,646	45,135	2,489	45,135	5.5%
Civil Works	159,077	211,890	52,813	211,890	25%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	152,924	205,809	52,885	205,809	25.7%
Other Operational	6,153	6,081	(72)	6,081	-1.2%
<i>Vacant position and not budgeted correctly ESO/Team Leader.</i>					
Council Buildings repair & maintenance	22,140	29,620	7,480	29,620	25%
Other Operational	22,140	29,620	7,480	29,620	25.3%
Street & Public Lighting	1,105	1,550	445	1,550	29%
Other Operational	1,105	1,550	445	1,550	28.7%
Local Authority Administration					
	5,431	6,923	1,492	6,923	22%
Other Operational	5,431	6,923	1,492	6,923	21.6%
Local Authority Project Funding					
	8,938	49,722	40,784	49,722	82%
Other Operational	8,938	49,722	40,784	49,722	82.0%
Training & Development					
	0	500	500	500	100%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	0	500	500	500	100.0%
Corporate Costs					
	316	316	0	316	0%
Other Operational	316	316	0	316	0.0%
Staff housing maintenance					
	8,020	15,520	7,500	15,520	48%
Other Operational	8,020	15,520	7,500	15,520	48.3%
SUB-TOTAL:- COUNCIL SERVICES	386,361	492,724	106,364	492,724	21.6%
NON-COUNCIL SERVICES					
Power & Water Contract					
	24,967	12,607	(12,360)	12,607	-98%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	20,867	800	(20,067)	800	-2508.3%
Other Operational	4,100	11,807	7,707	11,807	65.3%
<i>Overspend reflects underspend from civil team, Budget coding issue</i>					
Centrelink					
	31,437	45,069	13,632	45,069	30%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	31,437	45,069	13,632	45,069	30.2%
<i>Low staff attendance</i>					
SUB-TOTAL:- NON-COUNCIL SERVICES	56,403	57,676	1,273	57,676	2.2%
TOTAL	442,764	550,400	107,636	550,400	19.6%

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.



12. GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2

ITEM NUMBER	12.1
TITLE	General Business
REFERENCE	- 334050
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 paper is to give members the opportunity to discuss with Council the General Business matters raised at item 6.2.

It is to be noted that at the Council Meeting held 30 June 2023 – the Elected Members agreed to reschedule Local Authority Meetings should Sorry Business be happening within Community.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority:

- a) notes and discusses the General Business items raised at Item 6.2; and
- b) notes that Council agreed to reschedule Local Authority Meetings should Sorry Business be happening in community.

BACKGROUND

1:.....
 2:.....
 3:.....

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Wallace Rockhole Local Authority

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.

13. NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3



ITEM NUMBER 13.1
TITLE Other non-Council Business
REFERENCE - 334051
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 paper is to note and discuss the matters raised at item 6.3 and to be informed of any updates to the actions relating to services provided by the Northern Territory Government.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Wallace Rockhole 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;
- c) notes that a Representative was not in attendance at the last Authority meeting; and
- d) approves to close any outstanding actions.

BACKGROUND

- 1:.....
- 2:.....
- 3:.....
- 4.....
- 5.....

Date	Action Item	Descriptions
13-Apr-22	Local Decision making	Res.036 – This item is on DCMC representative, Eric Turner and a report has been in the agenda.
8-Sept-22		Res.052 – The Local Authority requested that the DCM&C Representative attend the next LA meeting to address the matter on Local Decision Making and the Community Development Consultant.
19-Oct-22		Res.069 - Members acknowledged that the Representative from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet will return to the next meeting to discuss Local Decision Making.
25-Jan-23		Res.019 – noted and accepted the information on local decision making.

25-Jan-23	Clinic	<p>Res.018 – Members requested that NT Health attend to maintenance of the fence and grounds of the clinic as the area was overgrown and fence damaged.</p> <p>Res.019 - noted that the Representative will follow up with NT Health on maintaining the yard and fence around the clinic.</p> <p>DCMC Representative followed up with NT Health and was advised by David Reeve - General Manager Primary and Public Health Care that the fence and lawn will be taken care of.</p>
1-Feb-23		

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Executive Leadership Team
Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments to this report.