



## **AGENDA**

# **AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING WEDNESDAY 6 DECEMBER 2023**

The Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting of the MacDonnell Regional Council will be held at the Amoonguna Council Office on Wednesday 6 December 2023 at 10:30 AM.

Belinda Urquhart  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**



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

**3.1 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

That members note the attendance and accept the apologies to the meeting.

**3.2 ABSENTEES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCES**

That members note the absentees to the meeting.

**3.3 RESIGNATIONS**

NIL

**3.4 TERMINATIONS**

NIL

**3.5. NOMINATIONS**



<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	3.5.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Nominations to Amoonguna Local Authority
<b>REFERENCE</b>	- 340412
<b>AUTHOR</b>	June Crabb, Governance Administration Officer

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Developing Communities  
 Goal 03: Empowered Communities

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this paper is to highlight the membership of the Amoonguna Local Authority and to note any vacancies available to community residents.

*One vacancy remains on the Local Authority and it is recommended that Community nominations remain open to fill the vacancy.  
 As per Council policy MC01-CP, ref: 8.1:1(b) – Council will appoint any suitable nominations.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) notes that there is one vacancy remaining on the Local Authority; and
- b) calls for community nominations to remain open for 28 days to fill the vacancy.

**BACKGROUND**

The charts below show the current membership of the Amoonguna Local Authority (the Authority) and the vacancy available in the Authority as of November 2023.

CURRENT	CURRENT
<b>7 Appointed Members</b>	<b>4 Elected Members</b>
Caroline Peters (Chairperson)	Cr Andrew Davis
Samantha Stuart	Cr Lisa Sharman
Henry Oliver	Cr Patrick Allen
Lawrence Webb	Cr Aloyischois Hayes
Audrey Miller	
Sharon Alice	
Vacant	

The Local Authorities are made up of local members. They have four (4) Local Authority meetings per year and discuss things like council service delivery, project funding, project ideas and progress, finances etc.

Functions of the Local Authority (*Local Government Act 2019* section 78):

- (a) To involve local communities more closely in issues related to local government; and
- (b) To ensure that local communities are given an opportunity to express their opinions on questions affecting local government; and
- (c) To allow local communities a voice in the formulation of policies for the locality as well as policies for the area and the region; and
- (d) To take the views of local communities back to the council and act as advocates on their behalf; and
- (e) To contribute to the development of the relevant regional plan; and

- (f) To make recommendations to the council in relation to:
  - (i) The council's budget; and
  - (ii) The part of the council's area within which the local authority performs its functions; and
- (g) To perform other functions assigned to the local authority by the Minister, in accordance with any guidelines that the Minister may make.

**ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Council's Local Authority Meeting Procedure, para.4.14: Nominations and Appointments states:

- a) nominations will be tabled at the next local authority meeting and considered. A recommendation on the nominations to Council will be recorded and presented with the nomination forms at the next Council meeting.
- b) in the case that there is a nomination or nominations submitted but no timely local authority meeting (that is before the next council meeting), nominations will still be presented to the next Council meeting. The Council may appoint based on the submitted nominations.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

If Local Authorities do not maintain their membership numbers, their ability to make quorum for their meetings is impaired and they may not be able to commit funds to Community projects and events.

**CONSULTATION**

Amoonguna Local Authority

**ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments to this report.





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#### **4. MACDONNELL COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	4.1
<b>TITLE</b>	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 Amoonguna Local Authority note the Council Code of Conduct.**

#### **MacDonnell Regional Council Code of Conduct**

##### **Interests of the Council and Community come first**

A member must act in the best interests of the community, its outstations and the Council.

##### **Honesty**

A member must be honest and act the right way (with integrity) when performing official duties.

##### **Taking care**

A member must be careful to make good decisions (diligence), and must not be under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs, when performing official duties.

##### **Respect/Courtesy**

A member must be respectful to other members, council staff, constituents and members of the public.

##### **Conduct towards council staff**

A member must not direct, reprimand, or interfere in the management of council staff.

##### **Respect for culture**

A member must respect different cultures, families and language groups (cultural diversity) and not be unfair towards others, or the opinions of others, because of their background.

##### **Conflict of interest**

A member must, if possible, avoid conflict of interest between the member's private interests (family, other job, business etc.) and duties.

Where a conflict exists, the member must inform the Council, Local Authority or Council Committee and not take part in the discussion or vote.

##### **Respect for private business**

A member must not share private (confidential) information that they heard as a member, outside of meetings.

A member must not make improper use of confidential information to gain a benefit or to cause harm to another.

**Gifts**

A member must not ask for or encourage gifts or private benefits from anyone who might want to do business with or obtain a benefit from Council.

**Accountable**

A member must be able to show that they have made good decisions for the community, and have allocated the Council's resources carefully and to benefit the region.

Failure to comply with this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action.

**ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

The Code of Conduct Policy helps Council to ensure that the:

- MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC) exercises strong and accountable governance;
- constituents of MRC are aware of the behaviours they can expect from members.

**5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 5.1  
**TITLE** Confirmation of Previous Minutes  
**REFERENCE** - 340413  
**AUTHOR** June Crabb, Governance Administration Officer



Unconfirmed minutes of the Amoonguna Local Authority meeting held on the 20 September 2023 is submitted to the Authority for confirmation that the minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the minutes of the Amoonguna Local Authority ordinary meeting held on 20 September 2023 be adopted as a true and correct record of the proceedings.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1 2023-09-20 AMLA MINUTES (Draft).pdf



MINUTES OF THE AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE  
AMOONGUNA COUNCIL OFFICE ON  
WEDNESDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 10:AM

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**1 MEETING OPENING**

The meeting was declared open at 10:28AM

**2 WELCOME**

2.1 Welcome to Country – Chairperson Caroline Peters

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

**3.1 Attendance**

Local Authority Members:

Chairperson Caroline Peters, Member Henry, Member Lawrence Webb, Member Samantha Stuart and Member Sharon Alice

Councillors:

Councillor Andrew Davis, Councillor Lisa Sharman, Councillor Patrick Allen, Councillor Aloyischois Hayes and President Roxanne Kenny

Council Employees:

Aaron Blacker – Director Technical Services, Kitty Comerford – Manager Property and Tenancy, Jessica Kragh – Manager Youth Services, Liz Scott – Manager Community Safety (arrived at 10:50am) and June Crabb – Governance Officer

Guests:

Thomas King – Project Officer, Department Chief Minister and Cabinet, Manoj Bhatta and Gloria Baliva – Menzies Research Representatives, Shane Franey – Liaison Officer, Member for Namatjira Office, Brendan Boyce and Cheryl Russell – Territory Families Representatives and Cianne McConville – Power and Water Representative (called into the meeting)

**3.2 Apologies/Absentees**

Apologies:

Member Audrey Miller

Absentees:

NIL

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**3.3 Resignations**

NIL

**3.4 Terminations**

NIL

**3.5 Nominations****3.5.1 NOMINATIONS TO AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this paper is to highlight the membership of the Amoonguna Local Authority and to note any vacancies available to community residents.

*One vacancy remains on the Local Authority and it is recommended that Community nominations remain open to fill the vacancy.*

*As per Council policy MC01-CP, ref: 8.1:1(b) – Council will appoint any suitable nominations.*

*It is noted that the nominations received from Audrey Miller and Sharon Alice were endorsed by Council at the June 2023 OCM.*

**AMLA2023-041 RESOLVED (Henry Oliver/Lisa Sharman)**

That the Amoonguna Local Authority:

- a) welcomed Sharon Alice and Audrey Miller to the Authority;
- b) noted that there is one vacancy remaining on the Local Authority; and
- c) called for community nominations to remain open for 28 days to fill the vacancy.

**4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT****4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT****AMLA2023-042 RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Aloyischois Hayes)**

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

**5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES****5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES****AMLA2023-043 RESOLVED (Andrew Davis/Patrick Allen)**

That the minutes of the Amoonguna Local Authority ordinary meeting held on 7 June 2023 be adopted as a resolution of the Amoonguna Local Authority.

**6 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA AND NOTIFICATIONS OF GENERAL BUSINESS AND NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS****6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED****AMLA2023-044 RESOLVED (Lawrence Webb/Henry Oliver)**

That the Amoonguna 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****AML2023-045 RESOLVED** (Caroline Peters/Lisa Sharman)

That members provided notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business as follows:

- a) Amoonguna Store

**6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS****AML2023-046 RESOLVED** (Caroline Peters/Lisa Sharman)

That members provided notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business as follows:

- a) Housing

**7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST****7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS****AML2023-047 RESOLVED** (Patrick Allen/Lisa Sharman)

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

**7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION****AML2023-048 RESOLVED** (Patrick Allen/Lisa Sharman)

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

The impromptu deputation from Brenden Boyce, Executive Director of Remote Housing for Territory Families was approved by the Chair and discussed at this point.

**8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS****8.4 REMOTE HOUSING**

Representatives were in attendance to the meeting to discuss the needs and concerns from the community around NT Housing.

**AML2023-049 RESOLVED** (Lawrence Webb/Caroline Peters)

The Amoonguna Local Authority:

- a) noted the information shared by the Remote Housing Representatives;
- b) provided the following feedback:
  - more houses needed.
  - streamline the reporting process on repairs.
  - regular HRG meetings.
  - improve communication.

### 8.1 MENZIES SCHOOL OF HEALTH RESEARCH

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Menzies School of Health Research is one of Australia's leading medical research institutes dedicated to improving the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The purpose of this presentation is to consult with remote Aboriginal communities to obtain endorsement to conduct research on a project titled 'Examining the impact of extreme temperature on Public Health Care services utilisation in remote Central Australia to inform adaptation strategies'.

**AMLA2023-050 RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Andrew Davis)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) noted the presentation; and
- b) signed their acceptance to support Menzies School of Health in conducting research on how extreme temperatures affects the clinic use for community residents.

### 8.2 GUIDE TO THE 2023 REFERENDUM

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Representatives from the Member for Namatjira's Office is presenting information on the 2023 Referendum, to ensure that members are aware and can make an informed decision about the choice they make when they cast their vote on the 2023 referendum.

**AMLA2023-051 RESOLVED (Patrick Allen/Lisa Sharman)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted and accepted the information shared by the Representatives.**

### 8.3 REMOTE PREPAYMENT POWER METERS

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Power and Water has recently started to replace prepayment meters in remote communities with 4G mobile network cover. Within the MacDonnell Regional Council area, Power and Water expect that this will affect 11 of the 13 communities with a few locations to be assessed for the strength of the mobile network.

The Power and Water engagement team will be onsite during the roll out to explain the changes to customers.

**AMLA2023-052 RESOLVED (Patrick Allen/Caroline Peters)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) noted and accepted the information received from the Representatives of Power and Water Corporation; and
- b) requested that Power and Water present to the community before the changeover to the new power meters occurs.

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

### **9.1 ACTION REGISTER - AMOONGUNA LA**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

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

#### **AML2023-053 RESOLVED (Henry Oliver/Andrew Davis)**

That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted and accepted the progress reports on the actions from the minutes of the previous meeting and closed action – Invite Youth Board Members.

### **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.

**Amoonguna has allocated all their available funds to spend on Community projects.**

#### **AML2023-054 RESOLVED (Henry Oliver/Lisa Sharman)**

That the Amoonguna Local Authority:

- a) noted the progress to keep open projects as follows:
  - 2107 – Solar lights, noting that the lights had been collected from Haasts Bluff and were now in community.
  - 2230 – Fence for Footy Oval, requesting that \$4,000.00 of this projects commitment be returned to unallocated funds.
  - 2231 – agreed to rename the Project to Shade Shelters for the Sorry Camp, noting the request for separate male and female shade shelters, and to prioritise a quote to supply and install one 6 x 6m shelter first.
  - 2232 – Softball Oval, noting the Area Manager to follow up with the location of the cracker dust.
  - 2106 – Install a Water Bubbler near ablution block, requesting quotes be sourced to vandal proof bubbler.

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- c) discussed the possibility of a BMX track and Skate Park, noting that this item will be moved to the wish list.
- d) approved to close Project 2105 – Youth Board, returning \$168.54 to unallocated funds.

### 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.

**AML2023-055 RESOLVED** (Andrew Davis/Lawrence Webb)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority:

- a) noted and discussed the spending of its 2022/2023 Discretionary Funds;
- b) noted the 2023/2024 Discretionary funds allocation of \$3,228.80; and
- c) allocated \$1,700.00 to the Youth Board for the School Holiday Program during September, December and January holidays.

Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:30pm  
Meeting resumed at 1:04pm

## 10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

### 10.1 CSC LA RPORT

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

**AML2023-056 RESOLVED** (Aloyischois Hayes/Caroline Peters)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted and accepted the attachment report.

### 10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICE AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

**AML2023-057 RESOLVED** (Lawrence Webb/Samantha Stuart)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the Community Services report; and
- b) noted in particular, the statistics provided by MacYouth, Aged Care and Disability were inconclusive, requesting additional information on how many clients utilise the service and how often in all future reports.

**11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS****11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORTS AS AT 31/08/2023****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

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

**AML2023-058 RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Patrick Allen)**

That the Amoonguna Local Authority:

- a) noted the expenditure report as at 31 August 2023; and
- b) noted in particular, the overspend for the repairs and maintenance to Council's Buildings.

Item 13 – Non Council Business was discussed at this point.

**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.

**AML2023-059 RESOLVED (Sharon Alice/Patrick Allen)**

That the Amoonguna Local Authority:

- a) noted that the Non-Council Business matter raised at Item 6.3 had been discussed with Territory Families, Housing and Communities Representatives.
- b) provided feedback to the Representative from Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet as follows:
  - Regular Police presence in community.
  - Stolen vehicles driven into community and dumped.
  - Firebreak around community.
  - Street light installed at the Ross Highway turnoff.

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

The purpose of this paper is to give members the opportunity to discuss any General Council Business matters.

**AML2023-060 RESOLVED (Henry Oliver/Caroline Peters)**

That the Amoonguna Local Authority:

- a) noted the matter raised at item 6.2 was not discussed at this point.
- b) Raised the possibility for a new Aged Care facility and a new Storage shed, requesting that the Director Community Services investigate how this can be achieved.
- c) Requested that a review of the streetlights be conducted.

Note: At the point the meeting was closed to discuss a confidential matter.

## **12.2 CLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC FOR DISCUSSION OF A CONFIDENTIAL ITEM**

**AML2023-061 RESOLVED (Andrew Davis/Lisa Sharman)**

That the Amoonguna Local Authority approves the closure of the meeting to the public as confidential items are discussed. The meeting is closed in accordance with clause 51 (1)(c)(iv) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 as the matters to be discussed include information that, if publicly disclosed, would be likely to prejudice the interest of the council or some other person.

## **13 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS.**

Tabled in Confidential session

## **14 RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Pursuant to section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and clauses 51 and 52 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, the meeting is to be opened to the public following the consideration of confidential matters. Resolutions will be transferred to the open meeting upon the determination of Local Authority.

**AML2023-062 RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Aloyiscois Hayes)**

The Amoonguna Local Authority resolved to reopen the meeting to the public.

## **15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 6 DECEMBER, 2023**

## **16 MEETING CLOSED**

The meeting concluded at 2:30 pm.

This page and the preceding 7 pages are the minutes of the Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting held on Wednesday 20 September 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 Amoonguna Local Authority noted the that the papers circulated were received for consideration at the meeting

**6.2 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS****RECOMMENDATION**

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

**6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS****RECOMMENDATION**

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

**7. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	7.1
<b>TITLE</b>	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 Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting:**

- a) **Note the Conflict of Interest Policy; and**
- b) **That members declare any conflicts of interest.**

**BACKGROUND**

Conflicts of interest arise when members are influenced, or appear to be influenced, by personal interests when doing their jobs. The perception of a conflict of interest – the way it seems to the public - can be as damaging as an actual conflict, because it undermines public confidence in the integrity and fairness of MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC).

Under the *Local Government Act*, not declaring a conflict of interest or improperly disclosing information can lead to imprisonment.

**Examples of conflicts of interest and improper disclosure of information:**

Tendering and Purchasing – financial conflict of interest

- Example: Council has advertised for a contractor for irrigation of a football oval. A member is employed by a company which has tendered for the contract. This may affect, or it may reasonably be suspected that it could affect, their ability to make an unbiased or fair decision when the contract choice is considered by Council.

Tendering and Purchasing – non-financial conflict of interest

- Example: A contractor tendering for a Council contract for road works offers to seal the road to a member's house. The member would not be seen as impartial or fair when choosing the contractor for the job.

Information and Opportunities

- Example: a member may know a lot of information about tenders for contracts coming up in the MRC area before the tenders are made public. Conflicts can arise if the member gives this information to a friend or relative working for a company so they can have a better chance of winning the contract.

Undue Influence

- Example: a member tries to pressure a hotel in Alice Springs into providing free accommodation, because they are a member of Council.

**Declaring a Conflict of Interest**

As soon as practical after a member becomes aware of a conflict of interest in a matter that has come up or is about to come up before or during a meeting (council, local authority or council committee), the

member must disclose or tell the relevant interest to the meeting and to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of MRC.

Details of members' interests and the nature of those interests will be recorded in the relevant Register of Interests published on the Council's website and to be available for any member of the public to look over at the Council's public office.

In addition, if a member enters into a personal or business relationship with another member or Council employee that could result in a conflict of interest, then this relationship must be reported to the President and CEO. A file note will be made and recorded on the relevant Register of Interests.

### **Uncertainty about whether a conflict of interest exists or not**

If a member is unsure whether or not they have a conflict of interest, they should give full details to the CEO or seek independent legal advice.

The CEO does not have a responsibility to decide whether or not a member has a conflict of interest in a matter. The responsibility for determining whether a member has a conflict of interest is up to the individual member.

### **If you do have a Conflict of Interest**

After a member has disclosed the nature of the interest, the member must not, without approval from the Minister:

- be present during any discussion of the meeting when the matter is being discussed
- take part in any decision related to the matter
- Influence another member in their decision.

Members will not become involved in the promotion or endorsement of products and/or services unless this has been approved in line with Council's policies and Code of Conduct.

### **Complaints Regarding Failure to Disclose an Interest**

Any person may make a complaint that a member has or may have failed to disclose or tell of a conflict of interest. All complaints should be directed to the MRC CEO.

### **ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

The Disclosure of Interests Policy helps Council to ensure that:

- the business of Council is conducted with efficiency, fairness, and integrity; and
- members act in the best interests of Council and do not seek personal or family gain when performing their duties or use their public office for personal gain.

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**9. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 9.1  
**TITLE** Action Register - Amoonguna LA  
**REFERENCE** - 340414  
**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:**

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) **notes and accepts the progress reports on the actions from the minutes of the previous meeting as received; and**
- b) **approves the closure of any completed actions.**

**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**

Amoonguna Local Authority

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 AMLA Outstanding actions for meeting - 6 Dec 2023.pdf

### Amoonguna – current actions as at 30 November 2023

Meeting	Officer/Director	Section	Subject
Amoonguna Local Authority 20/09/2023	Lacey, Gina	Community Services Report	Community Services reports
<b>Action: AMLA2023-057 – Additional information to Community Services reports (raised 20 September 2023)</b>			
AMLA2023-057 RESOLVED		(Lawrence Webb/Samantha Stuart)	
That the Amoonguna Local Authority:			
b) noted in particular, the statistics provided by MacYouth, Aged Care and Disability were inconclusive, requesting additional information on how many clients utilise the service and how often in all future reports.			

Meeting	Officer/Director	Section	Subject
Amoonguna Local Authority 20/09/2023	Lacey, Gina	General Business	New Aged Care & Storage Shed
<b>Action: AMLA2023-060 – Childcare Building (raised 20 September 2023)</b>			
AMLA2023-060 RESOLVED		(Henry Oliver/Caroline Peters)	
That the Amoonguna Local Authority:			
b) raised the possibility for a new Aged Care facility and a new Storage shed, requesting that the Director Community Services investigate how this could be achieved.			



## 9. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER	9.2
TITLE	Local Authority Projects
REFERENCE	- 340415
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 \$37.360.32 of unallocated funds to allocate and spend on Community projects.***

***It is important to note that \$52,729.96 are funds that are at risk of being returned to NTG. This amount is from funds committed to current Projects but remains unspent as well as unallocated funds.***

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Amoonguna Local Authority:

- a) notes the progress of their projects; and
- b) recommends to note completion and close Project 2106 – Install Water Bubbler, returning the underspend of \$2,942.68 to unallocated funds
- c) 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 2106		Install a water bubbler near ablution block	\$
		Status	Committed
7-Jun-23	Res.034 - Allocated \$3,816.68 to the project.		3,816.68
20-Sept-23	Res.054 – Requested a vandal proof bubbler be installed.		
11-Oct-23	Advanced Plumbing has installed the new bubbler.		-874.00
		<b>underspend or (overspend)</b>	<b>2,942.68</b>

Project 2107		Solar lights	\$
		Status	Expenditure
10-Nov-21	Res.80 – That the Local Authority opened a new project named Solar lights, committed <b>\$20,000.00</b> towards the purchase of five (5) Solar lights and will discuss with the CSC on the locations.		20,000.00
9-Mar-22	The Local Authority were asked to revise the commitments made at the 10 Nov 2021 meeting as there were insufficient funds to cover the new projects. Their resolution is as follows: Res.016 - Retained the \$20,000.00 that was allocated to the purchase of five new Solar lights.		
9-Mar-22	Res.16 - That that Authority were advised that the costs would range between \$3,200.00 ea. for Stealth lights and \$5,500.00 for the larger lights, excl. GST.		
1-Jun-22	Res.036 – Request CSC and LA members works together with Councillor Ellis to provide options for a suitable location.		
31-Aug-22	Project 2107 – Solar lights, approved quote Q004251, received from green from for \$16,022.25 and requested the lights be put on at Stuart park, end of lot 96 corner, basketball court men shade, bus stop/clinic and behind aged care.		
20-Sep-22	PO of \$15,765.50 raised against the quote from Green Frog for the Solar lights.		-15,765.50
2-Nov-22	Res.082 - lights have not been received yet, kept project open.		
7-Jun-23	Res.034 - Advised that lights may have been delivered to Haasts Bluff. Area Manager to follow up and order concrete for installation.		
18-Sept-23	Area Manager is looking to source transport to return the lights from Haasts Bluff to Amoonguna		
17-Oct-23	Lights are in community and cement on order from Bunnings, collecting auger from Santa Teresa. Lights should be installed before Dec LA meeting. Invoice from Bunnings for Pre-mix cement		-469.53
		<b>underspend or (overspend)</b>	<b>3,764.97</b>

Project 2230		Fence for the Footy Oval	\$
		Status	Committed
2-Nov-22	Res.082 – Create a new project with allocation of \$5,000.00 and requested Service Delivery to provide cost estimation.		5,000.00
7-Jun-23	CLC are also seeking funding for this project. Quotes still to be sourced.		
18-Sept-23	Area Manager to contact CLC to find out where they are at with sourcing funding for the fence.		
20-Sept-23	Res. 054 – Members returned \$4,000.00 of the Project funds to unallocated funds, noting that the Project is on hold until a response from CLC is received.		-4,000.00
<b>underspend or (overspend)</b>			<b>1,000.00</b>

Project 2231		Shade Shelters for the Sorry Camp	\$
		Status	Committed
2-Nov-22	Res.082 - Created new project with allocation of \$10,000.00		10,000.00
7-Jun-23	Res.034 - Project kept open.		
18-Sept-23	No quotes received or update provided.		
20-Sept-23	Res.054 – Agreed to rename Project to Shade Shelters for the Sorry Camp, noting a request for separate male and female shade shelters, and to prioritise a quote to supply and install one 6 x 6 m shelter first.		
7-Nov-23	Quotes attached for LA approval		
<b>underspend or (overspend)</b>			<b>10,000.00</b>

Project 2232		Softball Oval Cracker Dust and Fencing	\$
		Status	Committed
2-Nov-22	Res.082 - Created new project and allocated \$5,000.00 to the project.		5,000.00
7-Jun-23	Advised that the funds will not cover a fence for the Softball oval. Director Technical Services will provide an update to Cracker dust at the next meeting.		
17-Sep-23	Cracker dust to be delivered to community.		
20-Sept-23	Members noted that Service Delivery will follow up with the location of the cracker dust.		
10-Nov-23	Invoice received from Hy-Tech Ind. For Aggregate		-1,307.90
<b>underspend or (overspend)</b>			<b>3,692.10</b>

Budget consideration		
	<b>Balance of underspend or (overspend)</b>	<b>21,399.75</b>
	Unallocated funds	37,658.54
	<b>Total unspent funds</b>	<b>59,058.29</b>

**Wishlist items:**

Raised 7 June 2023 to be followed up with:

- Res.028 – Two additional bollards requested
- Res.035 – Automatic lights installed at Basketball Court to go on between 7pm – 10pm.

Raised 20 September 2023 for members to consider at a later date:

- Res.054 – BMX Track and Skate Park

**Examples of *Unacceptable Purposes for Expenditure* include:****ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

- 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:**

- 1 Bluedust Quote Q10049 - Amoonguna sorry camp structure.pdf
- 2 Hawkeye Quote QU0280 - Amoonguna sorry camp structure.pdf
- 3 SR Building Quote QU0501 - Amoonguna sorry camp structure v2.pdf



## BluedustNT

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## QUOTATION

MacDonnell Shire Regional Council  
PO BOX 5267  
Alice Springs NT 0871  
0889589616

Quote No: Q10049  
Site: 1 Bagot Street  
The Gap NT 0870

Date: 16 October 2023  
Valid For: 15 November 2023

### Quote | Amoonguna Sorry Camp shade structure

**LA Project 2231:** Amoonguna Sorry Camp shade structure

Gable Roof Structure

Supply and installation of shade structure with concrete slab at approved location

Includes

- Dimensions: 6m (span) x 6m (length) Gable Roof
- 4 x Columns & 2 x Rafters
- 2.7m to lowest eave
- Roof pitch 15 deg gable
- Roof Colorbond Corrugated
- Colour Surfmist
- Barge & Ridge Colorbond
- Section 40 - Engineering & Drafting (No allowance for Building/Occupancy Permit)
- Gal Finish for All Steelwork
- Excludes Gutter & Downpipes

\$35,525+GST

Skillion Roof Structure

Supply and installation of shade structure with concrete slab at approved location

Includes

- Dimensions: 6m (span) x 6m (length)
- 4 x Columns & 2 x Rafters
- 2.7m to lowest eave
- Roof pitch 10 deg



- Roof Colorbond Corrugated
  - Colour Surfmist
  - Barge Colorbond
  - Section 40 - Engineering & Drafting (No allowance for Building/Occupancy Permit)
  - Gal Finish for All Steelwork
  - Excludes Gutter & Downpipes
- \$29,220+GST+GST**

Concrete Slab  
 Prep, Form, Pour & Finish Concrete Slab - approx 36m2  
 Includes

- 25MPA With F72 Mesh
- 200x100mm Edge Thickening

**\$11,700+GST**

Establish Site & Site Prep  
 Includes

- 50m Temp Fence
- Site Preparation, machine levelling & prep site for Slab/Edge Thickening
- Assumes any excess fill material can be lost onsite

**\$3,005+GST**

Sub-Total ex GST	<b>\$0.00</b>
GST	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Total inc GST</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>



# QUOTE

MacDonnell Regional Council

**Date**  
25 Oct 2023

**Expiry**  
24 Dec 2023

**Quote Number**  
QU-0280

**Reference**  
LA Project 2231: Amoonguna  
Sorry Camp shade structure

**ABN**  
95 607 036 046

Hawkeye Carpentry &  
Construction  
PO BOX 1833  
ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871  
AUSTRALIA  
Ph. 0459488179  
Email.  
hawkeyent@gmail.com

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	GST	Amount AUD
LA Project 2231: Amoonguna Sorry Camp shade structure	1.00	31,200.00	10%	31,200.00
· Supply and installation of shade structure Dimensions: 6m (span) x 6m (length) Bay width: 3m x 2 bay(s) at 6m each Height to lowest eave: 2.7m Roof pitch: 15 deg gable Roof: Colorbond surf mist Corrugated with engineering plans and Section 40 Certificate.				
Concrete slab under shade shelter 6m by 6m	1.00	12,380.00	10%	12,380.00
Subtotal				43,580.00
TOTAL GST 10%				4,358.00
<b>TOTAL AUD</b>				<b>47,938.00</b>

## Terms

All quotations for work will be provided based on the information given to The Company by the customer. Any variations to the work following the issue of the quotation and prior to commencement of work shall result in a revised quotation being issued for acceptance.

For variations after work has commenced, a fixed price to cover the variation shall be agreed between The Company and the customer and added to the final invoice.

In the event that requirements change due to insufficient information having been provided, defects found in existing installations, etc. the customer will be liable for any additional expense incurred.

Quotations shall remain valid for acceptance by the customer for a period of one calendar month following the issue of the quotation and work is to commence within two calendar months from the date of the quotation else a new quotation will be required.

Estimates are provided on a best endeavours basis only and, unless a fixed price quotation (see above) has been provided to the customer, work will be charged based upon the price of parts provided by The Company plus labour which will be charged by the hour or part thereof and may include time taken to research, source and purchase any materials provided.

Unforeseen Costs

The customer shall be liable to meet the cost of any additional work, services or fittings that need to be provided to rectify any event or situation which arises during the course of the works that are unexpected or are beyond The Company's control. The Company can not be held responsible for such events or situations. If accommodation is needed, it will be payed by the customer.





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# QUOTE

MacDonnell Regional Council  
 PO Box 5267  
 ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871  
 ABN: 21 340 804 903

Date: 07 Nov 2023  
 Quote Number: QU-0501  
 Reference:  
 Expiry: 29 Dec 2023

## LA Project 2231: Amoonguna Sorry Camp shade structure

LA Project 2231: Amoonguna Sorry Camp shade structure

- Supply and installation of shade structure with concrete slab at approved location
  - o Dimensions: 6m (span) x 6m (length)
  - o Bay width: 3m x 2 bay(s) at 6m each
  - o Height to lowest eave: 2.7m
  - o Roof pitch: 15 deg gable
  - o Roof: Colorbond Corrugated
  - o Colour: Surfmist
  - o Barge: Colorbond
  - o Concrete slab and footings in adherence with Australian Standards AS 2870 and AS 3600
- Quote must be itemised as per below:
  - o Materials
  - o Labour (site prep, installation etc.)
  - o Concrete Slab supply and install separately
- Price to include site establishment, engineering plans and Section 40 Certificate.

NOTE: MRC to supply AAPA Certificate

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	GST	Amount AUD
Materials	1.00	7950.00	10%	7950.00
Labour	1.00	8230.00	10%	8230.00
Concrete slab	1.00	8420.00	10%	8420.00
			Subtotal	24600.00
			Total GST 10%	2460.00
			Invoice Total AUD	27060.00

**Terms**

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Terms of Quote are 60 Days

**9. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	9.3
<b>TITLE</b>	Discretionary Funds
<b>REFERENCE</b>	- 340416
<b>AUTHOR</b>	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 Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) notes and discusses the spending of its 2023/2024 Discretionary Funds; and
- b) notes that the funds have to be spent by 30 June 2024.

**BACKGROUND**

Date	2023/2024 Discretionary Funds	Approved Commitment \$
1-Jul-23	Approved funds	<b>4,000.00</b>
22-Aug-23	Community BBQ approved by signed Discretionary funds letter as attached.	-771.20
20-Sept-23	Res.055 – Members allocated \$1,700.00 to the Youth Board for the School Holiday program during September, December and January School holidays.	-1,700.00
30-Nov-2023	No PO has been raised for the September holiday program.	
	<b>Balance Remaining</b>	<b>1,528.80</b>

**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 **\$1,528.80** 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**

Amoonguna Local Authority

**ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments to this report.

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**10. COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS**

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**ITEM NUMBER** 10.1  
**TITLE** SCD - LA Report Amoonguna  
**REFERENCE** - 341689  
**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 Amoonguna across the area of Local Government Service Delivery.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority note and accept the attached report.**

**BACKGROUND**

Nil

**ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Nil

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

**CONSULTATION**

Keith Hassett – Director – Service Centre Delivery  
Ken Satour – Area Manager – Service Centre Delivery  
Simran Behl – Council Service Coordinator – Service Centre Delivery

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1 2312 Local Authority report - Amoonguna.pdf

## Service Delivery Report



**TITLE:** Amoonguna - Service Delivery Report  
**DATE:** November'2023  
**AUTHOR:** Simran Behl - Council Service Coordinator

**SUMMARY:**

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

## Local Government Services Update

### Animal Management

- The Vets visited Amoonguna on 5th & 6th September.
- They visited every community house to do animal health checks.
- No pets were euthanized during this visit.

This report relates to the Community Dog Health Program performed for the MacDonnell Regional Council on the Amoonguna Community Dogs on 5- 6 September, 2023. Procedures performed are summarised below:

	Spayed	Castrated	Tick/Mange Injection	Tick Spray	MPA*	Vaccinations	Euthanasias
<b>Number of Dogs</b>	2	1	93	113	10	21	0
<b>Number of Cats</b>	0	0	22	N/A	7	N/A	0
<b>Total</b>	2	1	115	113	17	21	0

\* MPA is a contraceptive that delays heat/decreases libido for up to 6 months.

The Community’s Dog Population Health Status is summarized below:

Health Parameter	Mange / Skin Problems	Ticks	Fleas	Lice	Body Condition Score
Health Level	7.53% of total dog population (8.4%)	1/5 (1.9/5)	0/5 (0.2/5)	0/5 (0.1/5)	3/5 (3.0/5)
Previous Level	38.03%	4/5	0/5	0/5	2.5/5
Notes	Large decline	Large decline	Nil	Nil	3/5 is optimum condition

(NT Community Average from same period in previous year is in brackets)

### Internal Road Maintenance

- Potholes were repaired as required, streets are in good condition.
- There are a few road and park signs that are missing or damaged that need replacing.
- Slashing of the verges was done, however with the recent rains it is now an ongoing job.
- Internal streets are swept fortnightly or as required. Broken glass is a continued issue on our streets and at basketball court.

## Service Delivery Report



*Tony Palmer sweeping community streets to make sure all streets are clean from dust and broken glass*



*Lawrence washing the speed humps and parks playing areas and common sitting areas*

### Maintenance of Parks and Open Spaces

- All parks and equipment are in good condition.
- We are waiting for new bollards to arrive and they will be installed at Ross Park as per council's traffic management plan.
- Parks and open spaces have been cleaned and maintained. The civil team have been making sure to clean sharp objects and broken glass left in play areas.

### Sports Grounds

- Sports grounds are in good condition.
- Softball court has had new quarry sand laid and the civil team cut the grass recently.
- Shade and sitting areas on both ovals are clean and civil team are maintaining them regularly.
- Recently the civil team cleaned the Basketball court that was vandalised with graffiti. Unfortunately after the team cleaned up, it was once again vandalised.



Amoonguna Oval and basketball court after slashing was done

## Service Delivery Report



*Amoonguna softball oval with new quarry sand*

## Waste Management

- Wheelie bins are emptied twice a week on Mondays and Thursdays. We will follow the same schedule during festive season.
- The Amoonguna waste management facility is working well, illegal rubbish is an ongoing issue and the waste facility is being set alight by unknown offenders.
- The waste pit is pushed twice a week.
- Hard rubbish is collected on Wednesdays afternoons and as per requirement.
- The week of 20<sup>th</sup> November, Amoonguna civil worked with Healthabitat, NT Health and Congress in a community clean-up. We had all houses within the community cleaned by Tangentyere and pest control carried out. We were able to remove 32 loads of white goods and hard rubbish. We also removed 8 cars from community yards.



*Civil team cleaning up drop off bays*

*Civil team rescuing Police's bogged car at waste management facility*



## Service Delivery Report



### Weed Control and Fire Hazard Reduction

- Slashing and grass cutting around community is ongoing after recent rains.
- During the recent fires the civil team worked hard to keep the grass levels down and maintain firebreaks for the community's safety.



*Sherwin from Road crew has been a big help to Amoonguna civil team with firebreaks around community roads*

### Local Authority projects Updates

#### Finke Local Authority progress of projects;

- Project **2107** – Auger and cement are now in community and works will commence next week. expect completion will be early 2024.
- Project **2230** – Waiting on information from CLC – on hold
- Project **2232** – Cracker dust has been laid and is now complete.

### Other Service Delivery Updates

- Due to the amount of damage caused during the break-in, Amoonguna store has been closed since August 2023.
- New power meters have been installed in all community houses. This was requested by the LA members at the meeting. Community members will be able to top-up power from 17 different locations in Alice Springs, online as well over the phone.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year in advance from Amoonguna civil team and Service Delivery staff Kammie Goodwin and Anya Riley.

Amoonguna council office and Centrelink will be closed for Christmas week but the Civil team will still be collecting rubbish and ESO duties as per normal.

Simran Behl  
Council Services Coordinator – Service Centre Delivery  
Amoonguna



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**10. COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	10.2
<b>TITLE</b>	Community Service Amoonguna Local Authority Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	- 341977
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Jenny Murnik, CS 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 Amoonguna 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 Service – Emily McBride  
Manager of Community Safety – Liz Scott  
Manager of Youth Services – Jessica Kragh

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 2023-12 - COMMUNITY SERVICES Amoonguna LAR - approved.pdf
- 2 2023-12 - MACYOUTH Amoonguna LAR.pdf

# Community Service: Report on Operations

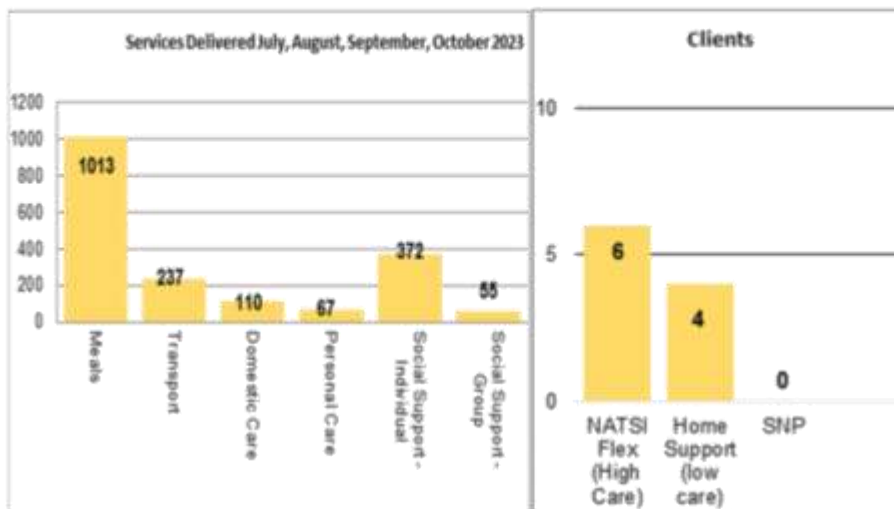


**LOCATION:** Amoonguna Community  
**PERIOD:** 1/09/2023 to 31/10/2023  
**AUTHORISED:** Gina Lacey, Director Community Services

## AGED & DISABILITY SERVICES – Emily McBride Service Delivery and Engagement



- All Aged Care services were fully delivered without disruption following Covid-19 protocols for the reporting period.



### Other Updates

- All positions have been filled, with rosters in place to reduce wage costing and overspending.
- Annie Rankine was promoted to the remaining part time position. The last of duplicated employee codes have now been resolved, and back on track to streamline staff processes.
- Active engagement with stakeholders, regular team meetings and catch ups to ensure quality services are being delivered.
- Cert III Individual support continued in October for Sharon Alice, Audrey Miller, Annie Rankine & Caroline Peters.
- Food Handling Training rolled out in Hermannsburg for all team leaders and coordinators.

**Food Safety Training – Hermannsburg**



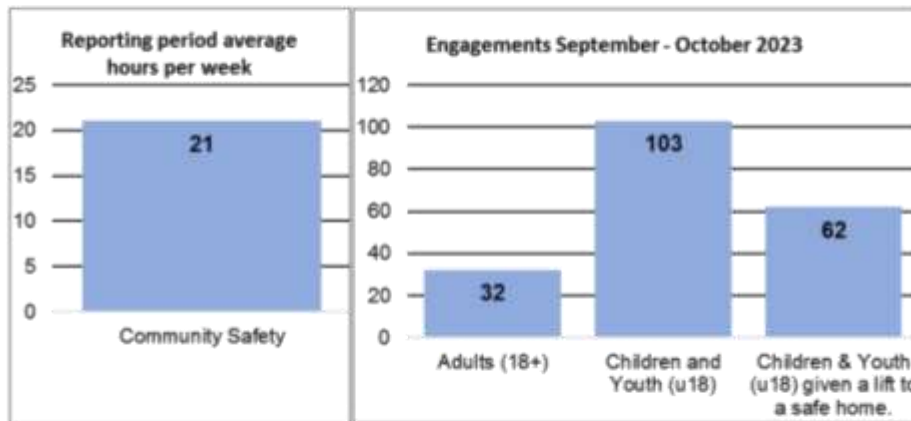
**Certificate III – Individual Support Training**



**COMMUNITY SAFETY – Liz Scott**  
**Service Delivery and Engagement**



- Community Safety services were disrupted for 8 days during this two month reporting period, due to Sorry Business and staff shortages.



**Other Updates**

- The Amoonguna Community Safety Team operates on a 5 day roster, Monday to Friday from 6pm to 11pm. The small team continues to provide a reliable service to the Amoonguna community; and works closely with MacYouth, assisting young people to and from the Rec Hall and sporting activities, especially after the Friday night discos.
- With new staff joining the Amoonguna Team, I am pleased to let the community know that Rosina Dixon is officially the new MacSafe Team Leader and Cheryl Alice is the Senior Community Safety Officer (SCSO).
- The third Digital Literacy and Numeracy training (LLN) was delivered by Ninti training in Amoonguna during this reporting period, with one more scheduled in November. Each unit consists of 3 days training; and is run in the Council Office.
- Following on from the last LA Meeting, when the members asked me to invite the Police Superintendent to the next LA meeting, I have spoken to the Southern Commander, James Gray-Spence; and he would like to attend.
- After working with MRC as a MacSafe Coordinator in the eastern communities for over five years, Cristiano Castro has decided to move to the east coast after visiting family in Brazil. He finished with the Council at the end of October. I know he will be missed by his teams; and he will miss the communities he has dedicated himself to, whilst working here in Central Australia.

**MacSafe staff at the Amoonguna LLN Training**



## Community Service Report on Operations

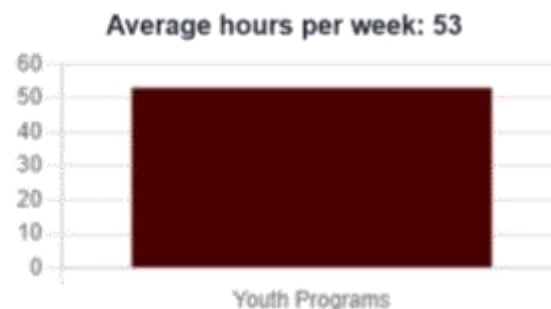
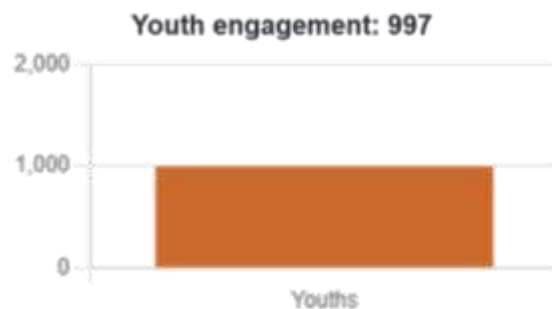
Location(s): Amoonguna  
 Period: 1/9/23 to 31/10/23  
 Author: Jake Sellers



### Youth Services

#### Service Delivery and Engagement

- Youth programs delivered 91% (55/60 days) during this reporting period.



#### Other Updates

- MacYouth partnered with MacConnect to set up Virtual Reality gaming in the rec hall. This included safety gear, Starlink satellite, Oculus headsets and then streamed to a projector for everyone to watch.
- MacYouth were successful in obtaining an additional \$65,000 from NTG for school holiday programs for the Dec-Jan school holiday period. Each community Youth Board will have \$5,000 to allocate as they wish across all 13 locations.
- MacYouth partnered with CAYLUS and CDU to deliver an all staff training at Ross River Resort. The week entailed learning how to work with youth who have FASD, child and youth mental health, VSU and AOD, MacYouth procedures, vehicle safety proactive programming and much more. MacYouth partnered with Congress, NTG, ADSCA, WILD1 and Dept. of health for the delivery of this training.
- In this reporting period MacYouth worked with 78 individual young people and delivered 72 activities. 997 number of times young people participated with an average of 53 hours per week. MacYouth are funding to deliver 38 hours per week, these hours are higher due to training and over night trips.

- MacYouth delivered additional activities during the school holiday's including breakfast programs, intercommunity competitions and supervised trips to town.
- MacYouth have 100% aboriginal employment in the Amoonguna team and recently held interviews for the 3 vacant positions. No other positions vacant.

Photos



PLAY! Arrkene Ileme/Inkanyi (VR headsets) - VR Gaming session playing Carve Snowboarding. (Amoonguna)



Staff Training - MacYouth Senior Training (Mpwarrtwe)



## 11. FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	11.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Expenditure Report as at 31/10/2023
<b>REFERENCE</b>	- 341564
<b>AUTHOR</b>	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 31 October 2023 in the Local Authority community.

### RECOMMENDATION

**That the Local Authority That the Amoonguna Local Authority notes and accepts the expenditure report as at 31 October 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 receipt of payment. Failure to expend funds received may result in the Department withholding future payments or requesting the unspent funds be repaid. As example any funds prior to the 2021-22 financial year needs to be fully 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

MRC Executive Leadership Team  
MRC Management Team

### ATTACHMENTS:

1 12.23 Amoonguna Expenditure Report.pdf

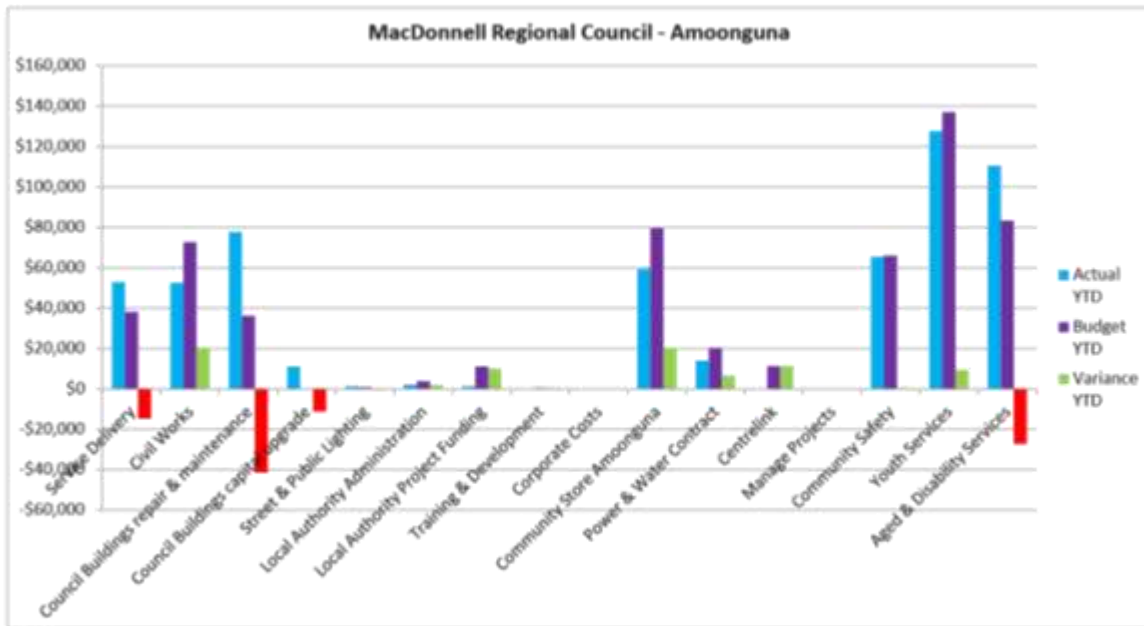
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MacDonnell Regional Council - Amoonguna					
Expenditure by Community as at 31st October 23					
Expenditure Category	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Budget Full Year	Notes on variances greater than 10% or \$10,000
<b>COUNCIL SERVICES</b>					
<b>Service Delivery</b>	82,814	98,150	(14,700)	111,821	-29%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	37,687	25,340	(12,347)	73,234	-48.7%
Other Operational	45,129	72,810	(27,681)	38,587	-18.8%
<b>Civil Works</b>	83,443	72,728	10,715	310,443	28%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	55,430	69,872	(14,213)	201,888	20.4%
Other Operational	(28,190)	2,856	8,000	8,500	212.1%
<b>Council Buildings repair &amp; maintenance</b>	77,728	36,216	(41,512)	42,990	-118%
Other Operational	77,728	36,216	(41,512)	82,900	This budget is for repairs and maintenance and utilities and is spent as required - Youth hall asbestos removal -114.6%
<b>Council Buildings capital upgrade</b>	11,150	0	(11,150)	99,600	#DIV/0!
Capital	11,150	0	(11,150)	99,600	Upgrade to the security cameras & alarms at the Office #DIV/0!
<b>Street &amp; Public Lighting</b>	1,204	837	(367)	3,818	-44%
Other Operational	1,204	837	(367)	2,510	-44.2%
<b>Local Authority Administration</b>	1,990	3,900	1,810	11,400	48%
Other Operational	1,990	3,900	1,810	11,400	47.6%
<b>Local Authority Project Funding</b>	1,240	11,167	8,927	33,600	89%
Other Operational	1,240	11,167	8,927	33,600	88.9%
<b>Training &amp; Development</b>	0	500	500	1,500	100%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	0	500	500	1,500	100.0%
<b>Corporate Costs</b>	83	0	83	1,080	#DIV/0!
Other Operational	(1)	0	83	1,080	#DIV/0!
<b>SUB-TOTAL- COUNCIL SERVICES</b>	198,499	162,382	(36,116)	654,804	-21.6%
<b>NON-COUNCIL SERVICES</b>					
<b>Community Store Amoonguna</b>	69,219	78,434	9,215	223,711	28%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	21,940	46,872	(24,932)	135,420	83.2%
Other Operational	37,269	31,562	(5,707)	88,291	-14.1%
<b>Power &amp; Water Contract</b>	13,932	20,381	6,449	88,218	32%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	72,362	17,308	4,946	30,000	28.6%
Other Operational	1,570	3,073	1,503	8,218	48.9%
<b>Centresink</b>	0	11,281	11,281	32,830	100%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	0	11,281	11,281	32,830	100.0%
<b>Manage Projects</b>	0	0	0	20,507	#DIV/0!
Other Operational	0	0	0	20,507	#DIV/0!
<b>Community Safety</b>	48,424	64,959	16,535	182,078	1%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	45,456	53,717	8,261	155,236	18.4%
Other Operational	78,968	12,281	(7,507)	36,800	-62.6%
<b>Youth Services</b>	127,720	127,827	8,307	382,702	7%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	98,220	108,447	9,222	314,456	8.5%
Other Operational	29,501	29,380	85	68,246	0.2%
<b>Age &amp; Disability Services</b>	118,814	82,343	(36,471)	227,847	-33%
Wages and Other Employee Costs	54,507	38,734	(15,773)	111,935	high wages in the first quarter -48.7%
Other Operational	36,107	44,614	(8,507)	115,912	Fleet maintenance has absorbed budget allocation sooner. -25.8%
<b>SUB-TOTAL- NON-COUNCIL SERVICES</b>	377,836	397,451	19,615	1,148,883	5.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	576,335	559,833	(16,502)	1,803,687	-2.8%

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.

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**12. LA GENERAL BUSINESS**



<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	12.1
<b>TITLE</b>	General Business
<b>REFERENCE</b>	- 340417
<b>AUTHOR</b>	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 any General Council Business matters raised at item 6.2.

*At the meeting held 20 September 2023 – members requested the following:  
Res.060 – A review of the streetlights be conducted.*

**Note:** *The Area Manager will provide a response at the meeting regarding the review of the streetlights.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) notes and discusses the items raised at Item 6.2; and
- b) notes a response from the Area Manager Service Delivery regarding the review of the streetlights.

**BACKGROUND**

1:.....

2:.....

**ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Nil.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

**CONSULTATION**

Amoonguna Local Authority  
Executive Leadership Team

**ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments to this report.

**13. NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	13.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Other non-Council Business
<b>REFERENCE</b>	- 340418
<b>AUTHOR</b>	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.

*Note: That Technical Services also requested quotes from MG Electrical for the new LED light on the existing power pole and the installation of a new street light at the intersection (drawing attached)*

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) notes and discusses the **Non-Council Business** items raised at Item 6.3;
- b) recommends to move to the **Projects wishlist**, the installation of a streetlight at the turnoff from Ross highway and to lobby NTG Ministers to assist in prioritising the Project through DIPL;
- c) notes and accepts any progress on actions from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet.

**BACKGROUND****ACTION REGISTER**

Date raised	Action	Detail
20 Sept 23	Police Presence	Members requested regular attendance by Police due to many stolen vehicles being brought into community and dumped.
20 Sept 23	Street light installed at Ross Highway Turnoff	Members requested a streetlight be installed at the turnoff into community.
27 Oct 23	Update from Director Technical Services	<p>I have discussed the Street light installed at the Ross Highway with DIPL, PWC and Chief Ministers (Mr. Fyfe).</p> <p>There is a potential that NTG will fund the installation under Minor New Works in 2024/25 as this project falls under NTG DIPL jurisdiction.</p> <p>See attached quote for works:</p> <p><b>Total inc GST \$221,778.59</b></p>

		LA Project funds could partially fund the project, however the recommendation of the Director Technical Services is to lobby NTG Ministers to assist in prioritising through DIPL.
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**ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS**

Nil

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

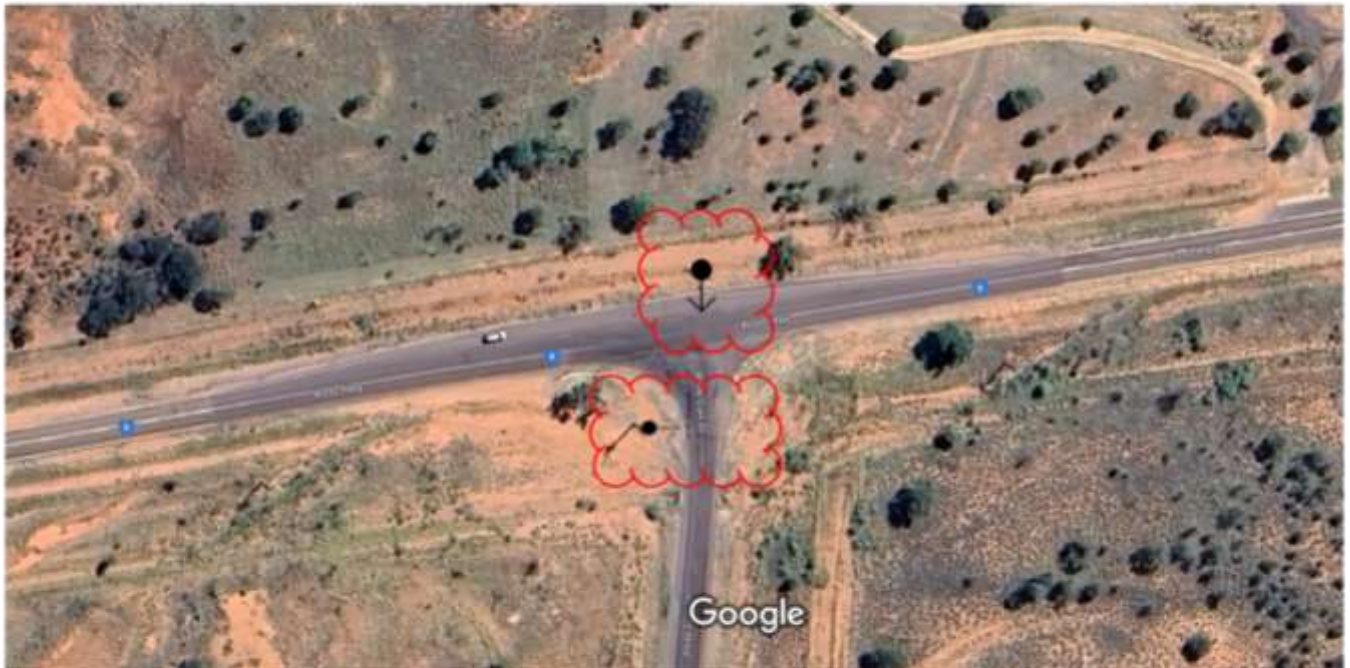
**CONSULTATION**

Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet, NT

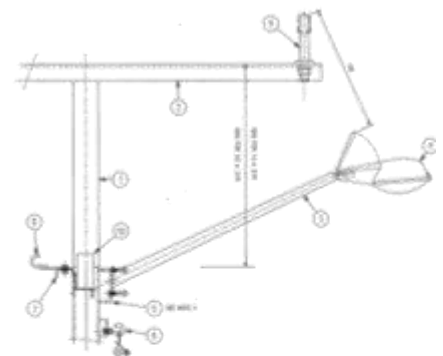
**ATTACHMENTS:**

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- 2 Quote\_No\_461 for works.pdf

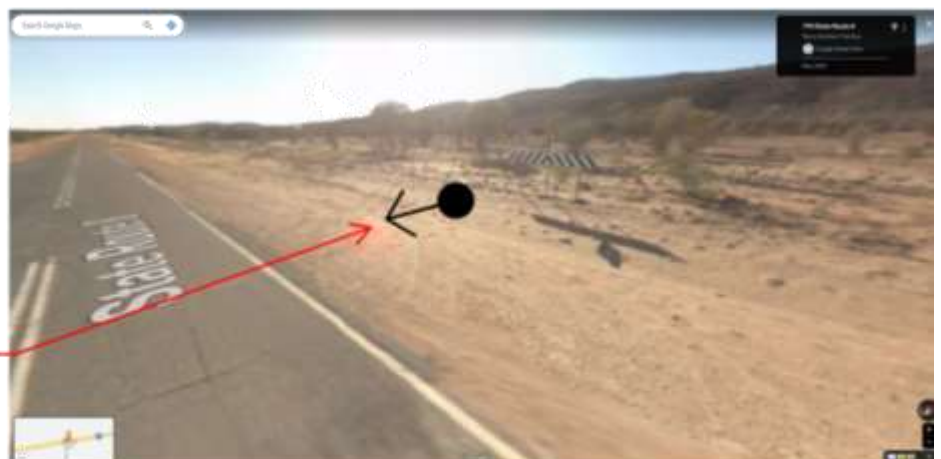
Google Maps Ross / White Gum Drive (Amoonguna Access)



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New Street Light to DIPL  
Standard  
Overhead from PP 8533



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**QUOTE NO. 461**

Aaron Blacker  
 MacDonnell Regional Council  
 PO Box 5267  
 Alice Springs NT 0871

<b>Site:</b>	Amoonguna
<b>Site Contact:</b>	
<b>Valid Until:</b>	26/11/2023
<b>Date:</b>	27/10/2023
<b>Order No.:</b>	

**Description**

**AMOONGUNA ACCESS - ROSS HWY - INSTALL STREET LIGHTS**

Dear Aaron,

MG Electrical Services Pty Ltd is pleased to provide the following provisional price for your consideration for the design and installation of 3 x street lights at the Ross Hwy and Amoonguna Rd intersection.

Kind Regards,

**EUAN BUNTINE**  
 Operations Manager

Item	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
<b>Our Price Includes:-</b>			
1. Electrical Design Engineering			
2. Labour			
3. Plant & Equipment			
4. Materials			
- 3 x 12m Light Poles			
- 1 x RODP as Required by PWC			
5. Survey & Service Locations			
6. QA & HSE Documents			
7. TMP & Traffic Management			
8. PWC & DIPL Approvals for Electrical Design			
9. Flights	1.00	\$201616.90	\$201616.90
10. Freight			
11. Project Management			
12. Directional Drilling			
<b>Note:-</b>			
- Quote is based on initial scope of proposal and experience in recent projects			
- We have allowed for 3 x 12m LED street lights			
- Directional drilling under Ross Hwy is approximately 25m - DIPL requirement			
- No allowance for AAPA, DIPL, PWC or either government fees and charges			
- No allowance for AAPA approvals			





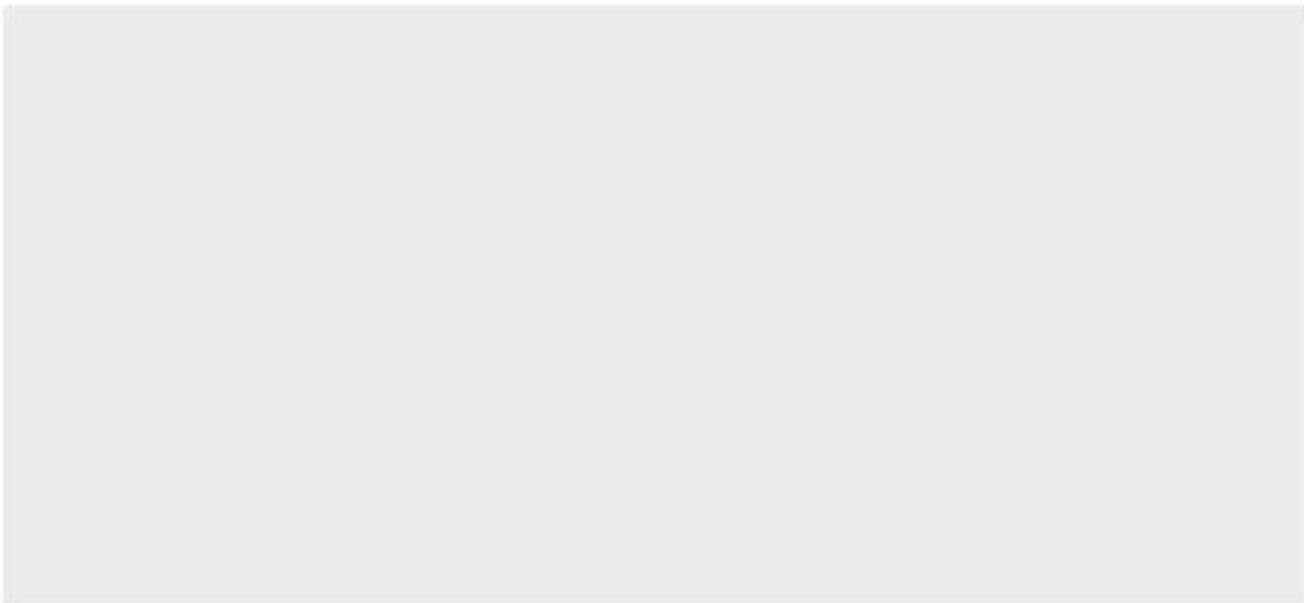
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**QUOTE NO. 461**

If you would like to proceed with this quotation along with our Terms and conditions, please provide a purchase order at your earliest convenience.

<b>Sub-Total ex GST</b>	\$201616.90
<b>GST</b>	\$20161.69
<b>Total inc GST</b>	\$221778.59

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you require anything further.



# MG Electrical Services Pty Ltd

## Terms & Conditions of Quotation

1. This Quotation is valid for 30 days from the date of issue.
2. MG Electrical Services Pty Ltd (hereinafter "MG Electrical") will not proceed with the works or order any required materials until MG Electrical are in receipt of a purchase order or equivalent from the buyer.
3. Receipt of a purchase order or equivalent as referred to in clause 2 above constitutes acceptance of the Terms & Conditions of Quotation contained herein.
4. It is expressly agreed and declared that the title to the subject good(s)/product(s) shall not pass to the buyer until payment is made in full of the purchase price to MG Electrical. The buyer takes custody of the good(s)/product(s) and retains them as fiduciary agent and bailee of MG Electrical.
5. The buyer may resell or dispose of an interest in good(s)/product(s) supplied to the buyer by MG Electrical but only as a fiduciary agent of MG Electrical and only with the prior written agreement of MG Electrical, which agreement is to be to the satisfaction of MG Electrical and to the effect that that person will be bound by this agreement to the same extent as the buyer. Any right to bind MG Electrical to any liability to any third party whatsoever, by contract or otherwise, is expressly negated. Any such resale or disposition of an interest in the good(s)/product(s) supplied to the buyer by MG Electrical is to be at arm's length and on market terms and pending resale or utilisation in any marketing or construction process, such good(s)/product(s) are to be kept separate and from the buyer's own good(s)/product(s), properly stored, protected and insured.
6. The buyer will receive all proceeds whether tangible or intangible, direct or indirect of any dealing with such good(s)/product(s) as trustee for MG Electrical and will keep such proceeds in a separate account until all liability of the buyer to MG Electrical is discharged in full.
7. MG Electrical is to have power to appropriate payments to such goods and accounts as it thinks fit notwithstanding any appropriation by the buyer to the contrary.
8. In the event that the buyer uses the good(s)/product(s) in some manufacturing or construction process of its own or of a third party, the buyer shall hold such part of the proceeds of such manufacturing or construction process as relates to the good(s)/product(s) as trustee for MG Electrical. Such part of the proceeds shall be deemed to be equal to the amount of the liability of the buyer to MG Electrical at the time of receipt of such proceeds.
9. If the buyer is the owner of premises/location upon which the good(s)/product(s) are to be installed, constructed or otherwise affixed or attached, the buyer:
  - (i) grants to MG Electrical the right to enter upon the premises/location and occupy them, for the purposes of exercising its rights under the terms and conditions set out herein including, inter alia, the right by MG Electrical to remove the good(s)/product(s) from the premises/location; and
  - (ii) shall upon request do everything on its part necessary to enable MG Electrical to enter and occupy the premises, for that purpose.

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10. In the event of MG Electrical determining to remove good(s)/product(s) from the premises/location of the buyer, MG Electrical shall use its best endeavours not to damage the premises/location and shall at its election either make good any damage or pay reasonable compensation to the buyer for any damage.
11. This quotation is subject to the signing of a Formal Instrument of Agreement between MG Electrical Services Pty Ltd and its client.
12. This quotation is valid for a period of 30 days only from date shown on quotation.
13. This quotation may be subject to fluctuations in the commodities market which may affect the price of materials such as cable, poles etc. These fluctuations may impact on material pricing at any stage during the quotation validity period.
14. MG Electrical Services Pty Ltd have not allowed for any retentions to be held, liquidated damages or bank guarantees in our tender unless expressly specified in the tender.

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