AGENDA

MT LIEBIG LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

WEDNESDAY 22 APRIL 2020

The Mt Liebig Local Authority Meeting of the MacDonnell Regional Council will be held at the Mount Liebig Council Office on Wednesday 22 April 2020 at 10:30am.

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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 Mt Liebig Local Authority note the Council Code of Conduct.

MacDonnell Regional Council Code of Conduct

Interests of the Council and Community come first

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

Honesty

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

Taking care

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

Respect/Courtesy

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

Conduct towards council staff

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

Respect for culture

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

Conflict of interest

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

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

Respect for private business

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

A member must not make improper use of confidential information to gain a benefit or to

cause harm to another.

Gifts

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

Accountable

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

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

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

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

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

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER	5.1
TITLE	Confirmation of Previous Minutes
REFERENCE	- 267393
AUTHOR	Robert Rabotot, Governance Officer

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Healthy Communities
Goal 03: Empowered Communities
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Mt Liebig Local Authority Meetings of:

a) 19 June 2019; and
b) 20 November 2019 – Provisional Meeting

be adopted as a resolution of the Mt Liebig Local Authority.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 MLLA_19062019_MIN.pdf
2 Mt Liebig Local Authority 2019-11-20 [827] Minutes.pdf

MacDonnell Regional Council

MINUTES OF THE MT LIEBIG LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE 2019 AT 11:30AM

UNCONFIRMED

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 01:16PM

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country – Kumantjay Malbunka

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:	Kumantjay Malbunka (Chair), Audrey Turner, Carol Peterson, Jeffery Wheeler, Neil Peterson and Pete Turner
Councillors:	Cr Roxanne Kenny (President), Cr Tommy Conway
Council Employees:	Graham Munik (Director Service Delivery), Sam Ashton, Nicole Joy (A/Coordinator Governance and Compliance), Richie McWaters (MacSafe Coordinator), Keith Hassett (Essential Services Supervisor), Stuart Millar (Council Services Coordinator)
Guests:	Issac Baldock, Norma Kelly, Martin Jugadai, Bob Phal (Prime Minister and Cabinet) Enock Menge (Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development)

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:	Cr Sarah Stockman and Cr Dalton McDonald
Absentees:	Nil

3.2 Resignations

1. Samuel Tilmouth
2. Kumantjay Malbunka (resigned at the close of this meeting)

4 NOMINATIONS

There are two Vacancies on the Mt Liebig Local Authority. Once Nominations are closed after being open for a minimum of 28 days the Local Authority will recommend to the next available Ordinary Council Meeting the names of individual nominees to fill the vacancies. Should more nominees be received that positions are vacant secret ballots will be held by the Local Authority to establish to nominees democratically to recommend to the Council.

4.1 NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR 28 DAYS

81 **RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Tommy Conway)**
Nominations have been received from Martin Jugadi and Norma Kelly

5 MACDONNELL COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

5.1 MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct

82 **RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Neil Peterson)**
That the Mt Liebig Local Authority note the Council Code of Conduct.

5.2 Conflict of Interests

83 **RESOLVED (Peter Turner/ Kumantjay Malbunka)**
That the Mt Liebig Local Authority note and declare any conflict of interests.

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The Local Authority is to consider the unconfirmed minutes of the previous meeting.
84 **RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Audrey Turner)**
That the Local Authority note and confirm the minutes of the previous meeting.

6.2 ACTION REGISTER

SUMMARY:
This report provides a running list of Local Authority action items as reported in previous meetings.
85 **RESOLVED (Kumantjay Malbunka/Peter Turner)**
That the Local Authority note the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received and leave open action item Letter to Central Land Council to be followed up by Northern Territory Government and MRC Director Service Delivery.

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7 LOCAL AUTHORITY PLANS

7.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT REPORT

SUMMARY:
The Local Authority is to make decisions about where to allocate their Project Funds. Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from Department of Housing and Community Development.

RECOMMENDATION
That the Local Authority note and accept the progress of their projects and:

1. Move the following projects under consideration to allocated projects: Tyre Changing Station, Shade Shelter, Cemetery and BMX Track.
2. Close Community Fencing Project
3. Allocate $5000 to the Cemetery Sign and write "Welcome to Mt Liebig Cemetery", to be confirmed if this is in English or Luritja.
4. Allocate $5000 to the BMX track, scope a simple formed track having Civil works upcycling local materials (tyres etc.).

7.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

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

86 **RESOLVED (Kumantjay Malbunka/Jeffrey Wheeler)**
That the Local Authority allocate their remaining 2018/19 discretionary funds to a brown acoustic guitar and drum kit to be followed up by Sam Ashton.

8 COUNCIL LOCAL GOVERNMENT

8.1 COMMUNITY SERVICE MT LIEBIG LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

SUMMARY:
This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

87 **RESOLVED (Kumantjay Malbunka/Tommy Conway)**
That the Local Authority note and accept the Community Services report.

8.2 SERVICE DELIVERY REPORT

SUMMARY:
This report is a summary of achievements relating to Key Council Service Delivery standards and guidelines for Mt Liebig and documents any other relevant issues.

88 **RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Neil Peterson)**
That the Local Authority note and accept the Service Delivery Report.

9 FINANCE

9.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 MARCH 2019

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The expenditure report shows spending until 31 March 2019 in the Local Authority's community

89 **RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Jeffrey Wheeler)**
That the Local Authority note and accept the expenditure report as at 31 March 2019.

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10 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

Nil

51 OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

SUMMARY:

The Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development will be in attendance to provide any necessary updates in regards to Northern Territory Government services.

90 **RESOLVED (Carol Peterson/Audrey Turner)**

That the Local Authority note and accept any updates and progress on actions from the Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development and close actions Septic Tank, Ingkerreke, Mt Liebig fence maintenance, Lot 37 and Lot 35 and leave open action Additional Housing / Room to breathe program and follow up.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 4 SEPTEMBER, 2019

MEETING CLOSE

The meeting terminated at 02:38 PM.

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MINUTES OF THE MT LIEBIG LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL OFFICE
ON WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2019 AT 11:30AM

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1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 12:00PM

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country – Neil Peterson

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Neil Peterson (Chair), Audrey Turner, Carol Peterson, Jeffery Wheeler.

Councillors:

Cllr Tommy Conway.

Council Employees:

Ken Newman (A/Director Service Centre Delivery), Stuart Millar (CSC Mt Liebig), Gordon Marshall (Project Officer – Digital and Library Officer), Roderick Daniel (MacYouth), Isaac Baldock (MacYouth), Robert Rabotot (Governance Officer)

Guests:

Kate West (Clinical Nurse Specialist Trachoma), David Wilson (Department Local Government, Community Development and Housing), Enock Menge (Department Local Government, Community Development and Housing), Dan Rees (CDP), Roderick Kantamara (Pastor).

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies: Cllr Roxanne Kenny (President), Cllr Sarah Stockman, Cllr Dalton McDonald, Pete Turner.

Absentees: Nil

3.3 Resignations

Nil

3.4 Terminations

Nil

3.5 Nominations

Note: Quorum not met, this meeting was conducted as a Provisional Meeting

4 MACDONNELL COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct

91 **RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Audrey Turner)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note the Council Code of Conduct.

Audrey Turner left the meeting at 12:30 PM

3.5 Nominations - Continued

3.5.1 NOMINATIONS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
At the Mount Liebig Local Authority Meeting of 19 June 2019 it was noted that there are two (2) vacancies to the Local Authority and as a consequence a call for nominations was recommended.

92 **RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Carol Peterson)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note and accept the nominations of Roderick Kantamara and Norma Kelly as members of the Local Authority.

Note: It was the unanimous decision of the Local Authority to not consider the nomination of Martin Jungadai.

5 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

5.1 Conflict of Interests

93 **RESOLVED (Carol Peterson/Jeffrey Wheeler)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note and declare any conflict of interests.

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

SUMMARY:
The Local Authority is to consider the unconfirmed minutes of the previous meeting.

RECOMMENDATION
That the Mount Liebig Local Authority note and confirm the minutes of the previous meeting.

6.2 ACTION REGISTER

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

94 **RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Carol Peterson)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received and close Action Item 1.

7 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA AND NOTIFICATIONS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

AND NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

That the papers circulated are received for consideration at the meeting and that members provide notification of matters to be raised in general business

Members declare any conflict of interest with the meeting Agenda

Carol Peterson left the meeting at 01:27 PM
Carol Peterson returned to the meeting at 01:29 PM

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

9.1 PROJECTS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The Local Authority receive Project Funds from the NT Government Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Services for investing in local government community infrastructure projects.
There is a total un-committed balance of $27,280.32 to allocate in their community.
$10.32 is from the 2018/19 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2020.
$27,270.00 is from the 2019/20 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2021.

95 **RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Jeffrey Wheeler)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note and accept the progress of their projects.

Lunch 01:34 PM
Resume 02:00 PM

9.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

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

96 **RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Carol Peterson)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note the discussion on how to spend their 2019/2020 discretionary funds.

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10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 MACCONNECT REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
This report provides an introduction to the new Community Services program MacConnect.

97 **RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Neil Peterson)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note and accept the MacConnect Report, the NT Public Libraries Wifi operation times and undertake to provide feedback to the Digital Literacy workshops.

Cllr Tommy Conway left the meeting at 02:42 PM
Cllr Tommy Conway returned to the meeting at 02:44 PM

10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICE MT LIEBIG LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

98 **RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Neil Peterson)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note and accept the Community Services report.

10.3 SERVICE DELIVERY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
This report is an update of Council Delivered Services in Mt Liebig across the area of Local Government Service Delivery.

99 **RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Jeffrey Wheeler)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note and accept this report.

10.4 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND THE REGIONAL PLAN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC) 2019-20 Regional Plan has been approved by the Council and is available at MRC offices and on the MRC website.

100 **RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Jeffrey Wheeler)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note and accept the report and select the open space meeting to be held at the Tjangala Nangala Shade at the second (2nd) round.

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2019

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The expenditure report show spending until 30 September 2019 in the Local Authority's community.

101 **RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Neil Peterson)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note and accept the expenditure report as at 30 September 2019.

Neil Peterson left the meeting, the time being 02:59 PM
Neil Peterson returned to the meeting, the time being 02:59 PM

Carol Peterson left the meeting, the time being 03:00 PM
Carol Peterson returned to the meeting, the time being 03:00 PM

12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 7

Nil

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 REPORT ON TRACHOMA SCREENING AND TREATMENT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
Centre for Disease Control has employed a Clinical Nurse Specialist to deliver Trachoma prevention services to the Santa Teresa community through 2019.

102 **RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Carol Peterson)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note the report and invite the CDC to continue to deliver the service again to the community in 2020.

13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 7

13.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

SUMMARY:
The Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development will be in attendance to provide any necessary updates in regards to Northern Territory Government services.

103 **RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Neil Peterson)**
That the provisional meeting of the Mt Liebig Local Authority recommend to note and accept any updates and progress on actions from the Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development.

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – TO BE CONFIRMED

9 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 03:50 PM.

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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 Mt Liebig Local Authority:

a) Note the Conflict of Interest Policy; and
b) Members declare any conflict of interests with the meeting agenda.

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

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

Examples of conflicts of interest and improper disclosure of information:

Tendering and Purchasing – financial conflict of interest

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

Tendering and Purchasing – non-financial conflict of interest

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

Information and Opportunities

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

Undue Influence

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

Declaring a Conflict of Interest
As soon as practical after a member becomes aware of a conflict of interest in a matter that has come up or is about to come up before or during a meeting (council, local authority or council committee), the member must disclose or tell the relevant interest to the meeting and to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of MRC.

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

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

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

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

If you do have a Conflict of Interest
After a member has disclosed the nature of the interest, the member must not, without approval from the Minister:

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

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

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

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES
The Disclosure of Interests Policy helps Council to ensure that:

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

LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 9.1
TITLE Local Authority Projects
REFERENCE - 267501
AUTHOR Darren Pfitzner, Manager Governance and Planning

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 03: Empowered Communities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The Local Authority receive Project Funds from the NT Government Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Services for investing in local government community infrastructure projects.

There is a total un-committed balance of $27,280.32 to allocate in their community.
$10.32 is from the 2018/19 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2020.
$27,270.00 is from the 2019/20 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2021.

RECOMMENDATION
That the Local Authority note and accept the progress of their projects

BACKGROUND
Committed Projects Register

Project 2086	**Stage**	**$**
Action	**Status**	**Committed**
26 Sep 2018	To be installed for singalong – location of stage to be determined. Power access and stage design required	+ 10,000.00
	underspend or (overspend)	**10,000.00**

Project 2087	**Solar lights**	**$**
Action	**Status**	**Committed**
26 Sep 2018	To be installed for the singalong stage – install solar lights once stage requirements are known	+ 5,000.00
	underspend or (overspend)	**5,000.00**

Project 2088	**Cemetery sign**	**$**
Action	**Status**	**Committed**
19 Jun 2019	Resolution Allocate $5000 to the Cemetery Sign and write “Welcome to Mt Liebig Cemetery”	+ 5,000.00
	Note LA to confirm if this is to be in English or Luritja	
16 Sep 2019	Signwriter	- 3,577.00
	underspend or (overspend)	**1,423.00**

Project 2089	**BMX track**	**$**
Action	**Status**	**Committed**
19 Jun 2019	Resolution: Allocate $5000 to the BMX track, scope a simple formed track having Civil works upcycling local materials (tyres etc.).	+ 5,000.00
	underspend or (overspend)	**5,000.00**

Project	Shade for tyre changing	$
Action	**Status**	**Committed**
19 Jun 2019	Resolution Move Shade shelter for tyre changing station (yet to be installed) estimated cost: $4,500	
	underspend or (overspend)	**0.00**

Projects and estimated costs under consideration

Priority:
Project Scope:
Estimate cost:
Meeting requested:
Update:

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
A tyre changing station cannot be considered as the liability for any accident or injury would sit with Council as the owner of the equipment so only trained operators could use it.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
There is a total un-committed balance of $27,280.32 to allocate in their community.
$10.32 is from the 2018/19 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2020.
$27,270.00 is from the 2019/20 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2021.

CONSULTATION
Community and Local Authority

ATTACHMENTS:
There are no attachments to this report.

LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 9.2
TITLE Discretionary Funds
REFERENCE - 267433
AUTHOR Darren Pfitzner, Manager Governance and Planning

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 02: Healthy Communities
Goal 03: Empowered Communities

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

RECOMMENDATION
That the Mt Liebig Local Authority note and discuss the spending of their 2019/20 discretionary funds.

BACKGROUND
Approved projects

2019/20 Discretionary Fund

Approved Project		Status	Approved Commitment	Actual Expenditure
Income	Discretionary Fund	$ 4,000.00		
17 Dec 2020 letter	Community Christmas barbeque		1,000.00	982.74
Balance Remaining			**3,000.00**	**$ 3,017.26**

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.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
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.

CONSULTATION
The Local Authority and community

ATTACHMENTS:
There are no attachments to this report.

LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 9.3
TITLE Letter from the Department regarding Members and NT Elections
REFERENCE - 267441
AUTHOR Robert Rabotot, Governance Officer

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 03: Empowered Communities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
On 20 December 2019 the Acting Executive Director of Local Government and Community Development wrote to President Roxanne Kenny to remind the MacDonnell Regional Council of important matters contained in recent communications.

The letter's two main points outline the need for Councillors and Local Authority members to:
1. disclose any conflict of interest that may arise from a matter before any Council or Local Authority discussion: and
2. stand down before nominating as a candidate in the NT Elections

RECOMMENDATION
That the Mount Liebig Local Authority note and accept the correspondence from the department.

BACKGROUND
The *Local Government Act* provides legislation to frame the decision-making and behaviour of elected (Council) and nominated (Local Authority) members to deliver good governance to constituents.

One way to deliver good governance is for a member to not participate in a decision on a question where they have a conflict of interest. Under the *Local Government Act* a member has a legal requirement to disclose a personal or financial interest that gives rise to, a real or perceived, conflict of interest. Conflicts of interest can arise from a member's relevant interest in connection with the pre-selection or nomination of candidates for other government elections.

Another way is for a member to resign in writing from the Council or Local Authority before officially nominating with the Electoral Commission for the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly election. If the person resigns as a Councillor or Local Authority member and is not elected to the Legislative Assembly, the person may then nominate to again be a member of the Council or Local Authority.

Local Government is a feasible early step in a political career. The *Local Government Act* supports individuals to learn and deliver good governance to constituents and to explore opportunities for elected representation at higher levels of government.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
Breaches of legislation can incur fines at personal cost.

CONSULTATION
Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development

ATTACHMENTS:
1 NTG - 2020 Legislative Assembly election - 2019-12-29.pdf

NORTHERN TERRITORY GOVERNMENT
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AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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20 December 2019

Ms Roxanne Kenny
President
MacDonnell Regional Council
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27 DEC 2019

Dear Ms Kenny

Re: August 2020 Legislative Assembly Election

As we approach the upcoming August 2020 Legislative Assembly election, it is important that all members are reminded of the legal requirement to disclose a personal or financial interest that gives rise to a conflict of interest in a question before the council, council committee or local authority. A member must not participate in any decision on a question where they have a conflict of interest. Members are to be aware that conflicts of interest can arise from a member's relevant interest in connection with the pre-selection or nomination of candidates for elections. Further detail of these requirements are contained in Part 7.2 of the *Local Government Act 2008*.

On 25 September 2019, Ms Maree De Lacey, Executive Director of Local Government and Community Development, emailed all council chief executive officers with advice on the process to follow if members nominate as candidates and they wish to be reappointed to council or the local authority if they are unsuccessful.

On 30 October 2019, Mr Jamie Chalker, the former Chief Executive Officer of this Department, wrote to all chief executive officers with further advice and highlighted the importance of managing conflicts of interest.

As this is an important matter, I ask that you table this correspondence at your next council and local authority meetings so that all members are made aware of this advice. Please do not hesitate to contact me via brett.beaton@nt.gov.au if you or your council require any clarification on this matter or if you would like more information.

Yours sincerely

Brett Beaton
Acting Executive Director
Local Government and Community Development
20/ 12/2019

COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 10.1
TITLE Council Services Coordinator's Report
REFERENCE - 267434
AUTHOR Ken Newman, Director Service Delivery

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Healthy Communities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
This report is an update of Council delivered services in Mt Liebig across the area of Local Government Service Delivery.

RECOMMENDATION
That the Mt Liebig Local Authority note and accept the attached report prepared by Stuart Millar, CSC Mt Liebig.

BACKGROUND
Nil

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
Nil

CONSULTATION
Stuart Millar, CSC Mt Liebig
Keith Hassett, Manager Service Delivery

ATTACHMENTS:
1 200318 CSC Report for Mt Liebig LA meeting March 2020.pdf

Council Service Coordinator's Report March 2020

Service Delivery Report

TITLE Mt Liebig Service Delivery Report
DATE 18 March 2020
AUTHOR Stuart Millar, Council Service Coordinator

SUMMARY:

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

BACKGROUND

Local Government Services Update

Animal Management

- Most animals are in healthy condition and free from ticks, mites and scabies.
- Ivermectin / Cydectin treatments are carried out on a regular basis.
- Approximately 80 dogs on community
- Several snakes have been caught around office and various other council building and have been relocated to safe areas away from community.

Cemetery Management

- Cemetery has been slashed and glyphosate sprayed to control weeds.
- Cemetery register has been created
- New headstones are being placed

Internal Roads and Traffic Management

- Curbing has been sprayed with glyphosate.
- Curbs and gutters have been dug out and cleaned.
- Speed bumps have been repainted with road marking paint.
- Corner curbing and no stopping zones have been painted yellow.
- Emu bobs are ongoing along community streets.
- Roads are swept regularly.

Cleaning out curbing for painting

Painted curbs

Repainting speed bumps

Parks and Open Spaces

- Parks and open spaces are being slashed and maintained after recent rains.
- Where needed glyphosate has been sprayed.

Outstation MES Services

- Rubbish is collected twice a week.
- Clean up at all outstations including clearing the fire breaks, weed control and large rubbish removal is being maintained.
- Weed clearing and spraying of glyphosate conducted in and around solar installations, water tanks, bores and housing.
- Homelands funding is now rolling out and outstation works are ongoing.

Sports Grounds

- Whipper snipping and slashing is being carried out on and around ovals
- Weed spraying with glyphosate is being carried out.

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Waste Management

- Emu bobs around the community to collect litter are ongoing.
- New wheelie bins have been delivered and are being placed around community.
- Scheduled clean up and ground maintenance at landfill is ongoing after heavy rains.

Weed Control and Fire Hazard Reduction

- Civil works team have been mowing and whipper snipping.
- All fire breaks are in place and in good condition.
- Weed control being maintained.

Other Items

- Bullant construction is now on community commencing the Room to Breathe project, upgrading and extending community housing.
- DIPL contractors have commenced upgrades to Mt Liebig airstrip.

Local Authority

- Cemetery sign has been completed, awaiting delivery.

Stuart Millar
Council Services Coordinator, Mt Liebig

COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER	10.2
TITLE	Community Service Mt Liebig Local Authority Report
REFERENCE	- 267435
AUTHOR	Rohan Marks, Director Community Services

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Healthy Communities
Goal 03: Empowered Communities
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

RECOMMENDATION
That the Mt Liebig Local Authority note and accept the Community Services report.

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

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
Nil

CONSULTATION
Executive Leadership Team
Manager of Aged & Disability Services – Luke Everingham
Manager of Children's Services – Margaret Harrison
Manager of Community Safety – Liz Scott
Manager of Youth Services – Cherie Forbes

ATTACHMENTS:
1 2020-03 - COMMUNITY SERVICES Mt Liebig LAR.pdf

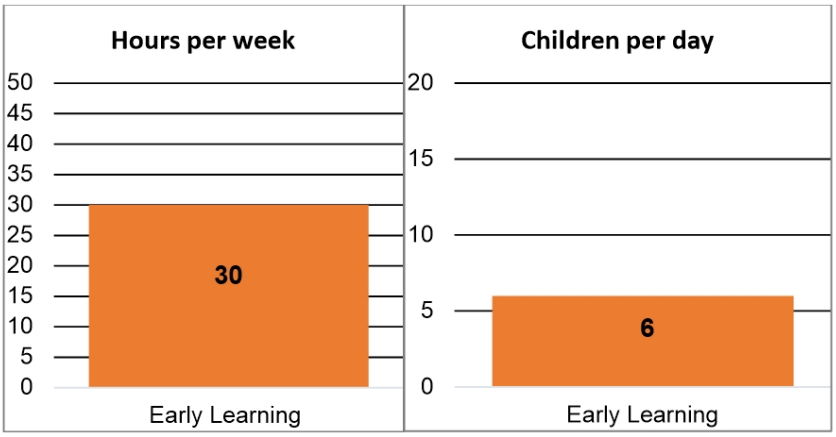
Community Service: Report on Operations

LOCATION: Mount Liebig Community
PERIOD: **01 October 2019** to **16 March 2020**
AUTHOR: Rohan Marks, Director Community Services

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Service Delivery and Engagement

- The Early Learning program was fully delivered this reporting period, except for three days where the Service was closed due to a funeral (6th – 8th September 2019).
- The Service closed over Christmas as scheduled from 16th December 2019 to 15th January 2020.



Other Updates

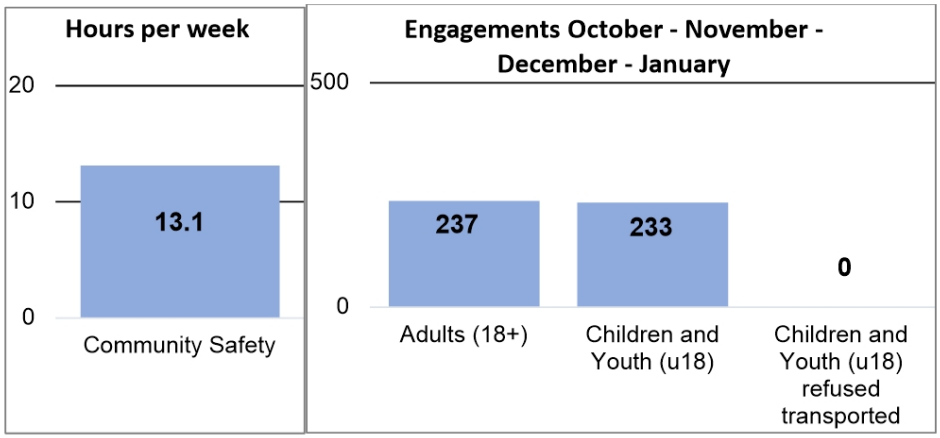
- The Team Leader Children's Services transferred to Titjikala and the service was supported by a relief Team Leader whilst recruitment was undertaken.
- A new Team Leader Children's Services commenced with the Service on 22nd January 2020.
- MacKids partnered with the school and other community stakeholders for a Community Christmas celebration in December. Children and families came together to sing in Luritja and entertain everyone with traditional and modern dance.
- One staff member is currently undertaking a Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care.

Cleaning faces after learning about trachoma and other program activities

COMMUNITY SAFETY

Service Delivery and Engagement

- Services in Mount Liebig are currently operating 5 days per week.
- Services were disrupted for a total of 45 days during this period due to sorry business, vehicle maintenance, and staff leave.



Other Updates

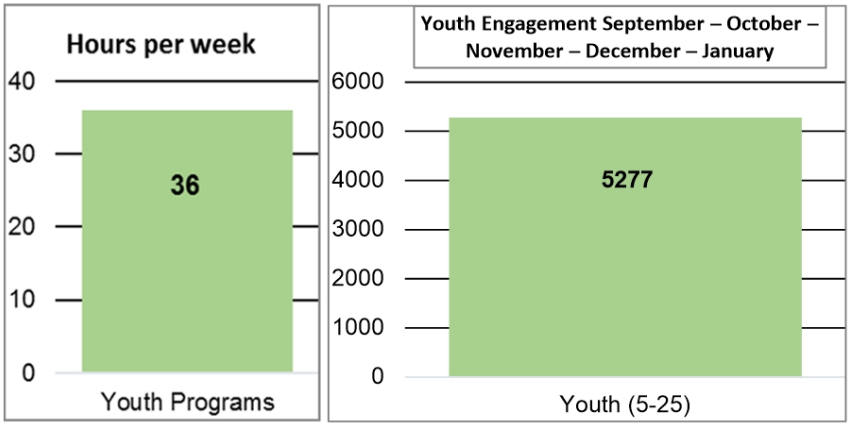
- The MacSafe team are currently recruiting for Community Safety Officers (part-time and casual). Applications have closed and interviews are currently being carried out. Once the positions are filled and the new staff members have been inducted, the team will be looking to increase services to 6 days per week.
- On 12 November MacSafe teams from 8 communities and from the Alice Springs office, gathered in Haasts Bluff to attend the funeral of long-term MRC employee and MacSafe team member, Kumanytjayi Corby. At the family's request, the MacSafe team formed a guard of honour outside the church. With permission from families, MacSafe seeks to continue to honour Kumanytjayi and will be looking at ways this could be done at the Community Safety office in Mount Liebig.

MacSafe Guard of honour at the Haasts Bluff church

YOUTH SERVICES

Service Delivery and Engagement

- All programs were fully delivered this reporting period, including the Youth Development (ages 12-25) and Outside of School Hours Learning (ages 5-11) programs. Program hours were increased during December/January school holidays.



Other Updates

- In September 2019, the Mount Liebig women's softball team travelled to Alice Springs to compete in the Softball NT Regional Championship. They made it through to the grand final, placing second overall which was a great result
- The community band room has been well utilised, with a consistent group of young fellas coming in regularly to rehearse, having set a goal to play at the Bush Band Bash next year.
- In November 2019, Mount Liebig young men and women prepared two canvas paintings to gift to the Saint Kilda Football Club in Melbourne. The paintings were very impressive and are sure to inspire the team.
- In December 2019, MacYouth partnered with other community stakeholders to support the Community Christmas party. It was a great event, bringing together community members of all ages to celebrate together.
- Recent rains in the region have replenished the popular waterhole Irantji, with MacYouth organising several bush trips out there to enjoy the area, relax, and cool off.

Christmas Party Celebrations

Dance until you drop

Out enjoying the local waterhole

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER	11.1
TITLE	Expenditure Report as at 31 December 2019
REFERENCE	- 267436
AUTHOR	Sheree Kane, Management Accountant and Grants

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Healthy Communities
Goal 03: Empowered Communities
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The expenditure report showings spending until 31 December 2019 in the Local Authority's community.

RECOMMENDATION
That the Mount Liebig Local Authority note and accept the Expenditure Report as at 31 December 2019.

BACKGROUND
The attached Finance Report details the budget, variance, and actual expenditure on Council's services in the community.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Nil.

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
Sheree Sherry (Kane), Management Accountant & Grants

ATTACHMENTS:
1 December 2019 - Local Authority Expenditure - Mt Liebig.pdf

{December 2019 - Local Authority Expenditure Detail by Location1_ORG_NAME}

MacDonnell Regional Council - Mount Liebig (Watiyawanu)
Expenditure by Community as at 31st December 19

Expenditure Category	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Budget Full Year	Notes on variations greater than 10% or $10,000
COUNCIL SERVICES					
Service Centre Delivery					
Manage Council Buildings & Facilities	21,794	26,300	4,506	52,600	
Other Operational	*21,794*	*26,300*	*4,506*	*52,600*	
Maintain Roads	7,015	0	(7,015)	0	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*1,969*	*0*	*(1,969)*	*0*	
Other Operational	*5,046*	*0*	*(5,046)*	*0*	
Manage Council Service Delivery	68,489	64,500	(3,989)	129,000	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*43,423*	*40,320*	*(3,103)*	*80,640*	
Other Operational	*25,066*	*24,180*	*(886)*	*48,360*	
Civil Works	120,205	157,280	37,075	314,560	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*79,410*	*113,350*	*33,940*	*226,700*	*Staff not working full budgeted hours*
Other Operational	*40,794*	*43,930*	*3,136*	*87,860*	
Street & Public Lighting	6,327	2,805	(3,522)	5,610	
Other Operational	*6,327*	*2,805*	*(3,522)*	*5,610*	
Council Engagement					
Manage Governance	480	5,350	4,870	10,700	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*0*	*1,000*	*1,000*	*2,000*	
Other Operational	*480*	*4,350*	*3,870*	*8,700*	
Local Authorities	3,577	27,270	23,693	54,540	
Other Operational	*3,577*	*27,270*	*23,693*	*54,540*	*Projects in progress*
Support and Administration					
Staff Housing	79,807	67,890	(11,917)	135,780	
Other Operational	*37,025*	*46,500*	*9,475*	*93,000*	
Capital	*42,782*	*21,390*	*(21,392)*	*42,780*	*Upgrade to lot 45 completed*
Training & Development	0	1,500	1,500	3,000	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*0*	*1,500*	*1,500*	*3,000*	
SUB-TOTAL:- COUNCIL SERVICES	**307,694**	**352,895**	**45,201**	**705,790**	
NON-COUNCIL SERVICES					
Outstations Civil Works	15,130	45,055	29,925	90,110	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*0*	*21,805*	*21,805*	*43,610*	
Other Operational	*15,130*	*23,250*	*8,120*	*46,500*	
Outstations Housing Repairs & Maintenance	179	13,950	13,771	27,900	
Other Operational	*179*	*13,950*	*13,771*	*27,900*	*O/S funds were received in Dec 2019. Works are programmed*
Homelands Extra Allowance	11,154	68,446	57,292	129,620	
Other Operational	*11,154*	*68,446*	*57,292*	*129,620*	*Works underway*
Commercial Operations					
Essential Services	49,846	55,045	5,199	110,090	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*35,450*	*38,850*	*3,400*	*77,700*	
Other Operational	*14,396*	*16,195*	*1,799*	*32,390*	
Centrelink	29,135	12,810	(16,324)	25,620	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*25,003*	*11,105*	*(13,898)*	*22,210*	
Other Operational	*4,131*	*1,705*	*(2,426)*	*3,410*	
MES SPG Projects	34,625	0	(34,625)	0	
Other Operational	*34,625*	*0*	*(34,625)*	*0*	
Manage Projects	0	0	0	150,000	
Other Operational	*0*	*0*	*0*	*34,500*	
Capital	*0*	*0*	*0*	*115,500*	
Airstrip Maintenance	1,000	555	(445)	1,110	
Other Operational	*1,000*	*555*	*(445)*	*1,110*	
SLGIF Projects	3,170	0	(3,170)	0	
Capital	*3,170*	*0*	*(3,170)*	*0*	
NDIS	0	12,810	12,810	25,620	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*0*	*11,105*	*11,105*	*22,210*	

{December 2019 - Local Authority Expenditure Detail by Location1_ORG_NAME}

Other Operational	*0*	*1,705*	*1,705*	*3,410*	
Community Services					
Library	**0**	**50**	**50**	**100**	
Other Operational	*0*	*50*	*50*	*100*	
Community Safety	**65,302**	**94,050**	**28,748**	**188,100**	**Underspend due to closure of service for 8 weeks due to a staff member passing away**
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*51,278*	*75,045*	*23,767*	*150,090*	
Other Operational	*14,024*	*19,005*	*4,981*	*38,010*	
Youth Development	**123,658**	**132,465**	**8,807**	**279,490**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*79,429*	*89,580*	*10,150*	*193,160*	*Underspend due to delay in recruiting YEO position*
Other Operational	*44,229*	*42,885*	*(1,344)*	*86,330*	
Children's Services	**156,173**	**194,210**	**38,037**	**385,460**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*62,983*	*90,475*	*27,492*	*180,950*	*Staff not working allocated hours*
Other Operational	*93,190*	*103,735*	*10,545*	*204,510*	*Expenditure planned for the coming 6 months*
SUB-TOTAL:- NON-COUNCIL SERVICES	**489,373**	**629,446**	**140,073**	**1,413,220**	
TOTAL	**797,066**	**982,341**	**185,275**	**2,119,010**	

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

	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Budget Full Year	
Discretionary Funds	0	4,000	4,000	4,000	

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 11.2
TITLE Expenditure Report as at 31 March 2020
REFERENCE - 267514
AUTHOR Sheree Kane, Management Accountant and Grants

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Healthy Communities
Goal 03: Empowered Communities
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
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RECOMMENDATION
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BACKGROUND
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ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
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CONSULTATION
Executive Leadership Team
Management Team
Sheree Sherry (Kane), Management Accountant & Grants

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{March 2020 - Local Authority Expenditure Detail by Location1_ORG_NAME}

MacDonnell Regional Council - Mount Liebig (Watiyawanu)
Expenditure by Community as at 31st March 20

Expenditure Category	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Budget Full Year	Notes on variations greater than 10% or $10,000
COUNCIL SERVICES					
Service Centre Delivery					
Manage Council Buildings & Facilities	**29,841**	**36,675**	**6,834**	**48,900**	
Other Operational	*29,841*	*36,675*	*6,834*	*48,900*	
Maintain Roads	**7,015**	**5,280**	**(1,735)**	**7,040**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*1,969*	*1,493*	*(476)*	*1,990*	
Other Operational	*5,046*	*3,788*	*(1,259)*	*5,050*	
Manage Council Service Delivery	**97,582**	**113,773**	**16,191**	**154,740**	**Overall small underspend for the reporting period**
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*64,153*	*73,983*	*9,830*	*101,220*	
Other Operational	*33,430*	*39,791*	*6,361*	*53,520*	
Civil Works	**193,908**	**253,351**	**59,442**	**345,150**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*130,547*	*179,009*	*48,462*	*244,900*	*Staff not working full budgeted hours*
Other Operational	*63,362*	*74,342*	*10,980*	*100,250*	*Operating expenditure less than budgeted for reporting period*
Street & Public Lighting	**6,704**	**6,457**	**(247)**	**8,610**	
Other Operational	*6,704*	*6,457*	*(247)*	*8,610*	
Council Engagement					
Manage Governance	**1,463**	**8,025**	**6,562**	**10,700**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*0*	*1,500*	*1,500*	*2,000*	
Other Operational	*1,463*	*6,525*	*5,062*	*8,700*	
Local Authorities Projects	**4,050**	**40,905**	**36,856**	**54,540**	
Other Operational	*4,050*	*40,905*	*36,856*	*54,540*	*Projects in progress*
Support and Administration					
Staff Housing	**106,602**	**101,228**	**(5,375)**	**134,970**	
Other Operational	*63,820*	*69,143*	*5,322*	*92,190*	
Capital	*42,782*	*32,085*	*(10,697)*	*42,780*	*Upgrade to lot 45 completed*
Training & Development	**0**	**2,250**	**2,250**	**3,000**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*0*	*2,250*	*2,250*	*3,000*	
SUB-TOTAL:- COUNCIL SERVICES	**447,166**	**567,944**	**120,778**	**767,650**	
NON-COUNCIL SERVICES					
Outstations Civil Works	**23,040**	**66,613**	**43,573**	**90,110**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*0*	*31,877*	*31,877*	*43,610*	*Staff not working full budgeted hours*
Other Operational	*23,040*	*34,736*	*11,695*	*46,500*	*Operating expenditure less than budgeted for reporting period*
Outstations Housing Repairs & Maintenance	**2,351**	**15,675**	**13,324**	**20,900**	
Other Operational	*2,351*	*15,675*	*13,324*	*20,900*	*Works underway*
Homelands Extra Allowance	**46,643**	**45,383**	**(1,260)**	**60,220**	
Other Operational	*46,643*	*45,383*	*(1,260)*	*60,220*	
Commercial Operations					
Essential Services	**64,890**	**81,376**	**16,485**	**110,800**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*44,599*	*56,478*	*11,879*	*77,280*	
Other Operational	*20,292*	*24,898*	*4,606*	*33,520*	
Centrelink	**44,914**	**40,726**	**(4,188)**	**55,730**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*38,871*	*35,274*	*(3,596)*	*48,270*	
Other Operational	*6,044*	*5,452*	*(592)*	*7,460*	
MES SPG Projects	**34,625**	**44,130**	**9,505**	**58,840**	
Other Operational	*34,625*	*44,130*	*9,505*	*58,840*	
Manage Projects	**50,031**	**86,250**	**36,219**	**150,000**	
Other Operational	*50,031*	*29,095*	*(20,936)*	*35,690*	
Capital	*0*	*57,155*	*57,155*	*114,310*	
Airstrip Maintenance	**1,000**	**757**	**(243)**	**1,010**	
Other Operational	*1,000*	*757*	*(243)*	*1,010*	
SLGIF Projects	**95,172**	**0**	**(95,172)**	**0**	
Capital	*95,172*	*0*	*(95,172)*	*0*	

{March 2020 - Local Authority Expenditure Detail by Location1_ORG_NAME}

NDIS	**1,280**	**18,722**	**17,442**	**25,620**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*1,112*	*16,230*	*15,119*	*22,210*	*Recently recruited to position*
Other Operational	*168*	*2,492*	*2,324*	*3,410*	
Community Services					
Library	**0**	**75**	**75**	**100**	
Other Operational	*0*	*75*	*75*	*100*	
Community Safety	**98,050**	**120,204**	**22,154**	**164,090**	**Underspend due to closure of service for 8 weeks due to a staff member passing away**
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*78,039*	*94,660*	*16,621*	*129,530*	
Other Operational	*20,011*	*25,544*	*5,533*	*34,560*	
Youth Development	**185,380**	**194,118**	**8,739**	**267,190**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*119,583*	*130,313*	*10,730*	*181,990*	
Other Operational	*65,797*	*63,806*	*(1,991)*	*85,200*	
Children's Services	**208,429**	**280,258**	**71,829**	**377,680**	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	*85,903*	*125,748*	*39,845*	*171,950*	*Staff not working allocated hours*
Other Operational	*122,526*	*154,510*	*31,984*	*205,730*	*Expenditure planned for the coming 6 months*
SUB-TOTAL:- NON-COUNCIL SERVICES	**855,806**	**994,288**	**138,482**	**1,382,290**	
TOTAL	**1,302,973**	**1,562,232**	**259,260**	**2,149,940**	

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	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Budget Full Year	
Discretionary Funds	983	4,000	3,017	4,000	

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER	11.3
TITLE	Local Authority Meeting Process and Timing
REFERENCE	- 267443
AUTHOR	Darren Pfitzner, Manager Governance and Planning

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Healthy Communities
Goal 03: Empowered Communities
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The order of agenda items for Local Authority meetings was changed recently to align with changes made to the order of agenda items for Council meetings. While this was an adjustment made across all its meeting agendas, MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC) is interested to know if this affects the running of Local Authority meetings and hear suggestions from members about other improvements that could be made to the meeting format and content.

MRC also asks the Local Authority to consider the impacts and benefits if it were to hold meetings at different times of the day. Particular consideration is asked of meetings being held after work hours and whether this would then appeal to a broader range of people becoming Local Authority members.

RECOMMENDATION
That the Mount Liebig Local Authority note and accept this report and provide feedback.

BACKGROUND
The Local Authority has traditionally had its meetings begin in the morning and run during business hours.

While MRC staff in communities are able to become Local Authority members, they are remunerated at their normal rate of pay. Other community members working for other organisations may be restricted from becoming Local Authority members as they cannot get time away from their job.

Often the people who are good at thinking about money and government things are working for NGOs or government agencies in the community, while most community meetings are held during the day when they cannot always participate. This meeting needs to weigh up whether such a change could open up the Local Authority membership to involve more community members.

If Local Authority meetings were held outside of business hours, the Council office would need to remain open to host the meeting, staff would be required to remain, supporting staff from Alice Springs, ward councillors and the president would need to be accommodated overnight.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Community members would be required to give up some nights with their family to attend Local Authority meetings to address broader community matters.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
A change to the scheduled meeting time would possibly enable existing and new Local Authority members to receive remuneration in addition to the income they earn during business hours.

This kind of change would also see some increases in the cost for MRC to administer the secretariat support to the Local Authority meetings and for Councillor's attendance to be supplemented. These matters would need to be addressed in the forthcoming 2020/21 budget.

CONSULTATION
Regional Plan Goal: 3.3.1.1

ATTACHMENTS:
There are no attachments to this report.

GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2

ITEM NUMBER 12.1
TITLE General Business
REFERENCE - 267437
AUTHOR Robert Rabotot, Administration Officer - Governance

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Healthy Communities
Goal 03: Empowered Communities
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
At the beginning of the meeting, under item 6.2, members of the Mount Liebig Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.
We are now discussing the matters raised as listed below:

RECOMMENDATION
That the Mount Liebig Local Authority note and discuss the General Business items raised at Item 6.2.

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ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
Nil

CONSULTATION
Mount Liebig Local Authority
Executive Leadership Team

ATTACHMENTS:
There are no attachments to this report.

NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3

ITEM NUMBER 13.1
TITLE Other Non-Council Business
REFERENCE - 267438
AUTHOR Robert Rabotot, Administration Officer - Governance

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Healthy Communities
Goal 03: Empowered Communities
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The Department of Local Government Housing and Community Development will be in attendance to provide any necessary updates in regards to Northern Territory Government services.

At the beginning of the meeting, under item 6.3, members of the Mount Liebig Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.
We are now discussing the matters raised as listed below:

RECOMMENDATION
That the Mount Liebig Local Authority:

a) Note and discuss the Non-Council Business items raised at Item 6.3; and,
b) Note and accept any updates and progress on actions from the Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development.

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ACTION REGISTER

Date raised	Action	Detail
26 September 2018	Additional Housing / Room to Breathe	Request more houses to be built in Mt Liebig, rather than the room to breathe program. **Update 19 June 2019:** The assessment carried out by Housing did not identify a need for new builds, however the current need for more accommodation was adjudged to be effectively addressed through the Room to Breathe program.

19 June 2019	Letter to CLC	NTG to follow up on letter (Action item 1) from Steven Hayes of the Department of Housing and Community Development to the CLC Community Development Division for consideration and a response.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
Nil

CONSULTATION
Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development

ATTACHMENTS:
There are no attachments to this report.