

MINUTES OF THE IMANPA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE IMANPA COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY, 19 JANUARY 2023 AT 10:30AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10:40am as a provisional meeting before reaching quorum with the arrival of Member Tanya Luckey at 10:42am.

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country - Chairperson Kathleen Luckey

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Chairperson Kathleen Luckey, Member Janie Bulla, Member Lillian Inkamala and Member Tanya Luckey

Councillors:

Councillor Marlene Abbott

Council Employees:

Chris Kendrick – Director Corporate Services, Aaron Blacker – Director Technical Services, Kathleen Abbott – Area Manager Service Delivery, Yolanda Ostermann – Acting Coordinator Service Delivery and June Crabb – Governance Officer Cristiano Castro – MacSafe Coordinator joined via 'teams'.

Guests:

Bruce Fyfe – Regional Manager, Department Chief Minister and Cabinet and Jeff Humphreys – Representative from Department Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

Member Gary Mumu, Member Lesley Luckey, Councillor Abraham Poulson and President Roxanne Kenny

Absentees:

NIL

3.1 & 3.2 ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

ILA2023-001 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority noted the attendance and accepted the apologies to the meeting.

3.3 Resignations

NIL

3.4 Terminations

NIL

3.5 Nominations

3.5.1 NOMINATIONS TO IMANPA LOCAL AUTHORITY (1)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this paper is to note changes to the membership of the Imanpa Local Authority as a result of the membership of Charles Gibson being terminated at the meeting held 6 October 2022 for being absent without permission from two consecutive meetings.

The Imanpa Local Authority has provision for seven appointed members and currently, there is one vacancy on the Authority. Accordingly, the Authority issues a call for community nominations to open to fill the vacancy and invites residents to nominate.

ILA2023-002 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Lillian Inkamala)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted the one vacancy available on the Local Authority;
- b) requested that the nomination poster be put up around the community; and
- b) called for nominations to open for 21 days to fill the vacancy.

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

ILA2023-003 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Marlene Abbott)

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

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION IMPANPA LA PREVIOUS MINUTES

ILA2023-004 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Minutes of the Imanpa Local Authority of 6 October 2022 be adopted as a resolution of Imanpa Local Authority.

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

6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED

ILA2023-005 RESOLVED (Marlene Abbott/Tanya Luckey)

That the Imanpa 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

ILA2023-006 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Lillian Inkamala)

That the Imanpa Local Authority provided notification of matters to be discussed in General Council Business as follows:

- a) Annual Community event
- b) Imanpa Youth

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS *ILA2023-007* RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Lillian Inkamala)

That the Imanpa Local Authority provided notification of matters to be discussed at General Non-Council Business as follows:

- a) Police presence in Community and Community Safety meetings
- b) Health Services

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

ILA2023-008 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Kathleen Luckey)

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

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

ILA2023-009 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Kathleen Luckey)

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

Note: Representatives from the Australian Electoral Commission did not attend the Local Authority meeting.

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

RECOMMENDATION

That the Imanpa Local Authority notes and accepts the presentation from the Australian Electoral Commission.

Note: The Chairperson Kathleen Luckey accepted the impromptu Deputation from Jeff Humphreys – Representative from Department Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (DIPL).

8.2 DEPARTMENT INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING AND LOGISTICS

ILA2023-010 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) accepted the information shared by the Representative;
- b) noted that the next Housing Reference Group meeting is scheduled for 8 March 2023;
- c) noted that Lots 13, 54 and 82 were part of the Room to Breathe Program; and
- d) noted that Lots 8, 16, 35 and 88 were scheduled for demolition and replacement.

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY REVIEW

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

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

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

ILA2023-011 RESOLVED (Lillian Inkamala/Marlene Abbott)

That the Local Authority:

- a) reviewed and discussed the contents of a meeting agenda; and
- b) identified further additions that members would like to make to the current agenda as follows:
 - Introduce a form for members to declare memberships in other committees.
 - The Council Code of Conduct Policy and the Conflict of Interest Policy be spoken in language.

9.2 ACTION REGISTER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

ILA2023-012 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Lillian Inkamala)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received;
- b) approved to close action Invite MacSafe and MacYouth to the Local Authority meeting.

9.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet (*DCM&C*) and invested in projects to benefit and improve the community.

Examples of *acceptable* purposes for expenditure include:

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

There is total un-committed balance of \$6,173.97 to allocate in the community and must be fully expended *(with goods received)* by 30 June 2023.

ILA2023-013 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Marlene Abbott)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the progress of their projects and kept open:
 - Project 2165 Shade and Seating at Basketball Court and Lot 107, noting that the project is waiting for Contractors.
 - Project 2166 Walking track from School to Shop, noting that staff shortages had meant a delay in starting the project. The Local Authority requested speed bumps outside the school and the clinic be added to the project and installed as a priority item.
 - Project 2167 Fence around Church, noting that work has yet to start.
 - Project 2169 Repair the South Camp Playground, noting the delay caused by a shortage of staff.
 - Project 2170 3 x Wood fire BBQ's for each of the three parks.

ILA2023-014 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority noted completion and closed Project 2168 – Established trees, returning the underspend of \$960.91 to unallocated funds.

ILA2023-015 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) created a new project named Snake bite kits, committing \$7,134.88 to the project and to distribute the kits to each house in Community; and
- b) noted that the Acting CSC will follow up with NT Health on availability to conduct snake bite training to residents.

9.4 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

The Local Authority decides how best to commit these funds that will benefit the Community and 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 2023.

ILA2023-016 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted the spending of its 2022/2023 Discretionary Funds; and
- b) approved spending the remainder of the funds being \$836.04 towards an Easter celebration.

Note: Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:11pm and resumed at 1:18pm.

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 IMANPA SERVICE DELIVERY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

ILA2023-017 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the Council Services report;
- b) noted that Council can supply residents with mowers and whipper snippers to help them maintain their yards; and
- c) noted that the Acting CSC will inspect the playgrounds and bring in sand should the sites need it.

10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICE IMANPA LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

ILA2023-018 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Lillian Inkamala)

That the Imanpa Local Authority noted and accepted the Community Services report.

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

ILA2023-019 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority noted and accepted the Expenditure Report as at 31 December 2022.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2

12.1 GENERAL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

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

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

ILA2023-020 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Kathleen Luckey)

That the Imanpa Local Authority;

- a) agreed that meetings could be held outdoors;
- b) agreed that future meetings could be recorded for minute taking purposes; and
- c) suggested that members be given ample notice of meetings.

ILA2023-021 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority noted and discussed the General Business items raised as follows:

- 1. Annual event for Imanpa.
 - The Local Authority discussed the success of the Healthy Community event and expressed interest in holding a similar event to help bring their community together. Suggestions included amusement rides, competitions, performances, sporting events, educational programs and employment opportunities.

Members were advised that Project funds could be allocated to the event and recommended that members talk to community and bring their ideas to the April Authority meeting.

2. Imanpa Youth.

The Authority noted the information shared by Cristiano Castro, on behalf of Youth Services.

The Authority were advised that NPY Women's Council are the contract holders for Youth Services in Imanpa with the MacYouth team providing a

total of 10 hours per week. Members were also informed that MacYouth will eventually hand over all services to NPY Women's Council.

Members asked if MacSafe and MacYouth in a joint effort with NPY Women's Council, hold a meeting with the Imanpa youth to discuss how their disruptive behaviour is affecting community.

ILA2023-022 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) discussed the Development of the 2023 / 2024 Regional Plan;
- b) provided feedback to the Development of the 2023 / 2024 Regional Plan noting the following points:
 - Imanpa has:
 - Municipal Services
 - MacSafe
 - Home Care
 - Centrelink
 - o Parks
 - Cemetery
 - o Power / Water
 - o Roads
 - Imanpa can do:
 - Annual community event
 - Stage / event area
 - Speed bumps at the clinic and the shop
 - Clinic
 - Swimming pool / Water park
 - Purchasing done locally for services
 - Fixed bench seating around Community
 - Public Toilets
 - Landscaping
 - Skate park / BMX track
 - Solar streetlights
 - MacSafe and MacYouth discuss with Youth the consequences of their actions regarding damages to property and break ins.
 - Expand the grapevines to other suitable areas in community
 - Lobby for:
 - Have emergency fuel available
 - **o** Permanent Health clinic
 - Regular Police patrols

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 the services provided by the Northern Territory Government.

ILA2023-023 RESOLVED (Tanya Luckey/Kathleen Luckey)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted and discussed the Non-Council matters raised as follows:
 - Regular Police Presence in Community

Members requested that the Community Safety meetings be reinstated and asked that the Representative from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet (DCM&C) follow up with Police.

Members also asked if Police could arrange with Nyangatjatjara College to give a talk to students regarding the offences within community, the consequences in committing these offences and promote other alternatives to stay out of trouble.

• Health Services.

The DCM&C Representative advised that since Congress will be taking over Health Services in March, NT Health may not look to extending the clinic hours in the short term.

b) noted that the Representative will provide feedback to Housing and Power and Water that members have been waiting more than 6 weeks for urgent repairs and have not received any indication of when the repairs will be attended to.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY 20 APRIL, 2023

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 3:09 pm.

This page and the preceding 9 pages are the minutes of the Imanpa Local Authority Meeting held on Thursday 19 January 2023 and were confirmed 27 July 2023.