



MINUTES OF THE IMANPA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE
IMANPA COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY, 21 OCTOBER 2021 AT 10:41AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10:41AM

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, Deputy Chair Gary Mumu, Member Charles Gibson and Member Janie Bulla

Councillors:

Councillor Abraham Poulson and Councillor Marlene Abbott

Council Employees:

Belinda Urquhart (Director Service Centre Delivery)

Keith Hassett (Area Manager Service Delivery)

Cherry-Lee Bilson (Council Services Coordinator, Imanpa)

June Crabb (Governance Officer)

Guests:

Eric Turner, (Department Chief Minister & Cabinet)

Matthew Adams-Richardson (Office of Warren Snowden)

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

Member Lillian Inkamala

Absentees:

Nil

3.1 & 3.2 ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/ABSENTEES

ILA2021-039 RESOLVED (Janie Bulla/Gary Mumu)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted the attendance to the meeting; and**
- b) accepted the apology given by Member Lilian Inkamala who was travelling with her daughter to the Alice Springs Hospital.**

3.3 Resignations

Nil

3.4 Terminations

Nil

3.5 Nominations

NOMINATIONS TO IMANPA LOCAL AUTHORITY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this paper is to note changes to the membership of the Imanpa Local Authority as a result of the Local Government election held in September 2021.

Appointments to Local Authorities have also been affected by changes introduced in the *Local Government Act 2019* (the Act) implemented on 2 July 2021 and this paper also reflects those changes.

Two nominations have been received from Imanpa residents, Tanya Luckey and David Inkamala to fill the vacancy created due to the passing of a Local Authority member.

ILA2021-040 RESOLVED (Marlene Abbott/Charles Gibson)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted that the membership of previous Councillor Mrs Kulitja was revoked;**
- b) noted that the President was no longer an appointed member of the Authority;**
- c) welcomed Abraham Poulson and Marlene Abbott as Councillor for Iyarkka Ward;**
- d) noted and accepted the nomination received from Tanya Luckey and David Inkamala;**
- f) unanimously voted and approved the nomination submitted by Tanya Luckey; and**
- g) recommended that Council endorse the nominee, Tanya Luckey to the Imanpa Local Authority.**

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

ILA2021-041 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Janie Bulla)

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

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

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ILA2021-042 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Gary Mumu)

That the Minutes of the Imanpa Local Authority of 4 February 2021 and 15 April 2021 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 That the papers circulated are received for consideration at the meeting.

6.1 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

ILA2021-043 RESOLVED (Abraham Poulson/Gary Mumu)

That the Imanpa Local Authority accepted the papers circulated for consideration at the meeting.

6.2 That members provide notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business.

6.2 NOTIFICATION OF GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

ILA2021-044 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority provided notification of no matters to be raised for discussion in General Council Business.

6.3 That members provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

ILA2021-045 RESOLVED (Janie Bulla/Gary Mumu)

That the Imanpa Local Authority provided notification and raised the following matters to be discussed at General Non-Council Business.

1. School not opening/lack of teachers.
2. Health Clinic.
3. Vaccinations

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

ILA2021-046 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Marlene Abbott)

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

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

ILA2021-047 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Marlene Abbott)

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

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

LOCAL DECISION MAKING

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet (CM&C) plays a vital role in the economic, social and environmental development of the Northern Territory (NT) to deliver outcomes for all Territorians.

It is responsible for overseeing or coordinating major government strategies as well as positioning the NT to achieve those priorities

ILA2021-048 RESOLVED (Gary Mumu/Marlene Abbott)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the presentation; and
- b) provided feedback to developing Local Decision Making strategies and practices.

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ACTION REGISTER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

ILA2021-049 RESOLVED (Kathleen Luckey/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received;
- b) Closed action 'Names for two parks'
- c) Closed action 'CAAMA Radio connectivity. Service Delivery will follow up with Tech Services to determine if the PA system can be repaired;
- d) kept open action 'name of third park until completed, and agreed on 'J Mumu and D Mick Park'.

LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet 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 Council
- Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery.
- Upgrade/enhancement of community sporting facilities.
- Festivals or other events, but must only be conducted within a council's own Local Authority area.

There is a total un-committed balance of \$16,491.58 to allocate in the community.

The 2019/20 Project funds was fully allocated before 30 June 2021.

\$16,491.58 remains of the 2020/2021 Project funds and must be expended before 30 June 2022.

ILA2021-050 RESOLVED (Gary Mumu/Marlene Abbott)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the progress of their projects;**
- b) noted completion and closed project 2258, Solar lights at Church, returning the underspend of \$10,000.00 to the funds;**
- c) noted completion and closed project 2259, Sewage issues at Imanpa Ablutions block, returning the underspend of \$4,835.00 to the funds;**
- d) kept open Project 2069, Walking track from School to Shop’;**
- e) kept open Project 2250 & 2251, Shade & seating at Basketball Court and Lot 107 noting that the CSC was waiting on one more quote as the quotes already received ranged from \$18,000.00 - \$20,000.00;**
- f) kept open Project 2255, Shade at Rec Hall, committing an additional \$2,000.00 towards the project;**
- g) kept open Project 2257, Youth Project and approved the funds towards a Mini football Oval with safety net and movie projector**
- h) opened a new project called ‘Fence around Church’ committing \$10,000.00 towards the project.**

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.

ILA2021-051 RESOLVED (Marlene Abbott/Janie Bulla)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted the spending of its 2020/2021 Discretionary funds; and**
- b) committed \$2,000.00 from the 2021/2022 Discretionary funds towards the Imanpa Christmas Party.**

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

COUNCIL SERVICES COORDINATOR'S REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

ILA2021-052 RESOLVED (Marlene Abbott/Abraham Poulson)

That the Imanpa Local Authority noted and accepted the attached report.

The CSC Imanpa discussed a new initiative for the Local Authority to promote and the community to become involved in.

This involved a Christmas lights/yard competition. Prizes would be given to the best display including the tidiest yard.

Note: Service Delivery would source the budget for the prizes that would go towards three meat hampers.

COMMUNITY SERVICE IMANPA LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

ILA2021-053 RESOLVED (Marlene Abbott/Janie Bulla)

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

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 30 September 2021 in the Local Authority community.

ILA2021-054 RESOLVED (Marlene Abbott/Charles Gibson)

That the Imanpa Local Authority noted and accepted the Expenditure Report as at 30 September 2021.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2

GENERAL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the beginning of the meeting, under item 6.2, members of the Imanpa Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Imanpa Local Authority notes and discusses the General Business items raised at Item 6.2.

Note that no General Business items was raised at item 6.2.

13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3

OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet (DCM&C) 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 Imanpa Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.

ILA2021-055 RESOLVED (Janie Bulla/Marlene Abbott)

That the Imanpa Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the updates and progress on actions from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet;**
- b) discussed the following items raised at item 6.3;**

School:

The Local Authority asked the Representative from the DCM&C if they could find out why the school closed on some of the school days. The Representative advised that as it was independently owned, he would contact Nyangatjatjara College for a response.

Health Clinic:

The Local Authority request a response on why the clinic's services were reduced to four hours per week and when full services will be returned.

They request that the current hours be extended and are disappointed that they are not getting support from NT Health with medical, emergency/critical issues and would like the Representative to investigate what the possibility or procedure would be for Congress to take over the running of the clinic.

After hearing from the Local Authority that there were considerable time delays in the response from nursing staff for critical emergencies in Community, the Representative from the Office for Warren Snowden's office advised that he would also follow up as critical emergencies should always be treated as a priority.

Vaccinations:

The Local Authority advised that the medical staff from Yulara had missed two of their four appointments to vaccinate the community, and as they were in Community for only four hours, in between seeing patients, a lot of the Community was missing out on being vaccinated. The Local Authority are requesting that the hours are extended. Response from the DCM&C Representative was that NT Health were experiencing staff shortages created by the Covid restrictions. He was advised that the nurses would be in every Wednesday and if the Community would provide names of residents that wanted to get their vaccination shot, the Department would work with NT Health to ensure these residents were at the top of the list.

Store:

It was raised by member Charles Gibson that the cost of food in the store was very expensive and if there was a way to see that costs could be reduced.

The Representative from Warren Snowden's office advised that there was a new Aboriginal owned business called 'Kere to Country' that specialises in delivering fresh meat to communities.

It may be something that the whole community could look at doing to ease the costs to their household and with multiple orders, they could also save on delivery.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 20 JANUARY 2022

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 3.07 pm.

This page and the preceding 7 pages are the minutes of the Imanpa Local Authority Meeting held on Thursday 21 October 2021 and were confirmed Thursday, 20 January 2022.

CONFIRMED MINUTES