



AGENDA

AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

THURSDAY, 4 MAY 2017

The Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting of the MacDonnell Regional Council will be held at the Community Council Office on Thursday, 4 May 2017 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 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.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

ITEM NUMBER	4.2
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 Amoonguna Local Authority note the Conflict of Interest Policy and declare any conflicts either now or as they arise.

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.

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER 5.1
TITLE Confirmation of previous minutes
REFERENCE - 168362
AUTHOR Gracie-Rose Matteucci, Governance Officer

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Liveable Communities
Goal 03: Engaged Communities
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

RECOMMENDATION

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

BACKGROUND

Local Authority members are to consider the presented unconfirmed minutes carefully before they decide if they are a true record of their last meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Unconfirmed minutes of Local Authority Meeting 1 March 2017



MINUTES OF THE AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE
COMMUNITY COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 1 MARCH 2017 AT 10.30AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10.40AM

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country – Lynette Ellis

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members: Lynette Ellis (Chairperson), Joylene Williams, Michael Ellis
Sharon Stuart, Henry Oliver, Caroline Peters

Council Employees: Ken Newman (Area Manager)
Levina Philips (CSC)
Felicity Howell (Snr Gov Officer)
Gracie Matteucci (Gov Officer)
David Jagger (Manager, Gov and Planning)
Jeff MacLeod (CEO)
Paul Dickson (Manager, Community Safety)
Natasha Stuart (MacYouth Coordinator)

Councillors: Cr Greg Sharman

Others: Eric Turner (Dept of Housing and Community Development)
Doug Peacock (Government Engagement Coordinator PM&C)
Raymond Kiernan (PM&C)
Anjali Palmer (Dept of Health)

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies: Cr Jacob Hoosan, Cr Richard Doolan

Absentees: Theresa Alice, Cr Louise Cavanagh

3.2 Resignations - Nil

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March 2017

3.1 MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct**1 RESOLVED** (Sharon Stuart/Henry Oliver)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority:

- 1) Note the Council Code of Conduct
- 2) Request a copy to be printed for the meeting room wall with larger text
- 3) Request that the Code of Conduct is translated into Indigenous language

3.2 Conflict of Interests**2 RESOLVED** (Caroline Peters/Sharon Stuart)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority note and declare any conflict of interests.

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

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

3 RESOLVED (Caroline Peters/Lynette Ellis)

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

5.2 ACTION REGISTER**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

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

4 RESOLVED (Henry Oliver/Michael Ellis)

That the Local Authority:

- 1) Note the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received.
- 2) Close the item regarding Alcohol Management Plan.
- 3) Keep open the item regarding the Cemetery Feasibility Study.
- 4) Keep open the item regarding Fires in Community until the Council has progressed the application for funding a fire trailer.
- 5) Leave open the item regarding the Loader until the work on clearing the areas around the houses is complete.

6.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT REPORT**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Local Authority is to discuss and identify ideas to utilise their Local Authority Project Funds for the community. Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from Department of Local Government and Community Services. The unallocated Amoonguna project funds come to a total of \$38,291.25 (this is the current unspent LA project funds including brought forward balances for the previous financial year.)

5 RESOLVED (Lynette Ellis/Caroline Peters)

That the Local Authority

1. Authorises the Council to allocate their LA Project Funds towards the following projects:
 - a) 4x grandstands at the basketball court (2 on either side) at \$5,500 each, totalling \$22,000.
 - b) 2x picnic tables and chairs (1 at Stuart Park and 1 at Ross Park) at \$4000 each totalling \$8000.

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c) 1x Portable BBQ on trailer at \$8000.

2. Requests Council ask Barkly Regional Council for the total cost of the water park at Ali Curung community.

11:30am - Local Authority member Michael Ellis joined the meeting.

7.1 MRC 2016 – 2020 REGIONAL PLAN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In this report input is sought from the Local Authority into Council's Regional Plan review. The review is required annually under the Local Government Act.

6 RESOLVED (Michael Ellis/Caroline Peters)
That the Local Authority review Council's 2016 – 2020 Regional Plan and advise on strategies and key performance indicators under the plan.

12:10pm – Meeting break for lunch

12:30pm – Meeting recommenced

7.2 COMPLAINTS RECEIVED

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update to the Local Authority about complaints received regarding Council Service Delivery.

No complaints have been received in this reporting period.

7 RESOLVED (Caroline Peters/Sharon Stuart)
That the Local Authority note that no complaints were received this reporting period.

7.3 SERVICE DELIVERY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report is a summary of achievements relating to Key Council Service Delivery standards and guidelines in Amoonguna and documents any other relevant issues.

8 RESOLVED (Sharon Stuart/Michael Ellis)
That the Local Authority:
 1) Note and accept the Service Delivery Report
 2) Request Council to arrange for the Fire Department to attend the next Local Authority meeting to discuss the ongoing concern around fires in community
 3) Request that Council help arrange a community meeting to discuss the concerns of the Local Authority.

7.4 COMMUNITY SERVICE AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Service program delivery.

9 RESOLVED (Henry Oliver/Caroline Peters)
That the Local Authority note and accept the Community Services report.

1:45pm – Cr Sharman left the meeting.

7.5 COMMUNITY SAFETY CONSULTATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

As part of a review of the Community Safety services feedback is being sought from the Local Authority on what the key community safety issues are in their community, and how the Community Night Patrol service could be better utilised to address these safety issues. The Local Authority is also being asked to provide ongoing advice to Council on the suitability of community members who apply to be employed in the Night Patrol program.

10 RESOLVED (Michael Ellis/Sharon Stuart)

- a) That the Local Authority nominates Lynette Ellis and Joylene Williams to sit on the selection panel for Community Safety recruitments undertaken in their community, and nominate one more Local Authority member following their meeting with the Manager of Community Safety.
- b) That the Local Authority notes the key safety issues raised by the Manager of Community Safety and puts forward their suggestions for Community Night Patrol program changes.

8.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2016

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 31 December 2016 in Amoonguna.

11 RESOLVED (Henry Oliver/Joylene Williams)

That the Local Authority note and accept the Expenditure report as at 31 December 2016.

9.1 HARM MINIMISATION - ALCOHOL ACTION INITIATIVES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of the Harm Minimisation Unit is to work with communities to develop Alcohol Action Initiatives that will assist the community to reduce alcohol related demand and harm.

12 RESOLVED (Joylene Williams/Sharon Stuart)

That the Local Authority:

- 1) Note and accept the deputation from Harm Minimisation Officer Anjali Palmer
- 2) Approve of Council working together with Anjali Palmer and the Police to establish Alcohol Action initiatives for Amoonguna.

10.1 QUERIES FOR THE NT GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the meeting held on the 9 November 2016, the Local Authority requested that the Department of Housing and Community Services follow up on the following queries regarding NT Government services:

- 1) Ask the Police to investigate the Local Authority's concerns about the sale of alcohol from the house with the yellow fence.

Feedback: the Department advised that the Police were investigating this matter.

- 2) Request the Police organise monthly safety meetings in Amoonguna.

Feedback: The Police have asked for the Council's assistance in establishing these

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meetings.

3) Request School Truancy Officers address the issue of truancy in Amoonguna.

Feedback: The Department of Education suggested inviting the School Principal to the next LAM.

4) Contact the Department of Education to propose funding programs for school leavers.

Feedback: The Department of Education suggested inviting the School Principal to the next LAM.

5) Contact Central Land Council about repairing the fence at the community boundary.

Feedback: Repairing the fence is a responsibility of ICL. The Department suggested ICL could apply for an ABA Grant to repair it.

13 RESOLVED (Sharon Stuart/Caroline Peters)

That the Local Authority

1) Note and accept the feedback from the Department of Housing and Community Services

2) Request further information about the Police's investigations into the sale of alcohol from the house with the yellow fence.

10.1.1 REQUEST TO INVITE SCHOOL PRINCIPALS TO LAM

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Local Authority requested that the Council invite the Principal of St Joseph's, the Principal of Yeperenye School and the Principal of Amoonguna primary school to the next Local Authority meeting to discuss the issues of truancy and activities for school leavers.

14 RESOLVED (Sharon Stuart/Caroline Peters)

That Council invite the Principal of St Joseph's, the Principal of Yeperenye School and the Principal of Amoonguna primary school to the next Local Authority meeting to discuss the issues of truancy and activities for school leavers.

10.1.2 SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OFFICERS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Local Authority requested the Council CEO contact Ren Kelly (PM&C) about the need for School Attendance Officers in Amoonguna following the Local Authority raising concerns about school truancy and the lack of programs for school leavers.

15 RESOLVED (Sharon Stuart/Greg Sharman)

That the Council CEO to contact Ren Kelly (PM&C) about the need for School Attendance Officers in Amoonguna.

10.2 CEMETERIES LEGISLATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In the absence of a representative from the Department of Housing and Community Development the Council CEO gave a presentation on the new Cemeteries laws. The new laws will give proper recognition to cemeteries on Aboriginal land.

Discussion will be had on what the new cemetery laws will mean for Council and Communities.

16 RESOLVED (Joylene Williams/Sharon Stuart)

That the Local Authority note and accept the presentation from the Council CEO regarding Local Government Cemetery Legislation.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY 4 MAY, 2017

MEETING CLOSE

The meeting terminated at 2:35pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 5 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting HELD ON Wednesday, 1 March 2017 AND UNCONFIRMED.

President

UNCONFIRMED

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CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER	5.2
TITLE	Action Register
REFERENCE	- 168449
AUTHOR	Gracie-Rose Matteucci, Governance Officer

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Developing Communities
 Goal 02: Liveable Communities
 Goal 03: Engaged 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 Local Authority note the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received.

BACKGROUND

This report gives the Local Authority an opportunity to check that actions from previous meetings are being implemented.

Action Item- Fires in Community (raised on 9/11/2016)**Summary of action item:**

That the Local Authority:

- 1) request Council to investigate the possibility setting up a resource in Amoonguna with which to deal with fires if they occur.
- 2) request Council to invite the Fire department to the next LA meeting

Update:

Council is looking into sourcing funding for a fire trailer for the community. A submission will be made in August during the next round of Special Purpose Grant funding. Bush Fires NT to address Local Authority

Action Item- Queries for the NT Government (raised on 1/03/2017)**Summary of action item:**

At the meeting held on the 1 March 2017, the Local Authority requested that the Department of Housing and Community Services follow up on the following queries regarding NT Government services:

- 1) Ask the Police to investigate the Local Authority's concerns about the sale of alcohol from the house with the yellow fence.

Update:

Have advised Police of matters raised by the Local Authority. The Police will contact the community to investigate. Department of Housing to speak about this.

Action Item- Request to invite School Principals to LAM (raised on 01/03/2017)**Summary of action item:**

That Council invite the Principal of St Joseph's, the Principal of Yipirinya School and the Principal of Amoonguna primary school to the next Local Authority meeting to discuss the issues of truancy and activities for school leavers.

Update:

The principals at both St Josephs and Yipirinya School are unable to attend the Local Authority meeting on May 4th and July 5th due to other commitments and school holidays.

Action Item- School Attendance Officers (raised on 01/03/2017)**Summary of action item:**

That the Council CEO to contact Ren Kelly (PM&C) about the need for School Attendance Officers in Amoonguna.

Update:

Jeff Phoned and emailed Ren. No response at this time. PM&C are currently reviewing the Yellow Shirt program

Action Item- Code of Conduct (raised on 01/03/2017)**Summary of action item:**

That the Amoonguna Local Authority:

- Request a copy to be printed for the meeting room wall with larger text
- Request that the Code of Conduct is translated into Indigenous language

Update:

- The Council requests confirmation that the current A3 version is large enough when standing close.
- Levina Phillips (CSC) to update on progress of finding someone to translate the Code of Conduct

Action Item- Request for Loader (raised on 9/11/2016)**Summary of action item:**

That the Local Authority request Council bring the Loader back to Amoonguna so that they can clear the area behind the back fences of houses.

Update:

Complete – Close

Action Item- Cemetery feasibility study (raised on 9/11/2016)**Summary of action item:**

That the Local Authority request Council assists with a feasibility study looking at getting a cemetery in Amoonguna.

Update:

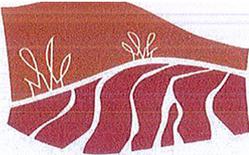
Director Service Centre Delivery - Letter to Department of Housing and Community Development has been sent and will be tabled at meeting.

CONSULTATION

Executive Leadership Team

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 Letter regarding Cemetery Feasibility



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Dear Bruce,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Amoonguna Local Authority who requested at their meeting held on the 9th November 2016, that MacDonnell Regional Council investigates the feasibility of establishing a cemetery at the Amoonguna Community.

MacDonnell regional Council would like to know the opinion of the Department of Housing and Community Development with regard to the establishment of a new cemetery at Amoonguna, and the process required for the development of the facility.

I look forward to your reply to feedback to the Amoonguna Local Authority.

Yours sincerely,

Graham Murnik

Director Service Centre Delivery

LOCAL AUTHORITY PLANS

ITEM NUMBER	6.1
TITLE	Local Authority Project Report & Discretionary Funds
REFERENCE	- 168506
AUTHOR	Graham Murnik, Director Service Centre Delivery

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Developing Communities

Goal 02: Liveable Communities

Goal 03: Engaged Communities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Local Authority made a decision on 1 March 2017 to prioritise their Local Authority Project Funds. Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from Department of Local Government and Community Services.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority;

- 1) **Note and accept the progress of their LA projects.**
- 2) **Decide what to spend the remaining \$1,026.21 discretionary funds on.**

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

At the meeting on 1 March 2017, the Local Authority prioritized the following projects:

- a) 4x grandstands at the basketball court (2 on either side) at \$5,500 each, totalling \$22,000.

Update: the seating and shade structures have been ordered and we are waiting for delivery now

- b) 2x picnic tables and chairs (1 at Stuart Park and 1 at Ross Park) at \$4000 each totalling \$8000.

Update: Ordered, waiting for delivery

- c) 1x Portable BBQ on trailer at \$8000.

Update: Ken Newman

- d) Requests Council ask Barkly Regional Council for the total cost of the water park at Ali Curung community

Update: \$400K install + \$50K operational

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

The Local Authority is responsible for consulting with community members to ensure that community priorities are taken into account when allocating project funds.

FINANCIAL IMPACT AND TIMING

Funds from the grant have two years from the date of issue to be acquitted (i.e. 1 July 2016 until 30 June 2018).

CONSULTATION

The Local Authority and community

COUNCIL LOCAL GOVERNMENT

ITEM NUMBER	7.1
TITLE	Service Delivery Report
REFERENCE	\5 - GOVERNANCE ADMINISTRATION\03 - LOCAL AUTH MTGS\AMOONGUNA\09 - 2016-17\MEETING 2 - 168363
AUTHOR	Ken Newman, Area Manager

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report is a summary of achievements relating to Key Council Service Delivery standards and guidelines in Amoonguna and documents any other relevant issues.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Local Authority note and accept the Service Delivery Report.

Key Council Services Achievements and Relevant Issues**1. Animal Management**

- The Vet was in Amoonguna for 2 days (18/19) in April 2017, no report has been received yet but it seems to have gone well.

2. Parks and Open Spaces

- Solar light have been installed at Ross Park & Stuart Park and are working well.
- 2 picnic tables and seating have been purchased, a set each for Ross Park and Stuart Park with installations to begin as soon as possible once n site.

3. Sports Grounds

- The softball oval will be getting a good clean up with the remaining cracker dust to be used on the diamond.
- Council has purchased 4 new stands and shades for the basketball court, installations will begin as soon as possible once on site.

4. Waste Management

- Sewer ponds are being maintained and checked regularly.
- We are on the short list to receive new machinery; hopefully these are not too far off arriving in community.

5. Weed Control and Fire Hazard Reduction

- All fire breaks have been re-cleared by Richard Kopp before he left in late March.
- the majority of grass within the community has been cleared.
- there is still a major problem with the young men in community lighting fires in and around the community which is a serious issue and also criminal. If you know who is doing this it needs to be reported to the police before someone is seriously hurt.

6. Other Issues

- Another problem is the damaging of road equipment eg; speed bumps being removed after replacing and bollards being burnt. The result of this damage is cars now speeding through the community with no regard for safety to others especially the kids. Again, if you know who is doing this please ask them to slow down.

New speed bumps have been ordered from interstate which means a wait on their arrival.

COUNCIL LOCAL GOVERNMENT

ITEM NUMBER 7.2
TITLE Complaints Received
REFERENCE \5 - GOVERNANCE ADMINISTRATION\03 - LOCAL AUTH MTGS\AMOONGUNA\09 - 2016-17\MEETING 2 - 168450
AUTHOR Levina Phillips, Council Service Coordinator

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report provides an update to the Local Authority about complaints received regarding Council Service Delivery.

No complaints have been received in this reporting period.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Local Authority note that no complaints were received this reporting period.

COUNCIL LOCAL GOVERNMENT

ITEM NUMBER	7.3
TITLE	Community Service Amoonguna Local Authority Report
REFERENCE	- 168457
AUTHOR	Rohan Marks, Director Community Services

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

- Goal 01: Developing Communities
- Goal 02: Liveable Communities
- Goal 03: Engaged Communities
- Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority note and accept the Community Services Reports.

COMMUNITY SAFETY**Service Delivery**

- Night Patrol services were disrupted due to staff taking approved Leave and Sorry Business in the community

Service Engagement

- Night Patrol assisted 46 people in this reporting period, the low number is due to 3 occasions of sorry business.

Other Updates

- Position vacant: Team Leader Night Patrol – fulltime (38 hours per week)
- Cert III Community Night Patrol was scheduled to commence in April, however this has been delayed due to the availability of trainers through Charles Darwin University. This training has now been rescheduled to commence in July 2017.
- Night Patrol has targeted getting youth home early at night time through partnering with the MacYouth service and being present at the close of MacYouth activities to assist with transporting young.
- Community Night Patrol continues to build relationships with the Home Care, MacYouth and MRC Community Services Coordinator at Amoonguna, with a view to identifying opportunities for resource sharing and partnership building and providing additional support as needed.

HOME CARE**Service Delivery**

- All Home Care services fully delivered this reporting period with 1-day hampers provided on 2 days due to sorry

Service Engagement

- Home Care: 4 clients
- Home Support: 6 clients
- Disability in Home Support : 3 clients
- Visitors accessing services: 3 clients

Other Updates

- The Home Care team having been working closely with Tangentyere Aged Care Service and Central Desert Regional Council around care for shared and visiting clients.

- Staff are continuing in Certificate III Individual Support training which is being delivered by Charles Darwin University at the Home Care Centre.

YOUTH SERVICES

Service Delivery

- All programs were delivered during this reporting period, with the exception of 4 days due to scheduled closures for MacYouth Training.

Service Engagement

- MacYouth Amoonguna averaged 26 young people for each programmed.

Other Updates

- The Amoonguna Youth team has been holding weekly Youth Board meetings and taking direction from youth to design the youth programs.
- The Youth Board has chosen to plan and host a two day event during the school holiday period. The older youth will be planning and running the activities for younger youth during this event.
- Using funds secured through the Office of Youth Affairs for Youth Week events, Amoonguna MacYouth team held a BBQ, Easter egg hunt, and concert.
- MACYouth has delivered programming including, soccer competitions, cooking, band practice, discos, weight training, painting, computer time, and poster making.
- Three staff members attended Cert III Sport and Recreation training with Charles Darwin University, at Glen Helen Resort. Senior Youth Services Officers attended in-house training with other senior MacYouth staff at Glen Helen over the same period.

CONSULTATION

Executive Leadership Team

Manager Community Safety – Paul Dickson

Coordinator Home Care – Kay Smith

Manager Youth Services – Bianca Rayner

COUNCIL LOCAL GOVERNMENT

ITEM NUMBER	7.4
TITLE	MacDonnell Regional Council election and candidates
REFERENCE	- 168478
AUTHOR	David Jagger, Manager Governance and Planning

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Liveable Communities
Goal 03: Engaged Communities
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

MacDonnell Regional Council's (MRC) election happens every four years; our 12 Councillors serve for four-year terms. The election is due this year, to be held on 26 August. All Councillor positions are available for election, or re-election of Councillors wanting to continue on Council. Candidate nominations close at 12 noon on Thursday 3 August. The election is held in MRC's four wards. A number of Councillors are elected from each ward. The elected Councillors then elect the President and Deputy President of the Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority note the presentation on this year's MRC election and candidate requirements and give the information presented to other community members.

BACKGROUND

Election is necessary if there are more nominations than the number of members drawn from each ward. More than this number allows residents of all MRC's communities a good choice of who they want to represent them on Council. Candidates must be enrolled to vote. There are other requirements too, to be explained. The election is to be run by the NT Electoral Commission.

The Council office can help by providing information to you if you wish to nominate or find out more information about what it means to be a Councillor. But to be fair, Council staff can't help you with your campaign or provide material or funds in any way to support your campaign. Nor should you ask a staff member during or after work to help promote you as a Councillor over another member of the community. While they can help with information, Council staff must be fair, and seen to be fair or unbiased.

CONSULTATION

MRC Director Corporate Services

COUNCIL LOCAL GOVERNMENT

ITEM NUMBER	7.5
TITLE	Local Authority Survey
REFERENCE	- 168488
AUTHOR	David Jagger, Manager Governance and Planning

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Liveable Communities
Goal 03: Engaged Communities
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Council is seeking feedback from the Local Authority about being a Local Authority Member, how the meetings are working for them, what is good, what could be different and what could be better.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority give their feedback to Council about being a Local Authority Member, how the meetings are working for them, what is good, what could be different and what could be better.

FINANCE

ITEM NUMBER 8.1
TITLE Expenditure Report as at 31 March 2017
REFERENCE - 168464
AUTHOR Chris Kendrick, Director Corporate Services

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Liveable Communities
Goal 03: Engaged Communities
Goal 04: A Supportive Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 31 March 2017 in the Local Authority's community.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority note and accept the Expenditure report as at 31 March 2017.

BACKGROUND

The attached Finance Report details the budget, variance, and actual expenditure on Council 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.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Expenditure Report as at 31 March 2017

{March 2017 - Local Authority Expenditure Detail by Location1_ORG_NAME}

Expenditure by Community as at 31st March 17					
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	39,336	41,963	2,627	55,951	
Other Operational	39,336	41,963	2,627	55,951	
Maintain Roads	5,669	6,863	1,193	9,150	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	692	848	155	1,130	
Other Operational	4,977	6,015	1,038	8,020	
Manage Council Service Delivery	80,023	93,186	13,163	122,010	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	63,580	67,888	4,309	88,280	
Other Operational	16,443	25,298	8,854	33,730	
Civil Works	222,207	223,420	1,213	291,830	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	180,340	183,595	3,256	238,730	
Other Operational	41,868	39,825	(2,043)	53,100	
Parks, Ovals and Public Spaces	695	3,525	2,830	4,700	
Other Operational	695	3,525	2,830	4,700	
Waste Management	0	40,000	40,000	40,000	
Capital	0	40,000	40,000	40,000	
Street & Public Lighting	6,971	7,822	852	10,430	
Other Operational	6,971	7,822	852	10,430	
Council Engagement					
Local Authorities	26,363	45,898	19,535	47,098	
Other Operational	26,363	45,898	19,535	47,098	Projects to be funded agreed but not fully spent.
Support and Administration					
Manage HR	0	165	165	220	
Other Operational	0	165	165	220	
Training & Development	0	1,950	1,950	2,600	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	0	1,950	1,950	2,600	
SUB-TOTAL:- COUNCIL SERVICES	381,264	464,792	83,528	583,989	
NON-COUNCIL SERVICES					
Commercial Operations					
Operate Community Stores	198,319	163,622	(34,697)	218,270	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	63,369	51,905	(11,464)	67,480	
Other Operational	134,950	111,717	(23,233)	150,790	
Essential Services	2,983	10,088	7,104	13,250	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	316	7,087	6,772	9,250	
Other Operational	2,667	3,000	333	4,000	
Centrelink	42,422	35,692	(6,730)	46,400	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	42,422	35,692	(6,730)	46,400	
Community Services					
Community Safety	77,770	95,058	17,289	123,930	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	70,181	85,038	14,857	110,570	
Other Operational	7,588	10,020	2,432	13,360	
Youth Development	122,164	129,190	7,026	169,300	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	84,037	88,938	4,901	115,630	
Other Operational	38,127	40,252	2,125	53,670	
Home Care Services	162,000	174,648	12,648	229,970	
Wages and Other Employee Costs	84,168	86,838	2,670	112,890	
Other Operational	77,832	87,810	9,978	117,080	
Self Funded Sport and Rec	78	1,125	1,047	1,500	
Other Operational	78	1,125	1,047	1,500	
SUB-TOTAL:- NON-COUNCIL SERVICES	605,737	609,423	3,687	802,620	
TOTAL	987,001	1,074,215	87,214	1,386,609	

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.

{March 2017 - Local Authority Expenditure Detail by Location1_ORG_NAME}

	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Budget Full Year	
Discretionary Funds	2,974	4,000	1,026	4,000	

DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

ITEM NUMBER 9.1
TITLE Power and Water Smart Meters Installation
REFERENCE - 169000
AUTHOR Gracie-Rose Matteucci, Governance Officer

**LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal 01: Developing Communities
Goal 02: Liveable Communities
Goal 03: Engaged Communities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Power and Water wish to present the new smart repayment metering system that will be installed in Amoonguna in June.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority note and accept the deputation from Power and Water.

BACKGROUND

Nerida Nettleback from MATRIX on board will be attending the Local Authority representing Power and Water to advise on the new smart repayment metering system.