

## Economic Development and Tourism Plan 2014-2016

### January 2015 Review

This is the first annual review of the Economic Development and Tourism Plan since it was ratified by Council in 2014.

Each Key Action identified in the plan will be reported upon. Feedback and advice is sought from Councillors to ensure the plan remains relevant and meets the needs of our communities and constituents.

Action	Target Date	Progress
1. Lobby for Investment	Ongoing	Council continues to canvas a range of stakeholders to secure funding for infrastructure initiatives. Stakeholders include Federal and Territory Governments, mining companies and private and public sector organisations operating or investigating options in in the region.
2. Power & Water Services	31 March 2014	NT Government procurement procedures delayed the awarding of a contract to provide services until July 2014. Council was successful in the tender process and has a contract in place until 30 June 2017.
3. Support Local Authorities	30 May 2014	Local Authorities have been established in all communities. Governance staff attend each meeting and support Authority members and Council Staff to meet all relevant regulations and optimise outcomes.
4. Engage with Tourism	Ongoing	Council will renew membership with Tourism Central Australia in 2015.
5. Support Indigenous Employment	Ongoing	Council continues to implement the Indigenous Workforce Development Strategy. Current Indigenous employment is 75% (234/ 311 staff).
6. Support Local Tourism Initiatives	31 December 2015	The Atitjere Works Crew assisted with the opening and ongoing maintenance of the Spotted Tiger campground during the tourist season. Other locally based projects will be supported as resources allow.
7. Support Investment	Ongoing	Council continues to liaise with stakeholders to optimise investment opportunities and facilitate investment in economic and social infrastructure.
8. Ensure Sustainability	Ongoing	Council continues to work with all stakeholders to ensure that a full range of sustainable practices are applied across all areas of operation.
9. Develop Campgrounds / Rest Areas	31 December 2016	The Spotted tiger Campground operated during the tourist season.
10. Address Disadvantage	Ongoing	Council will continue to work with stakeholders to facilitate social and economic disadvantage.
11. Improve Health Outcomes	Ongoing	New Aged care Services commenced in Willowra and Engawala during 2014. Council continues to work with all stakeholders to improve services and facilitate employment and social engagement.
12. Sustainable Housing	31 December 2014	Currently investigating options with WRS Systems in Darwin. Awaiting prices and product samples.

This Plan will be updated as required before January 2016.