

## Plain English Summary of Major Items

**Event:** Ordinary Council Meeting  
**Date:** Friday 10 April, 2015  
**Location:** Alice Springs Office Council Chamber

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Item No.	Council Decision	Notes
<b>7.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES</b>	Notes and receives the minutes of Local Authorities.	Anmatjere, Atitjere, Laramba, Willowra, Yuendumu.
<b>8.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY UPDATE</b>	Council approve the Local Authority Priority Projects and authorise expenditure.	1. Atitjere - \$27,986 2. Nyirripi - \$32,065 3. Yuendumu - \$103,941 4. Anmatjere - \$114,651
<b>8.2 APPOINTMENT OF WILLOWRA LOCAL AUTHORITY</b>	That Council appoint Freddy Williams to the Willowra Local Authority.	The Willowra Local Authority Nominations have taken place and one member nomination was received.
<b>8.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY UPDATE ANMATJERE</b>	The Council revoked the membership of Jarvis Downs and Robert Janima from the Anmatjere Local Authority.	Jarvis Downs has continually been absent at planned Local Authority meetings.
<b>8.4 WILLOWRA LOCAL AUTHORITY UPDATE - NIGHT PATROL</b>	Council reminds the Willowra Local Authority that the employment of staff is an operational procedure and not within the duties of a Local Authority. However; Council will agree to consult with the Local Authority on potential applicants for the Night Patrol positions.	There has been cultural unrest in the community of Willowra. The Council is aware of this and will work with the Local Authority and Mediation Group to ensure appropriate employment of residents in the community.
<b>8.5 YUENDUMU POST OFFICE</b>	Council will remind the Yuendumu Local Authority that the Post Office is being transferred to Indervon and the reliability of service will increase once the transition is completed.	Yuendumu Local Authority has expressed that the Post Office is not providing a sufficient service for the community.
<b>8.6 YUENDUMU LOCAL AUTHORITY REQUEST TO SEE FIVE YEAR ROADS PLAN</b>	The Council will present its Five-Year Roads Plan to the next Yuendumu Local Authority.	Yuendumu Local Authority have requested information on the Council Roads network.
<b>8.7 YUENDUMU LOCAL AUTHORITY OUTSTATIONS REPORT</b>	Council will provide a report on Outstations in the Yuendumu area to the Yuendumu Local Authority.	Yuendumu Local Authority have expressed concerns on Roads and Water to Outstations in the area.
<b>8.8 YUENDUMU REQUEST FOR TERRITORY</b>	Council will invite Territory Housing and Zodiac Service	Yuendumu have expressed major concerns at the lack of service available

<b>HOUSING AND ZODIAC REPRESENTATIVES</b>	to the next Local Authority to discuss housing issues in the community.	for reporting housing issues in the community.
<b>8.9 LOCAL AUTHORITY FINANCE REPORTS</b>	Council will remind Local Authorities that the Act only requires Council to provide budget against expenditure only, however, Council will explore options to provide Community revenue in these reports.	Local Authorities have expressed interest in having Council revenue included in the budget reports provided to Local Authority meetings. Local Authorities will need to remember that revenue will not always be accurate due to the allocation of most grants to Council as a whole.
<b>8.10 LARAMBA ROAD SIGNAGE</b>	Council will present the Traffic Management manual to the Laramba Local Authority.	Laramba Local Authority have concerns about traffic management in the community and have requested information from the Council.
<b>10.4 REVIEW OF THE DELEGATIONS REGISTER</b>	Council reviewed and notes the Delegations Register.	The Delegations register establishes delegations adopted by Council under S332 of the Act and is reviewed annually.
<b>11.4 POLICY UPDATES</b>	The Council reviewed numerous Policies new and reviewed and adopted these policies. The Council also rescinded one policy.	<p>New Policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Customer Service Charter</li> <li>- Records Management Policy</li> </ul> <p>Amended Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Engagement of Independent Contractors / Consultant Policy</li> <li>- Councillor Allowance Income Tax Liability Policy</li> <li>- Professional Development Policy</li> <li>- Staff Housing Policy</li> <li>- Fraud Protection Policy</li> <li>- General Debtor Management Policy</li> </ul> <p>Rescinded Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Parental Leave Policy (now a procedure)</li> </ul>
<b>11.5 COUNCIL MEMBER ALLOWANCES</b>	Council noted the update on Council Member Allowances	A clear direction outlines how Councillors can be paid, and when and how these payments can be altered if at all.
<b>11.6 ACCEPTANCE OF</b>	The Council accepted a	Council went out to tender with five

<b>TENDER</b>	tender for the purchase of two Skid steers.	conforming bids. The successful tender was from JCB.
<b>13.3 YUENDUMU AND LAJAMANU OVAL LIGHTING UPDATE</b>	Council notes that the original funding for lighting at both Yuendumu and Lajamanu appears not to be enough. A tender is out to determine what funding will be required.	Department of Local Government and Community Services provided the Council with a grant to install lighting on the sports ovals of Yuendumu and Lajamanu. The Council has been advised this funding is not adequate at this point.
<b>13.4 LOT 251 LAJAMANU STAFF HOUSE UPGRADE APPROVAL REQUIRED</b>	Council approved a \$70,000 investment to upgrade lot 251 Lajamanu Staff House and rent the house to the RJCP provider for three years.	The Staff House is in need of upgrading and the return on investment is a good use of Council funds currently.
<b>13.5 BUDGET VARIATION - NYIRRIPI CEMETERY UPGRADE AND CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS</b>	Council approved a budget amendment of \$34,605 for capital upgrades to the Nyirripi Cemetery and Church funded by Central Land Council.	CLC has release funding to under upgrades and Council has approved the inclusion of these funds in the budget.
<b>13.6 BUDGET VARIATION REQUEST - HOMELANDS EXTRA ALLOWANCE</b>	Council approved a budget amendment of \$104,000 for maintenance and minor upgrades to dwellings.	Council has been granted \$104,000 to undertake minor works to a number of outstation dwellings as part of the Homelands Extra Allowance.
<b>S.1 WORK FOR THE DOLE SCHEME CHANGES</b>	Council will write to various stakeholders raising its concerns that the mutual obligation policy difference between the reformed RJCP 'Work for the Dole Scheme' and those for the 'Jobactive' program may result in a mass exodus from remote communities to urban settings such as Alice Springs, Tennant Creek, and Katherine.	
<b>S.2 FLOOD DAMAGE REPORT</b>	Council noted the Roads Flood Damage Report submitted to NTG seeking \$5,376,368 in repair funds through the National Disaster Relief and Recovery	Numerous road networks within the Council region have been badly damaged by the recent rains and various weather conditions experienced by Central Australia over the Summer months. The NDRRA

	Arrangements Fund.	application hopes to repair these roads to a usable state.
<b>CLOSED SESSION</b>	The Council moved to a Closed Session to discuss Confidential items.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Appointment of External Auditor</li> <li>- External Auditor Management Letter</li> <li>- CEO Mid-Year Performance Monitoring to February, 2015.</li> </ul>