



**AGENDA**

**SPECIAL WURRUMIYANGA LOCAL  
AUTHORITY MEETING**

**THURSDAY, 10 MARCH 2016**

Notice is given that the next Special Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting of Tiwi Islands Regional Council will be held on:

- Thursday, 10 March 2016 at
- Wurrumiyanga (TIRC Boardroom)
- Commencing at 10:00AM

Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

**Marion Scrymgour**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

## **AGENDA**

### **1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES**

- 1.1 WELCOME
- 1.2 PRESENT
- 1.3 APOLOGIES
- 1.4 LEAVE OF ABSENCE
- 1.5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

### **2 BUSINESS ARISING**

*Nil*

### **3 GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 3.1 LOCAL POLICE LIAISON VISIT ..... 3

### **4 REPORTS FOR DECISION**

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### **5 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

- 5.1 2016/17 DRAFT COUNCIL PLAN & BUDGET - CONSULTATION WITH WLA ..... 6

### **6 OTHER BUSINESS**

*Nil*

### **7 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON FOR NEXT MEETING**

*Nil*

### **8 NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	3.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Local Police Liaison Visit
<b>REFERENCE</b>	177243
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Marion Scrymgour, Chief Executive Officer



As part of the Local Authority Community Engagement, representatives from the Wurrumiyanga Police to provide an update on current general community issues.

**BACKGROUND**

At the request of the local traditional owners, it is recommended a short briefing by a representative from the Wurrumiyanga Police to provide an update to the Local Authority Members.

**ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES****CONSULTATION & TIMING****RECOMMENDATION:**

**That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority welcomes the representative/s from the Wurrumiyanga Police to provide an update on current general community issues.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

**REPORTS FOR DECISION**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	4.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Casual Vacancy on Council Nomination for Member Nguiu Ward
<b>REFERENCE</b>	176825
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Maina Brown, Executive Assistant



Due to the current Council casual vacancy on the Nguiu Ward the Local Authority is being asked to nominate a potential candidate/s for Council to appoint.

**BACKGROUND**

Currently there is a casual vacancy on Council (Nguiu Ward) as a result of Councillor Crystal Johnson missing two consecutive Ordinary Council Meetings (December 2015 and January 2016).

At the February Ordinary Council Meeting, Council adopted a new policy covering the filling of Casual Vacancies. (Policy 22).

Section 39 of the *Local Government Act (the Act)* stipulates that Council shall have a policy on the filling of a casual vacancy that occurs within 18 months of the next general election.

**DEFINITIONS**

“**Casual Vacancy**” is defined as per section 39(1) of the *Local Government Act*.

**POLICY**

1. If a casual vacancy occurs within six months of the next general election Council shall not co-opt a person, provided the casual vacancy has not reduced membership of Council below four members.
2. If a casual vacancy occurs within more than six months and less than eighteen months until the next general election, Council will co-opt a person to fill the vacancy until the next general election.
3. To co-opt a person Council shall:
  - (a). Ask the relevant Local Authority to submit a list of potential persons, without preference, to the Council within four weeks of the request being made;
  - (b). Council shall consider the list of persons, plus any further names added by Council, and select one person.

In selecting a person Council shall give due consideration to:

1. The eligibility for membership as per Section 36 of the *Act*;
2. The length of residence in the Ward
3. Demonstrated interest in community affairs.

Council may at its discretion ask potential persons to make a short presentation to Council as part of the selection process.

This policy is applicable to all elected members.

**ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

Council can now co-opt a member subject to their eligibility as per Section 36 of the *Act*.

**CONSULTATION & TIMING**

The Wurrumiyanga Local Authority is being asked today to consider nominating a suitable person/s to fill the casual vacancy (Nguiu Ward).

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority recommends to Council the following nomination/s ..... to fill the casual vacancy (Nguiu Ward) on Council.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

**REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	5.1
<b>TITLE</b>	2016/17 Draft Council Plan & Budget - Consultation with WLA
<b>REFERENCE</b>	177242
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Marion Scrymgour, Chief Executive Officer



As part of the preparation of the new 16/17 Council Plan & Budget, Council is required to consult with the Local Authority and the Public covering service delivery across the Tiwi Islands.

**BACKGROUND**

Commencing February at Pirlangimpi, Council held its first Planning Workshop to start the development of Council Plan and Budget for 16/17.

Council provides a combination of services covering Traditional Core and Grant Funded Programs.

Council allocates funding either as untied (our funds) or grant funded programs (tied funds).

The following list of services were discussed at Pirlangimpi on 25 February 2016 and are provided today for information and further discussion.

In accordance with Guideline 8 Regional Councils and Local Authorities (update 29 Jan 2016) **Section 20 Regional council budget and financial reports.**

*20.1 A regional council must take the priorities of its local authorities or provisional meetings, whether submitted to council or recorded in minutes, into consideration as part of the overall budget development process.*

*20.2 After the regional council meeting where local authority and provisional meeting priorities are considered as required in 20.1, and prior to the next scheduled meeting of the relevant local authority, the CEO must inform the local authority in writing of the reason(s) for not incorporated any such priority into the budget.*

**Core Services or basic Regional Council Services**

The meeting noted that, at this point, there was no longer a requirement to identify core services but that might change in the future. The meeting felt the Council should identify those services it saw as essential or core to its existence and the following schedule of functions was prepared for review at a later meeting-

**Directorate Infrastructure & Asset Services**

- A. Waste management (collection, dump management and litter)
- B. Roads (urban and rural)
- C. Staff Housing
- D. Building maintenance

- E. Parks and gardens (urban beautification)
- F. Cemeteries
- G. Transport such as inter island ferry
- H. Street lighting
- I. Airports
- J. Drainage
- K. Playgrounds

#### **Directorate Community Development & Services**

- L. Recreation – (rec halls and activity, pools and ovals )
- M. Youth activity
- N. Libraries
- O. Children Services
- P. Community Safety
- Q. Animal Management

#### **Directorate Finance & Compliance**

- R. Local Authorities
- S. Governance
- T. Compliance

This schedule is to be reviewed and refined as needed but the final set up must reflect what the Council seeks to achieve.

#### **ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

#### **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority receives and notes this report for information and recommends any local authority priorities to Council as part of the overall budget development process.**

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.