



AGENDA

WURRUMIYANGA LOCAL BOARD MEETING

FRIDAY, 13 JANUARY 2012

Notice is given that the next Wurrumiyanga Local Board Meeting of Tiwi Shire Council will be held on:

- Friday, 16 March 2012 at
- Wurrumiyanga
- Commencing at 10.00am

Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

AGENDA

1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

- 1.1 WELCOME
- 1.2 PRESENT
- 1.3 APOLOGIES
- 1.4 LEAVE OF ABSENCE
- 1.5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

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Nil

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Friday, 16 March 2012

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER	4.1
TITLE	Visit - Public Forum - Youth Suicide Committee
REFERENCE	92680
AUTHOR	Pauline Corpus, Executive Officer



This report is to advise the Community on a Visit by the Select Committee for Youth Suicide in the NT

BACKGROUND

The Northern Territory has the highest rate of youth suicides in Australia – more than double the national average.

As such, in August 2011 the Select Committee of Inquiry was established to inquire into current and emerging issues on youth suicides in the NT, and report back to the Government by March 2012.

Members of the committee are as follows:

Chair: Marion Scrymgour (Member for Arafura),

Deputy Chair: Lynne Walker (Member for Nhulunbuy),

Michael Gunner (Member for Fannie Bay),

Kezia Purick (Member for Goyder) and

Peter Styles (Member for Sanderson).

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

The public forum is scheduled for the Wednesday 25th January 2012 .

The venue will most likely be at the TITEB Verandah.- See the Public Notices around the community prior to the visit date.

The Select Committee are seeking feedback from the Community at this Public Forum.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Local Board receive and note this report for information.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER	4.2
TITLE	Street Lights - Wurrumiyanga
REFERENCE	92684
AUTHOR	Kevin Doolan, Coordinator - Youth Services



This report is to provide advice to the community on the upgraded Street Lighting

BACKGROUND

In September 2011 – a major upgrade of the street lights commenced. Flood lights at the main intersection near the new church were installed and more recently all other street lights were repaired.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

The cost of the repairs are estimated around \$20,000. This includes the parts, Contractors and hire of machinery such as a Cherry Picker that needs to come from Darwin.

Could members of the community remind children to look after the community facilities as it benefits everyone.

CONSULTATION & TIMING**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Local Board receive and note this report for information.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER	4.3
TITLE	Update on the Youth Council - Wurrumiyanga
REFERENCE	92687
AUTHOR	Kevin Doolan, Coordinator - Youth Services



This report provides an update on the Youth Council

BACKGROUND

Since the last Wurrumiyanga Local Board meeting – Public Notices have been placed up around the community.
So far there has been no expressions of interest.

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

To gain a greater interest from the youth at Wurrumiyanga, I will be arranging a meeting with the principle of the high school and seek interested persons from there.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Local Board receive and note this report for information.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER	4.4
TITLE	Tiwi Education Engagement and Governance Project 2011
REFERENCE	92620
AUTHOR	Pauline Corpus, Executive Officer



Presentation by Daniel Suggit on a Common Vision for Education

BACKGROUND

Daniel Suggit is a Managing Partner of Local Knowledge Pty Ltd – the company is sourced by Government Departments to do community consultations and provide advice to Government.

Other team members involved in this project are Marius Puruntatameri and Mary Elizabeth Moreen – Cultural Facilitators

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

Seeking input from community stakeholders

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board receive and provide feedback on the Tiwi Islands Education future

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 Tiwi Education Engagement and Governance Project 2011.pdf

Tiwi Education: Engagement & Governance Project 2011

Project Overview

Aim:

To engage parents and the Tiwi community around a common vision for education, and to receive feedback from this group on how they might want to contribute to an ongoing conversation concerning education across the islands.

A community engagement team will meet with parents, community members and educators to discuss issues of educational leadership and governance, education provision and delivery and to develop an effective governance model for Tiwi parents and community members to be represented on and provide input to, a future whole-of-Tiwi education body.

This project has support from the NT Department of Education (NTDET), the NT Catholic Education Office (NTCEO), the Tiwi College and the Australian Government (DEEWR).

Key questions for parents and community members:

1. **How do you want a voice in education for you, your family and your community?**
2. **How do you want to give your input about education?**
3. **How do you want to receive information about education?**
4. **How do you want to be represented in ongoing discussions about education across the Tiwi Islands?**

Communities: Wurrumiyanga, Wurankuwu, Milikapiti & Pirlangimpi.

Key Stakeholders: parents, community members and educators.

Team: Marius Puruntatameri, Mary Elizabeth Moreen (cultural facilitators) & Daniel Suggit (project facilitator); Daniel's contacts
mobile: 0409 094 005; *skype:* daniel.suggit; *email:* ds@localknowledgent.com.au

Timeframe:

Week 4: Bathurst consultations: Wurrumiyanga + Wurankuwu **31 Oct - 4 Nov**

Week 8: Melville consultations: Milikapiti, Pirlangimpi + Pickertaramoor **28 Nov - 2 Dec**

Outcomes: A stakeholder engagement report which includes a proposed governance model for a future whole-of-Tiwi Education body.

Funding: Australian Government (DEEWR) PaCE (Parental & Community Education) program

The PaCE Program is a community driven program which focuses on the development and implementation of creative and innovative approaches to improve the educational outcomes of Indigenous school students through enhancing Indigenous parental engagement with schools and education providers. The PaCE Program supports Indigenous families and communities to 'reach-in' to schools and education providers and to develop partnerships with them with the aim of enhancing their children's educational outcomes.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER 4.5
TITLE Wurrumiyanga - Unlawful Entry and Stealing
REFERENCE 92623
AUTHOR Kevin Doolan, Coordinator - Youth Services



This report sets out to provide an update on the recent community break-ins

BACKGROUND

A public meeting was held on the 6th January – in relation to the above where children were identified publicly and community members were given an opportunity to voice their opinions and seek some solutions.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

The issues that relate to this are that there is very young children offending and doing so with the encouragement of adults.

The consequences are that the children and adults involved will be put before court or juvenile diversion.

CONSULTATION & TIMING

On the 11th January – Director Rosanna De Santis – Manager – Kevin Doolan met with Police to determine the possible programmes for the offending children.

These programmes will include a conference with families and Skin Group workers to determine appropriate work orders around the Wurrumiyanga Community

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Local Board receive and note this report for information.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

REPORTS FOR DECISION



ITEM NUMBER	5.1
TITLE	Policy - Local Boards
REFERENCE	92689
AUTHOR	Pauline Corpus, Executive Officer

This report is to provide information to the local board members on the purpose and function for the Wurrumiyanga Local Board

BACKGROUND

The attached Draft Policy document is for use of all local boards to guide members and staff on the objectives, legislation and internal procedures.

Local Government Act 2008, Part 4:s52 is quoted below:

(1) **The functions of a local board are:**

- (a) to involve local communities more closely in issues related to local government; and
- (b) to ensure that local communities are given an opportunity to express their opinions on questions affecting local government; and
- (c) to allow local communities a voice in the formulation of policies for the locality as well as policies for the area and the region; and
- (d) to take the views of local communities back to council and act as advocates on their behalf; and
- (e) to contribute to the development of the relevant regional management plan and the relevant municipal or shire plan.

(2) A local board is subject to control and direction by the council.

Lines of Communication:

- Minutes or Reports from the Local Board – will be tabled at the Shire Council Ordinary Meetings for discussion and decisions. (Presented by the relevant Ward Elected Member or the Shire CEO)
- Minutes or extracts from Shire Council minutes will be tabled at the Wurrumiyanga Local Board. (via WLB Agenda Paper and presented by the CEO).

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

This document also provides information on the following:

- Composition (make up the board members)
- Filling of Vacancies
- Tenure (Time frame of board members (2years))
- Naming of the Local Boards
- Meetings
- Reporting – (Lines of Communication between Local Boards and Council)
- Resources
- Administrative Support

CONSULTATION & TIMING

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Board endorse the attached draft Policy to be used as a guide for all board members.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Policy No - GOV 8 - Local Advisory Boards.pdf

Local Advisory Boards

Policy No: GOV-008	Document Ref.
Adopted By TISC Resolution Number	Date
Responsibility: Chief Executive Officer	Next Review July 2011

Summary

This Policy covers the rules determined by Council governing Local Boards as additional to those specified in accordance with and in addition to the Local Government Act 2008 and related guidelines and regulations.

The Policy covers:

1. Establishment of Local Advisory Boards
2. Meetings
3. Reporting roles and procedures
4. Administrative support

Objectives

- a) To ensure the integration and involvement of local community views into the decision-making processes of the Council, Local Boards will be established at Milikapiti, Wurrumiyanga and Pirlangimpi.
- b) To ensure Local Advisory Boards provide good advice to the Shire Council
- c) To ensure sure the community have a strong voice and are actively engaged in their local community affairs

Legislation

Local Government Act 2008, Part 4:s52 is quoted below:

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 - (c) to allow local communities a voice in the formulation of policies for the locality as well as policies for the area and the region; and
 - (d) to take the views of local communities back to council and act as advocates on their behalf; and
 - (e) to contribute to the development of the relevant regional management plan and the relevant municipal or shire plan.
- (2) A local board is subject to control and direction by the council.

Attachment B: Chapters 5 and 6 of the Local Government Act.

Other Council documents:

Code of Conduct
Council Business and Strategic plans

Definition and meanings

'**ex-officio**' means non-voting position for a member of a committee, board, council or other governing body.

Background

In accordance with the Local Government Act (S52 (2) and S49 (3))
Local Advisory Boards are:

- (a) established by Council
- (b) under its guidance and direction

and may be abolished by Council.

In 2008, the Council resolved not to establish Local Boards and to review this decision after twelve months. Council has now resolved to establish three Local Advisory Boards.

Policy**1 Establishment of Local Advisory Boards**

Three Local Boards will be established to represent each of the following major communities of the Tiwi Islands: Milikapiti, Wurrumiyanga and Pirlangimpi.

1.1 Composition

- a) Local Advisory Boards may be made up of sixteen (16) community members not including the Mayor and Elected Members of the Council.
- b) In special circumstance they may have more than 16 members with Council approval.
- c) The Mayor is an ex-officio member of each of the Local Advisory Boards and may (but is not obliged to) participate in its meetings.
- d) Elected Members who are resident within the local board's area or who represent wards within its area are also members of the Local Advisory Board

1.2 Eligibility

- a) Community residents over 18 years who live in the ward most of the time can nominate/vote or be nominated/elected, whether enrolled to vote or not.
- b) Council employees are eligible for appointment as members of a local board even though Council employees may be disqualified from election to the Council itself).
- c) Women and men should be on the Local Advisory Board.

1.3 Creation and filling of vacancy

- a) Each community can make its own rules about how they choose nominees for their Local Advisory Board and send them to Council for approval to fill vacancies on the following basis:
- b) Members are nominated at a well-advertised community meeting; or Members are elected
- c) Individual vacancies can be filled as soon as practical,
- d) If membership falls below 75% (i.e. 9 out of 12) then all vacancies must be filled at the next meeting.
- e) In communities where members are elected the next nominee from the list of unsuccessful candidates is offered the vacancy.

1.4 Tenure

- (a) The term of members is 2 years. When changing the members, the Local Advisory Board is encouraged to keep half of its current members to maintain knowledge of community matters and stability.
- (b) Local Advisory Board members stop being members if they:
 - resign in writing
 - pass away
 - miss 2 meetings without an acceptable written apology
 - finish their 2-year term
 - commit a serious offence [at the discretion of Council]
 - are dismissed by Council
- (c) Each Local Advisory Board will develop its own Code of Conduct based on the Council Code of Conduct or may adopt that of the Council.

1.5 Naming of Local Boards

The Local Government Act as of 1 July 2008 terminology is that of 'Local Board'.

- Milikapiti Local Board
- Wurrumiyanga Local Board
- Pirlangimpi Local Board

2. Local Advisory Board Meetings

- 2.1 All meeting of Local Advisory Boards will:
- (a) be convened bi-monthly by the CEO (or their delegate) from July 2010, according to the Shire meeting calendar;
 - (b) elect a permanent chair or a new chair for each meeting ("rotating" chair);
 - (c) be supported by a resident senior Shire employee, who will act as the Boards' secretariat and advisor to the chair and Board but who will not run the meeting;
 - (d) be advertised through meeting notices with draft agendas at least one week before the date of the meeting; and
 - (e) follow and adapt the draft agenda suggested by Council.

2.2 Quorum

a quorum must be more than 50% of the community nominated members i.e. half of the community nominated members plus one.

3. Roles and responsibilities

3.1 Reporting from Local Advisory Boards to Council

- (a) Board members advise on strategic community matters. These are matters that considered important and priority for the community. For example, a community may consider reducing litter or dog control of immediate concern and could raise this as a matter of 'strategic' importance for the Council.
- (b) Board members may not advise on operational matters. Operational matters are the responsibility of the Shire senior management. Operational means how something is run effectively. For example, how the Council decides to reduce litter or control dogs.
- (c) Council may decide to consult with communities on operational matters, but how matters are managed remains the responsibility of the Council.
- (d) The Local Advisory Board decides on what to report to Council;
- (e) The Chief Executive Office will nominate resident senior Council employees
 - to assist the Local Advisory Boards with reports and
 - to ensure the Chief Executive Officer receives reports from all three Local Advisory Boards two (2) weeks before each Council meeting.
- (f) The Chief Executive Officer or local Elected Members will present the Local Advisory Board Reports to Council.

3.2 Reporting from Council to Local Advisory Boards

- (a) The Mayor and Elected Members of each Ward will report to Local Advisory Boards on Council decisions
- (b) Council discusses both the Local Advisory Board reports and the management responses and decides on actions for the Chief Executive Officer.
- (c) The Chief Executive Officer prepares written management responses to Local Advisory Board reports

3.3 Reporting back to the community

- (a) Local Advisory Boards report to their community about their advice to Council and take community views back to Council
- (b) Community meetings can be called at any time. These meetings determine their own procedures.
- (c) Decisions made at these meetings may be used to advise the Local Advisory Board.

4. Resources and entitlements

- 4.1 Resources for the full and proper functioning of the Local Advisory Boards will be determined by the Chief Executive Officer and will include:
 - (a) provision of meeting facilities
 - (b) training and professional development activities approved by the Council within available budgets.
- 4.2 Local Advisory Board members are only entitled to the reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred in the performance of their work with the Board.²

5. Administrative support

- (a) Local Boards will receive administrative support from the Executive Secretariat. Employees assigned to the Secretariat remain answerable directly to the Chief Executive Officer; therefore the primary channel for communication between the Local Boards and the Council will be through the Chief Executive Officer.
- (b) The Council will provide administrative support to the Local Boards as follows:
 - Availability of meeting rooms if required;
 - Administrative support for the development and recording of information related to the Local Boards' operations.

² This requires definition prior to finalising the policy. See S. 51.3 of the Act: this is the only entitlement for members of the Local Advisory Board.

- (c) At the Chief Executive Officer's discretion the Chair of Local Boards may deal directly with Secretariat staff.

Variation to policy

This policy will be reviewed annually.

REPORTS FOR DECISION



ITEM NUMBER	5.2
TITLE	Street Naming Project - Wurrumiyanga
REFERENCE	92669
AUTHOR	Pauline Corpus, Executive Officer

This report is to inform the local board of a Street Naming Project in Wurrumiyanga community

BACKGROUND

Correspondence was received by the CEO from NTG Department of Lands and Planning (DLP) relating to the implementation of Rural and Remote Addressing Program for the *Territory Growth Towns* in line with the Territory Governments *Working Future* Policy and the Australian Governments *Closing the Gap* initiatives.

A part of this implementation is to provide communities with proper street names and signs.

The first Wurrumiyanga Local Board was held on the 16th September and approved the request from the Ullungura family.

The second Wurrumiyanga Local Board was held on the 18th November and approved the request from the Tungutalum family.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

There are 11 Streets to be named.

Attached is one Community Consultation form from Callista Kantilla (skin group).

If this request for 4 new street names is approved then there are only 7 more streets to be named.

The community members are asked to consider names (family names, plants or animals) that are important and have some historic value to the community.

CONSULTATION & TIMING

The Department of Lands and Planning have provided 3 more names that were apart of a community consultation some time ago. All street names must have a meaning, if the Local Board could provide any information on the following names that would be good.

- Punguatji
- Tiparui

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Board endorse this request to go to Council – naming four streets for Wurrumiyanga Community – Sun – Stone – Pandanus and Mullet .

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 Community Consultation Form - From Callista Kantilla - 4 Totems.pdf



Tiwi Islands Shire Council

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION WURRUMIYANGA STREET NAMING

Tiwi Islands Shire Council is seeking the community views on finding appropriate street names for Wurrumiyanga

DATE	12/Jan/2012.
Name of Board Member Completing this form.	
NAME OF COMMUNITY MEMBER	callista kantilla - CALISTAK
CLAN GROUP	Marntimapula
NORMAL RESIDENTAL WURRUMIYANGA / MILIKAPITI / PIRLANGIMPI	wurrumiyanga

REFER TO SLAP MAP NGUIU (400)

NUMBER on Map – All the yellow ones	Nº 2 = SUN Nº 3 = Pandanus	Nº 4 = Mullet Nº 5 = STONE.
SUGGESTED NAME	1. SUN 2. STONE 3. Pandanus	4. Mullet
REASON FOR SUGGESTED NAME	<p>The above names represent Totems of the four main clan groups associated with all Tiwi people.</p> <p>Warntarringa - SUN Marntimapula - STONE Miyartuwi - Pandanus Takaringa - Mullet</p>	

REPORTS FOR DECISION

ITEM NUMBER	5.3
TITLE	Nominations for the Wurrumiyanga Local Board
REFERENCE	92676
AUTHOR	Pauline Corpus, Executive Officer



This report provides information on the Accepted New Nomination and advising the request for 2 new nominations

BACKGROUND

At the last Wurrumiyanga Local Board Meeting – 18th November 2011 – Richard (Rambo) Puruntatameri verbally expressed his interest in becoming a Local Board Member. On the 30th November the Council Approved his appointment.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

On the 11th January 2012 – I received 2 more verbal expressions of Interest from Robert Cunningham and Norman Pangiraminni from the Lorrula Clan Group.

CONSULTATION & TIMING

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Local Board support the request from Robert Cunningham and Norman Pangiraminni to be submitted to the Council for endorsement

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.