



**AGENDA**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**MONDAY, 14 MARCH 2022**

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

- Monday, 14 March 2022 at
- Wurrumiyanga
- Commencing at 10:00am

Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

**Valerie Rowland**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

## **AGENDA**

- 1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES 10:00AM – 10:15AM**
  - 1.1 WELCOME
  - 1.2 PRESENT
  - 1.3 APOLOGIES
  - 1.4 LEAVE OF ABSENCE
  - 1.5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF
  
- 2 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS 10:15AM – 11:15AM**
  
- 3 REPORTS FOR DECISION 11:15AM – 12:00PM**
  - 4.1 COUNCIL & LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER ALLOWANCES FOR 2022/23
  
- 4 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION 12:00PM – 12:30PM**
  - 5.1 ELECTED MEMBERS MANDATORY TRAINING - TUESDAY 29 MARCH

**LUNCH - 12:30PM**
  
- 5 BURIAL AND CREMATION BILL 2022 PRESENTATION 1:00PM – 2:00PM**

MR ETHAN REDSHAW - MANAGER LEGISLATION AND POLICY, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT
  
- 6 CONFIDENTIAL AGENDA 2:00PM – 3:00PM**

**REPORTS FOR DECISION**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	4.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Council & Local Authority Member Allowances for 2022/23
<b>REFERENCE</b>	242920
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Bala Donepudi, Chief Financial Officer



Review of Councillor Member Allowances for 2022/23 Financial Year for draft budget purposes.

**BACKGROUND**

Each year the Department of Chief Minister & Cabinet provides an updated listing of maximum Council Member Allowances.

Below tables are an extract of the maximum Council Member Allowances for the current financial year 2021/22 and the next financial year 2022-23 under Category 3 for member's information and discussions.

**2021-22**

Ordinary Council Member	
Base Allowance	\$13,509.96
Electoral Allowance	4,943.73
Professional Development Allowance	3,753.17
Max extra meeting Allowance	9,006.64
Total Claimable	31,213.50

**2022-23**

Ordinary Council Member	
Base Allowance	13,509.96
Electoral Allowance	\$4,943.73
Professional Development Allowance	\$3,753.17
Max extra meeting Allowance	\$9,006.64
Total Claimable	\$31,213.50

Deputy Principal Member	
Base Allowance	\$27,776.12
Electoral Allowance	4,943.73
Professional Development Allowance	3,753.17
Max extra meeting Allowance	
Total Claimable	\$36,473.02

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Professional Development Allowance	\$3,753.17
Max extra meeting Allowance	
Total Claimable	\$36,473.02

Principal Member	
Base Allowance	\$75,116.61
Electoral Allowance	\$19,771.29
Professional Development Allowance	\$3,753.17
Max extra meeting Allowance	-
Total Claimable	\$98,641.07

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Base Allowance	\$75,116.61
Electoral Allowance	\$19,771.29
Professional Development Allowance	\$3,753.17
Max extra meeting Allowance	-
Total Claimable	\$98,641.07

Tiwi Islands Regional Council is listed as a Category 3 Council:

- Extra Meeting Allowance (half day)
- 150.00 Extra Meeting Allowance (full day)  
\$300.00

**Note:** Extra meeting allowance does not apply to the Mayor or Deputy

Mayor.

Staff is not eligible for sitting fees unless they are casual.

These allowances are applicable for the 2022 – 2023 financial year.

The draft budget for 22/23 has been prepared on the basis of adopting the recommended allowances as per attached.

### ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Nil

### CONSULTATION & TIMING

Pursuant to Section 108(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Allowances under are to be fixed for each financial year as part of the council's budget.

### RECOMMENDATION:

**That Council adopts the 2022/23 recommended Council as per the Category 3 Council and Ministerial Guideline 2A listing to apply for the 2022/23 year from 1 July 2022.**

### ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 table-of-maximum-council-member-allowances-for-2022-23.pdf 2 Pages
- 2 Table for Maximum Allowances applicable for 2021-2022.pdf 2 Pages

## Table of Maximum Council Member Allowances for 2022-23

Amounts applicable 1 July 2022

## Refer to Guideline 2A: Council member allowances

Ordinary Council Members other than Principal Member and the Deputy Principal Member				
	Category 1:	Category 2:	Category 3:	Category 4:
	Darwin	Alice Springs	Katherine	Belyuen
		Palmerston	Litchfield	Coomalie
			Barkly	Wagait
			Central Desert	
			East Arnhem	
			MacDonnell	
			Roper Gulf	
			Tiwi Islands	
			Victoria Daly	
			West Arnhem	
			West Daly	
Base Allowance	22,515.39	15,761.63	13,509.96	4,503.32
Electoral Allowance	8,238.34	5,767.68	4,943.73	1,647.90
Professional Development Allowance	3,753.17	3,753.17	3,753.17	3,753.17
Max extra meeting allowance	15,010.25	10,508.15	9,006.64	3,003.01
<b>Total Claimable</b>	<b>\$49,517.15</b>	<b>\$35,790.63</b>	<b>\$31,213.50</b>	<b>\$12,907.40</b>

Principal Member				
	Category 1:	Category 2:	Category 3:	Category 4:
	Darwin	Alice Springs	Katherine	Belyuen
		Palmerston	Litchfield	Coomalie
			Barkly	Wagait
			Central Desert	
			East Arnhem	
			MacDonnell	
			Roper Gulf	
			Tiwi Islands	
			Victoria Daly	
			West Arnhem	
			West Daly	
Base Allowance	125,192.75	87,635.66	75,116.61	25,039.28
Electoral Allowance	32,950.94	23,065.90	19,771.29	6,590.44
Professional Development Allowance	3,753.17	3,753.17	3,753.17	3,753.17
<b>Total claimable</b>	<b>\$161,896.86</b>	<b>\$114,454.73</b>	<b>\$98,641.07</b>	<b>\$35,382.89</b>

Table of Maximum Council Member Allowances for 2022-23

Acting Principal Member				
	Category 1:	Category 2:	Category 3:	Category 4:
	Darwin	Alice Springs	Katherine	Belyuen
		Palmerston	Litchfield	Coomalie
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			West Daly	
Daily Rate	433.16	304.91	261.34	87.11
Maximum claimable (90 days)	\$38,984.40	\$27,441.90	\$23,520.60	\$7,839.90

Deputy Principal Member				
	Category 1:	Category 2:	Category 3:	Category 4:
	Darwin	Alice Springs	Katherine	Belyuen
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			West Arnhem	
			West Daly	
Base Allowance	46,292.69	32,405.27	27,776.12	9,259.53
Electoral Allowance	8,238.34	5,767.68	4,943.73	1,647.90
Professional Development Allowance	3,753.17	3,753.17	3,753.17	3,753.17
<b>Total claimable</b>	<b>\$58,284.20</b>	<b>\$41,926.12</b>	<b>\$36,473.02</b>	<b>\$14,660.60</b>

## Guideline 2A: Council member allowances

### Schedule

Ordinary council member				
	Category 1:	Category 2:	Category 3:	Category 4:
	Darwin	Alice Springs	Katherine	Belyuen
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Principal member				
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**REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	5.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Elected Members Mandatory Training - Tuesday 29 March
<b>REFERENCE</b>	242954
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Helen Daiyi, Governance & Compliance Manager

**SUMMARY**

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 2019*, a member of a council must complete a training course within 12 months of each general election therefore this training is a compulsory requirement.

**BACKGROUND**

This first round of professional development is deliberately set as a baseline for all elected members. It is anticipated that future training courses will provide for different levels of professional development delivered through a range of methods and providers, and potentially for accreditation.

Courses will be delivered face to face, tailored to each council. The face-to-face delivery is intended to help you work together as a group, enable 'real life' examples to be discussed and help each other. There is a quiz at the end of each course. No-one should be worried about this as we will make sure everyone gets through it.

The topics covered on the day are as listed below:

- The courses cover six core topics:
  - **Stage 1**
    - **Introduction to the Code of Conduct**
    - **Understanding conflicts of interests**
    - **Roles and responsibilities of Council members**
  - **Stage 2**
    - **Understanding local government**
    - **Council decision making and meeting procedures**
    - **Introduction to council finances.**

## **ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

### Professional development of members

- (1) The CEO of the Agency may approve training courses for members of a council.
- (2) The training courses must be about the responsibilities of being a member of council under this Act.
- (3) A member of a council must complete a training course within 12 months of each general election.
- (4) If a member is elected in a by-election or appointed to fill a casual vacancy, the training course must be completed within 12 months of the election or appointment, unless the election or appointment is less than 12 months before the next general election.

## **CONSULTATION & TIMING**

Due to the impacts of Covid-19 and the subsequent biosecurity lock down of the Tiwi Islands throughout January and February, training was deferred. Even so, TIRC has only 4 months remaining to fulfill these requirements under the act.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council note report number 242954 for information.**

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.