

AGENDA ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2024

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

- Wednesday, 21 February 2024 at
- Wurrumiyanga Shire Boardroom
- Commencing at 10.00am

Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

Gina McPharlin Chief Executive Officer

AGENDA

- 1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES
- 1.1 Welcome
 - 1.1.1 Opening of Meeting
 - 1.1.2 CEO welcome to Councillors & guests
- 1.2 Present
- 1.3 Apologies
- 1.4 Leave of Absence
- 1.5 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff

Section 73 of the Northern Territory Local Government Act states:

Section 73 Conflict of interest

- (1) A member has a **conflict of interest** in a question arising for decision by the council, local board or council committee if the member or an associate of the member has a personal or financial interest in how the question is decided.
- (2) This section does not apply if the interest is:
 - (a) an interest in a question about the level of allowances or expenses to be set for members; or
 - (b) an interest that the member or associate shares in common with the general public or a substantial section of the public; or
 - (c) an interest as an elector or ratepayer that the member or associate shares in common with other electors or ratepayers; or
 - (d) an interest that the member or an associate has in a non-profit body or association; or
 - (e) an interest of the member or an associate:
 - (i) in appointment or nomination for appointment to a body with predominantly charitable objects; or
 - (ii) in payment or reimbursement of membership fees, or expenses related to membership, in such a body; or
 - (f) an interest so remote or insignificant that it could not reasonably be regarded as likely to influence a decision.

Section 74 Disclosure of interest

- (1) As soon as practicable after a member becomes aware of a conflict of interest in a question that has arisen or is about to arise before the council, local board or council committee, the member must disclose the personal or financial interest that gives rise to the conflict (the *relevant interest*):
 - (a) at a meeting of the council, local board or council committee; and

- (b) to the CEO.
- (2) The CEO must record the disclosure in a register of interests kept for the purpose.

Section 12 of the Northern Territory Local Government (Administration) Regulations states:

Section 12 Contents of register of interests

The register of interests to be kept under section 74(2) of the Act must contain:

- (a) the name of the member making the disclosure; and
- (b) the nature of the interest that gives rise to the conflict of interest; and
- (c) the nature of the question on which the conflict of interest arises.

Does any Councillor of Senior Officer have any conflicts of interest to declare at this point of procedings?

1.6 Confirmation of Previous Minutes
Ordinary Meeting - 14 December 2023......1

- 2 Business Arising from Previous Minutes
- 3 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

4 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

5 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

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6 REPORTS FOR DECISION

Nil

7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Nil

8 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

- 9 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS
 - 9.1 CONFIRMATION OF ABORIGINALITY FOR NATALIE STOKES

The report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) (51(e)) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 (s.51). It contains subject to subregulation 51(3) – information provided to the council on condition that it be

kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.

9.2 DARWIN OFFICE RELOCATION

The report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) (51(e)) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 (s.51). It contains subject to subregulation 51(3) – information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD VIA TEAMS TELECONFERENCE ON THURSDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2023 AT 10.36AM

1 Welcome & Apologies

1.1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 10.36am

The Mayor welcomed councillors and Staff.

1.2 Present

COUNCILLORS	
Mayor Lynette De Santis	Milikapiti Ward
Councillor Stanley Tipiloura	Bathurst Ward
Councillor Francis Xavier Kurrupuwu	Bathurst Ward
Councillor Luke Tipuamantumirri	Bathurst Ward
Councillor Pius Tipungwuti	Milikapiti Ward
Councillor Joseph Gideon	Pirlangimpi Ward
Pangiraminni	
Councillor Deanne Rioli	Pirlangimpi Ward
STAFF	
Gina McPharlin	Chief Executive Officer
Bala Donepudi	Chief Financial Officer
Bill Toy	Manager Community Engagement
David Ciosmak	Town Services Manager
Gavin Ackland	Acting Fleets Manager
Kirsty Mills	Grants Coordinator
Kesara Scrymgour	Acting Governance Coordinator
GUESTS	
Nil	

Minuter: Kesara Scrymgour

1.3 Apologies

Apologies from members who were absent from the meeting		
Deputy Mayor Leslie Tungutalum Bathurst Ward		
Councillor Jeffrey Ullungura Milikapiti Ward		
Councillor Therese Wokay Bourke Pirlangimpi		
4 DECCHIEFON		

1 RESOLUTION

Moved: Stanley Tipiloura

Seconded: Francis Xavier Kurrupuwu

That members

1. Accept the acknowledgement from the members that they were unable to

attend the meeting.

2. Approve the applications from the members for leave of absence from the meeting.

CARRIED

2 RESOLTUION:

Moved: Lynette De Santis Seconded: Stanley Tipiloura

That the apologies of Councillor John Ross Pilakui and Councillor Jennifer Clancy not be accepted by Council.

CARRIED

1.4 Leave of Absence

Nil

1.5 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff

1.6 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Ordinary Meeting - 22 November 2023

128 RESOLUTION

Moved: Deanne Rioli

Seconded: Francis Xavier Kurrupuwu

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on 22 November 2023 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

- 2 Business Arising from Previous Minutes
- 3 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

4 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

5 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

5.1 TOWN SERVICES END OF MONTH REPORT

Town Services, Inter-Island Ferry, Aerodrome/, Civil Works and Outstations

129 RESOLUTION

Moved: Luke Tipuamantumirri

Seconded: Joseph (Gideon) Pangiraminni

That Council note this report for information.

CARRIED

5.2 HR REPORT

130 RESOLUTION

Moved: Luke Tipuamantumirri

Seconded: Joseph (Gideon) Pangiraminni

That Council note this report for information.

CARRIED

5.3 FINANCE END OF MONTH REPORT

131 RESOLUTION

Moved: Luke Tipuamantumirri

Seconded: Joseph (Gideon) Pangiraminni

That Council notes and accepts the Finance Report for the reporting period to 30 November 2023.

CARRIED

5.4 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT END OF MONTH REPORT

This report illustrates the business within including; Youth Diversion, Sports and Recreation, Libraries, Community Safety, Centrelink, Broadcasting, Animal Management, By laws and Administration.

132 RESOLUTION

Moved: Luke Tipuamantumirri

Seconded: Joseph (Gideon) Pangiraminni

That Council receive and note this report as information.

CARRIED

5.5 PROJECTS GRANTS UP-DATE

This Report is to inform Council as to the current status of the Project Grants for the month of December 2023.

133 RESOLUTION

Moved: Luke Tipuamantumirri

Seconded: Joseph (Gideon) Pangiraminni

That Council notes this report for information.

CARRIED

5.6 MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION REPORT

This report is to inform the Council of recent Communications and Media activity.

134 RESOLUTION

Moved: Luke Tipuamantumirri Seconded: Francis Xavier Kurrupuwu

That Council notes this report for information.

CARRIED

5.7 CONTRACTS, AGREEMENT, LICENSE TO OCCUPY - NOVEMBER 2023

This Report informs the Council on the Contracts, Agreements and Licenses to Occupy in the month of November 2023 that have been issued.

135 RESOLUTION

Moved: Luke Tipuamantumirri

Seconded: Joseph (Gideon) Pangiraminni

That Council notes this report for information.

CARRIED

6 REPORTS FOR DECISION

6.1 PURCHASE OF EXCAVATOR FOR WASTE SITES

This report seeks approval from Council for the purchase of a new 7.2 tonne excavator for with grab attachment for the Melville islands waste sites. Purchase price is \$75,000.00

136 RESOLUTION

Moved: Francis Xavier Kurrupuwu Seconded: Luke Tipuamantumirri

1. That Council approves the purchase of the excavator through the WARM Funding for the Milikapiti and Garden point waste sites.

CARRIED

6.2 STAGE 2 - PARU BARGE LANDING UPGRADES

A decision is required to Accept the findings from Stage 1 - Feasibility Study conducted by GHD and Support Stage 2 - Investigate and apply for funding to construct upgrades for the Paru Barge Landing.

137 RESOLUTION

Moved: Pius Tipungwuti Seconded: Luke Tipuamantumirri

- 1. The Council ACCEPTS the Feasibility Report from GHD for Stage 1 of the Paru Barge Landing Upgrades
- 2. That Council SUPPORTS Stage 2 Investigate and Apply for funding for the Paru Barge Landing Upgrades

CARRIED

7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Nil

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Nil

9 Next Meeting

Wednesday 21 February 2024.

10 Closure

The meeting closed at 11.36am.

10 NEXT MEETING

11 CLOSURE

Meeting closed at......

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER 5.1

TITLE Town Services End of Month Report

REFERENCE 251450

AUTHOR David Ciosmak, Town Services Manager



Town Services, Inter-Island Ferry, Aerodrome/, Civil Works and Outstations

Town Services - Wurrumiyanga

1.2 Training

TIRC staff member will be attending ARO training in February.

1.4 Parks and Gardens

- Council responsible areas maintained accordingly with a focus on the main street into town.
- Hard rubbish around the community removed prior to mowing verge.
- Slashing of drains, parks and several houses to assist older people in the community.
- Cyclone clean up for the community has been ongoing since December.

1.5 Waste Management (Town Services + Civil Works)

1.5.2 Garbage Truck

- Community bins emptied four times per week
- Preventative maintenance routinely conducted on Wednesdays.
- Each pick-up location/area documented in checkpoint form to ensure all scheduled bins are collected
- The truck has been down with major repairs needed. Parts have been delayed due to floods and the Christmas break

1.5.3 Wheelie Bins

- Wheelie bins repairs are conducted during the rubbish run.
 - Bins have been provided for the newly built houses in Milikapiti and Garden Point.

1.5.5 Landfill

- The temporary waste site is now closed and has been cleaned however members of the public continue to dump illegally.
- Council is still lacking in labour, funding and equipment to be able to manage the waste sites to a Minimum level.
- Road access to the dump has been limited at times with several trucks getting bogged on the way out to the waste site.

2. Inter-Island Ferry (Boat Shed)

- Ferry maintenance –Repairs and servicing have been carried out as required.
- TIRC continue to support the women's TIFL with Saturday services.

3. Aerodrome

- Daily inspections conducted with no major issues identified
- Slashing and mowing within the fence perimeter has just been conducted.
- Slashing on both approaches complete and around secondary windsock

4. Civil Works

4.1 Routine town maintenance

- Potholes repairs will continue as the rain has washed old repairs away.

- Landfill operations routinely conducted weekly using the D6 dozer.
- TIRC planning to have Sitzler conduct road repairs to internal roads next dry season.

4.2 Routine regional maintenance

- Grading has now stopped as the wet season is now here.

4.3 Landfill

- Work conducted daily to consolidate waste.
- Wurrumiyanga currently has a large number of machines down.

4.4 Projects

- TIRC has a lot of projects to complete. I am working on a priority basis to complete these projects with the assistance of Kristy Mills.

5.1 Milikapiti Town Services and Civil Works

BACKGROUND

This report is for the Month of November 2023

WASTE COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT:

- General community litter hand picked up by Town Services in garbage bags twice a week.
- General household rubbish left outside of front of houses for pickups with trailer.
- Drain ways cleaned and rubbish removed from inside.

AIRPORT

Inspections - Field Checklist:

Inspections are carried out every morning by Romel Siplon Serviceability Inspection Field checklist sent to Project Manager and Finance at the end of Month.

Monthly Reporting Register:

Sent to Project Manager and Finance at the end of Month – Romel and Gladys.

Maintenance:

Airport aprons slashed, mowed and whipper snip around gables and lights. Clearing of both ends of the airstrip.

The water tank has been hooked up to the new bore and new light has been installed.

TOWN/ROAD WORKS:

- Rubbish collection walk through main areas, with garbage bags twice a week.
- Old items/rubbish outside people houses taken to the Tip.
- Push Rubbish in Tip with Loader. Done with Loader.
- Clean Workshop take rubbish to Tip. Done with Bobcat and Tip Truck.
- Helped Mechanic whenever he needed help with anything within the workshop or outside the workplace. 2 Town Services workers.
- Empty fuel tanks taken to the Barge Landing with Mechanic if needed help. Tip truck and Loader.
- Barge pick-ups. Ute and trailer TIRC assets Tip Truck and Loader.
- Support to family funerals. Town Services and civil workers.

CIVIL WORK.

 Grader has returned to community and will get significant repairs over the wet season.

6.1 PIRLANGIMPI TOWN SERVICES AND CIVIL

6.2 WASTE COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT:

- Waste collected twice a week Monday &Friday between the hours of 8am to 12pm
- General community litter hand picked up by Town Services in garbage bags twice a week.
 - Drain ways cleaned and rubbish removed from inside.
 - Replacement rubbish truck is running with no issues.

6.3 TOWN/ROAD WORKS

- Mowing of community areas
- Garbage truck has been off the road for 6 weeks awaiting parts from Italy.
- Collection of freight from airport and barge
- Cleanup of rubbish from shop and high traffic areas
- Patch potholes

6.5 CIVIL WORKS

- Cleaning and pushing of tip.
- TIRC is working with Tiwi Resources for an agreement on hiring Yimpinari grader.

7.1 OUTSTATIONS

7.2 Ranku

- Currently no houses occupied at Ranku.

Power

Awaiting repairs to one generator so BIHA can start works at Ranku. The
other Genset has been approved for replacement by Homelands and work is
starting on this.

Slashing/Mowing

- Slashing and Mowing has been completed

Water

- Running as normal
- Repairs carried out as quoted by Mcminns bores

HMS (Housing Maintenance Services)

- Major renovations will soon begin as BIHA conduct the upgrades next year.

7.2 Paru

Power

Quotes submitted for capital grants for new solar systems.

Slashing/Mowing

Mowing completed at Charlie's house.

Water

No water outages

HMS (Housing Maintenance Services)

- HHIP program at Paru is complete and future funding is being planned for this outstation.

7.3 4-Mile

Power

- Running as normal

Slashing/Mowing

Slashing and mowing completed

Water

Two water leaks have been found and will be repaired this week..

HMS (Housing Maintenance Services)

- No report

7.4 Pitjamirri

Power

No outages

Slashing/Mowing

- Completed.

Water

No outages

HMS (Housing Maintenance Services)

Installation of new lights and air conditioners at all 3 houses.

Future Projects

- Upgrade of solar power system - Funding application has been submitted.

7.5 Takapimiliyi

Power

No outages

Slashing/Mowing

- Up to date

Water

No outages

HMS (Housing Maintenance Services)

- Plumbing and electrical work to be conducted when on next visit

Future Projects

- TIRC are in the process of talking to SECA in regards to the water tank stand access and safety rails.

7.6 Condor Point

Power

No outages

Slashing/Mowing

- Slashing to be scheduled. Weather and roads permitting

Water

- No outages to report

Future Projects

- Currently no one living at outstation.
- Grade access track (MES)
- Graded Fire Break (MES)
- Solar inspection (MES)
- Repairs to Infrastructure (HEA)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council note this report for information.

ATTACHMENTS:

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER 5.2

TITLE Community Engagement End of Month Report

REFERENCE 251757

AUTHOR Bill Toy, GM Community Engagement

This report illustrates the business within units including; Youth Diversion, Sports and Recreation, Libraries, Community Safety, Centrelink, Broadcasting, Animal Management, By laws and Administration.

BACKGROUND

Administration

PIRLANGIMPI

Pirlangimpi Administration provides services to external clients as well as support to Internal Business Units, Elected Members and the Local Authority

General Business for the month

- Hours of Operation:
- Meeting Room Hire:
 - ➤ Meeting room was hired out by TITEB for training on 22nd and 23rd January
 - ➤ Meeting room was hired out by EDO for meeting on 31st January
- Finance:

Problems with Cash and Reconciliation spreadsheet.

Australia Post: Nil.

Human Resources

All matters including:

- **Attendance:** Fare Receptionist was away for a whole week on two different occasions.
- Incidents: Nil
- Recruitment: Nil
- Training: Nil

Events

Nil

Stakeholder Engagement/Meetings:

Monthly community meeting was held on Monday 8th January

MILIKAPITI

Milikapiti Administration service provide office and customer services to external clients in Darwin and support to Tiwi Islands Regional Council Internal Business Units and Elected Members.

General Business for the month

- Hours of Operation: 8:00am 4:36pm. No closures over Christmas period.
- Australia Post:

Australia Post Mail Bags collected daily & delivered via Fly Tiwi

Meeting Room Hire:

- 6th Tiwi Resources
- Facility Hire:
- 05th Tiwi Enterprises
- 7th & 8th Tiwi Enterprises

Finance:

 All receipted transactions entered in Corporate Services Tiwi Accounts spreadsheet. Eftpos receipts, Request to Invoice Customer, Purchase Orders sent to Accounts Receivable at end of day.
 Cash Reconciliation forms completed for Banking

IWO: Work orders for the month sent to requesting Officer

Human Resources: All matters including:

• Attendance: Good

Incidents: None for this reporting period

Recruitment: None for this reporting period

Training: None for this reporting period

Other: None for this reporting period

- Stakeholder Engagement/Meeting. None for this reporting period
- Emails: Nil for this report
- Issues/Options/Consequences. None for this reporting period

Broadcasting

BACKGROUND

The Indigenous Broadcasting National Jobs program provide local broadcasting in local languages, communicating locally based service messages in regard to Health, Education, Local government and Cultural information.

General Business for the month

Messages and Announcements made over the radio whenever requested by community members, groups, stakeholders and businesses.

Human Resources

All matters including:

Incidents: Breakdowns again at Milikapiti

Recruitment: Nil

Leave: Nil

Training: Nil this month

Stakeholder Engagement:

TEABBA Maintenance and Repair team at Milikapiti

Centrelink

BACKGROUND

Centrelink Agent Offices at Pirlangimpi and Milikapiti offer assistance and support to all community members with Centrelink issues including Family payments, Age pensions, Disability support payments, Job search allowances and Study payments for youth. Offices in both communities are open to the public from 8:00am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday.

General Business for the month

Centrelink offices in Milikapiti and Pirlangimpi remained open throughout January providing Clients with continued access to Self Help Computers, Phones and / or assistance provided by the Specified Personnel Specified Personnel. Monthly Training modules completed by Manager and all Agents

Human Resources

All matters including:

Incidents: Nil

Recruitment: Nil this month

Leave: Nil

Training: Monthly training online (all staff)

Stakeholder Engagement/Meetings

Daily phone calls between Specified Personnel and Services Australia

Youth Diversion

General Business for the month

Youth Diversion Program currently case managing 8 clients, 6 Males based at Wurrumiyanga, 1 male at Pirlangimpi and one at Milikapiti. Community Safety Coordinator assisting clients with fulfilling their obligations to the program. Zero Family group conferences conducted this month with NT Police YDU and clients. One finalisation this month and zero referrals received. Client updates and Monthly Data Reports updated and submitted to TFHC.

Human Resources

All matters including:

• Incidents: Nil reported for the month

Recruitment: Nil

• Training: - Nil this month

Stakeholder Engagement/Meetings

Melisa Ursino TFHC Youth Diversion April Grasmeder TFHC Youth Diversion Contract Management Meeting TFHC

Remote Sports

BACKGROUND

To provide opportunities for all men, women and children, to participate and achieve within their chosen Sport or Recreational activity.

General Business for the month

TIRC Sport and Recreation continue to deliver the NTG Funded Remote Sports program by providing structured activities for people wishing to participate in Team Sports. AFL Auskick programs continuing across the Islands delivered by AFLNT staff and volunteers.

Round three of the Basketball Clinics planned for all three communities to commence late February or early March depending on the weather and road conditions. Official children and Youth competitions to start in March

Human Resources

All matters including:
Incidents: Nil this month
Recruitment: Nil this month
Training: Nil this month

Stakeholder Engagement / Meetings:

Basketball NT Austin Wonaeamirri AFLNT Shane Wylie NTG Remote Sports

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

COVID-19 Hygiene procedures continue to be applied

Community Safety

Background

The Tiwi Islands Community Safety Service assists communities in taking responsibility

For the prevention of anti – social, harmful, destructive and illegal behaviours by offering

Community patrolling and safe transport to protect vulnerable people. The number one

Priority for Community Safety teams is to ensure children out at night (after 9.00pm) can

get a ride home or to a safe place to ensure their safety and as a strategy to help improve school attendance, Community Safety also assist with mediations, follow up on incidents reported and work with other agencies, providers and Stakeholders.

General Business for the month

Community Safety Night Patrol teams continue to patrol five to six days per week and attend Call Outs whenever necessary. Recruitment issues at Wurrumiyanga being addressed. Issues with violent behavior in all three communities has been the major concern for Night Patrol staff, many children are still refusing a lift home.

Human Resources

All matters including:

Incidents: Nil

Recruitment: Wurrumiyanga, four Male Patrollers

• Training: - Nil this month

Events:

Nil for this month

Stakeholder Engagement/Meetings:

Manager / Coordinator and Staff Meetings Milikapiti NT Police Wurrumiyanga Police

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

COVID-19 Hygiene Plans continue to be applied, hand sanitisers and wipes available for clients, and facilities cleaned before and after use

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER 5.3

TITLE Media and Communication Report

REFERENCE 251778

AUTHOR Veronica Gilmore, Projects Officer

This report is to inform the Council of recent Communications and Media activity.

BACKGROUND

Tiwi Islands Regional Council (TIRC) still needs a more substantial media presence online.

Social Media

Tiwi Islands Regional Council (TIRC) engages with Facebook; TIRC staff use the Tiwi Islands Notice Board Facebook Group to distribute information. Some training has been provided for uploading information on our TIRC webpage.



In the last month a Tiwi Islands Regional Council Facebook page has been created. Communication with the community is a priority for TIRC. We are anticipating that once the followers increase to this TIRC FB page, this will be our only source of distribution, to allow for a timely and appropriate response to Community questions.





Community

Marquees and bins have arrived at Pirlangimpi.



Website

The TIRC website operates on a Craft content management system. The website was built in 2015 by Hut Six, an Alice Springs-based software and technology firm that hosts the website.

Training to upload documents and notifications was provided to the Project Officer in mid-December. Due to the end-of-year festive season, training will continue in the New Year 2024.

Hut Six has advised that as of July 1, 2024, they will retire the existing CMS by the end of the financial year. This decision is part of their ongoing efforts to enhance security, improve performance, and ensure the optimal user experience for visitors to our website.

They have given two options: a CMS upgrade for approximately \$7,000 extra to the already costly rate or going with another provider. If no action is taken by July 1, 2024, the Tiwi Islands Regional Council website will be turned off.

Officers will be seeking Request for Quotation (RFQ) to create and manage a new TIRC website. It is anticipated that the RFQ will be open for two weeks, with the outcome and contract awarded at the March Ordinary Council Meeting. This will allow two months for the new website to be created, tested and go live before the 1 July 2024 deadline with Hutsix.

TIRC Motel

The TIRC Motel is operational and now taking bookings. Booking forms

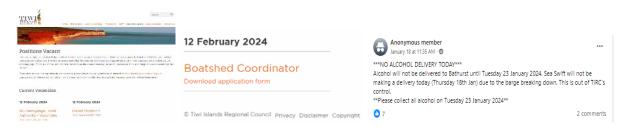
Forms and flyers have been created via the Canva design program. To date, all accommodation bookings are being made via email to the Project Officer. TIRC accommodation email address and inbox are functional for Accommodation bookings. It is anticipated that once the new website is created, it will have the option for an automatic online booking system incorporated, so Customers can book directly. Until the new booking system is set-up, a manual booking via email will be used.





Media

Media releases made via the TIRC Website, Tiwi Island Notice Board and the newly created Tiwi Islands Regional Council FB page. Three Positions Vacant advertised on The Tiwi Islands Regional Council website during end of January to start of February.



RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER 5.4

TITLE Projects Grants Up-date

REFERENCE 251785

AUTHOR Kristy Mills, Acting Infrastructure Manager



This Report is to inform Council as to the current status of the Project Grants for the month of February 2024.

BACKGROUND

CURRENT PROJECTS

Wurrumiyanga Multipurpose Hall Cyclone Proofing and Upgrades			
Funding:	Funding: \$1,500,000		
Funding Body: National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA)			
Scope of Works: Upgrades to the inside and external facilities.			
Status:	Commenced		

Agreement signed. TIRC has engaged with GHD to Project Manage the upgrades to the Multi-purpose Hall. Stakeholder consultation and surveying to commence March 2024.

Milikapiti Remote Oval Upgrades		
Funding:	\$270,000	
Funding Body:	Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities	
Scope of Works: Upgrades to the Oval, including widening Oval to NT AFL regulations,		
	fencing, and Grandstand seating.	
Status:	Commenced	

No further up-date since December 2023.

Milikapiti Water Play Area		
Funding:	\$150,000 – DTFHC	
	\$389,348 - NIAA	
Funding Body:	Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities (DTFHC)	
	National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA)	
Scope of Works:	Develop a Water Play area for the community to use, creating a family-	
·	friendly space for gatherings and recreation.	
Status:	Commenced	

Two (2) streams of funding. Request for Quotation through Buy Local for the Scope and Project Management of this Project has been completed. Report for Decision to February 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting. Community awareness campaign to commence, to keep the residents of Milikapiti up-dated with the Progress.

Confirmation form the Playrope that the delivery of the equipment might be delayed further due to shipping. Currently 22 week timeframe from ordering to delivery of equipment.

Putjamirra Solar Hybrid Upgrade Project		
Funding: \$175,953		
Funding Body:	National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA)	
Scope of Works:	Replace the existing system with a new Solar Hybrid system.	
Status:	Pending Approval	

Pending – no agreement signed - new proposed budget and timelines. TIRC is awaiting outcome of the application. No new up-dates since December 2023.

Wurrumiyanga Swimming Pool Upgrades		
Funding:	\$700,000	
Funding Body:	Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and	
	Communications	
Scope of Works:	Upgrades to the pool back to complete working order.	
Status:	On Hold – More funds required	

It has been ascertained that the best value for money and long term investment is to replace the pool with a new build, which would have up to 20 years lifespan. The current funds are not enough to replace the pool with a new build. TIRC is in discussions with various stakeholders to obtain further funding. It is estimated that TIRC will need approx. \$6-7 million to replace the Swimming Pool.

Roads to Recovery		
Funding:	\$1,300,000	
Funding Body:	Dept. of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications	
	and the Arts	
Scope of Works:	Construction and Maintenance of Roads	
Status:	In Progress	

Town Services Manager and Fleet Manager have held meetings with Sitzler, Tiwi Partners and LGANT. Discussions around proposal to complete internal roads within the three (3) Communities to commence in the Dry 2024. Tiwi Partners scoping out internal works December 2023.

Takapimiliyi Solar Hybrid and Tank Stand Upgrade		
Funding:	\$324,620	
Funding Body:	National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA)	
Scope of Works:	Upgrade facilities and infrastructure at the Takapimiliyi Homelands, Including installing a new solar hybrid system.	
Status:	In Progress	

Town Service Manager has engaged with Contractor and engineer to commence final works on Tank Stand. Works to commence at the start of the Dry with Completion by November 2024.

Town Tourism Asset - Signage		
Funding:	\$99,536	
Funding Body:	Tourism NT	
Scope of Works: Design and install Tiwi Islands Welcome to Country and Interpretation		
	signage.	
Status:	Pending	

Signs installed at key locations. Acquittal due to be completed.



Paru Project – Stage 2						
Funding: \$540,000						
Funding Body: Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities						
Scope of Works: Upgrades to housing at Paru.						
Status:	On-Hold					

Stage 2 – Paru Project is currently on hold to allow for the Wet season to finish. Anticipated that commencement of the Project on House 5, will be undertaken April 2024. Pending quotation for communal Solar System for seven houses and quotations for alternate new build housing for site 2, 3, and 4.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Most of the projects have been historical. The funding bodies are following up on the project status and new anticipated timelines for the completion of these projects. Consultation and timing have been minimal due to the short notice periods and the historic nature of these projects have been pending.

RISKS

Most of the larger projects require a dedicated Project Manager or External Contractor in the field of expertise to undertake the project. Consultancy or Contractor fees have the potential to risk the project going over budget as these fees are not eligible expenditures in the grant.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER 5.5

TITLE Finance End of Month Report

REFERENCE 251813

AUTHOR Bala Donepudi, Chief Financial Officer



BACKGROUND

Statement of Financial Performance					
for the period ended Jan 2024					
Income		Year to Dat	te		Full Year
	Actual	Budget	Variance [*]	%	Budget
61 - Income Rates and Charges	3,439,763	1,921,453	1,518,310	79%	3,293,919
62 - Income Council Fees and Charges	623,365	790,242	(166,877)	-21%	1,354,700
63 - Income Operating Grants Subsidies	2,342,137	4,811,006	(2,468,869)	-21% -51%	8,247,439
66 - Income Reimbursements and Others	126,418	91,875	34,543	38%	157,500
67 - Income Agency and Commercial Services	317,411	565,892	(248,481)	-44%	970,100
69 - Income Sale of Assets	317,411	363,892	(240,401)	-44% 0%	970,100
Total Operating Revenue	6,849,093	8,180,46 7	(1,331,374)	- 16%	14,023,658
Total Operating Revenue	0,649,093	6,160,467	(1,331,374)	-10%	14,025,050
Expenditure					
71 - Employee Expenses	3,861,216	3,865,716	4,500	0%	6,656,205
72 - Contract and Material Expenses	2,060,977	4,695,547	2,634,570	56%	8,049,509
73 - Finance Expenses	2,856	3,238	382	12%	5,550
74 - Communication Expenses	288,271	363,358	75,087	21%	622,900
75 - Asset Expense	900,280	1,074,001	173,721	16%	1,841,144
79 - Miscellaneous Expenses	787,102	1,000,817	213,714	21%	1,715,686
Total Operating Expenditure	7,900,703	11,002,676	3,101,974	28%	18,890,994
Allocations	(0)	(0)			(0)
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Net Surplus/(Deficit)	(1,051,609)	(2,822,209)	1,770,600		(4,867,335)
Adjust for Capital and Depreciation	454 007	207.002	(247.004)	1200/	355,000
Less: Capital Expense	454,887	207,083	(247,804)	-120%	•
Add back: Depreciation expense	900,280	1,074,001	(173,721)	-16%	1,841,144
Net Cash Surplus/(Deficit)	(606,216)	(1,955,291)	1,349,075	-9%	(3,381,191)
Restricted Cash Carried Forward	1,801,556	1,974,465	(172,909)		3,384,798
Total Surplus/(Deficit)	1,195,340	19,174	1,176,166		3,607
Represented by:	1 022 000	(11 004)	1 044 163		10.049
Tied Funding Surplus/(Deficit)	1,933,069	(11,094)	1,944,163		19,018
Untied Funding Surplus/(Deficit)	(737,729)	30,268	(767,997)		(22,625)
Note: Negative variances () are unfavourable	1,195,340	19,174			(3,607)

Statement of Financial Position	
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as at 31st Jan 2024	Amount
Command Assada	\$
Current Assets	2 022 545
Current Operating accounts & Cash on Hand	3,822,515
Trade and Other Receivables	832,091
Debtors	981,332
Inventory	0
Prepayments	258,059
Total Current Assets	5,893,998
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Current Liabilities	205 220
Trade and Other Payables	305,328
Creditors	333,316
Current Provisions	1,165,714
Other Current Liabilities	20,786
Unexpended Grant Liability	3,021,370
Total Command Labilities	4 04C F14
Total Current Liabilities	4,846,514
Net Current Assets	1,047,484
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Non Current Assets	
Buildings Prescribed	54,519,450
Infrastructure Prescribed	6,339,949
Plant	939,524
Equipment	191,285
Motor Vehicles	429,851
Work in Progress	454,887
Other Non Current Assets	2,618,501
Total Non Current Assets	65,493,448
Total Holl Culterior issets	03,433,440
Non Current Liabilities	
Non Current Provisions	261,815
Non Current Borrowings	620,001
Non Current Lease Liabilities	2,589,990
Total Non Current Liabilities	3,471,806
Net Assets	63,069,125
Equity	
Accumulated Surplus/(Deficit)	8,299,270
Asset Revaluation Reserve	55,821,464
Election Reserve	0
Asset Replacement Reserve	0
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit)	(1,051,609)
Total Equity	63,069,125

Current Operating Accounts & Cash on Hand

	\$
Operating Account	\$ 103,735
Trust Account	\$ 3,433,553
Christmas Saving Account	\$ 81,866
NIAA Bank Account	\$ 151,488
Cash Deposit Account (credit cards)	\$ 50,898
Cash on hand	\$ 974
	\$3,822,515

Cash Funding Type Split

	\$
Tied Funding	\$ 3,021,370
Untied Funding	\$ 801,145
	\$3,822,515

 Please note the book balance of cash differs from actual bank balances due to outstanding receivable Receipting and reconciliations

Ageing Receivables

The outstanding Debtors owed to Council at the end of Jan 2024 total \$ 1075,560. The ageing of the outstanding receivables balances is as follows:

Description	Outstanding	Unapplied Credits	Current	>30days	>60days	>90days
Debtors	\$1075,560	(\$387,140)	\$841,197	\$366,165	\$68,302	\$187,035

The total Rates & Charges Outstanding at the end of Jan 2024 is \$748,538 of this \$419,119 relates to the 2023-24 financial year.

Description	Outstanding	2023-24	Previous Years
Rates & Charges	\$748,538	\$ 329,426	\$ 419,119

Ageing Payables

The outstanding amounts owed by Council to Creditors at the end of Jan 2024 total \$ 228,326. The ageing of the outstanding balance is as follows:

Outstanding	Unapplied Credits	Current	>30days	>60days	>90days
\$228,326	(\$2,899)	\$125,042	\$94,642	\$1,476	\$10,065

Statement of Financial Performance						
for the period ended Jan 2024						
Income	Year to Date		Full Year			
	Actual	Budget	Variance*	%	Budget	
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62 - Income Council Fees and Charges	623,365	790,242	(166,877)			Charges Run for FY 23-24 is completed.
63 - Income Operating Grants Subsidies	2,342,137	4,811,006	(2,468,869)	-51%	8,247,439	Awaiting Funds - Rec Hall (W) -\$1.5M, Water Play \$400K, Paru Solar \$300K., LCRI -
66 - Income Reimbursements and Others	126,418	91,875	34,543	38%	157,500	
67 - Income Agency and Commercial Services	317,411	565,892	(248,481)	-44%	970,100	Fuel Sales posting in process Sep 23 & Oct 23.
69 - Income Sale of Assets	0	0	0	0%	0	
Total Operating Revenue	6,849,093	8,180,467	(1,331,374)	-16%	14,023,658	
Expenditure						
71 - Employee Expenses	3,861,216	3,865,716	4,500	0%	6.656.205	Unspent grant areas in CEO, Infrastructure , Grants Policy.
72 - Contract and Material Expenses	2,060,977	4,695,547				Underspent in LCRI , R2R , LAPF , Community Saftey fundings.
73 - Finance Expenses	2,856	3,238			5,550	
74 - Communication Expenses	288,271	363,358			622,900	
75 - Asset Expense	900,280	1,074,001	,		1,841,144	
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Total Operating Experiorities	1,500,105	11,002,070	3,101,377	20/0	10,030,334	
Allocations	(0)	(0)			(0)	
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	(1,051,609)	(2,822,209)	1,770,600		(4,867,335)	
Adjust for Capital and Depreciation	(-,002,000)	(-,0==,=00)	-,,		(1,001,1000)	
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Represented by:		<u> </u>			<u> </u>	
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* Note: Negative variances () are unfavourable	1,195,340	19,174			(3,607)	

Council's Statutory Payments and Reporting Obligations:

Fringe benefits Tax:

Council's FY 2023 Fringe benefits tax return is submitted & has been processed by ATO.

Insurance:

Council Insurance policy is renewed through the insurance broker JLT for FY 23-24. The policy coverage starts from 1st July 23 to 30th June 24.

Superannuation:

Council has processed its Superannuation Liability for the period till 25th Jan 24 on 30th Jan 24.

PAYG:

The tax Withheld from the staff salaries is remitted to the tax office on a Weekly basis. Latest Instalment PAYG of TIRC was released on 12th Feb 24. All the payments are up to date.

Business Activity Statements (BAS):

We are up to date will all the lodgement of the council Business Activity Statements.

Jan - 24 BAS is under process & will be submitted to ATO.

CONSULTATION AND TIMING

Section 8 of the Local Government Accounting Regulations 2014 outlines the requirements for financial reporting to Council. In particular it states that the actual income and expenditure for the commencement of the financial year to the end of the previous month should be reported plus a statement of the debts owed to the Council.

Part 8 Financial reports to council

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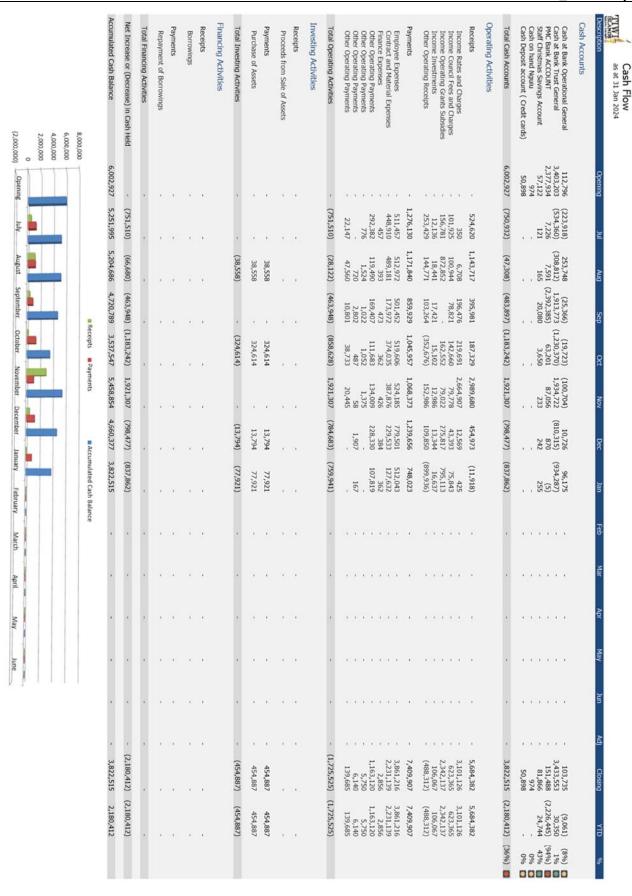
- (1) The CEO must, in each month, present before a meeting of the council a report, in a form approved by the council, setting out:
 - (a) The actual income and expenditure of the council for the period from the commencement of the financial year up to the end of the previous month; and
 - (b) The forecast income and expenditure for the whole of the financial year.
- (2) The report must include:
 - (a) Details of all cash and investments held by the council (including money held in trust); and
 - (b) A statement on the debts owed to the council including the aggregate amount owed under each category with a general indication of the age of the debts; and
 - (c) Other information required by the council.
- (3) If a council does not hold a meeting in a particular month, the report is to be laid before the council committee performing the council's financial functions for the particular month.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes and accepts the Finance Report for the reporting period to 31st Jan 2024.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 Cash Flow_Jan2024.pdf



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