

WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL 2017-18 ANNUAL REPORT



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REGIONAL COUNCIL



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Mayor Matthew Ryan and CEO Brian Hylands

STATEMENT BY THE MAYOR AND CEO

We would like to acknowledge the original owners of the lands on which West Arnhem Regional Council provides its services.

The year gone represented the end of a chapter in the life of the former Council following the Local Government elections in September 2017. I was proud to be chosen as the Mayor of this great region and have enjoyed the support of the Deputy Mayor, Cr Anna Egerton and all elected Councillors from the Kakadu, Gunbalanya, Maningrida and Barrah Wards.

On a very sad note we mourn the passing of one of our longest serving Councillors from the Maningrida Ward. Njabulanj Helen Williams, a Kunibidji woman of the Wurnal clan, lived most of her life in Maningrida and dedicated her life to improving the conditions in her community. Njabulanj's advice was highly sought after and respected.

What has been achieved during the past year has only been possible through:

- The continued support of the Federal and Northern Territory Governments and we thank them for the funds contributed to provide services, infrastructure and employment opportunities within our communities;

- The support of community groups within our region without which the many successful events conducted would not have eventuated; and
- The energy and enthusiasm of WARC's employees. Their commitment to their tasks is what continues to drive Council.

It is now 10 years since West Arnhem Regional Council was established. We experienced difficult times in the early years, not least of which were doubts about Council's ongoing financial sustainability. But as a result of the hard work of successive Councils and the commitment of staff we have prevailed.

This Annual Report looks back on what has been achieved during the last 12 months. In doing so we can see how our achievements have benefitted the constituents of our Region. Readers can also assess whether Council successfully met its Strategic Goals and Objectives which were set in the Regional Plan for 2017-2018.

Matthew Ryan
MAYOR

Brian Hylands
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The key achievements during the year have been:

- GOAL 1**
Inclusive Community Engagement Within The Region
 - The election of a new Council.
 - The continuing dialogue with Federal and Territory members of parliament which supports and strengthens WARC's relationships with its key stakeholders.
- GOAL 2**
Effective And Supportive Local Government Administration
 - The completion of two internal audits undertaken by the Audit Committee.
 - The continued commitment to and investment in training to develop WARC's most critical resource – its staff.
- GOAL 3**
Local Infrastructure Which Is Fit For Purpose
 - The continued investment in the youth of the region through the upgrading of WARC's sporting facilities, including the Jabiru and Maningrida basketball courts and the fencing of the Minjilang oval.
 - The acquisition of motor vehicles and plant to assist in the successful completion of infrastructure projects.
- GOAL 4**
Initiatives Which Improve Local Environment Health
 - Being presented with the Litter Management Award (North) at the annual Territory Tidy Towns Awards in recognition of the huge efforts in environmental sustainability made by WARC's staff in the Maningrida community.
 - The significant work put into upgrading WARC's landfills in each of its communities.
- GOAL 5**
Local Civic Services Which Respect Culture And Heritage
 - The increase in usage of the resources of the Jabiru Library.
 - Additional support of the Mahbilil Festival as this year would be the first we contributed the 10k.
- GOAL 6**
Community Social Programmes And Commercial Services That Contribute To The Community
 - The establishment of the highly-anticipated digital media hub at the Gunbalanya Youth Centre.
 - The holding of the first ever dive-in movie night at the Maningrida pool.
 - Organisation of Kakadu Triathlon by WARC for the first time.



OUR REGION

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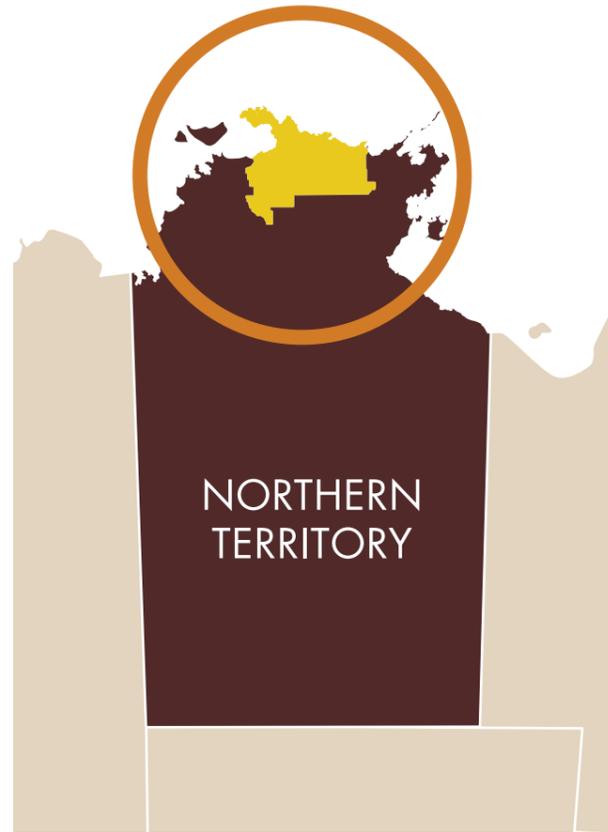
WEST ARNHEM REGION

LOCATION

The West Arnhem Regional Council covers an area of almost 50,000km of stunning natural landscape in the western part of Arnhem Land, Northern Territory.

More than three quarters of the Region's population of over 6,100 identify as Aboriginal Australians, who reside in towns, communities and outstations.

The Council provides a range of local government services to five towns and communities across four wards. The Aboriginal communities of Minjilang and Waruwi are located in Barra Ward, Maningrida community in Maningrida Ward, and Gunbalanya community in Gunbalanya Ward. The town of Jabiru, which was established to service the nearby Ranger Mine, is situated in Kakadu Ward, which also includes the World Heritage listed Kakadu National Park.



REGION POPULATION STATISTICS

6188
PEOPLE

4790
ABORIGINAL AND/OR
TORRES STRAIT
ISLANDER PEOPLE

1314
FAMILIES

1998
HOUSES



3032
FEMALES



3156
MALES



GUNBALANYA

1117
PEOPLE

989
ABORIGINAL AND/OR
TORRES STRAIT
ISLANDER PEOPLE

248
FAMILIES

258
HOUSES



LANGUAGE SPOKEN:
KUNWINJKU



580
FEMALES



537
MALES



55%
OF RESIDENTS
CARE FOR
CHILDREN



241
WORKING
RESIDENTS



360
STUDENTS



\$258
AVERAGE
WEEKLY INCOME



153
RESIDENTS
COMPLETED
YEAR 12



JABIRU

1081
PEOPLE

265
ABORIGINAL AND/OR
TORRES STRAIT
ISLANDER PEOPLE

223
FAMILIES

625
HOUSES



LANGUAGE SPOKEN:
KUNWINJKU



502
FEMALES



29%

OF RESIDENTS
CARE FOR
CHILDREN



579
MALES



541
WORKING
RESIDENTS



392
STUDENTS



\$1167
AVERAGE
WEEKLY INCOME



346
RESIDENTS
COMPLETED
YEAR 12



MANINGRIDA

2308
PEOPLE

2061
ABORIGINAL AND/OR
TORRES STRAIT
ISLANDER PEOPLE

496
FAMILIES

408
HOUSES



LANGUAGE SPOKEN:
BURARRA



1113
FEMALES



55%

OF RESIDENTS
CARE FOR
CHILDREN



1195
MALES



365
WORKING
RESIDENTS



847
STUDENTS



\$236
AVERAGE
WEEKLY INCOME



380
RESIDENTS
COMPLETED
YEAR 12



MINJILANG

247
PEOPLE

223
ABORIGINAL AND/OR
TORRES STRAIT
ISLANDER PEOPLE

55
FAMILIES

52
HOUSES



LANGUAGE SPOKEN:
IWAIDJA



129
FEMALES



118
MALES



61%
OF RESIDENTS
CARE FOR
CHILDREN



53
WORKING
RESIDENTS



80
STUDENTS



\$268
AVERAGE
WEEKLY INCOME



34
RESIDENTS
COMPLETED
YEAR 12



WARRUWI

389
PEOPLE

361
ABORIGINAL AND/OR
TORRES STRAIT
ISLANDER PEOPLE

101
FAMILIES

96
HOUSES



LANGUAGE SPOKEN:
MAUNG



185
FEMALES



204
MALES



52%
OF RESIDENTS
CARE FOR
CHILDREN



75
WORKING
RESIDENTS



160
STUDENTS



\$265
AVERAGE
WEEKLY INCOME



55
RESIDENTS
COMPLETED
YEAR 12





WEST ARNHEM

REGIONAL COUNCIL

OUR COUNCIL

COUNCILLORS

GUNBALANYA WARD





Cr Davison Nawirridj Cr Otto Dann Cr Karl Srdinsek

KAKADU WARD

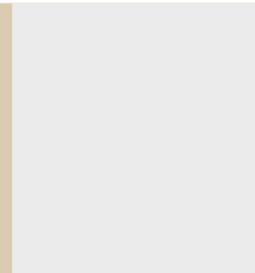




Cr Elizabeth Williams Cr Ralph Blyth Cr Anna Egerton

MANINGRIDA WARD



Cr Matthew Ryan Cr Julius Don Kernan Cr Valda Bokmakarray Vacant

BARRAH WARD




Cr James Marrawal Cr Philip Wasaga

COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES 2017-18

ALLOWANCE	ORDINARY COUNCIL MEMBER	DEPUTY PRINCIPAL MEMBER	PRINCIPAL MEMBER (MAYOR)
Base allowance	\$13,151.83	\$27,039.81	\$73,125.37
Electoral allowance	\$4,812.67	\$4,812.67	\$19,247.18
TOTAL	\$17,964.50	\$31,852.48	\$92,372.55
Additional Professional Development Allowance	\$3,653.68	\$3,653.68	\$3,653.68
Maximum Extra Meeting Allowance	\$140.00*		

* per meeting, up to a maximum of \$8,767.88

COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE 2017-18

COUNCILLOR	COUNCIL MEETINGS ⁷ (12 HELD)	FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE MEETINGS (7 HELD)	RISK MANAGEMENT & AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETINGS (4 HELD)
Mayor Matthew Ryan	9	6	2
Deputy Mayor Anna Egerton	10	6	4
Davison Nawirridj	12		
Elizabeth Williams	12	7	3
James Marrawal	11	1	3
Julius Don Kernan	9		
Karl Srdinsek	10	5	
Otto Dann	10		
Philip Wasaga	10	5	
Ralph Blyth	7		
Valda Bokmakarray	8		
Alex Siebert	0	0	0
Captain Brown	2		
Daisy Yarmirr	2		
Michelle Siebert	2		
Helen Williams (Refer Story Pg 18)			

5 meetings of the Finance and Policy Committee were cancelled

Cr's Alex and Michelle Siebert, Yarmirr and Brown were not re-elected. Consequently there were only 2 council meetings which they were eligible to attend.

Cr's Kernan, Srdinsek, Dann, Wasaga, Blyth and Bokmakarray became councillors following the elections held in August 2017.

Consequently there were only 10 council meetings which they were eligible to attend.

Cr's Marrawal and Alex Siebert were only eligible to attend one Finance and Policy Committee meeting whilst Cr's Srdinsek and Wasaga were eligible to attend six only.

Councillor Alex Siebert was eligible to attend one meeting of the Risk Management and Audit Committee whilst Cr Elizabeth Williams was eligible to attend three.

COMMITTEES

FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE – MEMBERS

Mayor Matthew Ryan

Deputy Mayor Anna Egerton

Councillor Elizabeth Williams

Councillor Karl Srdinsek

Councillor Philip Wasaga

The Finance Committee meets on a monthly basis to review and consider the presentation of the monthly finance report. It is primarily responsible for monitoring the ongoing financial position of Council and deals with recommendations to Council for budget variations, requests for capital expenditure and tender deliberations.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE – MEMBERS

Iain Summers (Independent Chairman)

Mayor Matthew Ryan

Deputy Mayor Anna Egerton

Councillor Elizabeth Williams

Councillor James Marrawal

The West Arnhem Regional Council established the Audit Committee pursuant to section 10(3) of the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations as a key component of Council’s governance framework. During 2017-18 the Committee changed its name to the “Risk Management and Audit Committee”.

This Committee works within a framework, the Audit Committee Charter, which provides for the conduct of the Committee. The Risk Management and Audit Committee was established as an Advisory Committee pursuant to Part 5.2 of the Local Government Act. The Committee has been established to monitor compliance by Council with proper standards of financial management and with Accounting Standards and Regulations and Accounting Standards.

The Committee has an independent Chairman, Mr Iain Summers B Comm, LLB (Hons), Grad Dip Management Psychology, FCA FCPA FAICD FAIM. West Arnhem Regional Council thanks Iain for his invaluable contribution to the committee.

During the year the Committee undertook 4 internal audits and reviews. These audits and reviews related to:

- The Effectiveness of Existing Controls associated with Commercial Services (audit).
- Records Management Mitigation Strategy (review).
- Asset Management Mitigation Strategy (review).
- The Effectiveness of Risk Mitigation Strategies associated with the operation of Council’s swimming pools (audit).

The Committee continued to track the progress of previous internal audits undertaken to ensure Management remained committed to addressing the issues raised and recommendations made.

Other activities included:

- A review and revision of the Risk Management and Audit Committee’s Terms of Reference.
- Continual monitoring of action taken in relation to recommendations provided by WARC’s External Auditors.
- Consideration of the External Audit Plan for 2017-18.

Further detail regarding the Audit Committee is to be found at page 46, Goal 2, Effective and Supportive Local government Administration.



Iain Summers,
Audit Committee
Independent Chairman

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

COUNCIL LOCAL AUTHORITIES

GUNBALANYA	MANINGRIDA	MINJILANG	WARRUWI
Henry Yates (Chairperson)	James Woods (Chairperson)	Andrew Mungutapi (Chairperson)	Jason Mayinaj (Chairperson)
Andy Garnarradj	Jamie Yibarbuk	Charles Yirrawala	Albert Naruraidj
Connie Nayinggul	Jessica Phillips	Henrya Guwiyul	Alfred Gawaraidjt
Evonne Gumurdul	Manual Brown	Isabel Lami Lami	Douglas Djalanba
Kenneth Mangiru	Nelson Wilson	Jimmy Cooper	Eda Waianga
Maxwell Garnarradj	Steven Wilson	Lachlan Nabegeyo	Nicholas Hunter
		Matthew Nagarlbin	
		Shane Wauchope	

ELECTED MEMBERS	Councillor Davison Nawirridj	Mayor Matthew Ryan	Councillor James Marrawal
	Councillor Karl Srdinsek	Councillor Julius Don Kernan	Councillor Philip Wasaga
	Councillor Otto Dann	Councillor Valda Bokmakarray	

LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETINGS IN 2017-2018

LOCAL AUTHORITY	MEETING DATES	LOCAL AUTHORITY	MEETING DATES
Gunbalanya	27.03.18 26.06.18	Minjilang	04.04.18
Maningrida	08.03.18 28.03.18	Waruwi	07.03.18 07.06.18

Black = meeting held Orange = quorum not reached

VALE NJABULANJ HELEN WILLIAMS

In his address Mayor Ryan mourned the passing of Njabulanj Helen Williams, one of West Arnhem Regional Council's longest serving Councillors. Njabulanj was a founding member of what was originally West Arnhem Shire Council, later renamed as West Arnhem Regional Council and represented the Maningrida community every year of Council's existence. She was a passionate advocate and engaged in Council meetings with enthusiasm and vigor.

For many years she was also an elected member of the Maningrida Council Incorporated which became part of WARC.

The following article appeared in the "Green Left Weekly" and was written by Coral Wynter and Katrina Channells. This is an edited version of that article and publication has been approved by Njabulanj's daughter, Noni.

Njabulanj Helen Williams, a Kunibíjji woman of the Wurnal clan, lived most of her life in Maningrida, about 500 kilometres east of Darwin in Arnhem Land.

She was born in 1956 on Mardbalk (Goulburn Island). Her father, a pastor, relocated from Goulburn Island to Maningrida when the Japanese threatened to invade during World War II. As a child, she travelled back and forth in a dugout canoe, "Ibidjbat", on the Liverpool River between Maningrida and the surrounding coastal homelands.

Maningrida, one of the largest growth towns in Arnhem Land, was established as a trading post in the 1940s and then as an Aboriginal mission in the 1950s. Njabulanj attended the first school built in Maningrida and so gained an education in the ways of the white colonisers.

Njabulanj dedicated her life to improving conditions in the small, predominantly Indigenous town of now almost 2500 people. During the wet seasons the population of Maningrida increases by 50% as cars can not get in or out to remote areas. This puts incredible pressure on the town's housing: in some cases a three-bedroom house will sleep 15 people.

Njabulanj was a co-founder of Maningrida's first refuge for women, children and victims of domestic violence in the 1970s, the Bábbarra Women's Centre where she worked for more than 20 years.

The Bábbarra Women's Centre has evolved into a very popular fabric and design centre, organising workshops and pop up stalls locally and nationally. It is involved in fashion runways, art fairs and the sale of beautiful handmade garments with stories printed onto these colourful fabrics, all made by local women, and women from the surrounding homelands.

Njabulanj was extremely passionate about education and insisted her seven children went to school. A teacher at the Maningrida primary school remembered her marching into the school room 25 years ago, with two little girls under her arms, saying, "They are your responsibility now, teach them".

Her efforts also led to a high school finally being built in Maningrida, so that Aboriginal children did not have to travel thousands of miles away to a strange city for an education. Njabulanj was also a cultural liaison person with the Maningrida Community Education Centre, just one of the many committees and peak bodies she sat on.

She was a strong believer in self-determination and land and sea rights. She was a Traditional Owner of Kabalko and Ngarraku Islands in the Arafura Sea, which she said she would never sell, even if offered millions of dollars. Her head was always covered with a colourful scarf and she was known for her bandanas. The story goes that her hair fell out after a huge rock was removed from one of her islands, at the insistence of the church.

Njabulanj was involved in many projects and services relating to her clans, community and people. There are at least 13 different clans in Maningrida with different customs and languages. Njabulanj spoke eight languages including English and Maningrida's local language, Ndjebbana. She also learned to speak Indonesian during her travels to Indonesia in the early 1990s. Her main language was her mother tongue Kunbarlang, which is older and less spoken around Arnhem Land, Croker and Goulburn islands these days, and only a few, mainly from her generation or older still speak it.

She was a major force in the assistance and development of Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation. BAC is a community operated and run organisation that runs most of the local affairs in Maningrida, as well as the Maningrida Art Centre, the Women's Centre and the tucker run, a vehicle delivering supplies to people living on country, in the surrounding homelands, many hours from Maningrida. BAC was established so that the profits would go back to the people and remain in the community.

Njabulanj's advice was highly sought after and respected. She was always being pulled in all directions by community and external services because of her integrity, principles and stern opinions. She sat on the board of many organisations including Northern Land Council for the Arnhem region.

Maningrida Progress Association is another local organisation she was involved with all her life, from being employed as a stores and check-out clerk during her youth to sitting as chairperson of the board.

Njabulanj was also an advocate for aged care and for the elderly in Maningrida, helping to set up Meals on Wheels and a laundry service. She fought for the care and safety of children, who had been damaged by petrol sniffing and drugs.

Njabulanj and her daughters were key leaders in the local group Protect Arnhem Land. They forged a campaign for sea rights, to prevent a petroleum company drilling in the Arafura Sea.

After five years of fighting, the company withdrew its application to drill for unconventional gas.

Njabulanj and her daughter Daiguma will always be remembered for the magnificent achievement of saving 1500 kilometres of Arnhem Land shoreline from destruction.

Despite the hard times, Njabulanj's sense of humour was infectious. She was a passionate hunter of fish, shell fish, mud crabs and oysters and had skills with handline and throw nets in the Liverpool River. When she visited Brisbane she went looking for places to hunt or fish.

Njabulanj was heartbroken by the death of her daughter, Daiguma last year. They were two women who were forces of nature. Family and friends know they are with each other now, singing by a fire together in their favourite place of all, Kabalko Island.

Njabulanj is sadly missed by her beloved daughters Colleena, Ruby, Noni and Grace and sons Reggie and Russell as well as her many grandchildren, the entire Maningrida community and her many friends across Arnhem Land, the Territory, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, and across the world. Her smile will live on forever.



ORGANISATION OVERVIEW



BRIAN HYLANDS
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



GORDON SMITH
REGIONAL MANAGER SERVICE DELIVERY

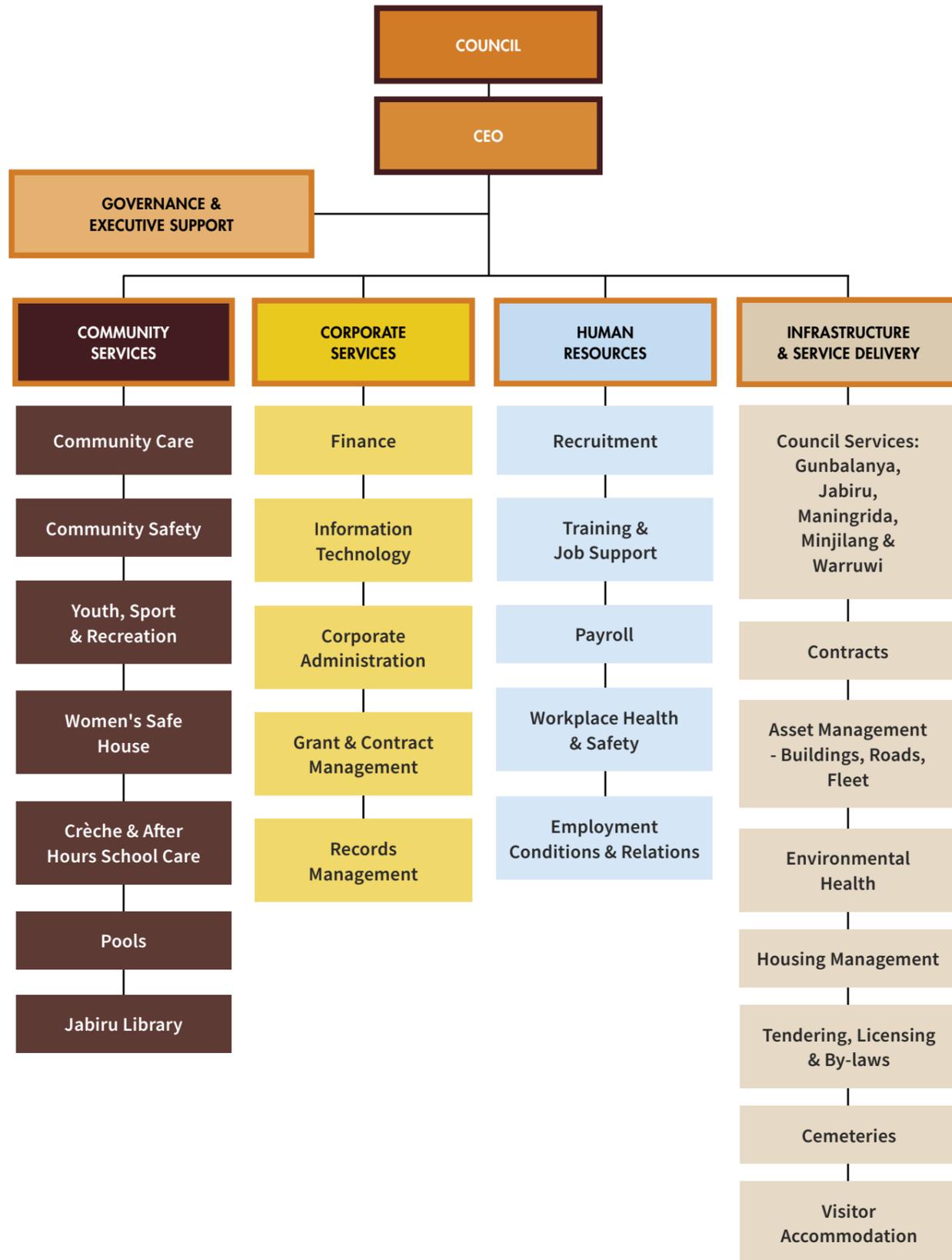


CHRIS SWANSON
MANAGER HUMAN RESOURCES



VALENTIN MARKEZ
EXECUTIVE MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

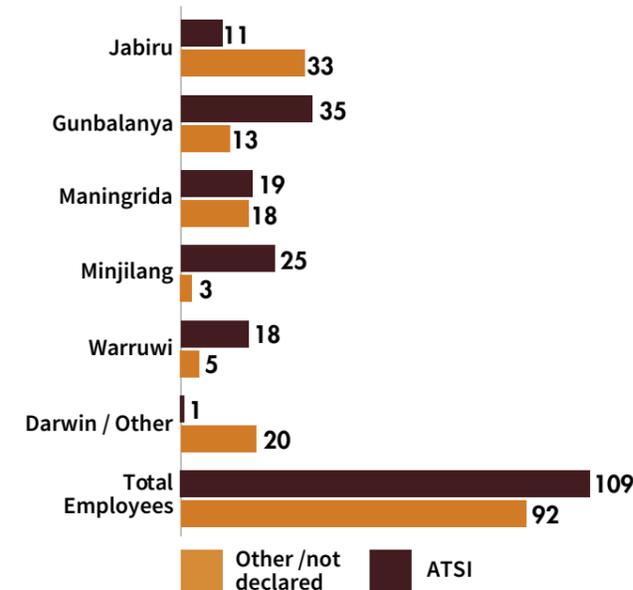


STAFF SNAPSHOT

West Arnhem Regional Council is one of the largest employers in the region. On 30 June 2018, the Council had 201 people employed across six offices. Compared to 30 June 2017, when Council employed 220. While this implies a reduction of 19 staff, it should be noted that the average number of employees over the year was 211.5 which is an increase over the previous year of 204.75.

Training, employing and retaining skilled staff is an ongoing challenge for local government across the Territory, with high staff turnover. In 2017/2018 Council's staff turnover was 60%, this being a 5% increase on the previous reporting year. It is acknowledged that it will be difficult to improve retention due to cultural values and expectations, and social and environmental factors.

STAFF BY LOCATION

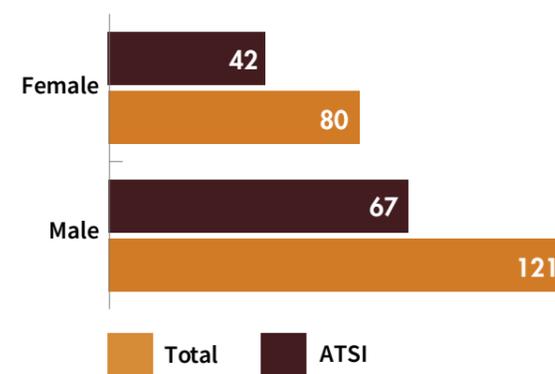


54% of Council's staff identified themselves as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (ATSI). Compared to last year this is a decrease of 2%. Female participation was 40% as at 30 June 2018, a decrease of 2% from last year.

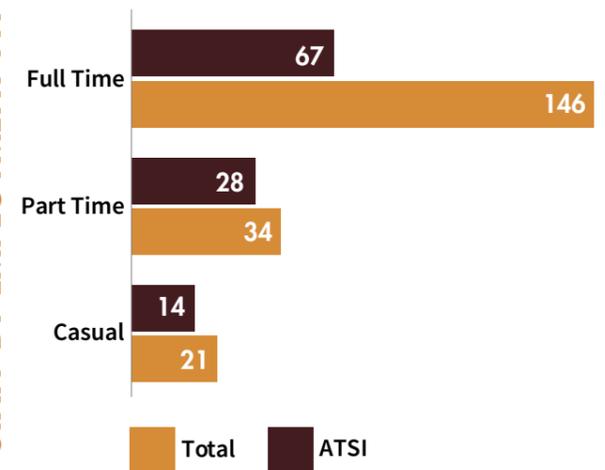
This year Council advertised 62 vacancies of which 24 required re-advertising. Of that number 9 required advertising 3 or more times. While the number of vacancies has decreased compared to last year, attracting suitable people who have the breadth and depth of experience, possess attributes such as resilience, resourcefulness and a sense of adventure, to work in remote and culturally active environments is extremely difficult.

Council continues to welcome participation of an older experienced workforce. As at 30 June 2018, 32% of the workforce was over 50 years of age. This represents a 1% increase over the past 2 years.

STAFF BY GENDER



STAFF BY EMPLOYMENT TYPE





OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

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SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGIC GOALS

The West Arnhem Regional Council Regional Plan 2017-2018 included a Strategic Plan for the year. This Plan contained Six Goals which Council felt were imperative if it were to fulfil its commitment to its Vision, Mission and Core Values. These goals represented the priorities, interests, requirements, aspirations and needs of the communities within West Arnhem Regional Council.

The Six Goals set out within the Strategic Plan were as follows:

GOAL 1	Community Engagement Within The Region
GOAL 2	Effective And Supportive Local Government Administration
GOAL 3	Local Infrastructure Which Is Fit For Purpose
GOAL 4	Initiatives Which Improve Local Environment Health
GOAL 5	Local Civic Services Which Respect Culture And Heritage
GOAL 6	Community Social Programmes And Commercial Services

In setting these Strategic Goals Council also determined that it had to meet specific Performance Objectives in order to achieve its Goals. The Performance Objectives are stated on the following page.

This section of the Annual Report provides Council with the opportunity to document the progress that was made in achieving its Goals and Objectives. Readers will also gain an appreciation of the direct linkage between what Council says it is going to do (the Regional Plan) and what it has actually done (the Annual Report).

In accordance with the statutory requirements of the *Local Government Act* this section of the Annual Report assesses Council's performance against the objectives and key performance indicators stated in our Regional Plan.

On the following pages we present the Service Delivery Highlights for each Strategic Objective. Each Goal is followed by comments relating to the Performance Objectives for that Goal.

MEETING OUR GOALS: PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

GOAL 1	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
<i>Community members and stakeholders that are engaged in, connected to and participate in the affairs of the region.</i>	Objective 1.1 Communication that engages the community
	Objective 1.2 Enthusiastic participation in civic and community events
	Objective 1.3 Efficient and effective community service delivery
	Objective 1.4 Strong governance and leadership
GOAL 2	LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
<i>Systems and processes that support the effective and efficient use of financial and human resources</i>	Objective 2.1 An effective, efficient and accountable Regional Council
	Objective 2.2 A professional, skilled, safe and stable workforce
	Objective 2.3 Storage and retrieval of records processes which support efficient administration
	Objective 2.4 Planning and reporting that informs Council's decision-making processes
	Objective 2.5 Modern information and communications technology to maximise service delivery
	Objective 2.6 The minimisation of risks associated with the operations of Council
GOAL 3	LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE
<i>Well maintained and enhanced built and natural environment</i>	Objective 3.1 Infrastructure and asset management strategies appropriate to the needs of Council
	Objective 3.2 Safe and reliable roads, footpaths and street lighting
	Objective 3.3 Attractive parks, gardens, streetscapes and open spaces
	Objective 3.4 Modern and well maintained fleet, plant and equipment capable of meeting service delivery requirements
	Objective 3.5 Buildings, facilities and infrastructure assets that are fit for purpose and sufficient to service operational requirements
	Objective 3.6 The development and enforcement of laws that enhance economic development and community safety
GOAL 4	LOCAL ENVIRONMENT HEALTH
<i>Initiatives which promote healthy, clean living conditions to improve health outcomes</i>	Objective 4.1 The provision of an environmentally and economically sound solid waste, water and sewerage services
	Objective 4.2 Implementation of sustainable dog management programs which improve the overall health and wellbeing of remote communities
GOAL 5	LOCAL CIVIC SERVICES
<i>A Council that respects, protects and nurtures the diversity of our culture and heritage</i>	Objective 5.1 Facilitate the delivery of library and cultural heritage services
GOAL 6	COMMUNITY SOCIAL PROGRAMMES AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES
<i>A Council which provides programmes and services that support and contribute to the wellbeing of its community members</i>	Objective 6.1 Social programmes that support the safety and wellbeing of community members
	Objective 6.2 The provision of Commercial Services which contribute to the economic functionality of Council's communities

GOAL 1

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WITHIN THE REGION

Community Members and Stakeholders that are engaged in, connected to and participate in the affairs of the Region.



Deputy Mayor Anna Egerton and Mayor Matthew Ryan

NEW COUNCILS TO BUILD STRONG AND VIBRANT COMMUNITIES

The newly Elected Members for West Arnhem Regional Council came together for the first Ordinary Council Meeting on Wednesday, September 13, 2017.

Twelve Elected Members formed West Arnhem Regional Council for the next four years in the Kakadu, Maningrida, Gunbalanya and Barrah Wards.

The first order of business for the new Council was to elect the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, with Council electing Councillor Matthew Ryan as Mayor and Councillor Anna Egerton as Deputy Mayor.

West Arnhem Regional Council Chief Executive Officer Brian Hylands congratulated Mayor Ryan, Deputy Mayor Egerton and all Elected Members, and said he looked forward to working collaboratively to ensure a strong future for the region.

"We look forward to working together to improve and grow our communities as well as continuing to deliver key projects and services," Mr Hylands said.

He also thanked all outgoing councillors for their commitment and dedication to the people of West Arnhem during the previous term.

The Minister for Housing and Community Development, Gerry McCarthy, congratulated the Northern Territory's new and re-elected mayors, presidents and councillors and welcomed them to their roles as representatives of their local communities.

"I applaud all candidates for their nomination and interest in improving their local communities – it was great to see so many people from right across the Territory nominate and acknowledge the importance of local government services in their areas," Mr McCarthy said.

"I look forward to the positive outcomes across the Territory that all elected mayors, presidents and councillors will deliver over the next four years – to foster vibrant and harmonious communities.

I encourage all new councillors to put your community first, listen and consult and then take decisive action."

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

The West Arnhem Regional Council operates Local Authorities in Minjilang, Waruwi, Maningrida and Gunbalanya to learn about what these communities need and want by listening and working with community residents.

The Authorities are intended to give people a strong voice in local government by allowing people to be actively involved in planning, giving feedback on service delivery, identifying priority community projects and finding solutions to local issues.

The Council helps plan and deliver local projects that have been identified as priorities by each Local Authority.

At Local Authority meetings, members are provided with responses by the Council to the issues they raise in past meetings as well as detailed financial and operational reports. Decisions are also made about the investment of the Local Authority project funding pool which is intended to support priority community projects that encourage the continued development of Local Authorities and their respective communities.

Meetings of Local Authorities are open to the public and details of meeting dates and minutes of past meetings can be found on the Council's website at: <https://www.westarnhem.nt.gov.au/our-council/local-authorities>

West Arnhem Regional Council's works crew in Maningrida are continuing their efforts in improving the community and environment, with the planting of over 2000 native trees throughout the community.



This Gunbalanya Local Authority meeting included the use of high-tech video-conferencing facilities



More than 2000 native trees have been purchased through the Maningrida Local Authority

This project was made possible through the decision of the Maningrida Local Authority which approved the purchase of the native trees for the purpose of erosion control and beautification throughout the community.

NIGEL SCULLION VISIT TO WEST ARNHEM

Senator Nigel Scullion, visited Gunbalanya in January 2018, to meet with community groups and organisations.

During his visit, Senator Scullion joined the Gunbalanya Remote School Attendance Strategy team on the first day back at school for the year and also caught up with a number of organisations in the community including Rise and the Njanjma Rangers.

He also met with West Arnhem Regional Council Councillors and staff to discuss local issues, had a chat with the Gunbalanya Night Patrol team and dropped into the Gunbalanya Youth Centre to see what the participants have learnt during the School Holidays workshops.



Senator Nigel Scullion meets with WARC Councillors in Gunbalanya

CITIZENSHIP CEREMONIES

Jabiru's Christine Wagstaff made the pledge of Australian citizenship in front of family and friends in July 2017.

The then West Arnhem Regional Council Mayor James Marrawal conducted the ceremony which saw Christine, originally from the United Kingdom, undertake the official oath.

In October 2017 West Arnhem also welcomed a new Australian citizen in Jabiru.

Wim Demot, originally from Belgium, made the official pledge in front of family and friends with West Arnhem Regional Council Mayor Matthew Ryan officiating the ceremony.

Wim works and lives in town as a chef and is known in Jabiru for his incredible Belgium waffles.

Three new Australian citizens made the official pledge in front of family in May 2018.

See McGlynn of Malaysia and Mark and Gerardi (Sophie) Lumbania of the Philippines made the important pledge in Jabiru with West Arnhem Regional Council Mayor Matthew Ryan officiating the ceremony.

Sophie, three, is one of the youngest West Arnhem residents to make the pledge in Jabiru, with Mayor Ryan congratulating the new Australia citizens and wishing them all the best in the future.

"It was wonderful meeting our new Australian citizens and I wish to thank them all for making the important pledge in Jabiru," Mayor Ryan said.



Matt Waterson and Christine Wagstaff with son Beau



New Australian citizens Mark and Gerardi Lumbania with Mayor Matthew Ryan and See, Max and Glynn



Wim Demot (right) celebrates becoming an Australian citizen with Gill



Unit 72 Kakadu Army Cadets lining up at the cenotaph in Jabiru. Photo credit Peter Keepence

ANZAC DAY IN WEST ARNHEM

In the early hours on Wednesday, April 25, community members from across West Arnhem came together to commemorate ANZAC Day with dawn services held in Jabiru, Maningrida and Minjilang.

In Jabiru, around 150 community members and visitors from out of town attended the dawn service which included the Navy contingent from HMAS Coonawarra, the Darwin Squadron of the Northwest Mobile Force (NORFORCE), Unit 72 Kakadu Army Cadets and the Northern Territory Police, Fire and Emergency Services personnel.

The cadets played a huge role in the service with Officer in Command of Army Cadets Northern Territory Battalion Lieutenant Colonel Mark Christopher addressing the crowd as a guest speaker and Tayla Waterbury reading The Ode.

At the conclusion of the service, the community marched together to the Jabiru Lake and enjoyed a barbecue breakfast cooked by the Jabiru Fire Station.

West Arnhem Regional Council (WARC) thanked all those involved in and who supported the service, particularly Unit 72 Kakadu Army Cadets, Reverend Lindsay Parkhill, Andy Ralph, the Jabiru Fire Station, Jabiru Police, Jabiru Foodland and the Crocodile Hotel.

Approximately 30 people attended the service in Minjilang with WARC providing the wreath and breakfast. Misman Kris happy to wear his Army uniform as he is serving in NORFORCE and traditional owner Daisy Yarmirr of the Island laid a wreath with his support.

The Maningrida community held its 20th ANZAC Day service in a row.

It was a great turn out with around 100 people rising bright and early to pay respects to past and present diggers that have served the country.



Daisy Yarmirr and Misman Kris from NORFORCE at the Minjilang service



James Woods and Warwick Smith at the Maningrida ANZAC Day service

As the sun came up, poems were read by students Raia Carey and Isaac Jones from the school and a historical address was made by Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation CEO Karl Dyason.

Each year the event is emceed by Shane Bailey and supported by Maningrida Police Kim Chambers and Timothy Lyness, Principal Maningrida College Daryll Kinnane and NORFORCE member James Woods who raised the flags.

It was a very moving service and one that was enjoyed by the community members who come year in year out as well as new members to the community and visitors. After the service concluded everyone enjoyed a warm drink, ANZAC Day biscuits and egg and bacon sandwiches. The organising committee would like to thank Maningrida Emergency Response Group and WARC for their continued support of this event.



Community members celebrated Maningrida Day with a pool party, featuring a slip and slide, musc, barbecue and more

AUSTRALIA DAY

A number of exciting celebrations were held across West Arnhem communities including Waruwi, Maningrida, Jabiru, Minjilang and Gunbalanya, on Thursday, January 25 and Friday, January 26 2018.

The Gunbalanya community had 'Gunbalanya Day' with the Youth, Sport and Recreation team hosting a free barbecue, waterslide, and a variety of activities such as basketball games, hula hooping and pool table game.

Despite the cloudy and rainy weather, some loud music and the smell of sausages cooking enticed many kids to the Gunbalanya Youth Centre to join in the fun with a movie night taking place after the event.

For the second year in a row, Maningrida celebrated 'Maningrida Day' with a big pool party with more than 120 community members joining in the community event.

Hosted by West Arnhem Regional Council (WARC), the pool party included music, a barbecue and for the first time this year, the slip 'n' slide made an appearance with Lionel the lifeguard being the first to test it out. WARC thanked the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet for supporting the event.

Meanwhile, approximately 100 community members headed to the Jabiru pool on Friday morning to join in the family fun event hosted by West Arnhem Regional Council.

There were plenty of activities for the kids including thong throwing, pool races and relays, cricket and tennis. The Jabiru Fire Station also joined in the fun and brought out the water hose for the kids.

A highlight of the morning was the Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel ice cream and coffee cart which served out delicious treats.



Sasha Grainer was awarded the Jabiru Young Citizen of the Year



The Jabiru Fire Station was awarded a Certificate of Achievement for the NTFRS 75 Year Anniversary Event



The Jabiru Citizen of the Year was awarded to Andy Ralph

Member for Arnhem Selena Uiobo also attended the event and assisted WARC Councillor Anna Egerton in presenting the Local Government Australia Day Awards.

In Waruwi, West Arnhem Regional Council staff put on a community barbecue at the Recreation Hall in the afternoon.

WARC Council Service Manager Kupa Teao also presented a special award to the staff of Waruwi Vacation Care for their NAIDOC Week event in 2017.

NAIDOC Week involved staff and educators speaking about the importance of language and how they incorporate language in everyday learning with the children.

Throughout the week, the children did drawings of bush tucker, writing words in English, Maung and Creole.

Overall, NAIDOC Week was a huge success, with staff, educators, parents and most importantly, the children, having a wonderful time.

The staff received a Community Event of the Year certificate as well as a bag with some goodies.

West Arnhem Regional Council thanks the Australia Day Council for supporting these events.



The Jabiru Community Event of the Year was awarded to Louise Mayclair for the Mental Health Week

MANINGRIDA COMES TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE

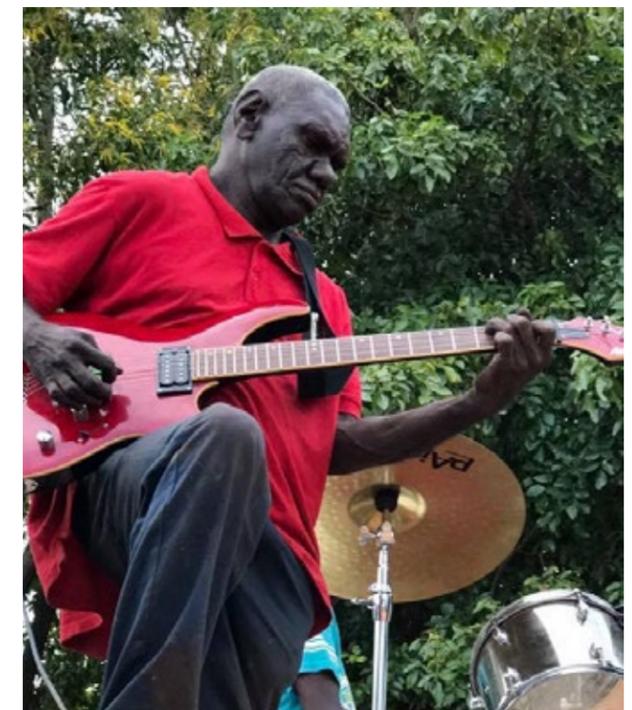
Maningrida celebrated Territory Day in style on Saturday, July 1 2017 with a free community event held at the oval.

Hundreds of people gathered at the oval to enjoy fresh fish markets, sausage sizzle and local bands including KK Boyz, Sunrise and Liverpool.

To top it off, Malabam Health organised giant jumping castles all the way from Darwin and the fireworks organised by Council were a spectacular finale to a successful day in Maningrida.

The event was coordinated by the West Arnhem Regional Council team at Maningrida with the help of many other groups all of which gave up their weekend to help make this event so magic.

Council thanks go to Malabam Strengthening Communities for Children, Maningrida Progress Association, Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation, Night Patrol, GREATS Youth Services, Maningrida Clinic, Barlmarrk Supermarket, Mr Wilton fish market, Maningrida Emergency Response Group (Vicky & Goody), Maningrida Police, RSAS Maningrida Marshall & team at WIWA Music and Media Maningrida and a huge thank you to the bands, Liverpool, Sunrise and KK BOYZ.



Hundreds of people gathered to enjoy the entertainment provided by the bands Liverpool, Sunrise and KK Boyz



Member for Arnhem Selena Uiibo at her stall at the Kakadu Triathlon

POLITICIANS VISIT WEST ARNHem

As mentioned on page 30 Senator Nigel Scullion visited Gunbalanya in January to meet with community members and organisations.

The Member for Arnhem, Selena Uiibo, was a regular visitor to West Arnhem during the year attending council meetings and events such as the Jabiru Australia Day celebrations, the Mahbilil Festival and the Kakadu Triathlon. West Arnhem Regional Council congratulates Ms Uiibo on being appointed the Northern Territory Minister for Education on 26 June 2018.

Lawrence Costa, the Member for Arafura, was another regular visitor to West Arnhem. He attended many of the Jabiru Community's events and celebrations and spoke with the elected members of Council at meetings during the year.

One of the highlights of the year was the launch of the newly-refurbished courts at the Jabiru Sports and Social Club which are now under the management of West Arnhem Regional Council. The official guests included the Northern Territory Chief Minister Michael Gunner, Deputy Chief Minister Nicole Manison, Member for Arnhem Selena Uiibo (now Minister Uiibo) and Member for Arafura Lawrence Costa.



NT Chief Minister Michael Gunner with members from the Maningrida and Warruwi women's basketball teams



Lawrence Costa MLA gives a presentation to Councillors

AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Almost 900 mayors, councillors and local government representatives gathered at the 2018 National General Assembly of Local Government held in Canberra in June 2018 to discuss how the sector can continue to be responsive to the diverse needs of its communities, particularly in the face of growing fiscal pressures.

In his opening address to the Assembly, Mayor David O'Loughlin, President of the Australian Local Government Association, said that many councils now provide services and infrastructure that they did not provide 20 years ago because community expectations have changed; however, Commonwealth grants to local government have not kept pace with the increasing costs faced by councils.

Held over three days (18-20 June) at the National Convention Centre in Canberra, the conference, themed Australia's future: Make it local, also featured addresses by Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie (Deputy Leader of the Nationals, Minister for Sport, Minister for Rural Health, Minister for Rural Communications), Hon Dr John McVeigh MP (Minister for Regional Development, Territories and Local Government), Hon Bill Shorten MP (Leader of the Opposition), and Mr Stephen Jones MP (Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government).

The Assembly was attended by West Arnhem Regional Council's Mayor Matthew Ryan and Councillors Julius Don Kernan, Philip Wasaga and Otto Dann.



The Mayor and Councillors check out the NGA tweets

COMMUNICATION VIA THE WIRE

The Wire is Council's main public relations tool which not only keeps key external stakeholders informed of Council's activities but also provides regular local news to West Arnhem residents. Many local residents enjoy reading the Wire and seeing photos of family and friends throughout the communities.

Approximately 500 hard copies of the Wire are distributed across Jabiru, Gunbalanya, Warruwi, Minjilang and Maningrida each fortnight.

A further 480 people receive the online edition of the Wire, with the entire publication and relevant stories also available on Council's Website.

Council's social media presence has increased with over 1399 (previously 1194) 'Likes' on the Facebook page, 928 (previously 871) 'Followers' on Twitter and 193 (previous year 162) 'Followers' on Instagram. This form of communication is an increasingly popular tool to engage with community members and stakeholders.



Artists from Babbarra Women's Centre proud to be on the front page of the Wire



Deputy Mayor Egerton with Jessica Simpson-Womens Open Triathlon winner

TRIATHLON CONTINUES TO SUPPORT CAREFLIGHT

Around 80 participants took on the challenge of the sixth annual Kakadu Triathlon held in Jabiru on Saturday, June 2, 2018.

Raising vital funds for CareFlight, the annual event encourages fun and participation for all ages in the open triathlon and duathlon as well as the junior triathlon.

Once again, Jabiru locals featured strongly in the results with Matt Waterson winning the Men’s Open Triathlon, Jessica Simpson taking out the Women’s Open Triathlon and Joshua Heatlie and Anthony Reid winning the Open Team Duathlon perpetual trophy for the second year in a row.

The event has raised in excess of \$50,000 for CareFlight over the past five years, with this year’s event contributing a further \$5,000 for the organisation.

West Arnhem Regional Council thanks all who volunteered on the day and to the tireless Kakadu Triathlon committee.

The Kakadu Triathlon Committee would like to thank all sponsors without whom, this amazing event would not be possible: (gold) ERA, West Arnhem Regional Council, Jabiru Sports and Social Club, Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel, (silver) HALL Contracting, Veolia, Jabiru Police, Jabiru Fire Station, (bronze) Territory Plant Hire, Aurora Kakadu Lodge, Jabiru Health Clinic, North Australian Helicopters, Blueridge Engineering, Darwin Triathlon Club, Charles Darwin University, Jabiru Foodland, Sarah Martin Design and Triathlon NT.

JABIRU SHOWS SUPPORT FOR MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Community groups and organisations worked together to bring the second annual Mental Health Week to Jabiru.

The week incorporated a number of different activities including training sessions, playgroups, morning teas, a social walk around the lake, art session, community barbecue, Jabiru Art and Craft Group activities and more, and there was a great display of support for each event.

Now in its second year, Louise Mayclair of CatholicCare NT said the positive turnout demonstrates that community members are picking up on what the event is trying to achieve.

“People are getting excited for next year’s Mental Health Week which is a real win and means it has made an impact,” Louise said.

“There was a lot of enthusiasm and engagement from across the whole community.”

Event organisers said the whole of community participation was made possible through the efforts and networking from all organisations, individuals and stakeholders who came



West Arnhem Regional Council held an aqua fitness session for the community in support of Mental Health Week

together to make the event possible.

The event was only a huge success because of the collaboration of community groups and stakeholders including CatholicCare NT and in particular, Louise Mayclair, Public Health, Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel, Girls Academy, Jabiru Foodland, Energy Resources of Australia, Westpac, Kakadu National Park, West Arnhem Regional Council, Morris Corp, Kakadu Tourism, Jabiru Art and Craft, Clontarf Academy and Jabiru Area School.

PUBLIC AND CORPORATE RELATIONS

DEFINITION Council aims to engage in effective communications with its constituents and stakeholders and to provide support for a range of civic and cultural events within each of its communities.

OBJECTIVES 1.1 Communication that engages the community.
1.2 Enthusiastic participation in civic and community events.

MEASURES

- Number of community events held in each community hosted by the Council – target 2.
- Number of community members involved in cultural, civic and sporting events – target 10% of community members.
- Number of articles/photos contributed to the Wire by community members – target of 3 per edition.
- Number of website ‘hits’ per annum – target 10% increase on 15/16 numbers.

RESULTS

- During the 2017-18 period Council hosted 12 community events in Jabiru, 7 in Maningrida, 5 in Warruwi, 10 in Gunbalanya and 5 in Minjilang. These events varied from sports and recreation, civic, cultural, family-fun to environmental. Target achieved.
- The above events engaged a minimum of 10 per cent of community members with the exception of Citizenship Ceremonies and Home and Community Care events. Target achieved.
- During 2017-18 there was an average of 4-5 contributed articles/ photos to the Wire. Regular running columns and submissions ensures there is always a minimum of 4 contributed articles/photos per issue. Target achieved.
- In 2016/17 period, there were 24,951 visits to the website and 23,541 visits in 2017/18. Though the number of ‘hits’ decreased in comparison, spam activity decreased during the 2017/18 period. Average session durations and the number of pages per session also increased which means genuine visitors are staying on the website longer and viewing more pages.

CUSTOMER RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT AND MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF LOCAL LAWS

DEFINITION The aim of Council Service Managers in each of the region’s remote communities is to manage relationships, especially as a conduit between Council and Local Authorities. CSM’s ensure effective and efficient management of Council business and service delivery and respond to complaints.

OBJECTIVES 1.3 Efficient and effective community service delivery.

MEASURES

- Complaints are reported to the Administration – target 100%.
- Complaints are acknowledged within 5 working days – target 100%.
- Complaints are finalised within 15 working days – target 100%.

RESULTS

- All complaints are received by the Administration Staff.
- All complaints acknowledged with the allocated time frame.
- All complaints were answered and recorded within 15 days in the council registry.
- Twenty seven formal complaints were lodged with Council administration and acted upon this year.

GOVERNANCE & ADMINISTRATION OF COUNCIL

DEFINITION Governance is the function fulfilled by the elected members of the West Arnhem Regional Council and Council representation on other organisations or Council subsidiaries. Executive support is provided to enable elected members to discharge their duties and responsibilities.

OBJECTIVES 1.4 Strong governance and leadership.

- MEASURES**
- Council and Committee Meetings achieve a quorum – target 100%.
 - Local Authority meetings are attended by at least one relevant Councillor and at least one senior manager – target 100%.
 - Council and Committee non-confidential Agendas and Minutes are publicly available three working days before a meeting (Agendas) and 10 working days after a meeting (Minutes) – target 100%.

- RESULTS**
- All Council and Committee meetings achieved quorum during 2017-18 – target achieved.
 - At least one relevant Councillor and one senior manager attended all Local Authority meetings held – target reached.
 - Due to a high rate of staff turnover in the position of Governance Coordinator there has been a decline in meeting these targets. Agendas were on Council’s website 3 days before the meetings were held 75% of the time. Minutes from these meetings were only posted to the website within 10 days in approximately 65% of instances.

ADMINISTRATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND COMMITTEES

DEFINITION The provision of administrative services, training and relevant governance support for Committees and within the communities through Local Authorities.

- OBJECTIVES**
- 1.1 Communication that engages the community.
 - 1.3 Efficient and effective community service delivery.
 - 1.4 Strong governance and leadership.

- MEASURES**
- 4 meetings of each Local Authority are held each financial year – target 100%.
 - All Appointed Members attend each Local Authority meeting – target 75%.
 - Development and implementation of an ongoing training programme for newly elected Councillors and Local Authority members by 30.6.2018.

- RESULTS**
- Several months were lost due to the Local Government elections and the time taken to appoint new members to each Local Authority. Also the position of Governance Coordinator was vacant until the latter half of 2017-18. Consequently, less than the required number of meetings were held. The meetings held during the 2017/18 financial year were as follows:
 - Maningrida 1
 - Minjilang 1
 - Warruwi 2
 - Gunbalanya 2
 - Average attendance of authority members was in excess of 75%.
 - Training for newly elected/appointed members is provided at induction.

ADVOCACY AND REPRESENTATION

DEFINITION The Office of the Chief Executive provides the direction for the organisation in the areas of advocacy and representation. The Chief Executive Officer, in particular, focusses on effective engagement with members of the Jabiru Town Development Authority.

OBJECTIVES 1.4 Strong governance and leadership.

- MEASURES**
- Compliance with the JTDA Service Agreement – target 100%.
 - Local Authority meetings are attended by at least one relevant Councillor and at least one senior manager – target 100%.
 - Council and Committee non-confidential Agendas and Minutes are publicly available three working days before a meeting (Agendas) and 10 working days after a meeting (Minutes) – target 100%.

- RESULTS**
- Council is 100% compliant with the terms and conditions of the JTDA Service Agreement.
 - Meeting arrangements, preparation and distribution of the Agenda and Minutes and implementation of decision of the Authority were performed in accordance with Services 1, 2 and 3 of the Service Agreement.
 - Land tenure administration and development applications were managed in accordance with Services 4 and 5.
 - Headlease and sublease compliance was monitored as per Services 6 and 7.
 - All aspects of financial management were undertaken, including the preparation of the audited Financial Statements 2015-16 and Annual Report as per Services 8 and 9.



Sen Nigel Scullion with Mayor Ryan during his visit to Gunbalanya

GOAL 2

EFFECTIVE AND SUPPORTIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION

Systems and processes that support the effective and efficient use of financial and human resources.



Showing off Traffic Management skills



West Arnhem Regional Council's Management Challenge Team

WARC HOSTS MANAGEMENT CHALLENGE

West Arnhem Regional Council (WARC) was the proud host Council of the 2018 Northern Territory Local Government Management Challenge which took place in Jabiru on Wednesday, March 21.

Five teams from Councils throughout the Northern Territory, including City of Darwin, City of Palmerston, Alice Springs Town Council, MacDonnell Regional Council as well as West Arnhem Regional Council, participated in the event.

The Challenge involves teams of five or six members from local government undertaking tasks alongside other participating councils that represent management in the local government environment. The teams were presented with challenges and had to work together to overcome them by creating management plans for the issues.

Challenges involved scenarios including a role play interview with a pesky reporter, an analysis of figures, HR scenarios, creating reports on a proposed retail and distribution hub and the increase in employment it might bring to the community, a risk analysis and action plan following the break and enter of a recycling centre and the fire that followed, a presentation on the IT challenges and opportunities West Arnhem is facing moving into 2030.

There were 11 challenges in total throughout the day; some counted and some didn't but teams didn't know which were which.

The team was constantly hit with additional challenges and obscurities designed to make the team implode; the removal of team members at crucial times, the constant shortening of deadlines, the removal of equipment they planned to use, and additional tasks when they were already stretched to the limit.

West Arnhem Regional Council Grants and Contracts Coordinator Brooke Darmanin said, "It was an incredible experience and I'm very grateful to have had the opportunity to participate," she said.

"We had a wonderful team and I thoroughly enjoyed working with them throughout the day on the many challenges presented. Looking forward to next years challenge."

The West Arnhem regional Council did an exceptional job, working as a team and remaining calm during the tasks. Though the City of Darwin took the win this year, West Arnhem is already looking forward to taking part in the challenge next year.

West Arnhem Regional Council Chief Executive Officer Brian Hylands said it was a pleasure for West Arnhem Regional Council to host the event in 2018 and hoped all those who participated enjoyed their time in Jabiru.

The Challenge is held across all of Australia and New Zealand.

From left to right the West Arnhem Management Challenge Team consisted of Brooke Darmanin, Greg Ward, Ben Heaslip, Linda Veugen-Yong, Darren Hemphill and David Glover.



CEO Brian Hylands, Gunbalanya NP Officer Marietta Nayinggul and Community Safety Coordinator Tim Hema

CERTIFICATE III TRAINING FOR COMMUNITY NIGHT PATROL NP STAFF

West Arnhem Regional Council Night Patrol staff from Gunbalanya, Minjilang and Waruwi conducted a training workshop in Gunbalanya facilitated by the safety coordinator in August 2017.

The aim of the training was to review both council and night patrol policies to all staff and to develop competencies in order to equip team leaders and safety officers with the knowledge and skills required for them to effectively perform their duties.

Guest speakers included West Arnhem Regional Council Chief Executive Officer Brian Hylands, Police and Team Health.

There was also a presentation of certificates to staff who are now qualified in Certificate III Night Patrol Operation. Certificate presentations were awarded to Tapoteisi Tapera, NP Team Leader in Minjilang and Marietta Nayinggul, NP Safety Officer from Gunbalanya.

This training continued during 2017 with West Arnhem Regional Council Community Night Patrol (CNP) staff from Gunbalanya, Waruwi and Minjilang successfully completing four of eight training blocks with Charles Darwin University (CDU).

The training has been conducted in weekly blocks every month in Jabiru since August 2017 and NP staff have been working very hard towards gaining accreditation in Certificate III Night Patrol Operations which is a requirement of their employment under the Night Patrol Operational Framework.



Night Patrol Staff with Manager Community Services Adrian McCann



The Night Patrol Team with NT CEPO Paul Keightley and Gunbalanya Police Officer Sam

To date CNP staff have successfully completed:

- Block 1 - Communicate effectively, Prepare reports, Maintain security, Monitor people in care or custody.
- Block 2 - First Aid, Provide First Aid in a remote situation.
- Block 3 - Support rights and safety of children/Young people, use safe work practices.
- Block 4 - Participate in networks, Provide Domestic and Family Violence Support to remote communities.

WARC Community Safety Coordinator Tim Hema said he is very proud of his staff and acknowledges the sacrifice they have given being away from their families and communities to attend this training.

“The staff have done very well and learnt many new skills which will make them more effective as Night Patrollers, we are starting to notice improvements already in their operational duties,” Tim said.

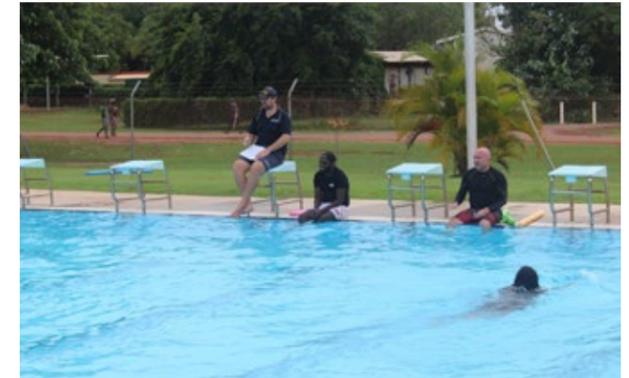
The staff are now half way and have another four training blocks to attend. All going well and the staff are set to complete their course and graduate in the latter half of 2018.

LIFEGUARD & BRONZE MEDALLION TRAINING

Lifeguard and Bronze Medallion Training was a hit during the year in Maningrida.

All those who participated learned CPR, swam long distance, learned pool safety and overall impressed trainer Stephen Gazzola from the Royal Life Saving Society who spent a week delivering the training.

While he was there he also facilitated ‘Learn to Swim’ classes in partnership with the Maningrida pool. Pool Manager Lachlan Nicolson is looking forward to expanding the local skill base at the pool.



All the action was in the pool!

COMMUNITY CARE STAFF TRAINING

Jabiru Community Care is very proud of two more of the staff who have completed the Double Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing, Home and Community) during the year.

Jabiru Community Care wishes to thank Julie McCrohan and HK Training for their continual support with the training program.

Community Care Senior Officer Marcia Brennan is pictured centre with staff members Rosie Wood and Jaylene Nadjamerrek who completed the training.



Marcia congratulates Rosie and Jaylene on their achievement

SNAKE CATCHING COURSE HELD IN JABIRU

During the year Kakadu Rangers completed their annual snake catch training at Kakadu Park Headquarters. Other service providers in the region, including West Arnhem Regional Council and Cooida Lodge, also took part.

Alice Springs Reptile Centre sent their number one snake wrangler from Darwin, Chris Peberdy, to conduct the training, which consisted of several elements including snake identification, first aid and snake catch technique.

Forty captive snakes of varying species (Olive Python, Western Browns and King Browns) were flown up from Alice Springs as part of the training.

Interestingly, each snake can only be used once during a catch session or they end up going straight into the bag all by themselves – somewhat defeating the purpose of the exercise.

With everyone completing the training safely and successfully, there are now 20 more qualified snake catchers in Kakadu with the skills to assist the community.



Richie Cooper and Rodney Nagawalli from Kakadu National Park show how it's done



Jabiru Childcare staff Michaela, Laura, Michelle, Jess and Shireen (picture) and Evi and Christine attended the annual 'Little People, Big Dreams' Conference in Darwin

STAFF LEARN FROM INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS

Jabiru Childcare Staff attended the annual 'Little People Big Dreams' Conference, organised by Child Australia, in Darwin on Friday 6 and Saturday 7 of October 2017.

Jabiru Childcare staff were very fortunate to participate in industry conferences, as well as professional development sessions thanks to the Long Day Care Professional Development Programme Fund, which expired in June 2017.

Evi Supriyati and Christine Wagstaff participated in several informative sessions on Friday, including one session held by Caroline Fewster about how to create beautiful, as well as useful play spaces for the children. The rest of the staff joined them on the Saturday and were able to choose more sessions held by professionals from the industry.

All staff agreed that Caroline Fewster was their favourite presenter, sharing inspiring ideas with a lot of fun and being able to engage all participants. Her session on Saturday was about 'contemporary play learning possibilities especially designed for babies and toddlers'.

Some of the staff participated in a session about STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering and Math and others listened to Dr Matthew W Roberts who came up from Melbourne to talk about the importance of father's in the life of a child, Post Natal Depression and how a child can change the lives of families and where perceptions within families stem from.

General Manager from the Department of Education Susan Bowden led a panel discussion about 'the role of practitioner's in children's Learning and development in the early years', which was interesting to watch.

Not only were staff given the opportunity to participate in professional sessions, but also to network with educators from other centres from the Territory, as well as interstate.

RATES, CHARGES AND INVESTMENTS

DEFINITION The generation of rates and charges is the single most important source of internally generated revenue for Council. Coupled with this is the management of Council's scarce financial resources including the return on investments.

OBJECTIVES 2.1 An effective, efficient and accountable Regional Council which maximises revenue opportunities.

- MEASURES**
- Completion of end-of-month processes within 10 working days – target 100%.
 - Full compliance with statutory requirements.
 - Interest on Investments – target ≥\$300,00 in 17/18.
 - All rateable properties to be identified by 31.12.2017.

- RESULTS**
- 100% - End of month process is completed within 10 days.
 - 100% Compliance.
 - 100% Interest on Investments for 2017-18 was \$328,531.
 - This date is to be extended to 31.12.2018. There were delays in determining the suitability of software that was being developed by Councilbiz and it has since been established that this software will not provide the information that WARC was seeking.

HUMAN RESOURCES

DEFINITION The provision of human resource management services to all areas of the organisation to ensure that the organisation and employees meet their obligations of conditions of employment, training, and performance.

OBJECTIVES 2.2 A professional, skilled, safe and stable workforce

- MEASURES**
- Policies and procedures are reviewed in accordance with the required timelines – target 100%.
 - Increased staff retention compared to previous year – target 10% reduction.
 - Performance reviews completed within 30 days – target 100%.
 - Undertake a feasibility study into the introduction of pre-employment medical checks by 30.6.2018.

- RESULTS**
- A whole system review, focussing on data integrity and procedural efficiencies, continued in the 2017/18 year. While development of some procedures has commenced, the lack of adequate resources continues to inhibit progress.
 - Unfortunately the turnover rate worsened despite having strategies in place that makes West Arnhem Regional Council an employer of choice. It is acknowledged that it will be difficult to improve retention due to cultural values and expectations, and social and environmental factors.
 - Significant improvements have been made to complete reviews within the 30-day timeframe, however aggressive follow-up is still required which adds extra time to this activity.
 - The feasibility study hasn't progressed due to emergent more pressing matters and limited resources. The timeline has been revised with completion to be achieved by 30.6.2019.

RECORDS MANAGEMENT

DEFINITION Provide services to effectively manage Council's current and historic records and information in accordance with statutory requirements including Freedom of Information and Privacy.

OBJECTIVES 2.3 Storage and retrieval of records processes which support efficient administration.

MEASURES

- All new staff using InfoXpert receive training during their probation period – target 75%.
- Increase in emails saved to InfoXpert by Manager level and above – target 10% increase on prior year.
- Number of queries/requests telephoned or sent to records@ for support and responded to within 1 day – target 75%.
- Number of notifications sent to records@ of new functions and activities undertaken by WARC requiring records saved in InfoXpert – target 25 per annum.

RESULTS

- 85% of new staff received records training as part of their induction.
- There was an 18% drop in the number of managerial emails saved to infoXpert.
- 88% of queries were responded to within 1 day.
- 14 new functions and activities were notified.

RISK MANAGEMENT

DEFINITION The provision of strategic and corporate management plans to reduce risk to the organisation resulting from the act of providing services, management of assets and infrastructure, and administrative functions.

OBJECTIVES 2.6 The minimisation of risks associated with the operations of Council.

MEASURES

- Internal audits completed as per adopted audit plan – target 100%.
- Overall reduction of risk rating within the risk register – target 10% reduction.
- Number of insurance claims supported – target 100%.

RESULTS

- The two reviews scheduled for 2017-18 have been completed. Audit #3.5 has commenced and a report regarding this audit is included elsewhere in the agenda. It is anticipated that it will be completed in time for the August 2018 meeting of the Committee. Audit #1.4 has not commenced due to the departure of the incumbent Governance Manager.
- Risk ratings have remained relatively static despite improvements in existing controls and the introduction of new risk mitigation strategies.
- Insurance 100%: All closed claims were supported.

COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLANNING AND REPORTING

DEFINITION Provide strategic leadership, planning, direction and management of Council's corporate programs and activities ensuring efficient and effective service delivery.

OBJECTIVES 2.4 Planning and reporting that informs Council's decision-making processes.

MEASURES

- Compliance with statutory requirements – target 100%.
- A Strategic Planning Workshop is to be conducted during 2017-18.

RESULTS

- Council is fully compliant with its statutory obligations.
- The conduct of a Strategic Planning workshop has been included in the Regional Plan for 2018-19.

IT AND COMMUNICATIONS

DEFINITION Provide efficient and cost effective information and communication technology to enable the organisation to achieve its strategic goals.

OBJECTIVES 2.5 Modern information and communications technology to maximise service delivery.

MEASURES

- Compliance with information technology hardware maintenance and replacement schedule – target 90%.
- Comparative annual costs of Information technology per employee – target 5% reduction.
- ICT strategic plan to be implemented by 30.6.2018.

RESULTS

- Achieved: WARC IT undertake an ongoing equipment and communications refurbishment program. Consequently, WARC IT infrastructure is current and up to date. We continue to undertake incremental updates to our environment including ongoing replacement of desktop computers, laptops, tablets and mobile phones to ensure our hardware is fit for purpose and subsequently maximises our service delivery capability.
- Not achieved: There has been an increase of IT costs of 2% per FTE. The bulk of WARC IT budget is spent on fixed cost contracts. These contracts are generally long term with minimal opportunity for cost reduction once in place. Therefore during contract negotiations, WARC pays significant attention to ensuring best price for level of service offered. The implementation of Local Buy and the renegotiation of some communications contracts that are concluding in 2018/19, will provide an opportunity to negotiate a further level of reduction in IT costs. WARC is constantly introducing new technology which offers new and improved methods of service delivery. During this financial year, WARC continued the expansion of Wi-Fi services to major and minor offices and extended the deployment of Video Conferencing services to communities and staff.
- Development of an IT strategic plan is scheduled to happen in Apr-Jun 2019.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

DEFINITION Provide sound financial management to assist Council to make informed decision on the allocation of resources to meet Council objectives.

OBJECTIVES 2.1 An effective, efficient and accountable Regional Council which maximises revenue opportunities

MEASURES

- Completion of end-of-month processes within 10 working days – target 100%.
- Full compliance with statutory requirements – target 100%.
- Audit qualifications – target 0.

RESULTS

- 100% compliant - End of month process is completed within 10 days.
- 100% compliant.
- 100% compliant – 0 Audit Qualifications.

GOAL 3

LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE WHICH IS FIT FOR PURPOSE

Well maintained and enhanced built and natural environment.



New Gunbalanya Street Signs



NT Chief Minister Michael Gunner cuts the red ribbon to officially open the courts with Member for Arnhem Selena Uibo

CHIEF MINISTER OFFICIALLY OPENS COURTS

West Arnhem Regional Council celebrated the official opening of the newly-resurfaced Jabiru courts on Saturday, August 26, 2017 with special guests and Jabiru community members joining in the milestone event.

Councillor Anna Egerton, of the Kakadu Ward, welcomed the official guests who included the Northern Territory Chief Minister Michael Gunner, Deputy Chief Minister Nicole Manison, Member for Arnhem Selena Uibo and Member for Arfura Lawrence Costa.

Not only have the courts been resurfaced and revitalised, but they are now open for public use for all community members to use at any time.

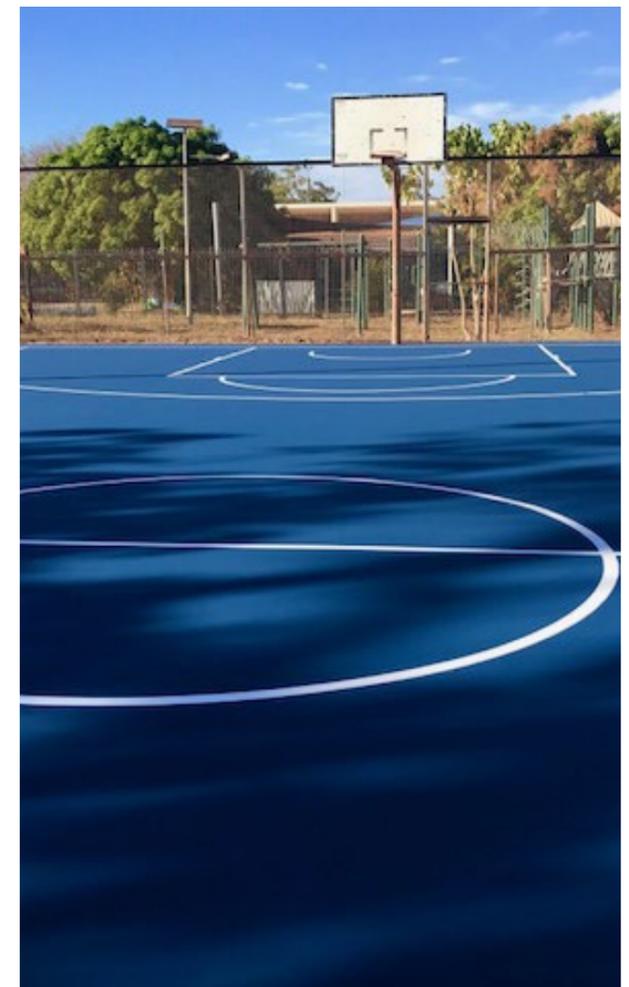
The courts are multipurpose, set up for basketball, netball and tennis.

West Arnhem Regional Council Manager of Corporate Services Valentin Markez said it is a great achievement for Council to open the courts up for public use.

"The courts are open at all hours of the day and we invite all community members to head on down and try the courts out..."

To officially mark the opening, Mr Gunner cut a red ribbon with Ms Uibo with the assistance of Waruwi and Maningrida women's basketball players.

West Arnhem Regional Council would like to thank the Northern Territory Government, Member for Arnhem Selena Uibo and ERA for their generosity to bring this project into fruition.



The finished product



Traditional Owner Reggie Wurrdjäl takes the first shot on the new court

MANINGRIDA BASKETBALL COURT UNVEILED

Maningrida celebrated the opening of the newly-resurfaced Maningrida community basketball court with a grand opening event on Friday, September 15, 2017.

The community celebrated with music, competitions and a barbecue of locally caught fresh fish in support of the local fishing enterprise in Maningrida.

Proudly supported by the Australian Government, the courts were officially opened by Traditional Owners Reggie Wurrdjäl and David Jones who took the first shots on the new courts.

The project was managed by Council’s Sport and Recreation team in collaboration with Bawinanga’s CDP and Maningrida College. CDP prepared the material cut-outs, priming and fitting of the new backboards and Maningrida College were in charge of backboard artwork designs and painting.

Students Laquisha Kentish, Chenelle Bading and Anyiss Watson led the backboard project on behalf of the school. During a speech at the opening event Laquisha described her colourful backboard design as being ‘inspired by country and culture’. Laquisha also said that ‘she was really proud of her work and was really happy to have her designs as the new basketball backboards’.

Over 150 people attended the launch and there was great applause when the backboards were finally revealed to the audience.



WARC Sport and Rec crew Billy, Seide, Jackie and Shaun are very happy to be starting community tournaments on the new courts

The scratch matches also went well into the night and it was an enjoyable and emotional day to see the fruits of our labour come together at this successful event. Shaun Watson from the Maningrida Sport and Recreation team was also really happy to have the courts fixed.

“It’s great that we can play again, I’m looking forward to the new basketball season,” he said.

Now that there is a safe venue for the community to play basketball the space will be of huge benefit to the community. Not only will Maningrida be able to re-establish its basketball league but all sorts of community-led events can take place at the revitalized venue.



The floor apron concrete pour

MINJILANG R2R CULVERT WORKS

The Minjilang R2R culvert works resulted after a survey revealed the existing drainage culverts were poorly constructed and installed, located along the Airport Road, between the airport and the Minjilang township. It was identified that a series of new culverts be installed along Airport Rd, to protect the roadway from future damage and deterioration during storm events.

In November 2017, DCT Australia was engaged by the West Arnhem Regional Council to undertake the upgrade of the drainage structure. With the assistance of the WARC local workforce the construction phase commenced to replace 5 of the worst culvert sections identified by the WARC.

The initial work was scheduled to start and finish within a 4 week period with a possibility of replacing a further 2 more sections if time and budget permitted.

The scope of work entailed replacing the existing plastic and metal realm culverts that were in poor or broken condition and replace with new concrete box culverts and headwalls with stone pitching and trap rock around the structures. The road pavement was also reinstated and compacted to ensure strength and durability.

WARC was directly involved using its local workforce, plant and equipment from the start to finish of the project. The WARC workforce prepared the site daily ensuring traffic management was in place including a new road detour for access while the project was underway. Other duties included operating the plant and machinery and also having hands on approach in constructing all aspects of the job. This was a unique opportunity for the WARC workers to further develop their skills.

During the construction phase, there were many issues the contractors and our local workforce had to contend with, particularly the unpredictable wet weather and wildlife which would occasionally visit the work site, especially snakes. Generally the weather and wildlife stayed away long enough for the project to be complete. The project went so well that WARC managed to carry out the extra 2 culvert sections that were in poor condition.



Work crew team leaders with the finished headwall installation

MINJILANG OVAL FENCING COMPLETE

West Arnhem Regional Council completed the fencing of the Minjilang sports oval during 2017.

The fencing project, which utilised local labour and also provided training to local Indigenous staff, was designed to keep out feral animals and allow the grass to grow which will be of great benefit to the community sporting bodies.

The project was completed with the assistance from Tom Coutts and the Minjilang works crew, who used a combination of power tools and machinery for auguring holes and mixing cement, to levels and string lines and concreting trowels.

Between Tom and Jesse's knowledge, it was passed onto the works crew to a point in which they were competent to complete 50 per cent unsupervised.

The works crew got great satisfaction from completing the project, and there is now a much greener field for the community to enjoy all year round.

The fencing project was funded by Local Authority funding and a grant from the Northern Territory Government.



The Minjilang sports oval was fully fenced by West Arnhem Regional Council

MANINGRIDA SOLAR LIGHT PROJECT

Solar lights have been installed throughout Maningrida to enhance community safety in areas which were previously unlit.

West Arnhem Regional Council was successful in a grant application with Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet through its Remote Australian Strategies Regional Manager Discretionary Fund for Solar Security Lighting to purchase and install the 28 lights which are an effective way of lighting areas and run on solar power.

The project has been completed and residents in the community have expressed their satisfaction for the increased security following the installation.

With the recent upgrades which saw 200 new LED street lights installed throughout the community funded through the Maningrida Local Authority, Maningrida is extremely well lit at night.

The LED lights are vandal proof, provide brighter lighting and reduced operational and maintenance costs.



WARC WORK CREW IN NEW UNIFORMS

West Arnhem Regional Council works crew members are being provided with a new uniform in an orange colour, which will give the Council staff a separate identity from contractors and other agency staff in the communities.



Pictured in the new coloured uniform is the Maningrida works crew which is the first West Arnhem community to receive the shirts

NEW MINI EXCAVATOR IN WARRUWI

The Waruwi community received a new excavator in 2017. West Arnhem Regional Council Senior Mechanic Shannon Hudson flew to the island after its arrival to train all the work's crew on correct operational procedures for the plant.

This plant is to replace an old and decommissioned Backhoe, and will be put to good use for all infrastructure work.

The equipment was purchased with NTG Special Purpose Grant.



Pictured is works crew Albert Upkett, Mickey Yalbarr, Terri Narmi, Dallas Hope (senior works officer), Albert Naruradj, Alfred Gawaraidj and Richard Narwirr

NEW RUBBISH COMPACTOR AT WARRUWI

A new rubbish compactor was delivered off the barge to the Waruwi community in August 2017. West Arnhem Regional Council Senior Mechanic Shannon Hudson conducted correct operational procedures of the plant with the works crew, and also demonstrated a full pre-start/check on it.

The new rubbish compactor will replace the current equipment and will allow WARC to continue to deliver waste management service to the Waruwi community.

The rubbish compactor was purchased with the assistance of an NTG Special Purpose Grant.



Pictured from left to right: Shannon Hudson, Albert Upkett, Mickey Yalbarr, Terri Narmi, Albert Naruraidji and Richard Narwirr



Fuso 700 tipper water truck

BOGIE DRIVE TIP TRUCK AND WATER TANKER MANINGRIDA

Grant funding was obtained for the purchase of a Bogie Drive Tip Truck and Water Tanker for Maningrida through the Special Purpose provide by the Department of Housing and Community Development.

The purchase price totalled \$287,052. The grant for the New Bogie Drive Tip Truck and Water Tanker was for \$150,000 and council provided the difference from its own capital reserve funds.

West Arnhem Regional Council is responsible for delivering road maintenance program as part of the core service delivery outlined in the Local Government Act.

The core civil work undertaken by this program includes:

- Delivery of road base materials for maintaining road shoulders and drainage.
- Watering unsealed roads for dust prevention around town.
- Delivering water for road works.
- Parks and open spaces program.
- Community members requesting removal of large items and trees.
- Disaster mitigation (pre and post clean ups).
- Community Clean up.
- Fire control and prevention.

The selection of a 70 ton rated truck means it can be used as a tipper, water Truck and rated to tow Council's low loader for the purpose of moving a mobile car crusher for which Council has been successful in receiving further funding.

The ongoing community benefits expected from this purchase is as follows:

- Ongoing and permanent employment of local people in all communities to deliver core services.
- Eliminating the high establishment costs of utilising outside contractors (mobilisation costs etc.)
- Training to local indigenous staff in the operation of plant and equipment.
- Bush fire reduction and control measures, surrounding all communities
- Cyclone and disaster mitigation clean ups.
- Reduce risks to community concerning snakes and vermin control.
- Provide a healthier community by removing rubbish from around the community.

NEW EXCAVATOR FOR GUNBALANYA

A new five tonne excavator arrived in Gunbalanya in 2017 which will greatly assist with works throughout the community.

The purchase of the Kobelco SK55SRX, 5 tonne excavator was 50% funded through a Special Purpose Grant from the Northern Territory Government.



Tom Bate of Forecast Machinery is pictured with West Arnhem Regional Council Essential Services Officer Rodney Roughan and Mechanic Ray Tangles Hailstone



Fuso DualCab Truck



Kubato 2 Ride on Jabiru

NEW ADDITIONS TO WARC FLEET

Council was fortunate enough to receive three Special Purpose Grant Offers through the Department of Local Government and Community Services.

These grants totalled \$276,000 with \$150,000 towards the purchase of a bogie drive tipper and water cart, \$80,000 towards the purchase of a new garbage compactor and \$46,000 towards the purchase of a 5 tonne excavator. Each of these items of equipment has been delivered and is now in service. Operator training was conducted in Darwin, Gunbalanya and Minjilang by the machine's suppliers.

Capital Reserve funding was used to purchase three crew cab tippers and new ride on mowers for Jabiru and Gunbalanya.

Capital Reserves were also used to purchase a number of light vehicles including a Landcruiser wagon to replace the previous mayor's vehicle, a HiAce van for the Maningrida cleaner, two Hilux 4x4's for the Maningrida CSM and plumber and one DMax 4x2 utility for the Maningrida landfill operator.



4 X 2 D_Max Hi Ride Maningrida



4X4 Dual Cab Maningrida



4X4 Single Cab Maningrida



Cleaners Van Maningrida



Dual Cab Tipper Maningrida



Kubota Ride On Mower Gunbalanya

FLEET PURCHASES BY WARD 2017-2018

ASSET TYPE	BRAND	DESCRIPTION
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GUNBALANYA

Plant	KOBELCO	5t excavator
Plant	KUBOTA	Ride on mower
Plant	FUSO	Crew Cab Tipper
Plant	FUSO	Crew Cab Tipper

JABIRU

Plant	Kubota	Ride on mower
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MANINGRIDA

Motor Vehicle	TOYOTA	HiAce van
Plant	HINO	Tipper and Water Cart
Plant	FUSO	Crew Cab Tipper
Motor Vehicle	TOYOTA	Landcruiser
Motor Vehicle	TOYOTA	Hilux 4x4 dual cab
Motor Vehicle	TOYOTA	Hilux 4x4 single cab
Motor Vehicle	ISUZU	DMax 4x2 single cab

BARRAH

Plant	ISUZU	Garbage Compactor
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ASSET MANAGEMENT

DEFINITION Manage and implement a Council wide framework for sustainable whole of life asset management to provide the desired level of service to the community.

OBJECTIVES 3.1 Infrastructure and asset management strategies appropriate to the needs of Council

- MEASURES**
- Total value of infrastructure assets – target \$250,000 annual increase
 - Variation of value in infrastructure assets from previous year – target 10% positive variance
 - Implementation of and Training in an Operational Asset Register to be completed by 30.6.2018

- RESULTS**
- The total value of assets cannot be determined until the valuation are performed which is programmed to be done in 2019.
 - Variations to the Asset Values will not be available the next Asset Valuation which is programmed for 2019.
 - Training of Asset Staff in the Operational asset Register has been done and will be ongoing as new staff are brought on board.

LIGHTING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, INC STREET LIGHTING

DEFINITION Upgrade street signs and traffic management infrastructure.

OBJECTIVES 3.2 Safe and reliable roads, footpaths and street lighting

- MEASURES**
- All non-functioning streetlights repaired bi-annually as per set program - 100%
 - Repairs and Maintenance System implemented and records maintained for each community – target 100%
 - Functioning street lights per audit per community – target 75%
 - Installation and upgrade of LED street lights Maningrida 100% by December 2017

- RESULTS**
- All streetlights repaired bi-annually as per the set program however there are issues in the Gunbalanya community and have required additional repairs due to the way the street lights are configured.
 - Repairs and maintenance implemented and records maintained for each community 100%
 - Street light audits conducted bi-monthly in each community with an operational rate of over 80%
 - The installation of the new LED streetlights in Maningrida completed 100%

LIGHTING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, INC STREET LIGHTING

DEFINITION	The provision of serviceable and safe roads, footpaths and street furniture within the communities.
OBJECTIVES	3.2 Safe and reliable roads, footpaths and street lighting
MEASURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance activities are carried out in accordance with the programs – target 100% Inspections and works required entered in asset database in all communities – target 100% Roads to Recovery project Minjilang 100% completed by June 2018 Upgrade of Murganella Road Stage 2 Completed December 2018
RESULTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All road maintenance activities have been carried as per the program 100% Inspection on the road network have been carried out in accordance to the standards set out in the inspection program 100% The Minjilang R2R project completed on time and Budget (Airport Road Culvert replacement) The Murganella Road project stage 2 has been held up due to obtaining leases however this is now back on track with the completion date still expected by December 2018

MAINTENANCE PARKS, RESERVES, OPEN SPACES

DEFINITION	The provision of community amenity through aesthetically pleasing parks, ovals, public open spaces and gazetted cemeteries.
OBJECTIVES	3.3 Attractive parks, gardens, streetscapes and open spaces
MEASURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance activities are carried out in accordance with the program budget – target 100% Percentage of known footpaths hazards made safe within 24 hours – target 50% Maintenance Programme developed and operational by 30.6.2018 Community consultation regarding cemeteries to be completed by 31.12.2018
RESULTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance activities have been performed in accordance with the works program and budget A number of hazards were identified during the inspection programs and were rectified immediately. 85% of all hazards were done with in the allocated 24hours The inspection and maintenance program has been introduced and is operational and documented. The consultation process has commenced with regards to cemeteries however there are issues being identified with leases which may prevent the December 2018 deadline to be met.

FLEET, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE

DEFINITION	Management of Council’s vehicle, plant and equipment resources.
OBJECTIVES	3.4 Modern and well maintained fleet of plant and vehicles capable of meeting service delivery requirements
MEASURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vehicles inspected as per the strategic fleet management plan – target 100% Year-on-year comparison of maintenance costs – target 5% reduction Year-on-year comparison of fleet downtime of essential plant – target 5% reduction
RESULTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The target of 100% achieved even with the reduced number of Mechanics resulting from staff turnover. Maintenance costs for 2016-17 was \$763,620 and for 2017-18 = \$776,009 representing a 1.6% increase in maintenance costs. Over all the downtime reduced for more than 96% of all the plant and equipment however there were two pieces of plant that were down for an extended period. Over all the target was achieved.

MAINTENANCE & UPGRADE OF COUNCIL-CONTROLLED BUILDINGS

DEFINITION	Manage and maintain Council controlled buildings, facilities and fixed assets.
OBJECTIVES	3.5 Buildings, facilities and infrastructure assets that are fit for purpose and sufficient to service operational requirements
MEASURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Repairs and maintenance requests responded to within allocated time frame – target 90% Building maintenance completed within budget – target 100% Repairs and Maintenance System operational and records maintained for each community by 30.6.2018
RESULTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All maintenance requests responded to in the allocated time frames 100% All building works completed within budget with a number of jobs coming in under budget The repairs and maintenance system is operational across the region with all communities included.

MANAGE STAFF HOUSING TENANCY

DEFINITION	Manage Council employer provided housing, furniture and fittings.
OBJECTIVES	3.5 Buildings, facilities and infrastructure assets that are fit for purpose and sufficient to service operational requirements
MEASURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete tenancy management documentation in place for tenancies – target 100% Tenancy requests responded to within allocated time frame – target 100% Inspection schedule adhered to – target 90% Identifying maintenance requirements and entering into the Repairs and Maintenance System – target 90%
RESULTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100% of all tenancy documentation in place All tenant requested responded to within the allocated time frames 100% All tenancy inspection undertaken in the allocated time frames every 6 months 100% All maintenance activities identified during the inspection have been entered in to the Repairs and maintenance system for staff to address.

MANAGEMENT & MAINTENANCE OF SWIMMING POOLS

DEFINITION	Manage and maintain the community swimming pools in Maningrida and Jabiru for the general benefit and satisfaction of the community.	
OBJECTIVES	3.5 Buildings, facilities and infrastructure assets that are fit for purpose and sufficient to service operational requirements	
MEASURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ratio of weekly operating hours versus staff hours. Comparison of year-on-year operating costs – target maximum 10% increase. Percentage of indigenous staff – target 50%. Adherence to relevant legislation for pool attendants – target 100%. Record daily attendance to ensure compliance with legislation 	
RESULTS	Maningrida Pool <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 36 hrs of weekly operation 100 hrs worked weekly by staff 12.5% yearly operating increase Reflective of increase staff pool and investment in skills development. 80% indigenous staff 100% Average daily attendance: Dry Season: 60 / Wet Season: 110 	Jabiru Pool <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dry season: 45.5 hrs / Wet season: 52.5 hrs 0 - 90 hrs worked weekly by staff 12.3% yearly operating decrease Reflective of improvements in efficiency of pool operations and investments made in 2016/17 0% indigenous staff 100% Average daily attendance: Dry Season: 38 / Wet Season: 34

MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF LOCAL LAWS

DEFINITION	Bylaws are developed by Council to regulate and control activities within the West Arnhem Region and in particular the Jabiru community. The development and enforcement of these bylaws ensures that Council's infrastructure and assets are used appropriately so as to attract economic development and ensure community safety.
OBJECTIVES	3.6 The development and enforcement of laws that enhance economic development and community safety
MEASURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct a review of Jabiru signage by 30.6.2018 Attend LGANT meetings as required.
RESULTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A review of the road signage was conducted within the township of Jabiru and the industrial area, all damaged, faded, missing or incorrect signage was repaired and or replaced It was noted in the audit that there was many signs that were faded and incorrect and a further orders required which have been ordered and expected to arrive in the coming weeks All LGANT meeting attended for the year.



GOAL 4

INITIATIVES WHICH IMPROVE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT HEALTH

Initiatives which promote healthy, clean living conditions to improve health outcomes.



Testing the waters



West Arnhem Regional Council's team in Maningrida received the Litter Management Award (North) and the Geoff Finch Memorial Cup at the 2017 Territory Tidy Towns Awards. Jamie Yibarbuk, John Thomas, Mattiniah Gimuluk and Fonzie Brown attended the ceremony in Alice Springs

MANINGRIDA PICKS UP AWARDS

West Arnhem Regional Council's largest community, Maningrida, was recognised for its huge efforts in environmental sustainability at the 2017 Territory Tidy Town Awards ceremony held in Alice Springs.

Held by Keep Australia Beautiful NT, these awards promote and encourage sustainable communities and better living with improved quality of life.

Maningrida took home a number of awards including Litter Management Award (North) and the Geoff Finch Memorial Cup which is awarded to the Most Improved Community for the year.

John Thomas and Rewa Angell from WARC also won the Litter Management Award (Champion).

Maningrida Council Service Manager John Thomas said the crew, including Jamie Yibarbuk, Mattiniah Gimuluk and Fonzie Brown, were very pleased to go to Alice Spring for the awards and were especially pleased to win something.

"It was a very good boost to moral for the whole Team at Maningrida," John said.

"This was a year long campaign, and a very high priority for the works team at Maningrida, its part of our overarching strategy to win the best large community this year 2018 and NT Tidiest Town in 2019."

A concerted effort was required by the Team at Maningrida to achieve this result. This was one of the main priorities in the work plan for Maningrida for this year and will continue to be for years to come.

The benefits were obvious with cleaner liveable communities with better health outcomes.

John also said the benefits also work hand-in-hand with the Vet program and the bigger picture on the waste and recycling front.

The Territory Tidy Towns Awards program recognises and acknowledges the commitment and hard work undertaken by remote and regional community groups, schools, individuals, businesses and Councils. It showcases innovative ideas and initiatives that improve social and environmental development and sustainability in regional areas of the Northern Territory.

COUNCIL CARRIES OUT UPGRADES TO JABIRU LANDFILL

Throughout the year West Arnhem Regional Council (WARC) continued work to improve services provided throughout the Jabiru township, including the Jabiru Landfill.

At the end of 2017, WARC commenced upgrades to the landfill site, located in the industrial area of town, with construction of separation bays to better facilitate the segregation of recyclable materials, and will ultimately limit the waste streams from entering the landfill.

The upgrades included the erection of new fencing and the installation of a landfill office facility on site. This facilitated better control of waste for recyclable materials and rubbish to be placed in the appropriate areas of the landfill.

This initiative by WARC is an important one which not only ensures that Council remains an environmental leader, but also ensures that all conservation efforts are being implemented in the World Heritage-Listed Kakadu National Park.

Council would also like to thank the public who are assisting in making the landfill operations a success.



Progress on the separation bays at the Jabiru landfill site

The bin stands are already well utilised and community members are satisfied with the results, with more rubbish going into the bins and extra rubbish runs occurring to keep up with demand.

West Arnhem Regional Council Services Manager John Thomas said the bin stands are critical to the ongoing tidy towns program, and it links in with everything, including upgrades at the waste facility, recycling, beautification etcetera.

The Maningrida WARC team are continually working hard towards an integrated approach to waste and community management.



The WARC works crew in Maningrida working hard to clean up the community



Warruwi school children lend a helping hand to keep their community clean

MANINGRIDA TACKLES WASTE MANAGEMENT

More than 500 wheelie bins have been distributed throughout Maningrida in a positive effort to clean up the community.

The Maningrida Local Authority approved the expenditure of funds for the Bin Stand Project in Maningrida, which saw West Arnhem Regional Council install 550 bin stands to all residential and business premises throughout the community.

Addressing the problem of bins being knocked over by animals in the community, the welded bin stands are stable

and secure so there is now less rubbish on the ground – giving a much more pleasing aspect to the community.

All bins have also been marked with specific lot numbers and feature ‘Put your rubbish in the bin’ stickers.

The project was completed in nine months, including manufacturing and installation, thanks to the hard work of the Maningrida works team which are continuing to do tremendous work throughout the community.

RECYCLED ART CREATIONS PRODUCED IN MAMUKALA

What began as an idea to benefit the environment, has transpired into a lifelong project which involves refurbishing used items into incredible works of art.

Long-term resident of Mamukula Joe Maniyinbulan is teaching himself to transform, what were discarded tyres from the landfill, into amazing and practical art pieces.

Inspired by ideas which he gathers from the internet, Joe has been researching and teaching himself ways to build pieces from recycled goods - from chairs to pot plants in all shapes, styles and sizes, a wishing well and much more - all out of tyres from the tip.

Mamukala Recycled Arts came together in 2017, and is something which Joe does at his own pace as he teaches himself the techniques, including weaving, painting and assembling different pieces.

As Joe learns, he also gets ideas for other handmade items, and has started creating personalised chairs which are painted in your favourite football team colours, and even handmade thongs which are made from tyres off a quad bike.

He works at night when it is cooler and Joe has also sparked an interest with five others at Mamukala who watch and get involved in the construction and planning.

The project has huge potential to grow, as it encompasses a number of positive aspects including community benefits, environmental, educational and social - all of which are important to the local community.



(left) Nicodemus Nayilibidj and Joe Maniyinbulan of Mamukala Recycled Arts with two of Joe's chairs which he has taught himself to make

It also brings people together for a common purpose and spreads the message of recycling through beautiful artwork.

The abundance of tyres he has collected have come from the Jabiru Landfill, and thanks to Dave at BP he will have access to more. Joe has also put together a ‘wish list’ of items and tools which he needs to continue his craft.

West Arnhem Regional Council applauds Joe's efforts. Community members can help Joe by purchasing his crafts and this can be done by placing an order at the Northern Land Council office in Jabiru.



The AMRRIC veterinary team

VETERINARY VISIT TO MANINGRIDA COMMUNITY

The Animal Management in Rural & Remote Indigenous Communities (AMRRIC) veterinary team visited Maningrida from April 23 to 27, 2018 to provide important services and support to companion animals in the community.

The intensive de-sexing program was funded, coordinated and delivered by West Arnhem Regional Council and supported by AMRRIC who offered dog and cat surgical desexing, parasite treatments, and general veterinary advice.

Over the five days a total of 232 animals were de-sexed, including 148 dogs and 84 cats with the team surprised at the large number of cats in the community. The team also provided medicated bread to a large number of dogs in the community to reduce the burden of external and internal parasites, including scabies (mange).

The community was very supportive of the program with people flagging the team down to arrange for their animals to be seen. A large number of people wanted to get their animals

checked and desexed. Surgical desexing is such a vital service for companion animal populations, and has immense benefits for communities.

Where entire dogs and cats roam free, large number of puppies and kittens will be born leading to unwanted animals. This results in negative welfare outcomes for the animals, as the community's capacity to adequately care for each individual is reduced as numbers grow.

The team included Jessica Bartlett (Vet Nurse-Ark Vet Clinic Darwin), Courtney Falls (Education Officer AMRRIC), Dr. Jan Allen (One Health Program Manager AMRRIC), Dr. Brooke Rankmore (CEO AMRRIC), Dr Jemima America-Gale (Volunteer Vet), Dr Bob Irving (Vet), Dr Rosemary Miller (Volunteer Vet), Mathniah (West Arnhem Regional Council), Esra Bray (West Arnhem Regional Council), Dr. Stephen Cutter (Ark Vet Clinic Darwin) and Brooke Robinson (Volunteer Vet Nurse).

JABIRU AND MINJILANG CHILDREN TAKING CARE OF THE ENVIRONMENT

Jabiru Childcare Centre has been working on becoming a more sustainable service during 2017.

Thanks to a grant received in 2016 the centre was able to purchase recycling bins for each room.

The aim of using recycle bins for paper and bottles is to make the children aware of the importance in recycling and to learn about pollution throughout the year. The bottle collection has been a huge success so far and the centre wants to thank all staff and families who are busy collecting bottles.

Raising awareness about the environment we live in and teaching children the importance of taking care of the land follows Outcome 2: Children are connected with and contribute to their world from the Early Year Learning Framework.

Over in Minjilang the Mamaruni School Employment Pathways students having been doing their bit for the environment by clearing rubbish from the beach on Croker Island.

The students have been busy assisting the Garnji Rangers to keep Minjilang beautiful and take care of the environment. Well done students!



Jabiru children become environmentalists



Mamaruni School ranger program

WATER & SEWERAGE MANAGEMENT

DEFINITION	Management and maintenance of the town water supply and sewerage services in Jabiru.
OBJECTIVES	4.1 The provision of an environmentally and economically sound solid waste, water and sewerage services
MEASURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disruption to Jabiru town water supply – target nil occurrences Disruption to Jabiru sewerage network – target nil occurrences All potable water testing in Jabiru meets legislated standards – target 100% Implementation of the Internal audit recommendations relating to water treatment policies and procedures to be completed by 31.12.2018
RESULTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Very limited disruption to the Jabiru water supply during this period, isolated outages occurred in Spencer court over a three day period due to sourcing the correct parts. A water timetable was developed for this street during this time to lessen the impact on residence in Spencer Court There was nil disruption to the sewerage network during the year All tests taken have shown the water quality in Jabiru meets all legislated standards Implementation of the Internal Audit recommendations has been slower than anticipated but will be completed in 2018-19 financial year

WASTE MANAGEMENT

DEFINITION	The provision of domestic waste collection services in each community, and the management and maintenance of landfill sites as per the Environmental Protection Act (EPA).
OBJECTIVES	4.1 The provision of domestic waste collection services in each community, and the management and maintenance of landfill sites as per the Environmental Protection Act (EPA).
MEASURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waste collections completed – target 100% Landfill sites remain operational – target 100% Landfill sites are operating under a license – target 100% Licensed landfills to be achieved by 31.12.2018 (dependent upon responsiveness of NLC)
RESULTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100% of domestic waste collected 100% of landfill remains operational The three large Landfill sites are operating as per the NT EPA guidelines and the Jabiru Landfill operating under a licence EPL201. Gunbalanya and Maningrida landfills are waiting on leases to obtain an NT EPA operational licence The Gunbalanya and Maningrida NT EPA licences for the two landfills are ongoing and waiting on the NLC lease process to be completed

COMPANION ANIMAL CONTROL

DEFINITION	Manage and implement Council’s animal control By-Laws and animal management plans.
OBJECTIVES	4.2 Implementation of sustainable dog management programs which improve the overall health and wellbeing of remote communities
MEASURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community consultation on dog by-laws completed by June 2018 Comparison of year-on-year un-registered dog numbers within Jabiru – target 5% reduction Comparison of year-on-year reported dog complaints – target 5% reduction With other stakeholders support the Implementation of periodic veterinarian services in all communities by 30.6.2018
RESULTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some discussions have taken place in relation to the bi-laws in the remote communities with particular attention in Maningrida however this will be a lengthy process The number of unregistered dogs in Jabiru has slightly risen and this is mainly due to new residents not being notified that they need to get their pets registered. This is currently being addressed Dog complaints have reduced across the region Veterinarian services are continuing in all remote communities



GOAL 5

LOCAL CIVIC SERVICES WHICH RESPECT CULTURE AND HERITAGE

A Council that respects, protects and nurtures the diversity of our culture and heritage.



NT Chief Minister Michael Gunner addresses the audience at the Mahbilil Festival



Photo credit Connor Askham

COMMUNITY GETS BEHIND FESTIVAL

2017 saw a new version of the Mahbilil festival in Jabiru with a new location in Jabiru and new date.

After running for many years down by the lake, the new venue was a big success, with far more room, shade, green grass and obviously - the pool! Most attendees are now suggesting that the festival is held there every year. The move brought about a logistical challenge for the team, but once again, Jabiru showed its community spirit and everyone got behind it to make it happen.

Highlights of the day were a pumping workshop area, with natural fibre weaving being incredibly popular. Murle (didj) painting also being very well attended. The bushfoods area was busy all day with hundreds of people flowing through to get hands-on with Magpie Goose preparation and cooking, demonstrations all day and the massive Gungerre ground-ovens opening. The Magpie Goose cooking competition is always a hit. This year a separate category for the chefs of the region was held which was taken out by the chefs from Cooida Lodge. The individual category was won by Chantel Lehman, and the People's Choice by Caitlin O'Connor.

The festival was visited by Chief Minister Michael Gunner, who gave a very interesting speech about the future of the town and celebrated one year in office by outlining some of his Governments plans for Indigenous partnerships across the NT.

The Gunborrk (traditional dance) session by the Wardekken crew was a huge highlight, kicking up sand in the golden afternoon light. This was followed by Sunshine band OKA, who blew the crowd away with their fusion of traditional and future beats. The performance with students from the Jabiru Area School was a big hit with the crowd as always. Well done to the students and to Steve and Flick who facilitated the rehearsals and performance.

The evening saw a beautiful exhibition of Yawk-Yawk works come to life, while the crowd was wooed by Gold Coast act Tijuana Cartel that got a heaving dance floor going! Local band Black Rock Band took out the night with a rocking set with a huge response from the crowd.

Mahbilil Festival Producer Scott Large was full of praise for the spirit that Mahbilil brings out from the community.

"I am constantly impressed at the energy and enthusiasm that Jabiru and the whole Kakadu/ West Arnhem region shows for Mahbilil each year. The move of the site got everyone's interest going and the feedback about the show we managed to put on in the new venue has been overwhelmingly positive. Having the pool part of the event was great for kids and families and we saw a really increased number of people come down early on in the afternoon.

(Continued from Community Gets Behind Festival)

The numbers overall were significantly up and we estimate over 2000 people came through across the day and night. There was of course a great local turnout, but a noticeable increase of tourist and Darwin visitors which is really encouraging. The festival continues to grow its profile elsewhere and that is a positive step for the town and the region. The future of this area sees cultural tourism as one of the primary economic drivers and Mahbilil indicated that people are really interested in local culture stories and will

travel to attend special events. Based on the hard work that has gone in over the last couple of years and the enthusiasm from this year's event, we hope to expand the festival model next year, and grow the scope and profile of the event substantially".

The Mahbilil team thanked all of its event partners: Gundjeihmi, KWASt, ERA, WARC, Kakadu Park and our supporters: Kakadu Tourism, Jabiru Foodland, Aurora Kakadu Lodge and Marrawuddi Gallery.

Vacation Care and Crèche children in Waruwi celebrated with plenty of fun activities. Minjilang's Mamaruni School Upper Primary Class had a student-led lesson from Mr Chris' Pathways Class with the focus on NAIDOC WEEK craft and made 'Boomerang frames! Everyone did a fantastic job.

Kakadu National Park's Bowali Visitor Centre was a hive of activity as Park staff, visitors from around the world and Traditional owners came together to celebrate NAIDOC Week. There were exciting cultural activities happening all week which celebrated the living cultural landscape of Kakadu, including ranger-guided rock art talks, traditional painting and weaving.

Parks combined these events with West Arnhem Regional Council's Jabiru Library to ensure everyone was able to enjoy the array of NAIDOC week activities in the region.



Glorianna Luta face painting with Ezmay Bon in Waruwi



Minjilang students get ready for NAIDOC week

NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS AROUND THE REGION

NAIDOC Week celebrations were held throughout the communities of West Arnhem Regional Council.

The residents of Gunbalanya celebrated the week with lots of fun activities, sports, music, jumping castle and a barbecue for the community to enjoy. It was a great afternoon with a number of stakeholders working together including the RISE Ventures, Department of Health, Anglicare, Team Health, Centrelink, Council's Sport & Rec, NT Police, Safe House and the Clinic.



Cultural activities conducted by Parks included traditional weaving



Barunga Festival in full swing

WEST ARNHem ROCKS BARUNGA

West Arnhem was well-represented at the 2018 Barunga Festival with local sporting teams and local musicians taking part in the three-day event from June 8 to 10.

Maningrida was particular well-represented at the event with over 50 community members taking part - a participation number that reflects the community's size.

Marking the 30th anniversary of the Barunga Statement, it was a momentous event with the festival attracting a 4000-strong audience of Indigenous and non-Indigenous people from all over the world to camp and take part in a program of music, sport, traditional arts and cultural activities over the three days.

At this year's event, Maningrida had a Men's AFL team which won one game out of three, and they also had a women's basketball team which won two out of three games with Charlene Darcy the top scorer and star.

Hayley from the women's basketball team said, "I am happy that I got to go to Barunga and play basketball. The basketball was fun but the disco was my favourite part!"

Meanwhile, Tristan who played in the men's AFL team said, "I like playing AFL and I hope Maningrida can go to Barunga again next year."

Djagarna women's basketball team from Jabiru also travelled to the Barunga Festival recently to compete in the event's women's basketball competition for the first time.



The Maningrida women's basketball team is pictured here with WARC Sport and Rec Team Leader Billy Bruce

(Continued from West Arnhem Rocks Barunga)

The team, which is made up of women from Jabiru and Whistle Duck, undertook three weeks' of training in the lead up to Barunga, and overall, did extremely well in the competition.

Maningrida also had two local bands feature in the music line up including the KK Band and Ripple Effect Band who lit up the stage all three nights of the festival and are amazing.

Kakadu's very own Black Rock Band was also part of the all-indigenous musical line-up includes talent from across Australia.

The world-famous Babarra Women's Centre also held a stall throughout the event which turned out to be incredibly popular. A Maningrida local even won the spear throwing contest.

The Maningrida community would like to thank the amazing people and organisations which supported Maningrida's participation this year; Malabam Health Board, Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation, West Arnhem Regional Council, Lawrence Costa (MLA), AFLNT, Manuel Brown from GREATS Youth Service and the many others who supported over the weekend. You guys know who you are. Maningrida will be back again next year – bigger and better.

Barunga Festival is an annual event which features an incredible program of music, sport, culture, art, dance, circus, kids' activities, workshops, healthy food and more.



The huge crowd enjoys the entertainment

JABIRU PUBLIC LIBRARY

Jabiru Public Library 2017/2018 has undergone some major changes with creating a space at the library for the community to enjoy this space and have been using it to meet with service providers like NDIS, NAAJA and NAAFLS to meet in a safe neutral space. This has proven to be a well utilised space connecting to community in line with NTL strategic plan.

The library received a grant for the purchase of 4 new computers with headphones and 4 tablets for public access. The new computer have replaced aging technology at the library with the latest operating systems for public access. Ongoing access to WIFI is well utilised by the public. WIFI has been rolled out in the WARC region with RIPIA proving the funding via NTL into Gunbalanya and Maningrida.

Jabiru Public Library has undergone major changes to the Collection Development in conjunction with NTL and has developed a new Collection Development Policy that will continue to focus on and build the Kakadu and West Arnhem content resources and Early Childhood literacy. Included in our policy is Language resources relevant to West Arnhem. Library Coordinator has completed a basic Kunwinku language course in doing so has connected with local language group Bininj Kunwok and have the support to provided language resources as they are produced.

School holiday program 2018 was for a period of 3 weeks which included NAIDOC week this program. This program was well utilised by the community and included a Senior Traditional Member Author reading one of her books to Childcare children. Her book is My Home in Kakadu.

Indigenous local men having been using the library space to access information and have conversations about Domestic Violence and how they can be a part of the solution in their community.

Indigenous participation has increased at the library and with the support of NTL the library has amended the Collection Development Policy to increase the scope of Indigenous content resources available.

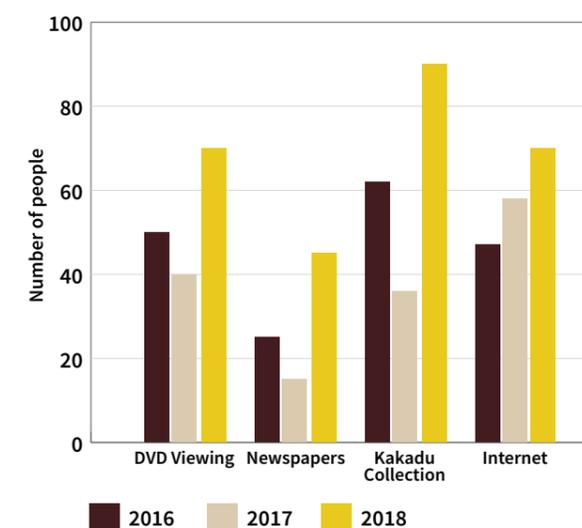
A Reference Group has been formed and is made up of local Indigenous community members who now meet monthly.

Indigenous Usage

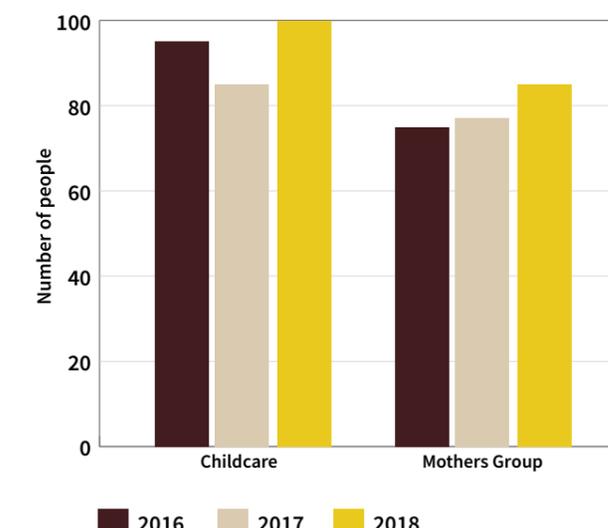
Indigenous usage at the library has increased and local users are utilising the space to meet with service providers. Aged care use the library space on Fridays to give their clients access to print media and movie viewing.

Childcare and Mothers Group Early Literacy Program

Early literacy program which is used weekly by the Mothers group and Childcare remains popular at the library with music and dance now being used at the library weekly. Both groups enjoyed National Simultaneous Story time at Childcare this years as the Library was having maintenance carried out.



Indigenous Usage



Childcare and Mothers Group Early Literacy Program



Librarian Jillian May proudly displays the new computers

NEW EQUIPMENT FOR THE JABIRU LIBRARY

The Jabiru Public Library is proud to announce the arrival of four state-of-the-art computers, two Samsung tablets and improved, secure internet access within the facility recently.

The four additional HP all-in-one computers are the latest technology and feature headphones and a wireless keyboard and mouse making them a great addition to the multimedia aspects of the library.

With computer-use and access to the existing free WiFi becoming very popular at the facility particularly with the young people, the new computers and improvements to the internet will greatly benefit the community.

Not only this, the library has also received upgrades to shelving which will allow more resources to be available to all library-users.

Jabiru Public Library Coordinator Jillian May encourages all community members to visit the library and take advantage of the new equipment and improved internet access.

The new equipment and upgrades were made possible through a \$10,000 Community Benefit Fund Grant and West Arnhem Regional Council wishes to thank the Northern Territory Government.

LIBRARY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE SERVICE (2144)

DEFINITION The provision of public library services in Jabiru to promote and support the recreational and life-long learning needs of the community.

OBJECTIVES 5.1 Facilitate the delivery of library and cultural heritage services

- MEASURES**
- Year-to-year comparison of book stock turnover
 - Number of annual library visits – target >1,000
 - Number of items loaned annually – target > 500

- RESULTS**
- Book stock turnover continues to decline which is to be expected in a climate where the population is decreasing and there has been a rise of online resources available.
 - There were 1,500 visitors to the Library in 2017-18, a decrease on last year's figures. The decrease is occurring for the same reasons as the reduction in stock turnover.
 - The number of items loaned decreased to 1,300 for the year which is still greater than the target.



GOAL 6

COMMUNITY SOCIAL PROGRAMMES AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES

A Council which provides programmes and services that support and contribute to the wellbeing of its community members.



The children at Jabiru Childcare Centre enjoying the new outdoor equipment

JABIRU CHILDCARE SERVICES

During the past year, the educators at Jabiru Childcare have continued to work hard to offer high quality education and care to the families of Jabiru.

In May we had our annual visit from Quality Care and Education NT and were very proud to pass with flying colours, we had no non-compliance issues reported during the inspection.

Community connections has still been a big focus for the centre in the past year, with staff always volunteering their time at community events and holding our annual Mother's and Father's day afternoon teas along with our end of year family Christmas party at the community hall.

We have also continued to build our strong bond with the preschool by working with the preschool teacher closely, exchanging ideas and relevant information, and joining them for orientation sessions at the end of last year.

One very exciting project this year has been the renovation of our kitchen that was completed in April. This was funded by a grant received from the Department of Education and

consisted of installing new stainless steel benches, new cupboards throughout, a new larger more practical sink and a new hand-washing basin. These upgrades have now made the kitchen compliant with food safety regulations.

In October, all staff attended the 'Little people big dreams' conference held in Darwin. This was possible using the last of the available funds from the Long Day Care Professional Development Program. Many of the educators had not been able to attend these kind of events previously and found it beneficial and informative to their day-to-day work with the children.

The attendance numbers have stayed relatively steady over the past 12 months, we were lucky enough to welcome back two staff members that had worked here in the past but sadly others that had been at the centre for a number of years moved on. To adhere to child staff ratios we currently employ five full time staff, one part time and two casuals.

JABIRU CHILDREN ENJOY NEW OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT

The Jabiru Childcare Centre was lucky enough to receive a grant from the Community Benefit Fund in 2017 to purchase some new outdoor equipment earlier this year.

With this money, the centre purchased new bikes, foam climbing blocks, a tunnel, balls, wooden mud kitchen for the sandpit and many other items.

The children were very excited when all the boxes got delivered and started to be unpacked. All of these new items are to help build and strengthen the children's gross and fine motor skills, along with their social and emotional development.

We would like to thank parent Ty Taylor for all his help in putting most of it together!

JABIRU CHILDCARE CELEBRATES FATHER'S DAY WITH FAMILIES

On Friday, September 1, 2017 Jabiru Childcare held its annual Father's Day afternoon tea at the centre.

Staff love when families join them for special occasions such as this. Everyone got to have a little play, catch up with educators and other families whilst enjoying a yummy afternoon tea.



Jackson and dad Chris



Children developing their origami skills

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

It is always great to see some new faces at the Jabiru after school activities.

New activities introduced this year, including origami, have been very well received, with over 15 kids in attendance at these sessions.

It has also been fantastic to see some parents getting involved too.

The Jabiru after-school activities take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, following school.

JABIRU CHILDCARE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Jabiru Childcare Centre held the annual Christmas Party on Friday, December 1, 2017.

All children sang songs and Santa brought each of the children a special book and the children were very excited to see the special guest.

At the party, the children who started full time school in January, 2018 received a graduation certificate and a graduation head and Childcare wishes them all the best for the start in Transition.

The Childcare Centre thanked Morris for donating the bread for our sausage sizzle and for providing a chef who cooked the sausages for us and Richard and Barbara McArthur from the Crocodile Hotel who donated vouchers for the Christmas raffle.

Jabiru Childcare Centre appreciated all the donations our families put towards the hamper and thank you for Santa for visiting us again this year. All funds raised through the hamper went towards purchasing new equipment for the centre.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS IN MANINGRIDA!

Meanwhile on Friday, December 8 Christmas was celebrated Maningrida style.

The event was led by Malabam Health Board and featured numerous local musical and singing acts.

Not only was there singing and music, Malabam also put on a wonderful dinner for the community.

It was a great event with a number of organisations supporting on the day including GREATS Youth Services, West Arnhem Regional Council, Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation, Maningrida Progress Association, Maningrida CEC, Amiable Communications and many others on the day.

Well done Jess and the crew from Malabam for organising a wonderful evening for the community!



Colourful books were a big hit this year in Jabiru



In Maningrida the children enjoyed the treats delivered by Santa

CHILDCARE KITCHEN UPGRADES

The Jabiru Childcare kitchen received a welcomed upgrade this year thanks to the Northern Territory Government Department of Education.

The upgrades included new stainless steel bench tops, all news cupboards, a larger sink with an extendable hose to help wash all the large pots was installed, new pedal operated hand washing sink and a new larger ceiling fan.

These upgrades will assist with all preparations of meals for the children and aged care clients on a daily basis.

Childcare Centre Manager Alleisha Woodward said not only are there many benefits from the upgrades, the kitchen now looks lovely.

West Arnhem Regional Council deployed Pattermore Construction to carry out the works, and the Council wishes to thank the Department of Education for making this possible.



Jabiru Childcare Manager Alleisha Woodward preparing morning tea in the upgraded kitchen

WEST ARNHem REGIONAL COUNCIL - COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES

Community Care Services has developed and changed a lot this year – things that have made a big impact are the transitions across the whole sector, resulting in the restructure of staffing models for some areas:

- Aged Care service to Consumer Directed care.
- Disability Services to NDIS.
- BBF Childcare Services to Community Child Care Funded Services.
- Outside School Hours Care to Youth Sport and Recreational Services.

The major development would have to be the agreement with the Education Department for WARC Community Services to take on the Minjilang Crèche.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Aged and Disability Services are provided by West Arnhem Regional Council across four communities - Minjilang, Waruwi, Gunbalanya and Kakadu. We are also funded for Child Care Services provided at Waruwi and Minjilang.

There are a total of 64 clients across all aged care and disability programs, and 51 children have attended our child care services over the year.

98% of our staff across the 4 communities are indigenous – WARC encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to work together, mentoring and training staff to ensure they have suitable skills to provide the care and support needed across all our programs.

AGED CARE PROGRAMS

- Commonwealth Home Support Program – CHSP is funded through Commonwealth Government Funding – Indigenous people 50 years and over and Non Indigenous 65 years are eligible for these programs.
- Home Care Packages – HCP are funded through the Department of Health. Currently we have 9 x Level 2 Home Care Packages with 3 pending, and 1 x Level 4 package across the region. All our packages are provided through Consumer Directed Care guidelines.

DISABILITY SERVICES

- Disability In Home Support – DIHS services are funded through Department of Health – referrals by the Department are required for this program.
- National Disability Insurance Scheme – NDIS services are provided by registered Coordinator Services.

CHILDCARE PROGRAMS

- Crèches x 2 – Funded by Department of Education and Training.
- Waruwi Crèche & Minjilang Crèche were welcomed into the WARC Community Services Programs this year.

NORTHERN TERRITORY JOBS PACKAGE

- Funded by the Department of Health.
- Employment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Staff in Aged Care Services.
- Yearly number of salary units funded 42, number salary units used 20.9, number of staff employed 24.
- This funding is paramount to West Arnhem to continue to provide Aged Care Services and employ Indigenous Staff.

STAFF TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

All our Community Care Staff are trained or working towards their certificate 3 in Individual Support – this certificate covers aged care, disability services and community care services.

HK Training is the contracted RTO for West Arnhem Region.

Included in this certificate is the food safety component – all staff are trained in food safety and hygiene.

WARC also provides in-house training for staff development – orientation, computer skills, first aid, WH&S.

GUNBALANYA COMMUNITY CARE

Gunbalanya Community Care runs from the Community Care Centre where the staff prepare, cook and deliver meals to all our aged and disability clients.

Staff utilise all Services available in Gunbalanya to ensure clients receive the best care possible – we work closely with other West Arnhem Services – Sport and Recreation, Safe House and Night Patrol, Gunbalanya Health Clinic, Dept Health Remote Team, Local Police, School Services and visiting specialists.

Other services provided across the aged and disability sector include Transport, Laundry, Personal Care, Social Support, Community Access, and Centre Based Activities.

Transport: Clients have access to a 4WD Troup Carrier and Mini Bus with wheel chair access. This provides fantastic opportunities for clients to access community activities, shopping, banking, appointments, and cultural activities.

Laundry: staff assist with laundry both at the client's home and in the Centre.

Personal Care: Clients utilise the Centre for showers and assistance is provided when needed.

Social Support and Community Access: Home visits, Centre based activities, outdoor and cultural activities such as Pandanus Collecting, Root (colour) collecting and boiling up the produce to provide different colours of pandanus straw for weaving.

The Centre is used by clients as a drop in centre where they can relax, have a meal, join in set activities, share stories with other clients or just enjoy a quiet space.

WARRUWI COMMUNITY CARE

Warruwi Community Care: Aged and Disability Services are provided in Warruwi by way of Meals on Wheels. The Aged Care team uses the kitchen at the Child Care Centre to prepare, cook and deliver meals to all their clients including the children who attend the Crèche.

Other services provided in community to Aged and disability clients:

Transport: Clients can access transport via the Aged Care twin cab utility. They are able to be taken to appointments, to visit the local community store and Centrelink. Transport is also available for community and cultural activities and social support.

Laundry: Clients who do not have a washing machine have the availability of a large washing machine and dryer at the Childcare Centre – staff assist with laundry both at the client's home and in the Centre.

Personal Care: Staff support clients in their homes with showering and personal care as required.

Social Support and Community Access: Home visits, social support and outings.

Staff Training And Development

All Aged and Disability staff have completed or are working towards Certificate 3 in Individual first aid, WH&S and driving skills support.

Warruwi Childcare Services – Crèche

This year has seen many changes to the crèche at Warruwi. In July 2018 we transitioned from Budget Based Funding BBF to Community Child Care Program Funding CCCF.

During this process we also transitioned our Outside School Hours Care OSHC to be part of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Funding and that meant they moved across to the Youth, Sport and Recreation Program Area.

There were many challenges and changes – staff once again proved their strengths and assisted in the smooth transition of both these programs – family and community meetings and gatherings were held to ensure that the community was well informed.

Attendances have increased over the 12 months and working closely with the school provides an excellent platform for all children and assisting the families with the early childhood development of their children.

The crèche is available for any working parents, providing

full care of the children aged from 0-5 years. We also provide services to the Pre School Children who attend after Pre School finishes for the day. All children are provided with breakfast, lunch and morning/afternoon tea.

We strive to uphold the rights and best interests of all children and to provide a safe atmosphere where children can expand their skills, develop relationships, gain confidence and independence and develop a positive self-esteem by providing them with the tools they need for their future.

KAKADU COMMUNITY CARE

Community Care for Kakadu is based in Jabiru. The services provided are Meals on Wheels cooked by Jabiru Child Care. The Aged Care Team delivers the meals out to the homelands and small communities where the clients live.

Other services include:

Transport: Aged and disability clients can access transport

via the Aged Care Troup Carrier. Transport is provided for appointments, local community store, bank and Centrelink.

Laundry: WARC's Jabiru Office has a large area provided with laundry and shower facilities.

Personal Care: Staff support clients in their homes with showering and personal care. They also bring clients to the Council Office for showers and personal care.

Social Support and Community Access: Home visits, social support and outings – staff travel long distances to provide social support to remote communities and homelands.

MINJILANG COMMUNITY CARE

Minjilang Community Care Program has Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP) funded clients. Our current number of clients is 4 CHSP. The local Community Store prepares, cooks and delivers these clients meals on wheels.



Clients from the Gunbalanya Community Care enjoyed a camping trip to the 'big waterfall'

COMMUNITY CARE CAMP OUT

Gunbalanya Community Care clients and staff took part in the Oenpelli Camp Out in August 2017.

Run by the NT Carers Respite Remote Program, Gunbalanya Community Care clients were invited to participate in a 5 night camp out held at the 'big waterfall' in Gunbalanya.

Five clients and two NT Carer staff Susan Aiton and Erica Gurner attended with Gunbalanya Community Care Officer Joyce Djogibar also going along. Clients Margaret Djogibar, Shirley Kelly, Nell Naborlhborlh and Dorothy Nabobbob all attended.

The clients had a fantastic time camping, enjoying activities such as collecting pandanus, collecting roots for colour, and finishing off with a weaving session.

They cooked damper around the camp fire, told yarns and had a lot of fun.

A wonderful effort by the NT Carers remote team and Joyce with setting up, cooking and assisting with the activities, then packing everything up.

It was a great effort and the clients very much appreciated all the hard work.



Mark Mangiru having a great time at the Community Care handball competition

SOCIAL OUTING IN GUNBALANYA

In October 2017 Gunbalanya Community Care invited Jabiru Community Care to a barbecue as a joint activity bringing the communities together.

Unfortunately the water was deemed not safe at the crossing so the Jabiru team enjoyed a scenic drive as their outing visiting the Border Store and East Alligator River. Gunbalanya staff and clients all had a lot of fun enjoying the barbecue cooked by staff and participated in the inaugural handball competition. It was a very successful day and clients are looking forward to challenging Jabiru Community Care next time.

JABIRU COMMUNITY CARE CLIENTS GET OUT AND ABOUT

Jabiru Community Care clients made it a family affair whilst having a movie day at the Jabiru Library in October 2017.

The clients enjoy a weekly activity at the Library every Friday.



Community Care client Cecily pictured with her granddaughter and great granddaughter

COMMUNITY CARE STAFF THANKED

Community Care Team Leader Annie Luta presented all her Warruwi staff with encouragement awards as a 'thank you' for all their hard work throughout the year.



Saleta and Annie Luta

CARERS WEEK CELEBRATED

Gunbalanya Community Care had a morning tea for Carers Week which was a huge success with carers and clients attending.

Community Care Staff put on a great spread, and carers were shown appreciation and thanks for all their support and care for their loved ones. It was a fantastic morning thanks to carers NT and all staff for their support.

Carers Week was also celebrated in Warruwi. Carers, clients and staff gathered together for a barbecue where the Community Care staff prepared, cooked and provided transport for all to attend.

It was a great afternoon and staff acknowledged and thanked carers for all their support and care for the clients.



Len Naborlhorth, Nell Naborlhorth and Lillian Guymala enjoy the morning tea

WARRUWI CRECHE RECEIVES NEW RESOURCES

In 2017 the Warruwi Crèche received new resources making the young children very happy.

The children will certainly benefit from these new resources with a great variety of items to teach different skills including puzzles that encourage hand eye coordination, language development and fine motor skills, construction which encourages social and emotional skills, working in groups, numeracy development, language development fine and gross motor skills.

Exploring with dolly's and home corner equipment encourages the children's social and emotional development, imaginative and dramatic play, the opportunity to discuss healthy food options with one another and educators, how to care for dolly's which develops competence and the sense of importance which develops their confidence and happiness.

Exploring the doll's house provides children opportunity to set up inviting play spaces that they create together and with educators.

All of these resources benefit the children's development in many positive ways. The resources were made possible through the Commonwealth Department of Education and Training.



Playing with building blocks is all part of the fun

WARRUWI CRECHE KEEPING BUSY

Warruwi Creche were busy throughout Term 3 providing a great variety of activities for the children to learn whilst having fun at the same time.

The children enjoyed music and movement at group time, creative play with clay and painting, outdoor tea parties with flowers and shells, sensory play: wet sand and water play, bead threading and making necklaces.



YOUTH, SPORT AND RECREATION

The 2017/18 year saw the Youth, Sport & Recreation (YSR) restructure in full operation. On the ground this has ensured active YSR teams in each remote community of West Arnhem working with three team leaders and one coordinator. The new structure has buttressed place-based approaches to consultation and program development across the region and improved continuity of programs. Mentoring and training has been provided to local staff and where possible made available to the broader community.

Between April and June 2018 YSR team members engaged in an extensive process of community consultation to develop a pilot Youth Leadership Program (YLP) that seeks to respond to the varying leadership aspirations and particular contexts of each remote community, with plans to broaden the project to include the Jabiru/Kakadu region. The YLP will be integrated into programming to ensure that YSR activities reflect the needs of local young people across 'both worlds'.

Team Leaders and YSR Officers participated in three regional forums that developed leadership, community development and youth work skills such as consultation and data collection. These skills have already been put to work, utilised during the YLP process as well as in day to day programming. Stakeholder relationships and community collaboration have broadened across the region, towards long term partnerships and enhanced community capacity.

The 2017/18 year has enjoyed numerous program highlights, including youth led murals in Warruwi and Gunbalanya, mental health and suicide prevention workshops with Joe Williams across the region, a successful merge of afterschool care and YSR in Minjilang, a new media hub in Gunbalanya, photo-voice projects in Gunbalanya and Maningrida and countless events, activities, and competitions and trainings in first aid, lifeguarding, sports officiating and more.



Showing off the new photography skills gained by the Maningrida students

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2017/18 FINANCIAL YEAR

YSR Initiatives:

- Gunbalanya Youth Centre Mural | As part of a broader YSR initiative to reinvigorate and transform the Youth Centre, exterior and interior murals were designed and painted by local youth with support from Darwin based artist, Shaun Lee. The murals celebrate local identity, the environment and young people. The murals have strengthened the Youth Centre's vibrancy and its relevance to young people.
- Gunbalanya AFL | YSR funded a three month pilot project that explored the possibility of developing a Gunbalanya AFL competition and identify relevant stakeholders.

As a result, further funding has been secured to recruit a consultant to develop an appropriate model for implementation.

- Warruwi Rec Hall Murals | The imaginations of Warruwi children and youth people and inside and outside walls of Warruwi Rec Hall were brought to life with several large technicolour murals painted during art workshops led by Proper Creative with local children and young people, funded and driven by YSR.
- Mental Health & Suicide Prevention | Aboriginal mental health advocate, and former rugby player, Joe Williams toured the region leading community conversations on this important issue, with support from YSR.

- Digital media hub | Installed at the Gunbalanya Youth Centre and a week long digital media and film making workshop led by Indigenous Hip Hop Projects.
- PHOTO-VOICE | A week long photography workshop in Maningrida exploring local identity and two photo voice programs delivered in Gunbalanya.

Major Events:

- Gurrung 2017 Sports Carnival | YSR led the largest Indigenous sporting competition in West Arnhem, Gurrung Carnival, in Jabiru. The event carnival attracted over 400 players and spectators from across the region. Warruwi took home the trophy for women's basketball, Jabiru Heat the men's and Minjilang Eagles the AFL cup. No More Violence was a major sponsor promoting the messages of positive relationships and community safety.
- MANINGRIDA BASKETBALL GALA | In celebration of the newly refurbished basketball courts, including backboards designed and painted by a young local woman, September saw a high energy local basketball tournament and barbecue of locally caught fresh fish.
- Youth Week | Activities and events across the region to engage and celebrate young people. In Gunbalanya this included a week long digital media workshop that gave young people to opportunity to use photo and film to explore the theme: "Stay True Stay You" facilitated by Amy Hetherington.
- Territory Day 2017 | Exciting events and activities across the region, including a large, professional fireworks show in Maningrida and community event featuring jumping castles, live music, face-painting and BBQ led by YSR teams.
- Barunga Festival | West Arnhem representation at Barunga Festival from the Maningrida Women's All Star Basketball team.
- Monthly school attendance parties | Each month in Maningrida students with high attendance are rewarded with multi-stakeholder parties at the pool with inflatable toys, swimming and BBQ.
- Pool Events | Monthly movie nights at the Maningrida Pool and fortnightly inflatable pool toy events.
- Australia Day | Customised community days held across the region, featuring water toys, BBQs, face painting, community games and more.
- NAIDOC | Celebrations & activities across the region.
- Kakadu Triathlon | Celebrating its 5th Anniversary the event attracted over 300 participants to compete in the triathlon, duathlon and junior triathlon, and a great deal more spectators, and was followed by a community breakfast banquet.



Artist Shaun Lee worked with children in Gunbalanya to paint a vibrant mural outside the Youth Centre

KEY SPORTS COMPETITIONS & PROGRAMS

- Gurrung SPORTS CARNIVAL 2017 | Led and funded by YSR, this major event was attended by over 400 people, featuring women's and men's basketball and touch football and men's AFL tournaments in Jabiru.
- 2017 KAKADU TRIATHLON | participation rates over 300 from Jabiru, Gunbalanya and across NT.
- BARUNGA FESTIVAL | Maningrida Women's All Star team represented West Arnhem Barunga Sports Carnival in June.
- AFL | Men's and women's AFL season in Maningrida, men's AFL in Warruwi and Minjilang. In Gunbalanya, YSR funded a three month pilot project to explore the possibility of a local competition that has resulted in further funding to develop a model for implementation.
- BASKETBALL | Basketball competitions and scratch matches were delivered in Minjilang, Warruwi, Gunbalanya and Maningrida.
- OTHER SPORTS ACTIVITIES | Regular soccer, softball, touch football, aqua fit, and swim training across the region.

SPORTS VOUCHER PROGRAMS

Various sports and recreation activities were delivered through NTG Sports vouchers in communities including workshops including the following providers:

- Artback NT (arts development), Corrugated Iron Youth Arts, Tennis NT, Football NT, AFL-NT, Basketball NT, Volleyball NT, Rix Kix, Cricket NT, Circosis, Athletics NT and Gymnastics NT.

FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

- Murals in and on Warruwi Rec Hall.
- Murals in and on Gunbalanya Youth Centre.
- Digital media hub in Gunbalanya Youth Centre.
- Kitchen improvements in Warruwi Rec Hall.
- Furnishings for Youth Centre and Warruwi Rec Hall.
- Maningrida Pool office renovations.

DAILY ACTIVITIES



One of the murals inside the Warruwi Hall

Communities enjoyed consistent, diverse and creative YSR programs across the region. Teams engaged in consultation to design and deliver daily after school activities and special school holiday programs. Activities included: dance, circus, swimming, music making/song-writing, scavenger hunts, AFL, soccer, touch football, golf, netball, basketball, team games, discos, art, craft, digital media, cooking, underwater hockey, soccer and numerous BBQs, fishing trips and community events. Targeted programs were also provided, including girls/young women health programs, boys/young men health programs and aqua programs for people with disabilities.

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Youth Sport & Recreation provided community, youth and staff access to the following trainings and skills development opportunities:

- Youth, Sport & Recreation Forums - community development, data collection and evaluation, youth work skills for YSR staff.
- First Aid & CPR in Maningrida
- Lifeguard & Bronze Medallion qualifications in Maningrida and Jabiru.

- Aquatic Technical Operators' training and certification in Maningrida.
- AFL umpiring/scoring/coaching qualifications across the region.
- Basketball umpiring/scoring/coaching qualifications across the region.
- Mental Health & Suicide Prevention workshops with Joe Williams.
- Ongoing staff mentoring.
- Opportunities for youth skills development through participation.
- Collaboration with schools to facilitate careers in sport and recreation classes (pathways).

SWIMMING POOLS

Youth, Sport & Recreation manages two swimming pools in the region.

In Jabiru, we delivered:

- Lifeguard training, completed by six participants.
- Learn to swim programs, total 2017/18 participation: 295 people.
- Weekly Aqua fit programs, total 2017/18 participation: 125 people.
- Gym facilities – regularly accessed by community. Total 2017/18 participation: 743 people.
- Leading and supporting community events such as Kakadu Triathlon, Mahbalil Festival, Australia Day, family fun day and Christmas parties.
- School holiday programs featuring water based activities (swimming, games, inflatable toy, etc.), land based activities such as sports, games, BBQs and cooking classes.
- School and community group visits.
- Supported weekly underwater hockey.

In Maningrida, we delivered:

- Lifeguard course completed by 8 local participants.
- Aquatic Technical Operators' course completed by 6 local participants.
- Three local lifeguards recruited.
- Weekly swim training sessions for young people and children.
- Monthly School Attendance Parties.
- Fortnightly inflatable pool toy weekend events.

- Monthly movie nights.
- School holiday programs, featuring games, drills, inflatable pool toys, soccer and community BBQs.
- Supported access by community groups such as Team Health (older people with disabilities), the school, local AFL teams etc.

REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Gunbalanya | The Gunbalanya Youth Centre underwent a process of transformation during this reporting period, including the installation of a new digital media hub, enormous youth led exterior and interior murals and interior refurbishment. The result has been improved community perceptions of the youth centre, broadening demographic access and the creation of a vibrant safe and welcoming youth space that has since hosted numerous workshops, activities and events, and provided young people in Gunbalanya a space of their own. The Youth Centre stands out with vibrant murals of magpie goose, stars and local scenery. New partnerships have emerged and existing relationships have been strengthened that have extended YSR's capacity to support young people and deliver diverse, dynamic and consistent programs.

Jabiru | Celebrating its 5th Anniversary in 2017, the annual Kakadu Triathlon attracted over 300 participants to compete in the triathlon, duathlon and junior triathlon, and a great deal more spectators, and was followed by a community breakfast banquet.

Maningrida | In December, young people from across the community participated in a week of workshops in film and photography that allowed them to build skills and confidence in digital media. The workshops culminated in a photo exhibition at the Maningrida Community Christmas Concert attended by upwards of 300 people.

Minjilang | Over the 2017/18 financial year young people in enjoyed three separate five to ten day long visits from youth arts organisation Corrugated Iron. The series of workshops allowed young people to explore their creativity and develop skills and confidence in circus, dance and theatre. Local YSR staff also benefited from customised training in youth engagement through creativity. The program concluded with the development of two music videos that showcased their new skills.

Warruwi | June 2018 saw street artists Dave Collins and Katie Eagles from Proper Creative visit Warruwi to engage young people and children towards the reimagining and transformation of the Warruwi Rec Hall. The hall now boasts numerous technicolour murals straight from the imagination of Warruwi's youth that celebrate nature, adventure, local identity and positive relationships. Murals feature giant winged horses and children riding crocodiles and cockatoos.



Maningrida Smile - taken at Maningrida College during photovoice project



All the action on the field

8TH ANNUAL GURRUNG SPORTS CARNIVAL

In the results, it was a case of déjà vu for all the competition winners of the eighth annual Gurrung Sports Carnival held from August 25 – 27 2017.

Hosted by West Arnhem Regional Council, Gurrung Sports Carnival is the largest regional sports event and is a highlight event on the West Arnhem sporting calendar which brings communities together.

Exactly 23 teams competed in either the men’s AFL, men’s and women’s basketball and the mixed touch football over the three huge days in Jabiru, with participants representing Jabiru, Gunbalanya, Minjilang, Warruwi, Maningrida, Daly River and St John’s College.

Each competition saw a battle of the best and each winning team put up a hard fight to come out on top.

In the end, it was almost a repeat of 2016, with Jabiru Heat once again taking the men’s basketball competition for the sixth consecutive year and the Warruwi teams taking out the women’s basketball competition on Saturday.

And for the fifth year in a row, the men’s AFL competition was one by the reigning champions Minjilang Eagles.

In the newest component of the competition, the mixed touch football, the Jabiru teams took the lead over Maningrida, to take the first ever Gurrung touch football trophy home.

West Arnhem Regional Council Sport and Recreation Coordinator Seide Ramadani said organisers were overjoyed with the success of Gurrung this year.

Though there could only be one winner of each competition, there was certainly plenty of sportsmanship displayed over the weekend.



The Maningrida All Stars men's basketball team presented with the runner's up trophy

The ‘No More’ Campaign was also present throughout the carnival, with all teams in each of the grand finals linking arms together prior to each game.

This year’s event carnival once again ran in conjunction with the Mahbilil Festival which is a regional celebration of local lifestyle and culture.

West Arnhem Regional Council wishes to thank all players, spectators, coaches, referees, sponsors, volunteers and supporters of the Gurrung Sports Carnival, with a big ‘thank you’ to the Northern Territory Government, Australian Government Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, Starwin Shopfront, Kakadu Lodge, Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel, Energy Resources of Australia, Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation, Jabiru Area School, Jabiru Sports & Social Club, BP Jabiru, Maningrida Progress Association Inc, ALPA, Jabiru Foodland and Malabam Health Board.

“ARE THOSE FOR US?” DIGITAL REVOLUTION @ GUNBALANYA YOUTH CENTRE

The Gunbalanya Youth Centre proudly announced the arrival of the highly-anticipated digital media hub to the facility in January 2018.

The hub is decked out with a pair of Apple Mac desktop computers and free WiFi which is all set up and ready for use.

For some young people in Gunbalanya, this was their first exposure to the wide world of the internet and YouTube, and the positive impacts have already been seen with many of the young visitors to the centre asking, “Are those for us?”

When asked about if they liked their new hub, young people at the centre confirmed that it is a great addition.

“Having the computers is something new and fun,” explained one youngster, while another said, “You can watch YouTube!”

Youth, Sport and Recreation Assistant Kevin said, “It’s good having WiFi over here so we can work out of the youth centre now instead of the office. The youth centre looks great.”

IPads are also on the way so it is a great time for young people in Gunbalanya to head to the centre and get creative.



Maningrida pool cinema night

FIRST ‘DIVE IN’ MOVIE NIGHT

Maningrida held its first ever dive in movie night on Friday, April 27, 2018 much to the delight of the community.

The evening screening session of ‘Coco’ was very popular with over 100 members of the community attending the event held at the Maningrida pool.

With the event being such a great success, organisers are already planning to hold another dive in movie night. The young people loved watching a movie on the inflatable screen, which works like a jumping castle, and were very excited to use it at the pool for the first time.



Joe Williams visiting WARC's Minjilang community

COMMUNITY SAFETY

The Community Safety Teams operate in Gunbalanya, Minjilang and Waruwi.

Examples of actions undertaken by community night patrols include:

- Relocating a person to a 'safe' environment (eg a sobering-up shelter, hospital or women's refuge).
- Defusing potentially violent situations.
- Intervening in situations of family violence.
- Diverting intoxicated people away from the criminal justice system.
- Providing information about and referral to support services (eg police, youth services, AOD services).
- Assisting people at risk.
- Promoting community night patrols and increasing public awareness of them.
- Supporting community safety planning and its implementation.

One of the highlights of the year was the visit of **Joe Williams** to the West Arnhem Region. This visit was facilitated by West Arnhem Regional Council.

A professional sportsman in both NRL and boxing Joe visited West Arnhem Land to deliver a powerful message to community members in Minjilang, Waruwi, Gunbalanya and Maningrida.

Joe Williams is a Wiradjuri, 1st Nations man born in Cowra, having lived a 15 year span as a professional sports person. He is now committed to working with remote Aboriginal communities and developing an ongoing relationship into

the future to assist in helping communities heal. Joe rose to become a successful sportsman, playing in the NRL for South Sydney Rabbitohs, Penrith Panthers and Canterbury Bulldogs before switching to professional Boxing in 2009. As a boxer he is a 2 time WBF World Jnr Welterweight champion and also won the WBC Asia Continental Title.

Unfortunately, Joe has also battled the majority of his life with suicidal ideation and Bipolar Disorder.

After a suicide attempt in 2012, Joe now travels the country to tell his story through 'The Enemy Within' - helping people who struggle with mental illness.

Through customised workshops and youth focused camps, he speaks of adversity, dealing with struggle, resilience, improving your attitude by 1 per cent, positive energy and how small steps, lead to something greater.

While in West Arnhem, Joe spoke to community members about his experiences, suicide prevention, substance abuse, the importance of education and making good choices. He delivered his story to hundreds of people throughout the communities with multiple sessions held for students, rangers, football teams and more in Gunbalanya, Maningrida, Waruwi and Minjilang.

Last year Joe visited over 70 communities around the country delivering sessions to over 20,000 people and in 2017 he was named as finalist in the National Indigenous Human Rights Awards for his work with suicide prevention and fighting for equality for Australia's First Nations people. In 2015 he received the Wagga Citizen of the Year for his work within the community, mental health and suicide prevention sectors.

NEW CAR AT NIGHT PATROL

Gunbalanya's Night Patrol team received a new vehicle in 2017. The team was thrilled to have the new four-wheel drive which will assist them to travel around the community, particularly in the wet season.

The purchase of the vehicle was made possible with the assistance of the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.



COMMERCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Although Council's main focus is the delivery of core services Council also provides a range of Commercial Services. The provision of these services is predominantly determined through contractual agreements with the respective contracting agency. The commercial services delivered by Council include:

- Operating a Long Day Care centre in Jabiru
- Operating Centrelink services
- Providing Airstrip maintenance
- Managing Electricity and Water essential services
- Managing Visitor accommodation
- Operating Post Offices

- Maintaining and managing the Environmental Research Institute of the Supervising
- Scientist (ERISS) Housing in Jabiru
- Undertaking Private Works
- Operating a Concrete Batching Plant

West Arnhem Regional Council is one of the largest employers in the region with many of its staff engaged in delivering these commercial services.

In this year's Annual Report Council would like to recognise the work of other organisations within its region which strive to develop economic opportunities for their constituents.



KAKADU TAKES MAJOR TOURISM AWARD

Kakadu National Park once again took out the top prize for tourism at the Northern Territory's Brolga Awards, for the second year in a row on November 12, 2017.

Winning the prize for major tourism attraction means Kakadu will proudly represent the Territory at the Qantas Australian Tourism Awards.

Kakadu Board of Management member and Jawoyn traditional owner Maria Lee accepted the award on the park's behalf.

She said Kakadu won silver at the national awards last year, and were hoping to go one better this year and secure gold for the Territory.

"This Brolga is recognition of the commitment by all traditional owners in the park, all Bininj-Mungguy and Parks Australia, to offer our many visitors experiences they will remember for the rest of their lives," Ms Lee said.

"In the past few years, we've all worked very hard to offer more cultural experiences, like the Taste of Kakadu food festival this year, to benefit both industry and community alike.

Director of National Parks Sally Barnes said judges once again recognised World-Heritage listed Kakadu as the Territory's outstanding hallmark attraction, providing first-class tourism experiences through its natural and cultural heritage.

"Every year more than 180,000 visitors, from NT locals to interstate and overseas, flock to our park. Every Australian family should visit this wonderful part of the country, take in its ancient rock art galleries, fascinating wildlife, including its world-famous crocs, magnificent iconic birds like the jabiru and brolga, plus some of the best barramundi fishing spots in the NT. It truly has something for everyone," she said.

This award also recognises Kakadu's place in the Northern Territory local economy.

Sally Barnes said that last night's recognition was largely due to the efforts of Kakadu traditional owners, park staff and

tourism businesses who make World-Heritage listed Kakadu a destination worth spending time in.

"It's an exciting time for the park, as we all look to further develop Jabiru as a tourism and services hub, as operations at the Ranger uranium mine next to our park are coming to an end," she said.

The Australian and Northern Territory governments are fully committed to Jabiru's future as a key tourism and services hub for the region.

"Together we want to realise the full economic, cultural and social potential of the area.

"This award recognises Kakadu's important role in the future of this region – helping provide the services local people need, while showing off one of our most-loved national parks to the world," Sally said.

EXCITING YEAR FOR BÁBBARRA WOMEN'S CENTRE

It has been an exciting year for the Bábbarra Women's Centre. These are just some of the Centre's activities for the year.

The excitement started when Phyllis Dungundja, Janet Marawarr, Belinda Kernan and Ingrid Johanson from Babbarra Women's Centre travelled to Desert Mob in Mparntwe (Alice Springs) in September, as guest presenters from the top end at the 2017 Desert Mob Symposium.

Desert Mob is a coming together of remote art centres across the centre of Australia. Although Bábbarra Women's Centre lies outside of this desert catchment, we were invited as guest presenters to share our experience with textile art from the north.

Belinda and Phyllis talked about daily life at Bábbarra, and Janet blew the audience away when she sang the story of Mongerrh. Janet said 'I felt really good and proud when I was singing on stage. I was happy, talking to that big mob of people and smiling, laughing. I was feeling too good afterwards too'.

This was followed in November and December by the "BÁBBARRA: Women Printing Culture Exhibition" held at The Cross Art Projects Contemporary Art and Curatorial Platforms, Kings Cross.

The exhibition saw many visitors, and had works acquired by the Powerhouse museum in Sydney for their permanent collection.

The exhibition text read: "Bábbarra Designs, a contemporary art textile centre in the community of Maningrida, is Aboriginal owned and governed, run by women for women. It is one of a small group of Indigenous textile-producing art centres in Australia that design, print and sew product onsite, in community. Each silk-screened length of fabric is a bold and elegant story/text that tells ancestral stories and of the lives of the Bábbarra women: referencing the life of the land and its foods and plants, bush crafts, as well as ancestral stories, or djang / wangarr.

The innovative variation in design reflects the area's immense cultural and linguistic diversity: the artists and art workers are from over 12 language groups and many different clans from surrounding homelands. They come together to share cultures and stories through art, design and textile production. Bábbarra artists have trained in a number of textile mediums but most specialise in handcrafted lino-tile designs or screen printing onto fabric. Each piece is unique with varying tile and colour combinations."



Bábbarra artists show off their fabric at Desert Mob



Bábbarra exhibition Kings Cross

Then the Bábbarra Women's Centre was invited to participate in the Commonwealth Games Gold Coast 2018 (GC2018) fashion parade held in February, one of just two art centres from Northern Territory selected to showcase their designs to a national audience.

There were over 15 women involved in the project, including sewers, lino print and screen print artists, and whole host of local models.

The Bábbarra women created hand printed, hand sewn outfits with the stories of their old people in mind. Ingrid Johanson, manager of Bábbarra Women's Centre, explained that the women decided to name the collection "Kunkod", which translates to "paper-bark" in Kuninjku/Kune language.

"When we began to discuss the theme of our collection, the women reminisced about the days before balanda (non-aboriginal people) had arrived in Maningrida. People would wrap themselves in paper bark torn from trees back then in lieu of clothing, for warmth of protection from sun. In creating this collection, we drew on this notion and the kimono style gowns are reminiscent of large sheaths of paper bark".

The Kunkod collection included seven kimonos as well as long skirts and culottes, and has been sent this week to the Commonwealth Games fashion parade.

"It makes me feel proud people will see our designs from Arnhem Land, all over Australia. We have been sewing too much for this event, and we have done this before too for the Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair parade," said head of sewing team Lennie Goya Airra.

The event, which drew a national audience, was called 'Intertwined' and was directed and curated by Indigenous woman Grace Lillian Lee.



Elizabeth Kala Kala, Lennie Goya Airra, Phyllis Dungudja and Latoya Namundja wearing various designs. (Supplied: Ingrid Johanson)

The Bábbarra Women's Centre then reached an international stage when they showcased their creations in an exhibition in the French capital, Paris.

The Bábbarra Women's Centre is one of a number of remote Indigenous art centres drawing attention beyond Australia and prior to the opening of the exhibition Ms Marawarr said she was looking forward to sharing stories of her home to audiences far removed from it.

"To tell a story when the white people come, I'm so happy," she said.

Ingrid Johanson, who manages the centre, described it as a "very special place in the heart of Maningrida".

With more than three decades of history in the community, the centre employs about 20 local women from up to 12 language groups and specialises in screen printing and linocut art.

The international showing came during an eventful year for Bábbarra, which is owned by the Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation.

"It's a joint exhibition between the Maningrida Arts and Culture Centre and the Women's Centre and it celebrates women's work across mediums — including textile design, painting of hollow logs, painting on bark and some etching.

"I think the women are feeling really proud to think their designs from Arnhem Land are going to go to the other side of the world to be showcased in a really beautiful part of Paris," Ms Johanson said of the exhibition.

When the Women's Centre wrote about the French exhibition on its Facebook page, the post went viral, accruing interest from around the world.

Ms Johanson said she hoped the exhibition would sustain that interest to a new market abroad.

"For now, I think there'll be a lot of Parisians with interests in Aboriginal art who'll be attending, and I'm assuming a lot of people generally will be quite interested because it's a diverse exhibition," she said.

She also hoped the show would translate to more than just good publicity for the remote art centre, whose sales, she said, were largely domestic.

"At the moment we get some website orders from overseas, but predominantly our market is definitely in Australia; at least the Bábbarra Women's Centre is," she said.

"All of that will have a positive flow-on effect for our sales, but then also more importantly for educating, getting the really positive story out there in a bigger way.

"It's a really positive story and everyone's feeling really proud and excited here in Maningrida."

Asked what her grandfather would think of the international showing, Ms Marawarr said: "He'd think it's all good."

"Bábbarra Women's Centre enables local women to develop and run women-centred enterprises that support healthy and sustainable livelihoods. In Australia and around the world, Indigenous women are among the most marginalised and disadvantaged of all social groups. They are also the most economically vulnerable.

Bábbarra Women's Centre works to change this narrative. A core objective since its inception has been to enable women to gain economic independence. Financial independence empowers women to make decisions that impact their own wellbeing and that of their families, communities and ancestral lands.

There are very limited ways for people to generate sustainable incomes in meaningful ways in this region. Working in the arts and cultural sector affords one of the best opportunities for doing two things that most people want to do: live with their families and work to earn a reasonable income." (Text from the Bábbarra Women's Centre website at <https://babbarra.com/about/social-impact/>)



Jennifer Wurrkij painting the first stages of Kurrulk Kare screen print design. (Supplied: Ingrid Johanson)

INDIGENOUS RANGERS - WORKING ON COUNTRY

Indigenous ranger projects were first funded by the Federal Government in 2007 through the former Working on Country Program and create meaningful employment, training and career pathways for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in land and sea management. Indigenous ranger funding has created more than 2000 jobs for First Australians around the country.

Indigenous ranger projects support Indigenous people to combine traditional knowledge with conservation training to protect and manage their land, sea and culture. These projects also develop partnerships with research, education, philanthropic and commercial organisations to share skills and knowledge, engage with schools, and generate additional

income and jobs in the environmental, biosecurity, heritage and other sectors.

By achieving employment and environmental outcomes, alongside wider social, cultural and economic benefits, Indigenous ranger work is valued by many communities across Australia.

The Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet currently provides funding for 118 Indigenous Ranger Groups which employ 831 Indigenous Rangers (full time equivalent positions).

In our region the following programmes are funded:



Djelk crocodile hatchery program



Djelk intern program

DJELK IPA AND RANGERS

Dedicated in 2009, the Djelk Indigenous Protected Area (IPA) covers more than 670,000 hectares of land and sea country that stretches from the central Arnhem Land plateau to the Arafura Sea. The IPA includes biologically diverse landscapes and encompasses the land of 102 clans, representing at least 12 language groups, making the area rich in cultural heritage.

Marine turtles breed on Djelk's coastline and islands, seasonal floodplains provide a home to file snakes and saltwater crocodiles and the mangroves support species including the water mouse and mangrove monitor. Djelk's sandstone plateaus are thought to contain the richest variety of reptiles in the world, with 90 species recorded.

The Djelk Rangers represent the various language groups of the region and assist Traditional Owners with their land management needs. Djelk Rangers also work with a range of partners on patrolling the coastline, controlling weeds and

feral animals, preventing damage to sacred sites and running Junior Ranger activities.

The Djelk Ranger program has three streams: land rangers, sea rangers and women rangers.

- Land rangers focus on maintaining biodiversity, cultural resources and the productivity of the country, addressing issues of fire, feral animals and weeds.
- Sea ranger team manages and surveils our coast, protecting local and natural resources and contributing to frontline border and bio-security at a national level.
- Women rangers work across both land and sea management, with a focus on monitoring landscape health and biodiversity.



Huge ghost net no snag for mardbalk rangers

MARDBALK MARINE RANGERS

Mardbalk Marine Rangers are based at Warruwi and manage more than 440,000 hectares of land and sea country, including the Goulburn Islands and adjacent mainland areas of cultural significance. Invasive animals such as horses, pigs, and goats are managed on the islands, as well as buffalo and banteng on the mainland. A number of pig infestation sites have been targeted for management.

The ranger group also undertakes crocodile and fire management work alongside the Garngi and Adjumarllarl ranger groups. Extensive weeding and burning work is undertaken around the Northern reaches of the Murganella floodplain, with particular focus on Mimosa control. Beach and sea patrol work is conducted in conjunction with Fisheries

NT. The ranger group also identifies and documents sacred sites for protection and management.

They meet barges coming to Goulburn Island and undertake inspections to ensure that no cane toads are introduced to the island. Feral animal culls occur regularly on the mainland at the northern end of Murganella floodplain.

The Mardbalk Marine Rangers also conduct regular sea patrols involving surveillance of the surrounding area and all non-compliance offences are reported to the Northern Land Council and other authorities for further investigation.

WARNBI RANGERS

The Warnbi Rangers are part of the Kakadu Indigenous Ranger Programme, based in Kakadu National Park.

They work under the supervision of National Park staff to deliver outcomes identified in the Kakadu National Park Plan of Management.

Warnbi Rangers gain experience in a diverse range of areas that include park operations; threatened species and wildlife management, cultural heritage management, integrated feral species control, compliance and visitor management. They also attend training activities and meetings.

GARNGI LAND AND SEA MANAGEMENT

The Garngi Rangers are based at Minjilang on Croker Island, which is a site of national conservation significance. They manage approximately 110,000 hectares of land and sea country.

The rangers undertake an early dry season burning programme each year on both the adjacent mainland and the island and control weeds such mimosa, mission grass and coffee bush. They also undertake extensive marine debris surveys and clean ups each year and are involved in a turtle survey and monitoring program at McClure and Grant Islands.

In addition, the Garngi Rangers work closely with the Aboriginal Area Protection Authority in registering multiple sacred sites and installing appropriate signage.

Garngi rangers often work closely with the Mardbalk and Adjumarllarl ranger groups to restore the integrity of biodiversity in the northern sector of the internationally-significant Murganella flood-plain. Like most ranger groups they have an extensive weed management program in place to eradicate invasive and destructive species on the island including Mimosa pigra, Leucaena leucocephala (coffee bush) and Cenchrus sp. (mission grass.). The rangers have seen a



Garngi rangers doing chainsaw training successful reduction in Mimosa through ongoing seedling removal occurring around Minjilang floodplain. Animal management is also a core activity on the island, with many invasive and problem species causing havoc to environment and community dealt with through the ranger program; from continual training the rangers now relocate problem crocodiles, providing a sustainable solution to crocodile management. The rangers are also monitor barge and barge ramps for cane toads; there have been no cane toads reported on Croker Island.

NJANJMA RANGERS KEEPING COUNTRY AND CULTURE HEALTHY

The Njanjma Rangers work on around 150,000 hectares of land that borders Kakadu National Park, the Warddeken Indigenous Protected Area and Gunbalanya. The area includes the Greater Red Lily area and Minkin Valley, which are part of the East Alligator catchment in West Arnhem Land.

The Njanjma Rangers carry our management activities that include fire, weed and feral animal control and cultural heritage protection.

Recent projects include supporting a rock art recording programme to update records made during the 1970s, an extensive revegetation programme in the Red Lily area and working with other Indigenous ranger groups and Kakadu National Park on controlling the invasive weed, mimosa.

The ranger group arose out of need. While Kakadu National Park has been looked after as a World Heritage Area by the Australian Government from 1981, across the East Alligator River there has been relatively little support for land management activities on the Aboriginal lands, other than the traditional activities of Aboriginal people themselves.

Njanjma Rangers operate under the Djabulukgu Association Incorporated (DAI). This association was established in 1982 in connection with the negotiations in relation to the approvals for the original Jabiluka Mine to represent traditional owners in the areas of Northern Kakadu and adjacent Western



Njanjma rangers delight visitors Arnhem Land. Since 1982, DAI has provided services in the region employment, aged and health care, housing and infrastructure. It also owns and operates a number of tourism businesses. Through an Indigenous Employment Program, DAI developed the Njanjma Rangers in response to the desire from Bininj to have a greater ability to work on our country and to train and educate young people for work in land management.

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In an historic occasion, up to 1500 salvinia weevils are transported by Djurrubu Rangers to Four Mile Hole for release and hopefully to enjoy a scrumptious meal of the noxious salvinia floating weed

DJURRUBU RANGERS

The Djurrubu Rangers is a group of young Bininj (Aboriginal people) providing professional land management services across the Kakadu region.

The group is a social enterprise established by Gundjeihmi Aboriginal Corporation engaging local culture, identity and practice to provide employment and training for local youth. Djurrubu Rangers are not funded by the Federal Government.

The Rangers are active in the following areas:

- fire, weed and feral animal management
- road and track maintenance
- monitoring and patrolling

- rock art conservation, monitoring and maintenance
- operational maintenance and repair of machinery and equipment and
- practical, work-based numeracy and literacy.

The Djurrubu Rangers train Bininj youth to Certificate II and Certificate III level in Conservation and Land Management through Charles Darwin University. The program includes both practical, on-country and classroom based activities. At the conclusion of the program, participants are employed either within Djurrubu or supported to transfer their land management skills to employment with Kakadu National Park or other training and employment opportunities in the area.

ADJUMARLLARL RANGERS

The Adjumarllarl Rangers operate a Landcare Management program over a vast area of over 10,000 square kilometres with two quad bikes, a Kubota and an old Toyota Landcruiser.

Mimosa Pigra has been a long standing threat to the flood plains and riparian areas which the Rangers manage. If not controlled it will rapidly increase, damaging unique bio-habitats and spreading into further remote regions, severely affecting the native fauna and the cultural use of the flood plains for local Aboriginal people.

Adjumarllarl Rangers do not currently receive Federal funding but have done so in the past.



Adjumarllarl Rangers learning how to collect water data using I-Tracker mobile device



Warddeken land management - fire management and carbon abatement

WARDDEKEN IPA AND RANGERS

Warddeken Indigenous Protected Area (IPA) covers an impressive 1.39 million hectares of spectacular stone and gorge country on the western Arnhem Land plateau. The area is home to dozens of endemic plants and a host of threatened species.

Warddeken Rangers assist the area's Traditional Owners in the protection and management of their country, combining traditional ecological knowledge with contemporary science. Environmental and cultural management activities are carried out in accordance with the Warddeken IPA Plan of

Management and include cultural heritage fire, feral animal and weed management.

Rangers work from satellite bases at Manmoyi and Kabulwarnamyo and participate in the Western Arnhem Land Fire Abatement project, which delivers landscape scale conservation through best practice fire management regimes.







FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF REPORTS

West Arnhem Regional Council is required to prepare Financial Statements in accordance with Section 131 of the *Local Government Act (the Act)*, the *Local Government (Accounting) Regulations*, the *Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations* and other authoritative pronouncements of the *Australian Accounting Standards Board*. When completed Section 132 of the Act dictates that the Financial Statements must be audited.

The financial report provides information about the financial performance and financial position of Council. It is one means by which the Elected Members of Council advise interested parties on how the finances of Council have performed during the year.

The Audited Financial Statements 2017-2018 which follow consist of four primary financial statements for the current financial period and the comparative previous financial period and the notes to the financial statements.

The four primary financial statements are:

- the Statement of Comprehensive Income
- the Statement of Financial Position
- the Statement of Changes in Equity
- the Statement of Cash Flows

The notes following these statements explain the accounting policies used in its preparation, and provide additional information on many of the amounts. The notes also provide financial information which is not contained in the primary financial statements.

In previous sections of this Annual Report West Arnhem Regional Council's key achievements in striving to meet its Strategic Objectives have been celebrated. Sound financial management also plays a key role in meeting Council's Strategic Objectives, in particular Goal 2 – Systems and processes that support the effective and efficient use of financial and human resources. For 2017-2018 Council's performance in the area of financial management is a "good news" story about:

- *continuing to maintain an operational surplus from continuing operations before depreciation and capital grants to meet restricted cash obligations (\$3.23m);*
- *increasing the cash held at 30 June 2018 by \$1.8m ensuring grant obligations can be met;*
- *reduction of current liabilities (\$0.5m) from provisions for Land Use Agreements;*
- *securing new capital funding of \$0.81m, and contributions for infrastructure of \$1.92m.*
- *Working soundly within the budgets as set in 2017-2018.*

All of this has been achieved during 2017-2018 and yet Council's total untied cash, whilst a decline from last year (\$720k) remains sound at \$9.9m. This result ensures Council remains able to meet its commitments as and when they become payable, including all employee entitlements, which currently total \$4.42m (last year \$4.93m). Perhaps even more importantly it provides a degree of financial security which will enable Council to complete all carry forward grant programs, plan for the replacement of assets, to create opportunities for asset renewal and engage in future long-term planning.

FIGURES FROM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - WHAT DO THE FOUR PRIMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SHOW?

ANALYSIS OF THE STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

This Statement provides a complete picture of Council's performance by reporting the total monetary measure of all major categories of income and expenditure for the year.

TOTAL INCOME

Total income from continuing operations during the financial year was \$23.4m. Rates, annual and user charges were \$5.2m, Operating Grants and Contributions were \$13.3m while other operating revenues were \$5.0m. Overall all revenue from continuing operations is 4.5% higher (\$1.02m) compared to 2016-2017. The reasons for this increase are detailed below.

Rates, Annual and User Charges and Fees increased slightly, by 1.5% compared to 2016/2017. Most of this increase was attributable to the receipt of increased Water usage charges.

Grants and contributions increased by 6.2% (\$0.78m) compared to 2016-2017. Council was able to secure more Commonwealth Operational Roads to Recovery funding for Waruwi and Minjilang Airport roads, plus the NT Government Murganella Roads stage 2 project. A number of one off operating grants from the NT Government were also concluded during the current year. Once again this year, NT Grants Commission Operational funding received an advance receipt of funds from the 2018-2019 year. This was for General Purpose and Roads funding, totaling \$1.24m.

Other Operating Revenue has increased \$0.06m over 2016-2017. This year many old obsolete assets were sent to auction in Darwin whilst they still held value, which contributed \$0.1m in revenue.

Capital Grants increased by 7% (\$0.20m) in 2017-2018 due to:

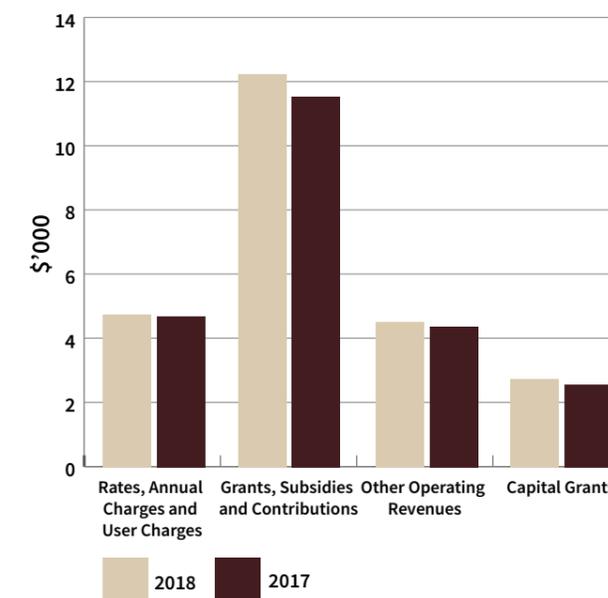
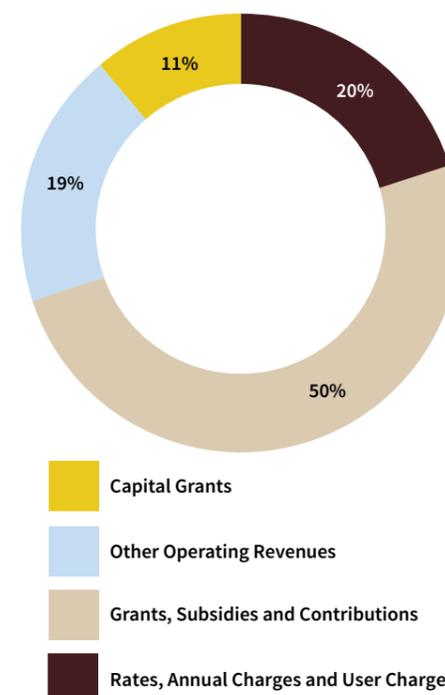
A transfer of ownership at Nil cost of street lighting poles and associated infrastructure from Power & Water Authority at fair value of \$1.90m.

- a large reduction in the Federally funded Roads to recovery capital program of \$1.11m.
- 2016-2017 included a large donation of staff housing from Energy Resources of Australia of \$0.60m.
- a decline in the number of Special Purpose Grants awarded to WARC.

Note 2 (a) of the Financial Statements provides a comparison of the actual revenue from continuing operations with the budgeted revenue for 2017-2018. The comparison shows that total revenue exceeded budget expectations marginally by \$0.7m, this was due primarily to the contribution from PAWA of \$1.92m for Jabiru Street lighting. This assisted in the surplus of \$6.2m, (over budget by \$3.1m). Sound financial management and budget control was exercised over operational expenditure.

	2018 \$'000	2017 \$'000
Operating Revenues – Continuing Operations		
Rates, Annual Charges and User Charges	5,163	5,088
Operating Grants & Contributions	13,296	12,520
Other Operating Revenues	4,919	4,753
	23,378	22,361
Revenue – Capital Grants & Contributions	2,986	2,791
TOTAL REVENUE	26,364	25,152

2017-2018 BREAKDOWN OF OPERATING REVENUES



TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE

Operating expenses include employee costs, materials and contracts, interest charges, losses on disposal of property, plant & equipment and other operating expenses. Council's total operating expenditure from continuing operations in 2017-2018 was \$20.15m. Overall Council expenditure from continuing operations increased by 4% (\$0.75m).

Employee costs represent 64% of total operating expenses and only increased by 2% (\$0.26m) over 2016-2017. During the year there was a 3% pay increase but this was offset by staff vacancies that occurred.

Materials and Contracts expenditure is below budget, mainly in the areas of Roadworks at the Minjilang and Waruwi Airport roads, and the Murganella Roads Stage 2 project. As such, expenditure was 25.3% less than the budget (\$1.89m) for these reasons.

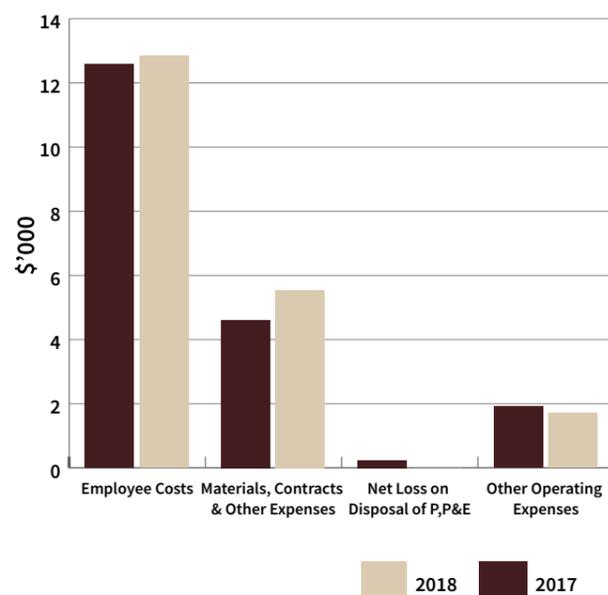
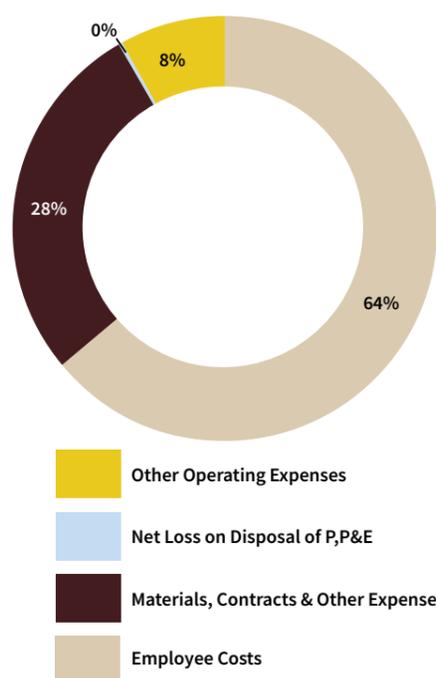
There were no losses on Disposal/Write Off of PP&E in 2017-2018. The prior two years saw losses arising from certain locations where leases could not be obtained. In 2017-2018 assets disposed of held nil residual values.

All Other Operating Expenses decreased by 11.0% (\$0.20m). This category includes training which increased by \$0.07m, and the repayment of prior year grant funding which declined by \$0.25m, and accounted for the majority of the decline overall in Other Operating Expenses.

Note 2 (a) of the Financial Statements provides a comparison of the actual expenditure from continuing operations with the budgeted expenditure for 2017-2018. Total expenditure was 82% of Operating Revenue, compared to the budgeted 88% of Operating Revenue. As stated previously this reflects financial management and budget control.

	2018 \$'000	2017 \$'000
Operating Expenditure – Continuing Operations		
Employee Costs	12,862	12,604
Materials, Contracts and Other Expenses	5,566	4,620
Interest Charges	12	6
Net Loss on Disposal of PP&E	-	242
Other Operating Expenses	1,708	1,924
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	20,148	19,396

2017-2018 BREAKDOWN OF OPERATING EXPENSES



DEPRECIATION

The Statement of Comprehensive Income contains one final matter to be discussed: Depreciation and Impairment. The last asset revaluation occurred in 2015-2016, the next will be in 2018-2019.

Since the revaluation depreciation expense has settled around the \$6.6m mark. This year it is \$6.5m, and so no major variation.

NET OPERATING RESULT

Council has recorded a deficit of \$2.22m for the financial year 2017-2018. The deficit result is significantly greater than the \$0.78m deficit from the 2016-2017 year due to the lower amount of Grants and Contributions for the acquisition for assets this year, \$1.07m 2017-2018, compared to \$2.79m 2016-2017.

This reflects WARC's reliance on grant funding to not only create opportunities to undertake significant initiatives but also to achieve economic sustainability.

	2018 \$'000	2017 \$'000
Operating results before depreciation, disposals and capital grants - Continuing Operations	3,230	2,965
Less:		
Depreciation & Impairment - Continuing Operations	(6,519)	(6,539)
Plus:		
Acquisition of Assets (Capital Grants)	2,986	2,791
(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	(303)	(783)

Council achieved a surplus of \$3.23m for the financial year 2017-18 before taking depreciation and capital grants into account. After including these items Council recorded a deficit of \$0.3m. However, if the "asset related" transactions are

removed – Capital Grants, and Depreciation – the comparison to the 2017-2018 Budget reveals that Council exceeded the budgeted break even figure. Depreciation is not budgeted for. The result is summarised below:

	ACTUAL 2018 \$'000	BUDGET 2018 \$'000
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year for Continuing Operations	(2,223)	695
Plus:		
Depreciation & Impairment - Continuing Operations	6,519	-
Net Loss on Disposal of Property, Plant & Equipment	-	-
Less:		
Acquisition of Assets (Capital Grants)	(1,066)	(695)
ADJUSTED (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	3 230	-

ANALYSIS OF THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

The Statement of Financial Position shows the monetary measure of all the resources controlled by Council and all the obligations due by Council at one point in time classified as current or non-current or in order of liquidity.

ASSETS – CURRENT & NON-CURRENT

Total assets consist of current assets and non-current assets. Current assets include cash, a cash equivalent or the assets that can be converted to cash within a year from the date of the statement of financial position.

Inventories, prepayments and accrued revenue increased by \$0.167m, mainly from accrued revenue increases.

Cash and investments have been grouped together. Cash and investments increased by \$1.8m during the financial year. Receivables decreased by \$0.1m due to good collection on general rates during the year.

Non-current assets are the assets which are expected to be used for more than one accounting period and consist of property, plant and equipment and work in progress.

The table below shows a breakdown of Council's assets as at 30 June 2018.

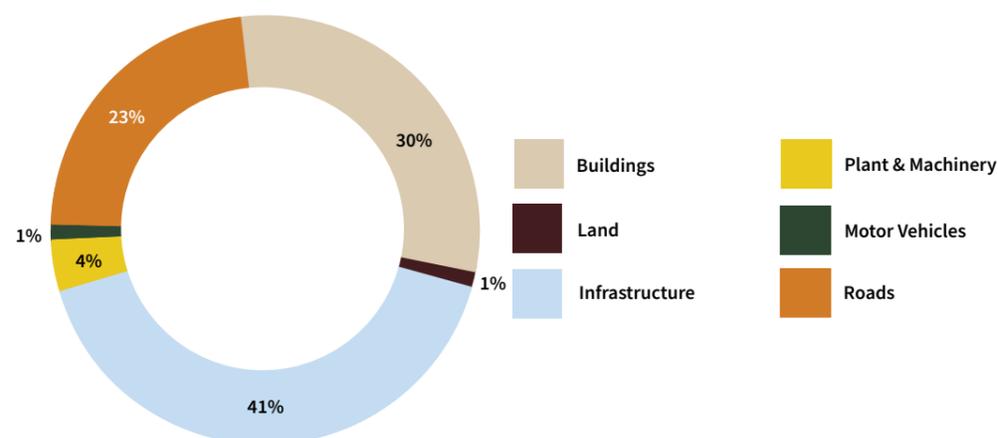
	2018 \$'000	2017 \$'000
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	16,451	14,660
Trade and other receivables	709	806
Inventories and prepayments	617	451
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	17,777	15,917
Non-current Assets		
Property, plant and equipment	91,900	94,574
Work in progress	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	109,677	110,491

The net carrying value of all Property, Plant and Equipment decreased by \$2.7m during 2017-2018. Asset acquisitions amounted to \$3.9m, including \$1.92 of infrastructure from Power and Water. Disposal of old or obsolete assets was \$0.49m. This year Council was proactive with disposals, and of selling assets at auction whilst they still had value in order to recover some funds.

There was \$6.5m of depreciation applied this year also to assets held. Reference to Note 8 of the Financial Statements is recommended. The nature of the acquisitions is shown below:

ASSET TYPE	ADDITIONS \$	CARRYING AMOUNT \$
Land	-	688,500
Buildings	812,007	27,486,866
Infrastructure	1,952,669	37,481,534
Roads	178,799	21,488,607
Plant & Machinery	680,218	3,859,531
Motor Vehicles	266,348	771,752
Furniture & Fittings	-	123,121
TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT	3,890,041	91,899,911

NON-CURRENT ASSETS



LIABILITIES – CURRENT & NON-CURRENT

Liabilities consist of current liabilities which are expected to be paid or settled within one year./11 2009/10 2008/09 2007/08 2006/07

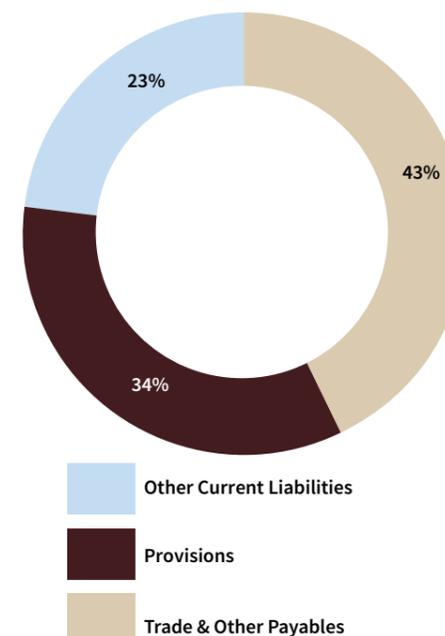
Trade and Other Payables decreased by \$0.8m (4.9%) compared to 2016-2017.

Current provisions decreased by \$0.68m (34%).

- Employee entitlements to annual and long service leave are included in current provisions remained at a similar level to 2016-2017.
- Other current provisions declined by \$0.7m which arose from the payment of land use agreements.

	2018 \$'000	2017 \$'000
Current Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	1,674	1,596
Provision	1,320	1,998
Other liabilities	871	790
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	3,865	4,384
Non-current liabilities		
Provisions	551	543
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,416	4,927

CURRENT LIABILITIES



Non-current liabilities include provisions that are expected to be paid or settled over more than one accounting period.

Council's provisions consist exclusively of Employee Provisions for Annual and Long Service Leave which remained fairly static at \$0.55m, just \$8k above 2016-2017.

ANALYSIS OF THE STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

The Statement of Equity reports all changes to the value of the Council during the financial period. Equity represents the net wealth of the Council since it began operations.

The loss was lessened from the \$1.92m contribution of Street lighting infrastructure.

Net assets decreased by \$0.3m compared to financial year 2016-2017, due to the loss on comprehensive income.

All movements in Equity over this financial year are summarised in the chart below:

	ACCUMULATED FUNDS \$	ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE \$	OTHER RESERVES \$	TOTAL \$
Balance at 30 June 2016	63,823,312	41,333,441	407,303	105,564,056
Comprehensive Income				
Net Operating result - (Deficit)	(303,052)	-	-	(303,052)
Disposal of revalued assets	-	-	-	-
Transfers between equity	(465,704)	-	465,704	-
Balance at 30 June 2017	66,309,465	38,078,532	873,007	105,261,004

ANALYSIS OF THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

The Statement of Cash Flows shows the historical cash inflows and outflows for the financial period from operating, investing and financing activities. Council's prepare their financial statements using the accrual basis of accounting. This means the financial effect of a transaction is recorded in the financial

statements when the transaction occurs. This may be different from when the cash relating to the transaction is received or paid which explains why the Statement of Comprehensive Income is different from the Statement of Cash Flows.

CASH FLOWS

Cash Flows are classified as those provided by operating activities and those used in investing and financing activities. Purchases of Property, Plant and Equipment are included within investing activities.

	2018 \$'000	2017 \$'000
Net Cash Flows provided by operating activities	3,621	7,019
Net Cash Flows used in investing activities	(1,830)	(6,450)
Net Cash Flows provided by financing activities	-	-
Net Increase in Cash Held	1,791	(569)
Cash at the beginning of reporting period	14,660	14,091
Cash at the end of reporting period	16,451	14,660
Externally/Internally restricted cash	6,566	4,056
Unrestricted cash	9,885	10,604
TOTAL	16,451	14,660

Net Cash provided by operating activities decreased \$3.4m compared to 2016-2017. Income from most areas declined this year, including grant income by \$370k, and user fees and charges by \$250k. Payments to employees increased 9%, which included a 3% wage increase for this year. Payments on materials and contracts increased \$800k over 2016-2017. Cash used in investing activities was \$4.6m lower than 2016-2017, at \$1.97m for the year. The year prior had seen the acquisition of land and buildings for a Darwin Council Office.

Externally restricted cash totaled \$4.26m for 2017-2018, a \$2m increase over the prior year. See note 13 for more information on the unexpended grants and Contributions.

Council has Cash and cash equivalents of \$16.45m as at 30 June 2018, an increase of 12% over 2016-2017.

A breakdown of cash and cash equivalents into restricted and unrestricted is provided in the below table.

	2018 \$	2017 \$
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the end of the financial year:	16,451,311	14,660,393
Less restricted cash:		
ERISS rent held in trust	96,928	103,154
Security Deposits/Bonds	89,067	82,771
Unspent Grants - Tied	4,263,065	2,255,669
Internal Restrictions	2,117,387	1,614,764
Total restricted cash	6,566,444	4,056,358
Balance of untied operational cash and cash equivalents at year end:	9,884,867	10,604,035

SUMMARY

The key financial data for West Arnhem Regional Council for 2017-2018 is represented in the following chart:

2017-2018 RESULTS OVERVIEW - IN \$'000	2018	2017	VARIANCE	%
Total Operating Revenues	23.38	22.36	1.02	4.55%
Total Operating Expenses	20.15	19.40	0.75	3.88%
Surplus before Depreciation, Disposals and Capital Grants	3.23	2.97	0.27	8.94%
Net Deficit before Asset Revaluation	-0.30	-0.78	-1.44	183.91%
Total (Deficit)/Surplus for the Year	-0.30	-0.78	-1.44	183.91%
Total Assets	109.68	110.49	-2.73	-2.47%
Total Liabilities	4.42	4.93	-0.51	-10.37%
Total Equity	105.26	105.56	-2.22	-2.11%
Total Untied Cash and Investments	9.88	10.60	-0.72	-6.78%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The financial performance indicators detailed below inform all interested parties on how well Council is performing compared to industry benchmarks.

ASSET SUSTAINABILITY RATIO

This ratio helps to show whether Council is replacing assets as their service potential is used up. Some assets are absolutely essential – roads, sewerage and water treatment facilities, etc. This ratio helps to identify whether Council will be able to continue services associated with these assets.

All Northern Territory councils struggle to replace assets as and when this is needed and this has been the subject of several reviews undertaken by the NT Government. Unlike many councils WARC has adopted an approach of valuing all of the assets for which it is responsible so that it is aware of the full financial implications of the costs of replacement. This year's result has dropped significantly due to the reduction in Capital Grants received.

The Target Benchmark is greater than 90%.

Result 2017-2018 = 60% 

Result 2016-2017 = 110%

OPERATING SURPLUS RATIO

This ratio shows whether Council has the ability to cover its operating costs from operating revenues. Like all businesses, Council must ensure that it has sufficient revenue to meet its operating costs. Achieving a positive result means that Council is covering its costs and is able to apply the surplus to capital expenditure.

The Target Benchmark is between 0% and 10%.

Result 2017-2018 = 14% 

Result 2016-2017 = 13%

CURRENT RATIO

The current ratio is a liquidity ratio that measures Council's ability to pay its short-term obligations. To gauge this ability, the current ratio considers the current total assets (both liquid and illiquid) relative to the current total liabilities. Council's current ratio means that it has 4.60 times more current assets than current liabilities. Council has forward plans for asset replacement whilst maintaining its future financial stability.

The Target Benchmark is greater than 1.

Result 2017-2018 = 4.60 

Result 2016-2017 = 3.63

RATE COVERAGE RATIO

This ratio measures Council's dependence on rate revenue to fund its operations. The higher the ratio the more Council's revenue is sourced from its rating base which in turn means a lower dependency on grant funding. Like many councils WARC is substantially dependent on grant funding which reduces its flexibility and control when it comes to budget options. The challenge for Council is to improve this ratio in the face of ever decreasing alternative funding sources and a very limited rates base.

The Target Benchmark is greater than 40%.

Result 2017-2018 = 25% 

Result 2016-2017 = 25%

CASH EXPENSE RATIO

This ratio provides a guide as to Council's ability to pay its costs within the short term. Council needs to have ready access to money to meet its obligations. The result below shows that Council has readily available cash and is not at risk of experiencing any liquidity problems.

The Target Benchmark is greater than 3 months.

Result 2017-2018 = 5.9 

Result 2016-2017 = 6.6

OWN SOURCE OPERATING REVENUE RATIO

Own source revenue measures the degree of reliance on external funding sources (e.g. grants and contributions). This ratio measures fiscal flexibility and robustness. Financial flexibility increases as the level of own source revenue increases. It also gives councils greater ability to manage external shocks or challenges.

Councils with higher own source revenue have greater ability to control or manage their own operating performance and financial sustainability. Most councils in the Northern Territory have limited options in terms of increasing their own source revenue, especially in regional and remote areas.

The Target Benchmark is greater than 60%.

Result 2017-2018 = 43% 

Result 2016-2017 = 44%

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Independent audit report to the Chief Executive Officer of West Arnhem Regional Council

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial report of West Arnhem Regional Council ("the Council"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2018, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the Chief Executive Officer's Statement.

In our opinion, the financial report of West Arnhem Regional Council is in accordance with the *Northern Territory Local Government Act*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the financial position of West Arnhem Regional Council as at 30 June 2018 and of the Council's performance for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and *Local Government (Accounting) Regulations*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report.

We are independent of the Council in accordance with the ethical requirements of the *Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the 'Code') that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

The Responsibility of the Chief Executive Officer and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report

The Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Council is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Northern Territory Local Government Act* and for such internal control as the CEO determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the CEO is responsible for assessing the Council's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Council or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Council's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

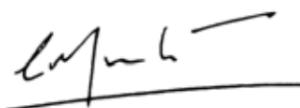
As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the CEO.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the CEO's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on Council's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Council to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Chief Executive Officer and those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Director

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1 November 2018

Chief Executive Officer's Certificate

I, Brian Hylands, the Chief Executive Officer of the West Arnhem Regional Council, do hereby certify that the Annual Financial Statements:

- a) have been, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, been properly drawn up in accordance with all applicable Australian Accounting Standards, the Local Government Act and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations so as to present fairly the financial position of Council and the results for the year ended 30 June 2018; and
- b) are in accordance with the accounting and other records of the Council.



Brian Hylands
Chief Executive Officer
Jabiru
Date: 1 / 11 / 2018

**Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the year ended 30 June 2018**

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
CONTINUING OPERATIONS			
Operating Revenues			
Rates and Annual Charges	3(a)	4,943,308	4,820,666
User Charges and Fees	3(b)	219,688	268,108
Interest	3(c)	328,531	318,612
Grants provided for operating purposes	3(e)	13,289,246	12,514,512
Contributions and Donations		6,576	5,266
Net Gain on Disposal of Property Plant & Equipment	8(b)	95,017	-
Other Operating Revenues	3(d)	4,495,365	4,434,410
Total Operating Revenues		23,377,731	22,361,574
Operating Expenses			
Employee Costs	4(a)	(12,861,559)	(12,603,915)
Materials and Contracts	4(b)	(5,565,684)	(4,620,220)
Interest Charges	4(c)	(12,397)	(6,452)
Net Loss on Disposal of Property Plant & Equipment	8(c)	-	(242,053)
Other Operating Expenses	4(d)	(1,707,956)	(1,923,840)
Total Operating Expenses		(20,147,596)	(19,396,480)
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) BEFORE DEPRECIATION AND CAPITAL GRANTS		3,230,135	2,965,094
Grants & Contributions provided for:			
- Acquisition of Assets (Capital Grants & Contributions)	3(f)	2,986,132	2,790,517
OPERATIONAL SURPLUS BEFORE DEPRECIATION		6,216,267	5,755,611
Depreciation and Impairment	4(e)	(6,519,319)	(6,538,862)
DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS		(303,052)	(783,251)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
Gain on Assets Revaluation		-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR (DEFICIT) / SURPLUS		(303,052)	(783,251)

**Statement of Financial Position
As at 30 June 2018**

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at Bank and on Hand	5(a)	532,773	456,719
Investments and Term Deposits	5(b)	15,918,542	14,203,678
Trade and Other Receivables	6	709,337	805,677
Inventories	7(a)	74,854	77,429
Other	7(b)	541,885	373,870
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		17,777,391	15,917,373
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, Plant and Equipment	8(a)	91,899,911	94,573,971
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		91,899,911	94,573,971
TOTAL ASSETS		109,677,302	110,491,344
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and Other Payables	9(a)	1,673,680	1,596,422
Provisions	9(b.1)	1,320,562	1,998,400
Other Liabilities	9(c)	871,157	789,898
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		3,865,399	4,384,720
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provisions	9(b.2)	550,899	542,568
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		550,899	542,568
TOTAL LIABILITIES		4,416,298	4,927,288
NET ASSETS		105,261,004	105,564,056
EQUITY			
Accumulated Funds		66,309,465	63,823,312
Assets Revaluation Reserve		38,078,532	41,333,441
Other Reserves	17	873,007	407,303
TOTAL EQUITY		105,261,004	105,564,056

The above Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

The above Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**Statement of Changes in Equity
For the year ended 30 June 2018**

	Accumulated Funds \$	Asset Revaluation Reserve \$	Other Reserves \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2016	56,111,978	48,708,329	1,834,255	106,347,307
Comprehensive Income				
Net Operating result - (Deficit)	(783,251)	-	-	(783,251)
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Disposal of revalued assets ⁽¹⁾	79,789	(79,789)	-	-
Depreciation related to revalued assets ⁽¹⁾	7,295,099	(7,295,099)	-	-
Transfers between equity	1,119,697	-	(1,119,697)	-
Balance at 30 June 2017	63,823,312	41,333,441	407,303	105,564,056
Comprehensive Income				
Net Operating result - (Deficit)	(303,052)	-	-	(303,052)
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Disposal of revalued assets	-	-	-	-
Depreciation related to revalued assets	3,254,909	(3,254,909)	-	-
Transfers between equity	(465,704)	-	465,704	-
Balance at 30 June 2018	66,309,465	38,078,532	873,007	105,261,004

(1) Please refer to Note 1(p)

The above Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

**Statement of Cash Flows
For the year ended 30 June 2018**

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
<u>Receipts:</u>			
Receipts from rates & annual charges		5,148,324	5,354,101
Receipts from user charges & fees		219,688	268,108
Interest received		315,571	353,010
Grants & contributions		14,323,341	14,693,829
Other operating receipts		4,247,677	4,339,830
<u>Payments:</u>			
Payments to employees		(13,501,251)	(12,328,092)
Payments for materials & contracts		(3,228,652)	(2,411,128)
Other operating payments		(3,903,582)	(3,250,511)
Net Cash Flows provided by Operating Activities	10(b)	3,621,116	7,019,147
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
<u>Receipts:</u>			
Proceeds from sale of assets	8(c)	139,799	122,717
<u>Payments:</u>			
Acquisition of property, plant & equipment		(1,969,997)	(6,572,782)
Net Cash Flows used in Investing Activities		(1,830,198)	(6,450,065)
Net increase / (decrease) in Cash Held		1,790,918	569,082
Cash and Cash Equivalents at beginning of reporting period		14,660,393	14,091,311
Cash and Cash Equivalents at end of reporting period	10(a)	16,451,311	14,660,393

The above Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2018

1. Summary of accounting policies

The West Arnhem Regional Council (the Council) was established as a body corporate by a restructuring order under section 114C of the Local Government Act on 16 October 2007. West Arnhem Regional Council came into full operation on 1 July 2008, when it merged with other constituent councils to form the local government authority, also referred to as the West Arnhem Regional Council. The Council incorporates five (5) local government bodies:

1. Jabiru Town Council;
2. Kunbarllanjja Community Government Council;
3. Maningrida Council Inc.
4. Minjilang Community Inc.; and
5. Warruwi Community Inc.

The principal place of business of the Council is Tasman Crescent, Jabiru NT 0886.

The purpose of this financial report is to provide users with information about the stewardship of the Council and accountability for the resources entrusted to it, information about the financial position, performance and cash flows of the Council.

This note sets out the principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements by the Council as set out below.

The Local Government Reporting Entity

These financial statements include all businesses through which the Council controls resources to carry on its functions. In the process of reporting on the Council as a single unit, all transactions and balances between functional areas and controlled entities have been eliminated. A summary of contributions to the operating result by function is provided at note 2(a).

Basis of Accounting

Statement of Compliance

This financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, the requirements of the Local Government Act, the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations, and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

In the current year, the Council has adopted all of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are relevant to their operations and effective for the current annual reporting period. Adoption of the new and revised standards did not result any material impact in the financial report.

Standards and Interpretations issued not yet effective

The Council has not applied any Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective with the exception of AASB 2015-7 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Fair Value Disclosures of Not-for-Profit Public Sector Entities. Generally, the Council applies standards and

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2018

1. Summary of accounting policies (Cont.)

Standards and Interpretations issued not yet effective (cont.)

interpretations in accordance with their respective commencement dates. The early adoption of AASB 2015-7 has exempted the Council from the disclosure of quantitative information and sensitivity analysis for some valuations categorised within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

The following new standards/revised standards/Interpretations/amending standards were issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board prior to the sign-off date, which are expected to have a material financial impact on Council for future reporting periods:

AASB 16 Leases

AASB 16 Leases is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019 and will be reported in these financial statements for the first time in 2019-20. When the standard is effective it will supersede AASB 117 Leases and requires the majority of leases to be recognised on the balance sheet.

For lessees with operating leases, a right-of-use asset will now come onto the balance sheet together with a lease liability for all leases with a term of more than 12 months, unless the underlying assets are of low value. The Statement of Comprehensive Income will no longer report operating lease rental payments, instead a depreciation expense will be recognised relating to the right-to-use asset and interest expense relating to the lease liability.

While for lessors, the finance and operating lease distinction remains largely unchanged. For finance leases, the lessor recognises a receivable equal to the net investment in the lease. Lease receipts from operating leases are recognised as income either on a straight-line basis or another systematic basis where appropriate.

Consequently, it is expected that approximately \$7,100,000 in operating lease commitments as per current estimates will be required to be recognised in the balance sheet through a lease liability and corresponding right to use asset from 2019-20 in accordance with AASB 16 Leases. In the statement of comprehensive income the operating lease expense will be replaced with a depreciation expense relating to the right to use asset and interest expense relating to the lease liability. These cannot be quantified at this time.

AASB 1058 Income for not-for-profit entities and AASB 15 Revenue from contracts with customers

AASB 1058 Income for Not-for-Profit Entities and AASB 15 Revenue with Contracts with Customers are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019 and will be reported in these financial statements for the first time in 2019-20.

Under the new AASB 1058 Income for Not-for-Profit Entities, revenue from grants and donations will be recognised when any associated performance obligation to provide goods or services is satisfied, and not immediately upon receipt as currently occurs. Consequently, more liabilities will be recognised in the balance sheet after adoption of this standard.

AASB 1058 clarifies and simplifies income-recognition requirements that apply to not-for-profit entities in conjunction with AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2018

1. Summary of accounting policies (Cont.)

Standards and Interpretations issued not yet effective (cont.)

While the full impacts are yet to be determined, potential impacts identified include:

- Grants received to construct or acquire a non-financial asset will be recognised as a liability, and subsequently recognised as revenue as the performance obligations under the grant are satisfied. At present, such grants are recognised as revenue on receipt.
- Grants with an enforceable agreement and sufficiently specific performance obligations will be recognised as revenue progressively as the associated performance obligations are satisfied. At present, such grants are recognised as revenue on receipt.
- Grants that have an enforceable agreement but no specific performance obligations but have restrictions on the timing of expenditure will also continue to be recognised on receipt as time restriction on the use of funds is not sufficiently specific to create a performance obligation.
- Grants that are not enforceable and/or not sufficiently specific will not qualify for deferral, and continue to be recognised as revenue as soon as they are controlled.

Several other amending standards and AASB interpretations have been issued that apply to future reporting periods, but are considered to have minimal impact on future financial reporting.

Significant accounting policies

Accounting policies are selected and applied in a manner which ensures that the resulting financial information satisfies the concepts of relevance and reliability, thereby ensuring that the substance of the underlying transactions or other events is reported.

The accounting policies adopted for the reporting period are consistent with those of the previous reporting period except where otherwise indicated.

The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation and presentation of the financial report:

Basis of preparation:

The financial report has been prepared on the basis of historical cost, except for the revaluation of certain non-current assets and financial instruments. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets. All amounts are presented in Australian dollars, unless otherwise noted.

a) Revenue Recognition:

Revenue is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable. Revenue is measured on major income categories as follows:

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2018

1. Summary of accounting policies (Cont.)

a) Revenue recognition: (Cont.)

(i). Rates

Rates are recognised as revenue when the Council obtains control over the asset comprising the receipt.

Rates are an enforceable debt linked to rateable property that will be recovered when the property is next sold, where receipt is outstanding. The rating period and reporting period for the Council coincide and accordingly, all rates levied for the year are recognised as revenue.

Uncollected rates are recognised as receivables. A provision is recognised when collection in full is no longer probable.

(ii). Grants, donations and other contributions

Grants, donations and other contributions are recognised as revenue when the Council obtains control over, or the right to receive, the assets, it is probable that future economic benefits comprising the asset will flow to the Council, and the amount can be reliably measured.

Control over granted and contributed assets is normally obtained upon their receipt (or acquittal) or upon notification that a grant has been secured, and is valued at their fair value at the date of transfer.

Where grants, contributions and donations are recognised as revenue during the reporting period were obtained on the condition that they be expended in a particular manner or used over a particular period, and those conditions were undischarged as at the reporting date, the nature of and amounts pertaining to those undischarged conditions are disclosed in these notes.

Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the Council will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received. Government grants relating to income are recognised as revenue in the period in which they are received.

(iii). Disposal of property, plant and equipment

The gain or loss on disposal of an asset is determined when control of the asset has passed from the Council and can be measured reliably.

(iv). Interest revenue

Interest is recognised as it accrues, when it is probable that the future economic benefits will flow to the Council and it can be measured reliably.

(v). User Charges and Service fee revenue

User Charges and Service Fee revenue is recognised when the outcome of such transactions can be estimated reliably.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2018

1. Summary of accounting policies (Cont.)

b) Cash and Cash Equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

c) Financial Instruments:

A financial instrument is recognised if the Council becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are recognised at trade date (less impairment). Financial assets are derecognised if the Council transfers the financial asset to another party without retaining control or substantially all risks and rewards of the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised if the Council's obligations specified in the contract expire or are discharged or cancelled.

Financial Assets

The Council classifies its financial assets as loans and receivables. The classification depends on the purpose for which the financial instrument was acquired. The Council determines the classification of its financial instruments at initial recognition and re evaluates this designation at each reporting date.

Loans and Receivables

Trade receivables, loans, and other receivables that have fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as 'loans and receivables'. Loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less impairment.

Effective Interest Method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset and of allocating interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts (including all fees on points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial asset, or, where appropriate, a shorter period.

Impairment of Financial Assets

Financial assets are assessed for indicators for impairment at each Statement of Financial Position date. Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial assets the estimated future cash flows of the investment that that have been impacted.

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of the impairment is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate.

The carrying amount of financial assets including uncollectible trade receivables is reduced by the impairment loss through the use of an allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against an allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2018

1. Summary of accounting policies (Cont.)

c) Financial Instruments: (Cont.)

Impairment of Financial Assets (cont'd)

If in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss to the extent the carrying amount of the investment at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

Derecognition of Financial Assets

The Council derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity. If the Council neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Council recognises its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Council retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Council continues to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a collateralised borrowing for the proceeds received.

Financial Liabilities

The Council classifies its financial liabilities as other financial liabilities. This classification pertains to financial liabilities that are not held for trading or not designated as at FVPL (Fair Value through Profit & Loss) upon inception of the liability. The classification depends on the purpose for which the financial liability was incurred. The Council determines the classification of its financial liability at initial recognition and re-evaluates this designation at each reporting date.

Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Council prior to the end of the financial year which remain unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

Borrowings

Borrowings are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs. Borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, with interest expense recognised on an effective yield basis.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash payments through the expected life of the financial liability, or where appropriate, a shorter period.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2018

1. Summary of accounting policies (Cont.)

d) Inventory:

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

e) Interests in Joint Ventures:

The Council's interests in joint venture entities are brought to account in the financial statements using the equity method of accounting, whereby the investment is initially recognised at cost and adjusted thereafter for the post-acquisition change in the Council's share of net assets of the joint venture. In addition, the Council's share of the profit or loss of the joint venture is included in the Council's profit or loss.

When the Council's share of losses in a joint venture equals or exceeds its interest in the joint venture, the Council discontinues recognising its share of further losses unless it has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the joint venture. Upon the joint venture subsequently making profits, the Council will resume recognising its share of those profits once its share of the profits equals the share of the losses not recognised.

f) Property, Plant and Equipment:

(i). Acquisition of property, plant and equipment (including structural assets)

Property, plant and equipment is recognised at cost when control of the asset passes to the Council. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition. Cost related to property, plant and equipment gifted, donated or granted to the Council is the fair value of the asset, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition.

The Council recognises assets over the value of \$5,000.

Assets classes of Land and Building, Infrastructure and Roads are valued at fair value with valuations being conducted in accordance with AASB 116 - Property, Plant and Equipment. These classes of the assets were valued by a professional valuer and the Council has adopted the new valuation from 1 July 2015. The other classes of assets are being valued at initial transfer value/cost.

In the periods when the property, plant & equipment are not subject to an independent valuation, the directors conduct directors' valuations to ensure that the land and buildings' carrying amount is not materially different to the fair value.

(ii). Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on property, plant and equipment, including freehold buildings but excluding land. Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis so as to write off the net cost or other re-valued amount of each asset over its expected useful life to its estimated residual value. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each annual reporting period, with the effect of any changes recognised on a prospective basis.

Depreciation is provided for on a straight line method using lives which are reviewed each reporting period.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2018

1. Summary of accounting policies (Cont.)

f) Property, Plant and Equipment (Cont.):

(ii). Depreciation (cont'd)

The following useful lives are used in the calculation of depreciation:

Asset Category	2018	2017
Buildings	10 to 60 years	10 to 60 years
Plant and Equipment	1 to 14 years	1 to 14 years
Infrastructure	15 to 100 years	15 to 100 years
Roads	2 to 100 years	2 to 100 years
Motor Vehicles	1 to 4 years	1 to 4 years
Office Furniture and Equipment	1 to 5 years	1 to 5 years
Other Assets	5 years	5 years

It should be noted that the lease for the township of Jabiru is currently set to expire in 2021, it is still uncertain as to whether the lease will be extended. However, some buildings and infrastructure assets located in Jabiru have been depreciated beyond the life of the lease. Council is of the opinion that they will still retain control and enjoy the economic benefits flowing from these assets even after the expiry of the lease.

(iii). Work In Progress

Initial expenditures incurred for buildings under construction are capitalised as they are incurred and depreciation is commenced once the building is complete and ready for use.

(iv). Impairment of assets

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested for impairment annually.

Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

If such an indication exists and where the carrying value exceeds the estimated recoverable amount, the assets are written down to their recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount of plant and equipment is the greater of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

For non cash generating assets of the Council such as roads, cycle paths and public buildings, fair value is represented by the depreciated optimised replacement cost. Impairment losses are recognised in the surplus or deficit.

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1. Summary of accounting policies (Cont.)

f) Property, Plant and Equipment (Cont.):

(v). Land under Roads

The Council has elected not to value or recognise as an asset land under roads acquired prior to 1 July 2008 in accordance with the election available under AASB 1051 *Land under Roads*.

g) Employee Benefits:

Provision is made for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave and long service leave when it is probable that settlement will be required and they are capable of being measured reliably.

(i). Employee benefits expected to be settled within 12 months

Provisions in respect of employee benefits expected to be settled within 12 months are measured at their nominal values using the remuneration rate expected to apply at the time of settlement.

(ii). Employee benefits not expected to be settled within 12 months

Provisions made in respect of employee benefits which are not expected to be settled within 12 months are measured at the present value of the estimated future cash flows to be made by the Council in respect of services provided by the employees up to reporting date. In determining the present value of future cash outflows, the market yield as at the reporting date on national government bonds, which have terms to maturity approximating the terms of the related liability, are used.

(iii). Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution superannuation plans are expensed when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions. The Council contributes in respect of its employees to a defined contribution superannuation plan (Local Government Superannuation Scheme) established in respect of certain municipalities in South Australia and the Northern Territory.

h) Budget Information:

Note 2(a) provides budget information of revenues and expenditure of each of the major activities of the Council. Budget figures represented are those approved by the Council at the beginning of the financial year.

i) Tax Status:

West Arnhem Regional Council is tax exempt under Sec 50-25 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*, being a local governing body.

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1. Summary of accounting policies (Cont.)

j) Provisions:

Provisions are recognised when the Council has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Council will be required to settle the obligation, and reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at reporting date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, the carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows.

When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, the receivable is recognised as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably.

k) Goods and services tax:

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except:

(i). where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority, it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of an asset or as part of an item of expense;

or

(ii). for receivables and payables which are recognised inclusive of GST, the net amount recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables.

Cash flows are included in the Statement of Cash Flows on a gross basis. The GST component of cashflows arising from investing and financing activities, which is recoverable from or payable to the taxation authority, is classified as operating cash flows.

l) Rounding of amounts:

The financial report is presented in Australian dollars and values are rounded to the nearest dollar unless otherwise specified.

m) Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty:

No accounting assumptions or estimates have been identified that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next accounting period.

n) Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations

The Council classifies non-current assets and disposal groups as held for sale. Such non-current assets and disposal groups classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. Costs to sell are the incremental costs directly attributable to the sale or distribution, excluding the finance costs.

The criteria for held for sale or for distribution classification is regarded as met only when the sale is highly probable and the asset or disposal group is available for immediate sale in its present condition. Actions

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1. Summary of accounting policies (Cont.)

n) Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations (Cont.):

required to complete the sale should indicate that it is unlikely that significant changes to the sale will be made or that the decision to sell will be withdrawn. Management must be committed to the sale expected within one year from the date of the classification.

Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets are not depreciated or amortised once classified as held for sale or distribution.

Assets and liabilities classified as held for sale are presented separately as current items in the statement of financial position.

A disposal group qualifies as a discontinued operation if it is a component of the Council that either has been disposed of, or is classified as held for sale, and:

- represents a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations
- is part of a single co-ordinated plan to dispose of a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations

Discontinued operations are excluded from the results of continuing operations and are presented as a single amount as profit or loss after tax from discontinued operations in the statement or profit or loss.

o) Economic Dependence

The Council is funded predominantly by funding provided from both the Australian and Northern Territory Governments to meet operational and capital expenditure needs.

The Council has made an operational surplus before depreciation of \$4,296,223 in the current year (2017: Surplus \$5,755,611) from continuing operations. After depreciation, the Council recorded a deficit for the year of \$2,223,096 (2017: Deficit \$783,251) from continuing operations. Despite recording a deficit after depreciation, the Council has generated positive net operating cash flows in 2018 and 2017, and net working capital of \$13,911,992 in 2018 (2017: \$11,532,653).

In the Council's opinion, this general purpose financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis in the expectation that such funding and support from the Australian and Northern Territory Governments will continue.

p) Comparatives:

Comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year. These changes are related to the recognition in equity of the portion of depreciation expense that is related to the assets revaluation reserves. This exercise of recognising the portion of revalued amount from depreciation expense has been performed for the first time in the current financial year retrospectively to the date of the revaluation. As such, the Statement of Changes in Equity for the prior year has been reinstated to reflect these changes. In addition, the disposal of revalued assets from last year has been reinstated to reflect the net value of revaluation reserve disposed off.

Adoption of the above policy has no impact in the Council's Statement of Comprehensive Income.

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2(a). Revenue, Expenses and Assets by Functions

- Revenues, expenses and assets have been attributed to the following functions/activities. Details of those functions/activities are provided at note 2(b).

Description	General Public Services		Public Order & Safety		Economic Affairs		Env. Protection		Housing and Comm. Amenities	
	Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$
OPERATING REVENUE										
Rates and Annual Charges	1,927,193	1,948,849	-	-	-	-	1,554,279	1,572,429	1,461,836	1,370,000
User Charges and Fees	35,966	29,264	45,353	40,059	15,430	19,637	49,093	40,182	31,222	37,228
Interest Income	10,861	11,676	-	-	317,670	281,696	-	-	-	-
Grant Income - Operating	5,351,976	6,046,612	1,477,924	1,605,515	3,615,053	3,315,717	-	129,026	7,511	90,000
Contributions	-	428	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Revenue	447,251	284,348	-	-	1,460,131	1,634,388	1,373	1,800	1,422,422	1,307,880
Net Gain on Disposal of PP&E	95,017	73,265	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grant Income - Capital	-	464,134	-	-	249,000	719,149	200,000	795,670	1,920,044	13,641
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	7,868,264	8,858,576	1,523,277	1,645,574	5,657,284	5,970,587	1,804,745	2,539,107	4,843,035	2,818,749
EXPENDITURE										
Employee Costs	(4,395,611)	(4,604,306)	(955,029)	(1,122,157)	(1,712,216)	(1,970,717)	(503,584)	(420,996)	(1,469,838)	(1,584,661)
Materials and Contracts	(1,565,358)	(2,374,402)	(103,722)	(68,280)	(848,742)	(1,767,157)	(310,979)	(424,026)	(1,049,910)	(1,224,065)
Interest Charges	(4,577)	(5,029)	-	-	(6,243)	(7,140)	-	-	-	-
Net Loss on Disposal/Write Off of PP&E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	(1,289,034)	(1,235,537)	(124,357)	(152,866)	(32,061)	(116,442)	(16,265)	(19,462)	(57,452)	(76,660)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	(7,254,580)	(8,219,274)	(1,183,108)	(1,343,303)	(2,599,262)	(3,861,456)	(830,828)	(864,484)	(2,577,200)	(2,885,386)
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) BEFORE DEPRECIATION & AMORTISATION	613,684	639,302	340,169	302,271	3,058,022	2,109,131	973,917	1,674,623	2,265,835	(66,637)
Depreciation & Impairment Expenses	(2,083,983)	-	-	-	(2,283,649)	-	-	-	(2,151,687)	-
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR FOR CONTINUING OPERATIONS	(1,470,299)	639,302	340,169	302,271	774,373	2,109,131	973,917	1,674,623	114,148	(66,637)
Gain on Revaluation of Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) :	(1,470,299)	639,302	-	302,271	774,373	2,109,131	973,917	1,674,623	114,148	(66,637)
Carrying Value of Non-Current Assets	7,067,924		612,920		34,077,244		8,721,106		30,471,432	

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2(a). Revenue, Expenses and Assets by Functions (Cont.)

Description	Health		Recreation, Culture and Religion		Education		Social Protection	
	Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$
OPERATING REVENUE								
Rates and Annual Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
User Charges and Fees	816	816	40,121	37,479	-	-	1,687	-
Interest Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grant Income - Operating	6,480	18,391	1,343,351	1,360,370	-	356	1,486,951	1,733,919
Contributions	-	-	5,814	5,583	-	-	762	334
Other Revenue	318,563	277,905	14,813	12,438	-	-	830,812	715,496
Net Gain on Disposal of PP&E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grant Income - Capital	-	-	617,088	277,358	-	-	-	17,482
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	325,859	297,112	2,021,187	1,693,228	-	356	2,320,212	2,467,231
EXPENDITURE								
Employee Costs	(117,960)	(87,576)	(2,326,169)	(2,633,067)	-	-	(1,381,152)	(1,400,744)
Materials and Contracts	(61,399)	(72,864)	(1,255,463)	(1,149,080)	-	(356)	(370,111)	(371,947)
Interest Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,577)	(2,000)
Net Loss on Disposal/Write Off of PP&E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	(7,821)	(31,461)	(125,743)	(166,495)	-	-	(55,223)	(149,618)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	(187,180)	(191,901)	(3,707,375)	(3,948,642)	-	(356)	(1,808,063)	(1,924,309)
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) BEFORE DEPRECIATION & AMORTISATION	138,679	105,211	(1,686,188)	(2,255,414)	-	-	512,149	542,922
Depreciation & Impairment Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR FOR CONTINUING OPERATIONS	138,679	105,211	(1,686,188)	(2,255,414)	-	-	512,149	542,922
Gain on Revaluation of Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) :	138,679	105,211	(1,686,188)	(2,255,414)	-	-	512,149	542,922
Carrying Value of Non-Current Assets		253,680		9,069,515		-		1,626,090

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2(a). Revenue, Expenses and Assets by Functions (Cont.)

Description	TOTAL	
	Actual \$	Budget \$
OPERATING REVENUE		
Rates and Annual Charges	4,943,308	4,891,278
User Charges and Fees	219,688	204,665
Interest Income	328,531	293,372
Grant Income - Operating	13,289,246	14,299,906
Contributions	6,576	6,345
Other Revenue	4,495,365	4,234,255
Net Gain on Disposal of PP&E	95,017	73,265
Grant Income - Capital	2,986,132	2,287,434
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	26,363,863	26,290,520
EXPENDITURE		
Employee Costs	(12,861,559)	(13,824,224)
Materials and Contracts	(5,565,684)	(7,452,177)
Interest Charges	(12,397)	(14,169)
Net Loss on Disposal/Write Off of PP&E	-	-
Other Operating Expenses	(1,707,956)	(1,948,541)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	(20,147,596)	(23,239,111)
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) BEFORE DEPRECIATION & AMORTISATION	6,216,267	3,051,409
Depreciation & Impairment Expenses	(6,519,319)	-
(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR FOR CONTINUING OPERATIONS	(303,052)	3,051,409
Gain on Revaluation of Assets	-	-
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) :	(303,052)	3,051,409
Carrying Value of Non-Current Assets	91,899,911	

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2(b). Components of Functions

The activities relating to the Council functions reported on in Note 2(a) are as follows:

GENERAL PUBLIC SERVICES

Executive and Legislative Functions

Administration, operation and support of executive and legislative functions and all elements associated with Corporate governance.

Financial and Fiscal Affairs

Administration of Council's finances and compliance with legislative provisions of *Local Government (Accounting) Regulations*.

General Public Services - including General Admin Corporate Services/Community Services/Works & Infrastructure, Other and Office Personnel Maintenance

Administration, support, regulation, research and operation of general public services including insurance.

PUBLIC ORDER & SAFETY

Public Order & Safety

Control of animals such as dog registration, pounds and the control of stray animals.

HEALTH

Public Health Services

Preventative health programs which have the aim of preventing disease including mosquito control. Conduct health inspections of food premises.

SOCIAL PROTECTION

Childcare Services

Operation of the Jabiru Childcare Centre and Waruwi Jet Crèches, Outside School Hours Care.

Other Welfare Services NEC including:

Community Aged Care, Community Capacity Projects, Community Youth Camp, Emergency Relief, Family Safety Program, Endangered Language Programs, Volatile Substance Abuse.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Recycling

Monitoring, reduction, collection, treatment and disposal of all types of solid waste intended for recycling.

Solid Waste Management

Collection, disposal and management of waste products including household garbage, trade and industrial waste.

Environmental Protection NEC

Protection against and reduction of environmental damage by erosion, pollution, weed and vegetation growth including special rubbish clean-ups and anti-litter enforcement.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2018

2(b). Components of Functions (Cont.)

Waste Water Management

Sewerage collection, sewerage treatment and disposal of sewerage. Maintenance of equipment and collection of charges for service.

RECREATION, CULTURE & RELIGION

Community Halls and Recreation Centres

Operation and maintenance of community halls and recreation centres for general community and cultural activities.

Swimming Pools

Operation and maintenance of the swimming pools and gymnasium.

Sport & Recreation Activities

To facilitate and encourage the development of sport and recreational activities in the region.

Parks, Gardens & Paths

Administration and maintenance of recreational parks which are green open spaces provided primarily for recreation purposes and playgrounds.

Library

Operation of council's library including lending and reference services, provision of books, library archives and support for library research.

Community Celebrations

Activities relating to national, regional and local celebrations including Australia Day, Anzac Day, etc.

Other Performing Arts

The presentation of artistic performances including funding for the administration, support, provision and operation of festivals which provide a range of predominantly artistic performances.

Sports Grounds

Management of purpose built sport grounds that would normally involve turf management including maintenance of facilities attached to the sport ground.

Cultural or Arts Services NEC - including Endangered Languages and Song Project

The support, Provision, Operation, etc, of arts or culture related activities that cannot be assigned elsewhere.

ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Public Relations, Tourism and Area Promotion -

Facilitation and encouragement of activities which will promote tourism in Jabiru. Includes council promotion to attract development.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY AMENITIES

Community Maintenance and Capital Upgrades

Maintain the housing provided for the indigenous residents, government employees and other tenants of the Council.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2018

2(b). Components of Functions (Cont.)

Community Development & Planning

Administering zoning laws, town planning regulations on land use and planning regarding culture and recreation facilities.

Water Supply

Maintain the water supply services provided by Jabiru Town Council. Monitor the treatment and supply of town water. Maintain town bores.

Public Housing

Under agency agreements with ERISS provide administrative support, undertake inspections, arrange repairs and maintenance, etc. of housing accommodation.

Cemetery, Street Lighting & Amenities

Administration, regulation, installation, operation and maintenance of street lights.

Housing and Community Amenities NEC

Including Sanitation & Garbage, Stormwater, Sewerage anti-litter and Weed Control.

EDUCATION

Education NEC

Provision of youth welfare services which are developmental in nature including:

Youth Employment Services

Youth Advisory Committee

TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATION (included under ECONOMIC AFFAIRS)

Road Maintenance - Roads

Servicing and operation of the road system, road pavement and footway/cycle paths, shoulder maintenance.

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
3. OPERATING REVENUES		
(a) Rates and Annual Charges		
<u>Ordinary Rates</u>		
General	1,926,738	1,937,922
<u>Annual Charges</u>		
Water Charges	1,461,836	1,322,041
Waste Charges	852,325	856,346
Sewerage Charges	702,409	704,357
Total Rates and Annual Charges	4,943,308	4,820,666
(b) User Charges and Fees		
User Charge Fee Income	170,007	192,668
Equipment Hire Income	25,794	40,882
Property Lease Rental Fee Income	23,887	22,085
Other	-	12,473
Total User Charges and Fees	219,688	268,108
(c) Interest		
Interest on Investments	328,531	318,612
Total Interests	328,531	318,612
(d) Other Operating Revenues		
Contract Fees	2,036,984	2,260,119
Service Fee Income	1,487,890	647,930
FAO Childcare Benefit	259,284	251,328
Reimbursements	176,115	464,384
Sales Income	101,992	421,396
Fuel Tax Credits	56,272	57,335
Other Revenue	376,828	331,918
Total Other Operating Revenues	4,495,365	4,434,410

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
3. OPERATING REVENUES (Cont.)		
(e) Grants provided for operating purposes		
<u>Commonwealth Operational Funding</u>		
Night Patrol	1,052,086	1,052,086
NT Jobs Package - Aged Care	481,026	481,026
Safety and Wellbeing - Sport and Recreation	450,000	362,201
R2R - ID 053593 - Airport Road – Warruwi	354,888	-
Children and Schooling - Youth, Sport and Rec. Project	300,000	300,000
Budget Based Funding - Warruwi Crèche	298,935	280,356
Bininj Gunwok Language Project	238,500	240,000
R2R - ID 094458 - Airport Road – Minjilang	201,289	-
Community and Home Support Program	188,188	185,773
Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) – Warruwi	83,756	87,681
R&M Building and Playground - Warruwi Crèche	45,000	40,000
Operate Long Day Care Centre – Jabiru	36,023	47,460
Remote Indigenous Broadcasting Service	35,000	90,586
Solar Security Lighting – Maningrida	-	90,000
Basketball Court Refurbishment – Maningrida	-	42,000
Total Commonwealth Operational Funding	3,764,691	3,299,169
<u>NT Operational Funding</u>		
NT Operational Funding	3,442,425	3,281,956
General Purpose Financial Assistance Grant	1,279,381	1,810,210
Local Roads Financial Assistance Grant	1,182,284	1,735,755
Murganella Road Upgrade - Stage 2	1,087,500	-
Indigenous Jobs Development Funding	760,000	706,000
Local Authorities Community Projects	630,170	615,812
Women's Safe House - Gunbalanya	425,838	380,000
Hard Shade Cover Basketball Court - Maningrida	272,680	-
NT Remote Sports Program	238,000	238,000
Library Service - Jabiru	98,900	97,005
Operate Long Day Care Centre - Jabiru	35,241	38,350
Airstrip Rd Culvert Upgrade - Gunbalanya	29,092	-
Streetlight Operational R&M - Jabiru	7,511	-
Indigenous Environmental Health Services - Maningrida	6,480	-

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
3. OPERATING REVENUES (Cont.)		
(e) Grants provided for operating purposes (Cont.)		
Territory Day Celebration - Warruwi	1,180	-
Resurface Basketball and Tennis Courts - Jabiru	-	75,000
NTEPA - Construct Landfill Sorting Bays	-	62,346
NTEPA - Internal Landfill Fencing	-	54,432
Disability In Home Support Services	-	49,840
NTEPA - Landfill Signage	-	13,806
NTEPA - Waste Oil Storage and Removal	-	12,067
Removal of Former Powerhouse Building - Maningrida	-	11,640
CBF - Library IT Resources and Shelving - Jabiru	-	10,000
CBF - Childcare Outdoor Learning Resources - Jabiru	-	8,741
CBF - Lighting Community Recreation Hall - Warruwi	-	8,243
Long Day Care Toy & Equipment Grant - Jabiru	-	2,495
Total NT Operational Funding	9,496,682	9,211,698
<u>Other Operational Funding</u>		
Community Pride Project - Maningrida	18,182	-
Australia Day Grant - Australia Day Council NT	5,000	3,000
Kakadu Triathlon	3,000	-
Navy Week Celebration - ERA CPF - Jabiru	1,091	-
Community and Home Support Program	600	-
Publish the West Arnhem Wire Newsletter	-	645
Total Other Operational Funding	27,873	3,645
TOTAL OPERATIONAL GRANTS	13,289,246	12,514,512
(f) Capital Grants		
<u>Commonwealth Capital Funding</u>		
Roads To Recovery	249,000	1,365,737
ABA Funding - Gunbalanya Youth Space Upgrade	-	225,000
Total Commonwealth Capital Funding	249,000	1,590,737

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
3. OPERATING REVENUES (Cont.)		
(f) Capital Grants (Cont.)		
<u>NT Capital Funding</u>		
Oval Upgrade - Maningrida	500,000	-
SPG - Towards Mobile Car Crusher - Region	200,000	-
Magela Oval Light Towers - Jabiru	66,000	-
SPG - Towards Tractor - Warruwi	41,350	-
CBF - Skate Park Upgrade - Jabiru	9,738	-
SPG - Towards Tip Truck and Water Tanker - Maningrida	-	150,000
SPG - Towards Rubbish Compactor - Warruwi	-	80,000
SPG - Towards Rubbish Compactor - Minjilang	-	80,000
SPG - Towards Mini Excavator & Trailer - Warruwi	-	60,000
SPG - Towards Excavator/ Backhoe - Gunbalanya	-	46,000
RRC - Upgrades to Sport & Recreation Infrastructure	-	25,000
Kitchen Upgrade - Jabiru Childcare Centre	-	17,482
Total NT Capital Funding	817,088	458,482
<u>Other Capital Funding & Contributions</u>		
Transfer of Ownership Jabiru Streetlight	1,920,044	-
Transfer of Houses from ERA	-	599,130
JTDA Infrastructure Projects - Jabiru	-	142,168
Total Other Capital Funding	1,920,044	741,298
TOTAL CAPITAL GRANTS & CONTRIBUTIONS	2,986,132	2,790,517
4. OPERATING EXPENSES		
(a) Employee Costs		
Wages and Salaries	8,949,871	8,926,916
Employee Leave Benefits	1,637,813	1,562,482
Superannuation	1,269,597	1,193,913
Locality & Other Allowances	459,377	401,123
Staff Housing / Relocation	316,653	282,602
Worker's Compensation	170,297	173,272
FBT	57,951	63,607
Total Employee Costs	12,861,559	12,603,915

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
4. OPERATING EXPENSES (Cont.)		
(b) Materials and Contracts		
Contractor expenses	1,888,362	2,359,576
Materials Expenditure	1,361,682	155,593
Electricity	562,759	486,644
Fuel & Oil Motor Vehicles	368,505	320,493
Freight	294,779	216,935
IT Help Desk & Software Licenses	271,035	281,756
Water & Sewerage	207,504	202,025
Section 19 Leases	199,929	197,620
Internet & Network Communication	165,966	160,590
Telephone Communication Expenses	118,652	99,267
Plant & Equipment hire	90,165	10,802
Operating Lease Expenses	36,346	128,919
Total Materials and Contracts	5,565,684	4,620,220
(c) Interest Charges		
Bank Fees	12,393	6,432
Interest Expenses	4	20
Total Interest Charges	12,397	6,452
(d) Other Operating Expenses		
Insurance	405,180	358,936
Travel & Accommodation	376,696	410,152
Councillor Allowance Exp.	212,072	215,434
Training & Seminars	177,093	109,695
Consultants & Legal Expenses	148,028	138,861
Vehicle Registration Expense	90,449	86,058
Council Chairman's Allowance	89,886	92,728
Repayment Prior Year Funding	36,893	298,899
Doubtful expenses	4,832	15,444
Other	166,827	197,633
Total Other Operating Expenses	1,707,956	1,923,840

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
4. OPERATING EXPENSES (Cont.)		
(e) Depreciation and Impairment		
Roads	2,283,648	2,262,460
Buildings	2,151,687	2,273,684
Infrastructure	1,030,312	1,021,295
Plant and Machinery	670,817	632,150
Motor Vehicles	331,195	300,402
Furniture and Fittings	51,660	48,871
Total Depreciation and Impairment	6,519,319	6,538,862
5. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
(a) Cash at Bank and on Hand		
Current Operating Accounts & Cash on Hand	532,773	456,719
Total Cash at Bank and on Hand	532,773	456,719
Total Cash at Bank and on Hand consists of:		
Current Cash	532,773	456,719
Total Cash at Bank and on Hand	532,773	456,719
(b) Investments and Term Deposits		
Short Term Deposits	15,918,538	14,203,674
Credit Union Shares	4	4
Total Investments and Term Deposits	15,918,542	14,203,678
RESTRICTED CASH SUMMARY		
Purpose:		
External Restrictions		
<u>Externally Restricted included in liabilities:</u>		
ERISS rent held in trust	96,928	103,154
Bonds	89,064	82,771
Subtotal	185,992	185,925

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
5. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Cont.)		
RESTRICTED CASH SUMMARY (Cont)		
<u>Externally Restricted Included in Revenue in the Current or Past Years:</u>		
Local Authorities Community Projects	1,065,636	927,031
Murganella Road Upgrade - Stage 2	959,282	-
Oval Upgrade - Maningrida	500,000	-
R2R - ID 053593 - Airport Road - Warruwi	319,605	-
Hard Shade Cover Basketball Court - Maningrida	272,680	-
ABA Funding - Gunbalanya Youth Space Upgrade	212,300	217,620
SPG - Towards Mobile Car Crusher - Region	200,000	-
Night Patrol	116,078	96,357
Children and Schooling - Youth, Sport and Rec. Project	99,109	44,900
SPG - Towards Rubbish Compactor - Minjilang	80,000	80,000
Magela Oval Light Towers - Jabiru	66,000	-
Budget Based Funding - Warruwi Crèche	65,733	19,999
NT Remote Sports Program	55,375	33,028
Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) - Warruwi	52,348	40,195
Women's Safe House - Gunbalanya	51,153	31,234
SPG - Towards Tractor - Warruwi	41,350	-
R&M Building and Playground - Warruwi Crèche	28,496	-
Remote Indigenous Broadcasting Service	27,134	27,306
Safety and Wellbeing - Sport and Recreation	18,665	103,362
Home Care Packages - Medicare subsidies	10,718	18,391
Airstrip Rd Culvert Upgrade - Gunbalanya	7,273	-
Community Pride Project - Maningrida	5,219	-
Basketball Court Refurbishment - Maningrida	3,577	42,000
NTEPA - Landfill Signage	2,867	13,806
Territory Day Celebration - Warruwi	1,180	-
CBF - Library IT Resources and Shelving - Jabiru	840	10,000
Little Brolgas Dance School - ERA CPF - Jabiru	357	357
CBF - Childcare Outdoor Learning Resources - Jabiru	71	148
NTEPA - Waste Oil Storage and Removal	19	552
Family Safe Environment Fund - Install LED lights	-	44,800
NTEPA - Internal Landfill Fencing	-	54,432

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
5. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Cont.)		
RESTRICTED CASH SUMMARY (Cont.)		
<u>Externally Restricted Included in Revenue in the Current or Past Years: (cont.)</u>		
NTEPA - Construct Landfill Sorting Bays	-	60,237
Solar Security Lighting - Maningrida	-	90,000
SPG - Towards Tip Truck and Water Tanker - Maningrida	-	150,000
SPG - Towards Excavator/ Backhoe - Gunbalanya	-	46,000
NT Jobs Package - Aged Care	-	33,263
Long Day Care Professional Development Program	-	9,587
Resurface Basketball and Tennis Courts - Jabiru	-	43,582
Kitchen Upgrade - Jabiru Childcare Centre	-	17,482
Subtotal	4,263,065	2,255,669
Total External Restrictions	4,449,057	2,441,594
Internal Restrictions		
General Purpose Financial Assistance G.- early release	638,588	615,833
Local Roads Financial Assistance Grant - early release	605,792	591,628
Cash Backed Capital Reserve	873,007	407,303
Total Internal Restrictions	2,117,387	1,614,764
Total Unrestricted	9,884,867	10,604,035
TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT AVAILABLE	16,451,311	14,660,393
6. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES		
Rates and Annual Charges	273,774	478,790
GST and Fuel Tax Credit Receivable	99,023	148,399
Other	383,385	317,546
Subtotal	756,182	944,735
Less: Allowance for Doubtful Debts	(46,845)	(139,058)
Total Trade and Other Receivables	709,337	805,677

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
6. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (Cont.)		
<i>Total Trade and Other Receivables Consist of:</i>		
Current Trade and Other Receivables	709,337	805,677
Total Trade and Other Receivables	709,337	805,677
(a) Ageing of Trade Receivables:		
Trade receivables are non-interest bearing and are generally on 30 day terms.		
The ageing of trade receivables is detailed below:		
Not past due	511,010	257,017
Past due 31 - 60 days	20,409	52,815
Past due 61 - 90 days	948	151,562
Past due 91+ days	124,792	334,942
Total	657,159	796,336
(b) Past due but not impaired receivables		
As at 30 June 2018, current receivables of the company with a nominal value of \$99,304 (2017 \$400,261) were past due but not impaired. These relate to a number of customers for whom there is no history of default.		
The ageing of these receivable is as follows:		
Past due 31 - 60 days	20,409	52,815
Past due 61 - 90 days	948	151,562
Past due 91+ days	77,947	195,884
Total	99,304	400,261
(c) Impaired receivables:		
As at 30 June 2018, receivables with a nominal value of \$46,845 (2017 \$139,058) were impaired.		
The ageing of these receivables is as follows:		
Not past due	-	-
Past due 31 - 60 days	-	-
Past due 61 - 90 days	-	-
Past due 91+ days	46,845	139,058
Total	46,845	139,058

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
6. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (Cont.)		
(d) Reconciliation of Impaired Receivables		
Movement in Allowance for Doubtful Debts is as follows:		
Opening Balance	139,058	243,742
Add: Doubtful expenses during the year	4,832	15,444
Less: Write-off of accounts previously provided with allowance for doubtful accounts	(97,045)	(120,128)
Closing balance	46,845	139,058
7. OTHER ASSETS		
(a) Inventories		
Fuel Stock	47,024	65,995
General Stock	27,830	11,434
Total Inventories	74,854	77,429
(b) Other		
Prepayments	78,675	60,491
Accrued Revenue	453,835	305,019
Bonds	9,375	8,360
Total Other	541,885	373,870
Total Other Assets	616,739	451,299
8. PROPERTY PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
<u>Gross carrying amount and accumulated depreciation</u>		
Land		
Fair Value	688,500	688,500
Written Down Value - Land	688,500	688,500
Buildings		
Fair Value	34,115,918	33,303,911
Accumulated Depreciation	(6,629,052)	(4,477,365)
Written Down Value - Buildings	27,486,866	28,826,546

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
8. PROPERTY PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Cont.)		
<u>Gross carrying amount and accumulated dep. (Cont.)</u>		
Infrastructure		
Fair Value	40,543,551	38,590,882
Accumulated Depreciation	(3,062,017)	(2,031,705)
Written Down Value - Infrastructure	37,481,534	36,559,177
Roads		
Fair Value	28,651,089	28,472,290
Accumulated Depreciation	(7,162,482)	(4,878,834)
Written Down Value - Roads	21,488,607	23,593,456
Plant and Machinery		
Cost	7,413,229	7,000,102
Accumulated Depreciation	(3,553,698)	(3,149,972)
Written Down Value - Plant and Machinery	3,859,531	3,850,130
Motor Vehicles		
Cost	2,538,358	2,489,671
Accumulated Depreciation	(1,766,606)	(1,608,290)
Written Down Value - Motor Vehicles	771,752	881,381
Furniture and Fittings		
Cost	432,855	432,855
Accumulated Depreciation	(309,734)	(258,074)
Written Down Value - Furniture and Fittings	123,121	174,781
(a) Total Property, Plant & Equipment	91,899,911	94,573,971
GAIN / LOSS ON DISPOSAL/WRITE OFF OF ASSETS		
Proceeds from Sale of Assets	139,799	122,717
Less: Carrying Value of Assets Disposal/Written Off	(44,782)	(364,770)
(b) Net Gain/(Loss) on Disposal/Write Off of Assets	95,017	(242,053)

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8. PROPERTY PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Cont.)

Movements in carrying amounts

BY ASSET TYPE	OPENING BALANCE			CARRYING AMOUNT MOVEMENTS DURING YEAR						CLOSING BALANCE		
	COST / FAIR VALUE 2017 \$	ACCUM. DEPRECIATION 2017 \$	CARRYING AMOUNT 2017 \$	Additions \$	Disposals		Depreciation \$	Fair Value Revaluation \$	Transfers Acc. Dep. \$	COST / FAIR VALUE 2018 \$	ACCUM. DEPRECIATION 2018 \$	CARRYING AMOUNT 2018 \$
					Cost \$	Acc. Dep. \$						
Land	688,500	-	688,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	688,500	-	688,500
Buildings	33,303,911	(4,477,365)	28,826,546	812,007	-	(2,151,687)	-	-	-	34,115,918	(6,629,052)	27,486,866
Infrastructure	38,590,882	(2,031,705)	36,559,177	1,952,669	-	(1,030,312)	-	-	-	40,543,551	(3,062,017)	37,481,534
Roads	28,472,290	(4,878,834)	23,593,456	178,799	-	(2,283,648)	-	-	-	28,651,089	(7,162,482)	21,488,607
Plant & Machinery	7,000,102	(3,149,972)	3,850,130	680,218	(267,091)	(670,817)	-	-	-	7,413,229	(3,553,698)	3,859,531
Motor Vehicles	2,489,671	(1,608,290)	881,381	266,348	(217,661)	(331,195)	-	-	-	2,538,358	(1,766,606)	771,752
Furniture & Fittings	432,855	(258,074)	174,781	-	-	(51,660)	-	-	-	432,855	(309,734)	123,121
Intangibles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT	110,978,211	(16,404,240)	94,573,971	3,890,041	(484,752)	(6,519,319)	-	-	-	114,383,500	(22,483,589)	91,899,911

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8. PROPERTY PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Cont.)

Movements in carrying amounts

BY ASSET TYPE	OPENING BALANCE			CARRYING AMOUNT MOVEMENTS DURING YEAR						CLOSING BALANCE		
	COST / FAIR VALUE 2016 \$	ACCUM. DEPRECIATION 2016 \$	CARRYING AMOUNT 2016 \$	Additions \$	Disposals		Depreciation \$	Fair Value Revaluation \$	Transfers Acc. Dep. \$	COST / FAIR VALUE 2017 \$	ACCUM. DEPRECIATION 2017 \$	CARRYING AMOUNT 2017 \$
					Cost \$	Acc. Dep. \$						
Land	-	-	-	688,500	-	-	-	-	-	688,500	-	688,500
Buildings	30,357,729	(2,282,966)	28,074,763	3,343,587	(397,405)	78,217	(2,273,684)	-	1,068	33,303,911	(4,477,365)	28,826,546
Infrastructure	38,371,546	(1,020,240)	37,351,306	219,336	-	-	(1,021,295)	-	9,830	38,590,882	(2,031,705)	36,559,177
Roads	27,020,501	(2,616,374)	24,404,127	1,451,789	-	-	(2,262,460)	-	-	28,472,290	(4,878,834)	23,593,456
Plant & Machinery	6,280,922	(2,766,047)	3,514,875	974,180	(255,000)	249,897	(632,150)	-	(1,672)	7,000,102	(3,149,972)	3,850,130
Motor Vehicles	2,309,523	(1,472,733)	836,790	394,698	(214,550)	174,071	(300,402)	-	(9,226)	2,489,671	(1,608,290)	881,381
Furniture & Fittings	333,033	(209,203)	123,830	99,822	-	-	(48,871)	-	-	432,855	(258,074)	174,781
Intangibles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT	104,673,254	(10,367,563)	94,305,691	7,171,912	(866,955)	502,185	(6,538,862)	-	-	110,978,211	(16,404,240)	94,573,971

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
9. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES , PROVISIONS AND OTHER LIABILITIES		
(a) Trade and Other Payables		
Goods and services	1,406,138	1,358,695
Employee Related	267,542	237,727
Total Trade and Other Payables	1,673,680	1,596,422
(b) Provisions		
Annual Leave - current	782,336	779,940
Annual Leave - non current	194,632	231,465
Long Service Leave - current	410,386	383,948
Long Service Leave - non current	356,267	311,103
Other – current	127,840	834,512
Total Provisions	1,871,461	2,540,968
<i>Total Provisions Consist of:</i>		
(b.1) Current Provisions	1,320,562	1,998,400
(b.2) Non - Current Provisions	550,899	542,568
Total Provisions	1,871,461	2,540,968
(c) Other Liabilities		
Accrued Expense	598,666	569,093
Bonds Held	185,992	185,925
Other	86,499	34,880
Total Other Liabilities	871,157	789,898
10. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS		
(a) Reconciliation of cash		
For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:		
Cash at Bank and on Hand	532,773	456,719
Short Term Deposits	15,918,538	14,203,674
Balance per Statement of Cash Flows	16,451,311	14,660,393

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
10. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Cont.)		
(b) Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets to Cash from Operating Activities		
Change in Net Assets after operations	(303,052)	(783,251)
<i>Add:</i>		
Depreciation & amortisation	6,519,319	6,538,862
Net loss on disposal/write off of fixed assets	-	242,053
Decrease in Trade and other receivables	96,340	730,376
Decrease in Stock	2,575	-
Decrease in Other Assets	-	24,140
Increase in Trade and other payables	77,258	322,969
Increase in Other Liabilities	81,259	359,291
Increase in Provisions	-	205,484
Other	-	-
<i>Less:</i>		
Net gain on disposal/write off of fixed assets	(95,017)	-
Contributed Assets	(1,920,044)	(599,130)
Increase in Stock	-	(21,647)
Increase in Other Assets	(168,015)	-
Decrease in Provisions	(669,507)	-
Net Cash Flows provided by Operating Activities	3,621,116	7,019,147
11. OPERATING LEASES		
Commitments under non-cancellable operating leases at the reporting date but not recognised in the financial statements are payable as follows:		
Not later than one year	386,618	184,301
Later than one year and not later than 5 years	852,064	239,585
Total	1,238,682	423,886

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
12. COMMITMENTS FOR EXPENDITURE		
The Council has entered into contracts for future major expenditure which are not provided in the financial statements. These commitments mainly relate to roads, constructions and purchases of plant & equipment.		
Not later than one year	316,338	175,434
Later than one year and not later than 5 years	-	-
Total	316,338	175,434
13. CONDITIONS OVER GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS		
Grants and contributions that were obtained on the condition that they be expended on specified purposes or in a future period but which are not yet expended in accordance with those conditions, are as follows:		
Unexpended at the close of the previous reporting period:	2,255,669	1,896,107
Less:		
Expended during the current reporting period from revenues recognised in previous reporting periods	(1,483,279)	(1,231,245)
Amounts recognised as liabilities in current reporting period due to an obligation to pay back to funding body	-	-
Prior year unexpended grants repaid to funding bodies	(36,893)	(298,899)
Net revenue recognised due to change on repayment conditions of grant	-	-
Plus:		
Amounts recognised as revenues in current reporting period but not yet expended in accordance with the conditions.	3,527,568	1,889,706
Surplus balances at the close of the current reporting period and held as restricted assets	4,263,065	2,255,669
Net increase (decrease) in restricted assets in the current reporting period	2,007,396	359,562

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
13. CONDITIONS OVER GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (Cont.)		
<u>Unexpended Grants & Contributions Dissection</u>		
Amounts recognised as revenues in current reporting period but not yet expended in accordance with the conditions:		
Murganella Road Upgrade - Stage 2	959,282	-
Local Authorities Community Projects	630,170	615,812
Oval Upgrade - Maningrida	500,000	-
R2R - ID 053593 - Airport Road - Warruwi	319,605	-
Hard Shade Cover Basketball Court - Maningrida	272,680	-
SPG - Towards Mobile Car Crusher - Region	200,000	-
Night Patrol	116,078	96,357
Children and Schooling - Youth, Sport and Rec. Project	99,109	44,900
Magela Oval Light Towers - Jabiru	66,000	-
Budget Based Funding - Warruwi Crèche	65,733	19,999
NT Remote Sports Program	55,375	33,028
Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) - Warruwi	52,348	40,195
Women's Safe House - Gunbalanya	51,153	31,234
SPG - Towards Tractor - Warruwi	41,350	-
R&M Building and Playground - Warruwi Crèche	28,496	-
Remote Indigenous Broadcasting Service	27,134	27,306
Safety and Wellbeing - Sport and Recreation	18,665	103,362
Home Care Packages - Medicare subsidies	10,718	18,391
Airstrip Rd Culvert Upgrade - Gunbalanya	7,273	-
Community Pride Project - Maningrida	5,219	-
Territory Day Celebration - Warruwi	1,180	-
ABA Funding - Gunbalanya Youth Space Upgrade	-	217,620
SPG - Towards Tip Truck and Water Tanker - Maningrida	-	150,000
Solar Security Lighting - Maningrida	-	90,000
SPG - Towards Rubbish Compactor - Minjilang	-	80,000
NTEPA - Construct Landfill Sorting Bays	-	60,237
NTEPA - Internal Landfill Fencing	-	54,432
SPG - Towards Excavator/ Backhoe - Gunbalanya	-	46,000
Resurface Basketball and Tennis Courts - Jabiru	-	43,582

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
13. CONDITIONS OVER GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (Cont.)		
<u>Unexpended Grants & Contributions Dissection (Cont.)</u>		
Basketball Court Refurbishment - Maningrida	-	42,000
NT Jobs Package - Aged Care	-	33,263
Kitchen Upgrade - Jabiru Childcare Centre	-	17,482
NTEPA - Landfill Signage	-	13,806
CBF - Library IT Resources and Shelving - Jabiru	-	10,000
NTEPA - Waste Oil Storage and Removal	-	552
CBF - Childcare Outdoor Learning Resources - Jabiru	-	148
Total	3,527,568	1,889,706
<u>Expended Grants and Contributions</u>		
Amounts expended or returned during the current reporting period from revenues recognised in previous reporting periods.		
Local Authorities Community Projects	491,565	543,461
SPG - Towards Tip Truck and Water Tanker - Maningrida	150,000	-
Safety and Wellbeing - Sport and Recreation	103,362	96,402
Night Patrol	96,357	57,173
Solar Security Lighting - Maningrida	90,000	-
NTEPA - Construct Landfill Sorting Bays	60,237	-
NTEPA - Internal Landfill Fencing	54,432	-
SPG - Towards Excavator/ Backhoe - Gunbalanya	46,000	-
Children and Schooling - Youth, Sport and Rec. Project	44,900	35,548
Family Safe Environment Fund - Install LED lights	44,800	-
Youth in Communities	43,582	-
Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) - Warruwi	40,195	-
Basketball Court Refurbishment - Maningrida	38,423	-
NT Jobs Package - Aged Care	33,263	29,823
NT Remote Sports Program	33,028	25,547
Women's Safe House - Gunbalanya	31,234	-
Remote Indigenous Broadcasting Service	27,306	49,432
Budget Based Funding - Warruwi Crèche	19,999	-
Home Care Packages - Medicare subsidies	18,391	20,521

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	2018 \$	2017 \$
13. CONDITIONS OVER GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (Cont.)		
<u>Expended Grants and Contributions (cont.)</u>		
Kitchen Upgrade - Jabiru Childcare Centre	17,482	-
NTEPA - Landfill Signage	10,939	-
Long Day Care Professional Development Program	9,587	30,847
CBF - Library IT Resources and Shelving - Jabiru	9,160	-
ABA Funding - Gunbalanya Youth Space Upgrade	5,320	-
NTEPA - Waste Oil Storage and Removal	533	-
CBF - Childcare Outdoor Learning Resources - Jabiru	77	-
SPG - Towards Grader for Maningrida	-	167,250
Indigenous Employment Initiative - Arts & Culture	-	154,101
R&M Building and Playground - Warruwi Crèche	-	79,569
Closing the Gap - Strengthen Governance Capacity	-	60,024
Roads to Recovery	-	49,768
Indigenous Employment Initiative - Broadcasting	-	46,455
JTDA Infrastructure Projects - Jabiru	-	32,082
Closing the Gap - Governance Training for Local Authorities	-	30,299
CBF - Pool Lane Ropes - Jabiru	-	10,000
FRRR - Jabiru Mini Miners - Replace Childcare Sandpit	-	5,000
TIO - Territory Day Celebrations - Gunbalanya	-	2,708
Indigenous Environmental Health Services - Maningrida	-	1,697
Little Brologas Dance School - ERA CPF - Jabiru	-	1,436
CBF - Teacher Aids Long Day Care Centre - Jabiru	-	1,001
Total	1,520,172	1,530,144

14. INTEREST IN JOINT VENTURE ENTITIES

CouncilBiz

CouncilBiz was incorporated as a Local Government subsidiary on 10 June 2008 and commenced operations on 1 July 2008 providing administrative, ICT and Business Systems support services to the 8 member Councils. It is a Local Government subsidiary, created as part of the Northern Territory Local Government Reform Agenda, under the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulations.

Upon the incorporation of CouncilBiz, the Council made an initial funding contribution of \$50,000. Under the terms and conditions of CouncilBiz's Constitution, the debts and liabilities of CouncilBiz are guaranteed by the members in equal shares or on the basis of the formula agreed by the members. Upon the dissolution

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14. INTEREST IN JOINT VENTURE ENTITIES (Cont.)

of CouncilBiz, the amount that remains after such dissolution and the settlement of all debts and liabilities shall be transferred to another organisation with a similar purpose as agreed to by the members with similar rules to CouncilBiz, such as prohibiting the distribution of assets and income to its members.

As the Council will not realise any returns from its \$50,000 funding contribution to CouncilBiz, this amount was expensed when it was incurred.

15. CONTINGENT ASSETS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Contingent Liabilities

Under the terms and conditions of the Constitution of CouncilBiz, the Council and other members have guaranteed the debts and liabilities of CouncilBiz. As at 30 June 2018, the amount of the obligation cannot be measured with sufficient reliability, and has not been recognised in the financial statements.

16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

(a) Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Council's principal financial instruments comprise receivables, payables and cash and cash equivalents.

The Council manages its exposure to financial risks, in accordance with its policies. The objectives of the policies are to maximise the income to the Council whilst minimising the downside risk.

The Council's activities expose it to normal commercial financial risk. The main risks the Council is exposed to through its financial instruments are liquidity risk, credit risk, market risk and interest rate risk. Risks are considered to be low.

Primary responsibility for the identification and control of financial risks rests with the Councillors and Senior Management under the authority of the Council Councillors.

(b) Categories of financial instruments

(i) Financial assets

<u>Recognised Financial Instruments</u>	<u>Balance Sheet Notes</u>	<u>Accounting Policies</u>	<u>Terms and conditions</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	5	Details are set out in note 1(b).	Interest is earned at the bank's benchmark interest rate.
Loans and receivables	6	Trade Receivables are carried at nominal amounts due less any provision for doubtful debts. A provision for doubtful debts is recognised when collection of the full nominal amount is no longer probable.	Credit sales are normally on 30 day terms or other negotiated terms. Loans are settled on negotiated terms.

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16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Cont.)

(b) Categories of financial instruments (Cont.)

(i) Financial assets (Cont.)

<u>Recognised Financial Instruments</u>	<u>Balance Sheet Notes</u>	<u>Accounting Policies</u>	<u>Terms and conditions</u>
Loans and receivables	6	Loans are measured at amortised cost subsequent to initial recognition, with any adjustments to the carrying amount going through the profit and loss.	

(ii) Financial liabilities

<u>Recognised Financial Instruments</u>	<u>Balance Sheet Notes</u>	<u>Accounting Policies</u>	<u>Terms and conditions</u>
Trade and other payables	9	Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Council.	Trade liabilities are normally settled on 30 day terms or other negotiated terms.

(c) Net fair value of financial assets and liabilities

Cash and cash equivalents: The carrying amount approximates fair value because of their short-term maturity.

Loans and receivables and trade and other payables: Their carrying amounts approximate fair value.

(d) Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk arises from the financial liabilities of the Council and its subsequent ability to meet its obligations to repay its financial liabilities as and when they fall due.

The Council reduces its exposure to liquidity risk by monitoring its cash flows closely through rolling future cash flows and monitoring the ageing of receivables and payables.

The maturity of financial liabilities as at 30 June 2018 is as follows:

		<u>Within 1 year \$</u>	<u>Within 1 - 5 Years \$</u>	<u>>5 Years \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
2018	Trade and other payables	1,673,680	-	-	1,673,680
	Other Liabilities	871,157	-	-	871,157
2017	Trade and other payables	1,596,422	-	-	1,596,422
	Other Liabilities	789,898	-	-	789,898

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16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Cont.)

(e) Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Council if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. Exposure to credit risk is monitored by management on an ongoing basis. The maximum exposure to credit risk, excluding the value of any collateral or other security, is limited to the total carrying value of financial assets, net of any provisions for impairment of those assets, as disclosed in the balance sheet and notes to the financial statements.

The Council does not have any material credit risk exposure to any single debtor or group of debtors under financial instruments entered into by the Council. The majority of the Council's debtors are government owned and funded entities and credit risk of the Council is low.

(f) Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates and equity prices will affect the Council's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The Council does not have any material market risk exposure.

(g) Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk refers to the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Council is exposed to interest rate risk primarily from its cash surpluses invested in short term interest bearing deposits. The deposits are only made with reputable financial institutions with maturity dates generally being no more than 30 days.

As at balance date the Council had the following financial instruments exposed to variable interest rate risk:

Financial Assets	2018 \$	2017 \$
Cash at Bank and on Hand	532,773	456,719
Short Term Deposits	15,918,538	14,203,674

At balance sheet date the Council has not entered into any loans or other financial commitments that present exposure to interest rate risk. Credit cards are the only short term financial instrument used by the Council and balances are cleared at month end.

Sensitivity analysis

The table below details the interest rate sensitivity analysis of the Council at the reporting date holding all other variables constant. A 100 basis point change is deemed to be reasonably possible and is used when reporting interest rate risk.

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16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Cont.)

Sensitivity analysis (Cont.)

	Impact on Profit Higher/(Lower) 2018 \$	Impact on Profit Higher/(Lower) 2017 \$
Interest rate + 1.00%	164,513	146,604
Interest rate - 1.00%	(164,513)	(146,604)

The method used to arrive at the possible risk of 100 basis points was based on both statistical and non-statistical analysis. The statistical analysis has been based on the Council's cash rate for the past years. This information is then revised and adjusted for reasonableness under the current economic circumstances.

17. RESERVES

The Council in its meeting held on 13 March 2018 allocated \$874,329 (net of carried forward balances) from accumulated surplus to the asset replacement reserve. These funds were intended to use for the purchase of various plant and equipment and building upgrades across the Council.

The Council in its meeting held on 12 July 2017 approved the allocation of \$260,000 (net of carried forward balances) from accumulated surplus to the assets replacement reserve for the construction of an amenity block at the landfill in Jabiru and a transportable building for the landfill in Gunbalanya. At the same meeting, the Council ratified the allocation of \$2,397,334 (net of carried forward balances) from accumulated surplus to the assets replacement reserve for the year ended 30 June 2017. These funds were used for the purchase of the new office in Darwin, refurbishment of buildings and other infrastructure and capital items.

The movements of the reserve for the year ended 30 June 2018 are as follows:

	OTHER RESERVES	Opening Balance \$	Transfer to Reserve \$	Transfer from Reserve \$	Closing Balance \$
2018	Assets Replacement Reserve	407,303	1,134,329	(668,625)	873,007
2017	Assets Replacement Reserve	1,527,000	2,397,334	(3,517,031)	407,303

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18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The related parties of the Council include:

- the key responsible persons because they have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Council directly; and
- spouses, children and dependants who are close family members of the key responsible persons; and
- any entities controlled or jointly controlled by key responsible persons' or controlled or jointly controlled by their close family members.

Key Responsible Persons

Key responsible persons of the Council are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of Council. These include the Councillors, Chief Executive Officer and Senior Management Team as listed below.

(a) Responsible Persons

Names of persons holding the position of a Responsible Person at the Council at any time during the year are:

Councillors	Councillor (Mayor) James Marrawal	(Mayor until 4 September 2017)
	Councillor (Mayor) Mathew Ryan	(Deputy Mayor until 4 September 2017 - Mayor from 13 September 2017)
	Councillor (Deputy Mayor) Anna Egerton	(Deputy Mayor from 13 September 2017)
	Councillor Davison Nawirridj	
	Councillor Elizabeth Williams	
	Councillor Ralph Blyth	(Appointed 4 September 2017)
	Councillor Valda Bokmakarray	(Appointed 4 September 2017)
	Councillor Otto Dann	(Appointed 4 September 2017)
	Councillor Julius Don Kernan	(Appointed 4 September 2017)
	Councillor Karl Srdinsek	(Appointed 4 September 2017)
	Councillor Philip Wasaga	(Appointed 4 September 2017)
	Councillor Helen Williams	(Ceased 7 April 2018)
	Councillor Captain Brown	(Ceased 4 September 2017)
	Councillor Alex Siebert	(Ceased 4 September 2017)
	Councillor Michelle Siebert	(Ceased 4 September 2017)
	Councillor Daisy Yarmirr	(Ceased 4 September 2017)
Chief Executive Officer	Brian Hylands	
Senior Management	Valentin Markez	
	Gordon Smith	

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18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Cont.)

(a) Remuneration of Responsible Persons

The aggregate compensation made to responsible persons and other members of key management personnel is set out below:

	2018 \$	2017 \$
Short term employee benefits	858,928	848,292
Post employment benefits	-	-
Other long term benefits	-	-
Termination benefits	-	-
Total	858,928	848,292

(b) Retirement Benefits

No retirement benefits have been made by the Council to a Responsible Person.

(c) Loans to Responsible Persons

No loans have been made, guaranteed or secured by the Council to a Responsible Person during the financial year ended 30 June 2018.

(d) Other Transactions

Transactions, other than remuneration payments and the reimbursement of approved expenses, were entered into by Council with Responsible Persons during the reporting year as below:

	2018 \$	2017 \$
Motor vehicle and housing benefits	37,901	48,113
Total	37,901	48,113

(e) Outstanding Amounts

Other than those relating to accrued salaries and provision for employee entitlements, there are no outstanding receivables or payables from / to the Council's key responsible persons as at 30 June 2018.

19. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

Amounts received or due and receivable by the auditors of West Arnhem Regional Council are as follows:

	2018 \$	2017 \$
Audit or review services	54,678	40,018
Other services	-	-
Total	54,678	40,018



SPECIAL SCHEDULE "A" GRANT ACQUITTALS

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018



INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	ABA Funding - Gunbalanya Youth Space Upgrade	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	217,620	217,620
TOTAL INCOME	217,620	217,620
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Design and Drafting	5,320	5,320
Capital Expenditure		212,300
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	5,320	217,620
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	212,300	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Airstrip Rd Culvert Upgrade - Gunbalanya	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	29,092	29,092
TOTAL INCOME	29,092	29,092
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Design Expenses	-	7,273
Administration Fee	21,819	21,819
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	21,819	29,092
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	7,273	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Australia Day Council NT - Australia Day Grant	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	5,000	5,000
TOTAL INCOME	5,000	5,000
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Food, Materials and Venue Hire	5,161	4,250
Administration Fee	750	750
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	5,911	5,000
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(911)	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Basketball Court Refurbishment - Maningrida	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	42,000	42,000
TOTAL INCOME	42,000	42,000
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Epxenditure	38,423	42,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	38,423	42,000
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	3,577	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	Bininj Gunwok Language Project	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	238,500	238,500
TOTAL INCOME	238,500	238,500
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Contractor and Material Expenses	213,500	213,500
Contract Administration Fee	25,000	25,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	238,500	238,500
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	CBF - Library IT Resources and Shelving - Jabiru	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	10,000	10,000
TOTAL INCOME	10,000	10,000
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Expenditure	9,160	10,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	9,160	10,000
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	840	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	CBF - Childcare Outdoor Learning Resources - Jabiru	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	148	148
TOTAL INCOME	148	148
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Outdoor Learning Resources	77	148
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	77	148
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	71	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	CBF - Skate Park Upgrade - Jabiru	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Capital 2017-2018	9,738	9,738
TOTAL INCOME	9,738	9,738
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Skate Park Upgrade	9,842	9,738
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	9,842	9,738
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(104)	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	Children and Schooling - Youth, Sport and Rec. Project	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	300,000	300,000
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	44,900	44,900
TOTAL INCOME	344,900	344,900
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Salaries and Oncosts	92,387	156,182
Motor Vehicles	13,320	16,500
Repairs & Maintenance	11,993	6,000
Services and Administration	45,000	66,000
Supplies	18,997	43,240
Travel	8,691	12,078
Training	3,000	3,000
Utilities	5,112	6,000
Activities	47,291	35,900
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	245,791	344,900
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	99,109	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	Community and Home Support Program	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	188,188	188,188
National Carers Week Funding	600	600
User Fees	45,064	45,064
Wages Reimbursed	1,687	1,687
TOTAL INCOME	235,539	235,539
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Direct Costs		
Support and Administration Costs		
Employee Costs	52,479	52,479
Telephone Expenses	2,260	2,260
Internet Service Provider Expenses	109	109
Computing Cost Allocation - Expense	16,200	16,200
Premises Expenses	1,308	1,308
Contract Administration Fee	28,228	28,228
Training Expenses	445	445
Printing and Stationary	318	318
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	235,539	235,539
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Community Pride Project - Maningrida	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	18,182	18,182
TOTAL INCOME	18,182	18,182
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Contractor Expenses	4,200	4,200
Material Expenses	6,405	11,624
Food Expenses	178	178
Freight	484	484
Airfare Expenses	1,696	1,696
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	12,963	18,182
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	5,219	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Disability In Home Support Services	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	-	-
User Fees	202,122	202,122
TOTAL INCOME	202,122	202,122
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Salaries and Oncosts	102,121	100,621
Client Support Consumables	60,139	60,139
Freight	121	121
Training and Development	833	833
Management Fees	40,408	40,408
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	203,622	202,122
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(1,500)	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Family Safe Environment Fund - Install LED lights	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	44,800	44,800
TOTAL INCOME	44,800	44,800
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Install LED Solar Lights	48,465	44,800
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	48,465	44,800
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(3,665)	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Gunbalanya Women's Safe House	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	425,838	425,838
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	31,234	31,234
TOTAL INCOME	457,072	457,072
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Employee Costs	271,499	332,862
Cleaning & Pest Control	350	-
Client Support Consumables	8,314	10,500
Motor Vehicle Expenses	8,204	6,100
Travel & Accommodation	1,538	1,500
Repairs & Maintenance - Safehouse Building, Yard & Fences/Gates	23,913	500
Phone/Fax/Internet	14,218	23,196
Postage, Freight & Courier	-	7,688
Printing & Stationery	-	250
Management Fees	63,876	63,876
Utilities	12,657	8,600
Sundry Expenses	1,350	2,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	405,919	457,072
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	51,153	0

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	Hard Shade Cover Basketball Court Maningrida	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	272,680	272,680
TOTAL INCOME	272,680	272,680
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Supply and Instal Hard Shade Cover	-	272,680
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	-	272,680
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	272,680	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	Home Care Packages - Medicare subsidies	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Medicare Subsidies	298,599	298,599
User Fees	19,964	19,964
Wages Reimbursed	816	816
Client Funds brought forward from 2016-2017	18,391	18,391
TOTAL INCOME	337,770	337,770
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Direct Costs		
Salaries and Oncosts	144,742	144,742
Training	2,747	2,747
Care Related Expenditure	30,231	40,949
Care Related Travel	16,765	16,765
Operating Costs		
Electricity	17,367	17,367
Utilities (Water and Sewerage)	3,191	3,191
Computing and IT Cost Allocation - Expense	19,282	19,282
Building Maintenance	28,160	28,160
Equipment Purchases	1,063	1,063
Administration Fee	62,424	62,424
Telephone/Internet	866	866
Other - OfficeSupplies, Printing & Stationery	213	214
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	327,051	337,770
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	10,719	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	Indigenous Environmental Health Services	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	6,480	6,480
Deficit Brought Forward from 2016-2017	(6,480)	(6,480)
TOTAL INCOME	-	-
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	-	-
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	Indigenous Jobs Development Funding	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	760,000	760,000
TOTAL INCOME	760,000	760,000
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Salaries and Oncosts	760,000	760,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	760,000	760,000
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Jabiru Library Service	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	98,900	98,900
User Fees and Charges Income	408	408
TOTAL INCOME	99,308	99,308
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Salaries and Oncosts	83,347	81,300
Computing and IT Expenses	8,100	8,100
Printing and Stationary	628	210
Telephone Expenses	987	1,210
Materials General	2,493	2,309
Internet Service Provider Expenses	3,382	3,382
Freight and Postage	420	60
Electricity Expenses	3,220	3,000
License Fee Expenses	392	318
Cleaning expenses	7,631	3,400
Travel Expenses	33	33
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	110,633	103,322
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(11,325)	(4,014)

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Kakadu Triathlon	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	3,000	3,000
Sponsorship Income	-	5,473
TOTAL INCOME	8,473	8,473
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Material Expense	6,076	6,076
Printing and Stationary	795	795
Food Purchases	400	400
Plant and Equipment Hire	651	651
Freight & Postage	239	239
License Fee	312	312
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	8,473	8,473
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Kitchen Upgrade - Jabiru Childcare Centre	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	17,482	17,482
TOTAL INCOME	17,482	17,482
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Kitchen Upgrade	30,900	17,482
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	30,900	17,482
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(13,418)	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Little Brolgas Dance School - ERA CPF	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	357	357
TOTAL INCOME	357	357
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Purchase Equipment and Resources	-	357
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	-	357
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	357	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Local Authorities Community Projects	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	630,170	630,170
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	927,031	927,031
TOTAL INCOME	1,557,201	1,557,201
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Local Authority project Expenses - Gunbalanya	257,230	511,473
Local Authority project Expenses - Maningrida	133,550	686,562
Local Authority project Expenses - Minjilang	35,574	118,612
Local Authority project Expenses - Warruwi	65,211	240,554
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	491,565	1,557,201
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	1,065,636	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Long Day Care Professional Development Program	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	9,587	9,587
TOTAL INCOME	9,587	9,587
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Repayment of Prior Years Funding	9,587	9,587
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	9,587	9,587
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Maningrida Solar Security Lighting	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	90,000	90,000
TOTAL INCOME	90,000	90,000
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Supply and Instal Solar Lights	90,728	90,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	90,728	90,000
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(728)	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	Murganella Road Upgrade - Stage 2	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	1,087,500	1,087,500
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	(60,920)	(60,920)
TOTAL INCOME	1,026,580	1,026,580
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Murganella Road Resheeting, Culverts, Crossings & Road Furniture	67,298	1,026,580
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	67,298	1,026,580
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	959,282	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	Navy Week Celebration	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	1,091	1,092
TOTAL INCOME	1,091	1,092
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Food Purchases	1,091	1,092
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1,091	1,092
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	Night Patrol	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	1,052,086	1,052,086
Brought Forward from 2016-2017 - Operational	96,357	96,357
Plant and Equipment Hire Income	391	-
TOTAL INCOME	1,148,834	1,148,443
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Salaries		
Night Patrol Coordinator	79,826	81,500
Staff	550,978	615,500
Salary on Costs	140,892	139,400
Motor Vehicles		
Vehicle Operations	54,103	40,000
Repairs and Maintenance		
	9,652	3,051
Services		
	110,889	141,797
Supplies		
	4,700	15,838
Travel		
	11,882	15,000
Training		
	69,834	63,640
Repayment of Prior Years Funding	-	32,718
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1,032,756	1,148,444
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	116,078	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT		
Activity Description :	NT Jobs Package - Aged Care	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	481,026	481,026
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	33,263	33,263
TOTAL INCOME	514,289	514,289
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Salaries and Oncosts	514,289	514,289
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	514,289	514,289
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	NT Remote Sports Program	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	238,000	238,000
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	33,028	33,028
TOTAL INCOME	271,028	271,028
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Salaries - Staff Organising Sporting Competitions	47,819	100,000
Support Implementation of Remote Sports Voucher Scheme	15,917	20,000
Participation in Regional Competitions	89,235	82,000
Indirect Costs	36,000	36,000
2016/17 Surplus Brought Forward - To Support Training & Development	26,682	33,028
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	215,653	271,028
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	55,375	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	NTEPA - Construct Landfill Sorting Bays	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	60,237	60,237
TOTAL INCOME	60,237	60,237
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Construction of Landfill Sorting Bays	60,643	60,237
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	60,643	60,237
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(406)	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	NTEPA - Internal Landfill Fencing	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	54,432	54,432
TOTAL INCOME	54,432	54,432
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Fencing Installation	115,387	54,432
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	-	54,432
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(60,955)	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	NTEPA - Landfill Signage	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	13,806	13,806
TOTAL INCOME	13,806	13,806
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Signage	10,939	13,806
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	10,939	13,806
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	2,867	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	NTEPA - Waste Oil Storage and Removal	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	552	552
TOTAL INCOME	552	552
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Expenditure	533	552
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	533	552
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	19	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Operate Long Day Care Centre Jabiru	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018 Commonwealth Sustainability	36,023	36,024
Operational 2017-2018 Northern Territory Subsidy	35,241	35,241
FAO Childcare Benefit	259,284	197,274
User Fees	307,674	233,488
Australian Apprenticships NT Support	12,510	11,120
TOTAL INCOME	650,732	513,147
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Salaries and Oncosts	597,312	456,572
Contractor Expenses - Cleaning	17,339	17,000
Contractor Expenses - Ground Maintenance	7,418	6,066
Contractor Expenses - Dispenser Service	375	-
Contractor Expenses - Pest Control	348	-
Contractor Expenses - Repairs amd Maintenance	2,618	-
Contractor Expenses - Asbestos Testing	1,298	-
Contractor Expenses - Electrical Testing	67	-
Contractor Expenses - Fire Safety & Extinguisher Testing	3,111	-
Internal Ground Maintenance Expenses	4,564	3,299
Materials General	7,237	4,714
Printing and Stationary	1,097	381
Food Purchases	10,080	7,058
Minor Equipment < , \$5,000.00	2,400	1,969
Bank Fees and Charges	1,577	1,270
Freight & Postage Expenses	83	13
Training Expenses	1,202	319
Electricity/Gas	12,703	6,839
Computer/Telephone/Internet Expenses	14,471	11,739
Advertising	14	14
Software License Maintenance Fee	1,664	1,339
Licence Fees	517	517
Administration Fee	95,733	67,805
Donations	428	428
Memberships and Subscriptions	560	255
CAPITAL		
Supply and Instal Glass Doors	5,595	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	789,811	587,597
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(139,079)	(74,450)

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Oval Upgrade - Maningrida	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Capital 2017-2018	500,000	500,000
TOTAL INCOME	500,000	500,000
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Oval Upgrade	-	500,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	-	500,000
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	500,000	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Purchase and Install Light Towers - Magela Oval Jabiru	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Capital 2017-2018	66,000	66,000
TOTAL INCOME	66,000	66,000
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Purchase and Install Light Towers	-	66,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	-	66,000
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	66,000	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	R&M Building and Playground - Warruwi Crèche & OSHC	
	2017-2018 Actual	2017-2018 Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018 - OSHC R&M	12,000	12,000
Operational 2017-2018 - CRECHE R&M	28,000	28,000
Operational 2017-2018	5,000	5,000
TOTAL INCOME	45,000	45,000
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Upgrade Kitchen	9,754	33,250
Governance and Transition Expenses	-	5,000
Project Management	6,750	6,750
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	16,504	45,000
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	28,496	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Remote Indigenous Broadcasting Service	
	2017-2018 Actual	2017-2018 Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	35,000	35,000
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	27,306	27,306
TOTAL INCOME	62,306	62,306
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Licence Fees	517	517
Utilities	1,366	1,366
Repairs and Maintenance - Building/Other Equipment	733	27,867
Administration	5,250	5,250
Repayment of Prior Years Funding	27,306	27,306
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	35,172	62,306
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	27,134	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Resurface Basketball and Tennis Courts - Jabiru	
	2017-2018 Actual	2017-2018 Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	43,582	43,582
TOTAL INCOME	43,582	43,582
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Contractor, labour and materials	74,933	43,582
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	74,933	43,582
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(31,351)	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Roads to Recovery	
	2017-2018 Actual	2017-2018 Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
R2R Funds Received 2016-17	805,177	805,177
Deficit Brought Forward from 2016-2017	(24,039)	(24,039)
TOTAL INCOME	781,138	781,138
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
R2R Funds Expended	461,533	781,138
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	461,533	781,138
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	319,605	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT			
Activity Description :	Safety and Wellbeing - Sport and Recreation		
	2017-2018	2017-2018	
	Actual	Budget	
	\$	\$	
Income			
OPERATIONAL			
Operational 2017-2018	450,000	450,000	
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	103,362	103,362	
TOTAL INCOME	553,362	553,362	
Expenditure			
OPERATIONAL			
Salaries	324,832	309,178	
Administration Fee/Services	82,500	82,500	
Training/Supplies	1,778	5,000	
Travel	21,158	20,000	
Activities	104,429	33,322	
Repayment of Prior Years Funding	-	103,362	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	534,697	553,362	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	18,665	-	

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT			
Activity Description :	SPG - Towards Excavator/ Backhoe - Gunbalanya		
	2017-2018	2017-2018	
	Actual	Budget	
	\$	\$	
Income			
OPERATIONAL			
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	46,000	46,000	
TOTAL INCOME	46,000	46,000	
Expenditure			
OPERATIONAL			
Purchase of Mini Excavator/Backhoe Gunbalanya	46,000	46,000	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	46,000	46,000	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-	-	

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT			
Activity Description :	SPG - Towards Mobile Car Crusher - Region		
	2017-2018	2017-2018	
	Actual	Budget	
	\$	\$	
Income			
OPERATIONAL			
Capital 2017-2018	200,000	200,000	
TOTAL INCOME	200,000	200,000	
Expenditure			
OPERATIONAL			
Purchase of Mobile Car Crusher	-	200,000	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	-	200,000	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	200,000	-	

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT			
Activity Description :	SPG - Towards Tractor - Warruwi		
	2017-2018	2017-2018	
	Actual	Budget	
	\$	\$	
Income			
OPERATIONAL			
Capital 2017-2018	41,350	41,350	
TOTAL INCOME	41,350	41,350	
Expenditure			
OPERATIONAL			
Purchase of a Tractor	-	41,350	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	-	41,350	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	41,350	-	

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	SPG - Towards Rubbish Compactor - Minjilang	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	80,000	80,000
TOTAL INCOME	80,000	80,000
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Purchase of Rubbish Compactor	-	80,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	-	80,000
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	80,000	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	SPG - Towards Tip Truck and Water Tanker - Maningrida	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	150,000	150,000
TOTAL INCOME	150,000	150,000
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Purchase a Bogie Drive Tip Truck and Water Tanker	150,000	150,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	150,000	150,000
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Streetlight Operational R&M - Jabiru	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	7,511	7,511
TOTAL INCOME	7,511	7,511
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Repairs & Maintenance	7,511	7,511
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	7,511	7,511
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	TIO - Territory Day Celebrations - Warruwi	
	2017-2018 Actual \$	2017-2018 Budget \$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	1,180	1,180
TOTAL INCOME	1,180	1,180
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Territory Day Celebration - Warruwi Costs	-	1,180
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	-	1,180
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	1,180	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

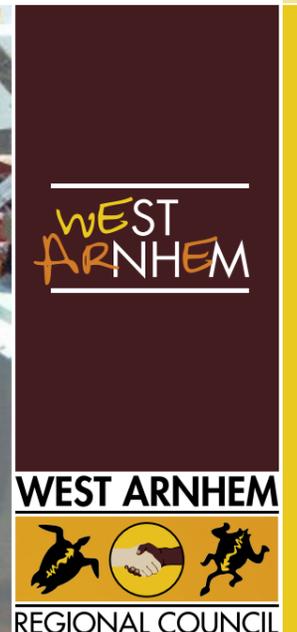
Activity Description :	Warruwi Crèche	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	262,517	262,517
Additional Funding 2017-2018 Governance	20,000	5,000
Additional Funding 2017-2018 Workforce Supplement	16,418	16,419
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	19,999	19,999
TOTAL INCOME	318,934	303,935
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Salary and Wages	149,591	167,948
Client Support Consumables	12,910	25,761
Building Expenses	24,173	12,000
Insurance	2,500	2,500
Administration	43,341	46,790
Provisions	20,686	23,937
Additional Costs - Governance, Financial Management & Admin.	-	5,000
Repayment of Prior Year Funding	-	19,999
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	253,201	303,935
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	65,733	-

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Activity Description :	Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) - Warruwi	
	2017-2018	2017-2018
	Actual	Budget
	\$	\$
Income		
OPERATIONAL		
Operational 2017-2018	83,756	83,756
Brought Forward from 2016-2017	40,195	40,195
TOTAL INCOME	123,951	123,951
Expenditure		
OPERATIONAL		
Salary and Wages	31,833	44,773
Client Support Consumables	2,688	16,168
Provisions	5,992	6,202
Insurance	1,500	1,500
Administration	12,563	15,113
Mural Workshop	17,027	17,027
Repayment of Prior Year Funding	-	23,167
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	71,603	123,950
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	52,348	-



SPECIAL SCHEDULE "B" LOCAL AUTHORITY PROFIT AND LOSS REPORTS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018



Gunbalanya Community Profit and Loss Report Period Ending 30th June 2018

	2017-2018		
	Actual	Budget	\$ Variance
OPERATING REVENUE			
Income Rates	420,712	315,539	105,173
Income Council Fees and Charges	38,018	31,757	6,261
Income Operating Grants	2,241,840	1,539,179	702,661
Income Allocation	1,618,635	1,290,171	328,464
Other Income	27,520	19,738	7,782
Income Agency and Commercial Services	1,345,617	953,360	392,257
Total Operating Revenue	5,692,342	4,149,744	1,542,598
OPERATING EXPENDITURE			
Employee Expenses	2,874,000	2,261,714	(612,286)
Contract and Material Expenses	2,421,567	1,864,301	(557,266)
Finance Expenses	2,328	1,558	(770)
Travel, Freight and Accom Expenses	119,314	92,439	(26,875)
Fuel, Utilities & Communication	485,330	336,366	(148,964)
Other Expenses	689,694	516,002	(173,692)
Total Operating Expenditure	6,592,233	5,072,380	(1,519,853)
Net Surplus / (Deficit) - Rev Exp Only:	(899,891)	(922,636)	22,745
CAPITAL INCOME			
Capital Grant and Contributions	485,144	490,904	(5,760)
Total Capital Income	485,144	490,904	(5,760)
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			
Capital Expenditure	530,817	205,425	(325,392)
Total Capital Expenditure	530,817	205,425	(325,392)
Total Capital Surplus / (Deficit)	(45,673)	285,479	(331,152)
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	(945,564)	(637,157)	(308,407)

Maningrida Community Profit and Loss Report Period Ending 30th June 2018

	2017-2018		
	Actual	Budget	\$ Variance
OPERATING REVENUE			
Income Rates	714,736	550,939	163,797
Income Council Fees and Charges	24,454	15,272	9,182
Income Operating Grants	670,702	298,203	372,499
Income Allocation	1,562,206	1,223,075	339,131
Other Income	27,013	14,224	12,789
Income Agency and Commercial Services	674,487	481,321	193,166
Total Operating Revenue	3,673,598	2,583,034	1,090,564
OPERATING EXPENDITURE			
Employee Expenses	1,948,007	1,638,408	(309,599)
Contract and Material Expenses	1,980,908	1,494,362	(486,546)
Finance Expenses	2,345	2,194	-
Travel, Freight and Accom Expenses	82,284	57,795	(24,489)
Fuel, Utilities & Communication	350,350	215,459	(134,891)
Other Expenses	432,637	446,309	13,672
Total Operating Expenditure	4,796,531	3,854,527	(941,853)
Net Surplus / (Deficit) - Rev Exp Only:	(1,122,933)	(1,271,493)	148,560
CAPITAL INCOME			
Capital Grant and Contributions	674,978	157,086	517,892
Total Capital Income	674,978	157,086	517,892
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			
Capital Expenditure	683,724	285,342	(398,382)
Total Capital Expenditure	683,724	285,342	(398,382)
Total Capital Surplus / (Deficit)	(8,746)	(128,256)	119,510
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	(1,131,679)	(1,399,749)	268,070

Minjilang Community Profit and Loss Report Period Ending 30th June 2018

	2017-2018		
	Actual	Budget	\$ Variance
OPERATING REVENUE			
Income Rates	83,921	62,897	21,024
Income Council Fees and Charges	14,039	12,052	1,987
Income Operating Grants	238,459	178,842	59,617
Income Allocation	463,088	283,244	179,844
Other Income	8,520	5,639	2,881
Income Agency and Commercial Services	711,010	424,563	286,447
Total Operating Revenue	1,519,037	967,237	551,800
OPERATING EXPENDITURE			
Employee Expenses	1,050,064	755,689	(294,375)
Contract and Material Expenses	737,809	521,210	(216,599)
Finance Expenses	1,240	878	(362)
Travel, Freight and Accom Expenses	201,622	121,134	(80,488)
Fuel, Utilities & Communication	278,718	194,293	(84,425)
Other Expenses	270,186	183,046	(87,140)
Total Operating Expenditure	2,539,639	1,776,250	(763,389)
Net Surplus / (Deficit) - Rev Exp Only:	(1,020,602)	(809,013)	(211,589)
CAPITAL INCOME			
Capital Grant and Contributions	473,852	390,852	83,000
Total Capital Income	473,852	390,852	83,000
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			
Capital Expenditure	376,568	243,922	(132,646)
Total Capital Expenditure	376,568	243,922	(132,646)
Total Capital Surplus / (Deficit)	97,284	146,930	(49,646)
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	(923,318)	(662,083)	(261,235)

Warruwi Community Profit and Loss Report Period Ending 30th June 2018

	2017-2018		
	Actual	Budget	\$ Variance
OPERATING REVENUE			
Income Rates	130,761	96,894	33,867
Income Council Fees and Charges	5,818	5,623	195
Income Operating Grants	843,090	335,243	507,847
Income Allocation	559,315	346,136	213,179
Other Income	12,024	8,166	3,858
Income Agency and Commercial Services	444,986	280,372	164,614
Total Operating Revenue	1,995,994	1,072,434	923,560
OPERATING EXPENDITURE			
Employee Expenses	1,410,382	1,093,590	(316,792)
Contract and Material Expenses	893,238	483,488	(409,750)
Finance Expenses	250	188	(62)
Travel, Freight and Accom Expenses	119,077	58,584	(60,493)
Fuel, Utilities & Communication	170,950	116,042	(54,908)
Other Expenses	305,652	219,014	(86,638)
Total Operating Expenditure	2,899,549	1,970,906	(928,643)
Net Surplus / (Deficit) - Rev Exp Only:	(903,555)	(898,472)	(5,083)
CAPITAL INCOME			
Capital Grant and Contributions	154,300	112,950	41,350
Total Capital Income	154,300	112,950	41,350
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-
Total Capital Expenditure	-	-	-
Total Capital Surplus / (Deficit)	154,300	112,950	41,350
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	(749,255)	(785,522)	36,267





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