

Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council Special Council Meeting
Friday, 19 July 2024 at 9:00 am
Council Chambers

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND OPENING OF MEETING

Chairperson Mayor Woods declared the meeting open at 9:11 am, welcomed all in attendance and did an Acknowledgement of Country.

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson	James Woods (Mayor)
Deputy Mayor	Elizabeth Williams
Councillor	Ralph F Blyth
Councillor	Donna Nadjamerrek
Councillor	Henry Guwiyul
Councillor	Jacqueline Phillips
Councillor	James Marrawal

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Andrew Walsh
Director Community and Council Services	Fiona Ainsworth
Director Finance	Jocelyn Nathanael-Walters
Governance and Risk Advisor (acting)	Jasmine Mortimore

3 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCES

Agenda Reference:	3.1
Title:	Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absence Without Notice
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Acting Governance and Risk Advisor

The Council considered a report on Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absence Without Notice.

OCM162/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Cr Blyth
Seconded Mayor Woods

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the absence of Cr Dann, Cr Onus, Cr Gumurdul and Cr Nadjamerrek
2. Notes the apology received from Cr Dann, Cr Onus and Cr Gumurdul; and
3. Determines Cr Dann, Cr Onus, Cr Gumurdul and Cr Nadjamerrek are absent with permission of the Council.

CARRIED

4 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Agenda Reference:	4.1
Title:	Acceptance of Agenda
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Acting Governance and Risk Advisor

The Council considered a report on Acceptance of Agenda.

OCM163/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Deputy Mayor Williams
Seconded Cr Guwiyul

THAT COUNCIL accept the agenda papers as circulated for the Special Council meeting held on 19 July 2024.

CARRIED

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

Agenda Reference:	5.1
Title:	Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Acting Governance and Risk Advisor

The Council considered a report on Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff.

OCM164/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Cr Blyth
Seconded Cr Phillips

THAT COUNCIL received the declarations of interest from CEO for 8.1 as listed for the Special Council meeting held on 19 July 2024.

CARRIED

6 ACTION REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	6.1
Title:	Filling Casual Vacancies - Maningrida Ward

Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Acting Governance and Risk Advisor
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Cr Nadjamerrek joined the meeting at 9:40am

The Council considered a report on Filling Casual Vacancies - Maningrida Ward.

OCM165/2024 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Cr Marrawal

Seconded Cr Guwiyul

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive and not the report titled *Filling Casual Vacancies - Maningrida Ward*
2. Notes the nominations received by Garth Doolan, Tim Wilton, Tyson Ryan, Shane Namanurki, Marlene Kernan, Jermaine Namanurki, Cynthia Brown and Monica Wilton.
3. Appoints Jermaine Namanurki and Monica Wilton to fill the two Maningrida Ward Vacancy.
4. Does not appoint Garth Doolan, Tim Wilton, Tyson Ryan, Shane Namannurki, Marlene Kernan, Cynthia Brown to fill the Maningrida Ward Vacancy; and
5. Acknowledges and thanks all applicants that applied.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.2
Title:	Transfer of Gunbalanya Safe House Asset
Author:	Jocelyn Nathanael-Walters, Director Finance

Cr Phillips left the meeting at 9:50am

The Council considered a report on Transfer of Gunbalanya Safe House Assets.

OCM166/2024 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Mayor Woods

Seconded Cr Marrawal

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive and note the report titled Transfer of Gunbalanya Safe House Asset; and
2. Approve the transfer of the Gunbalanya Safe House program's Toyota Fortuner (Council registration CE82UL) motor vehicle from Council's records.

CARRIED

7 PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

Agenda Reference:	7.1
Title:	Closure to the Public for the Discussion of Confidential Items
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Acting Governance and Risk Advisor

The Council considered a report on Closure to the Public for the Discussion of Confidential Items.

OCM167/2024 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Deputy Mayor Williams

Seconded Cr Blyth

That pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 52 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda.

CARRIED

8 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

The information in this section of the Agenda is classed as confidential under Section 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and Regulation 51 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2021*.

Agenda Reference:	8.1
Title:	CEO Probation Review
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Acting Governance and Risk Advisor

The Report will remain confidential under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(a). It contains information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.

Agenda Reference:	8.2
Title:	Disclosure of Confidential Resolutions and Re-admittance of the Public
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Governance and Risk Advisor

The Council considered a report on Disclosure of Confidential Resolutions and Re-admittance of the Public.

OCM169/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Cr Guwiyul
Seconded Cr Blyth

THAT COUNCIL opened the meeting to the public after the discussion of confidential items.

CARRIED

The public was re-admitted at 9:55 am.

10 MEETING DECLARED CLOSED

Chairperson Mayor Woods declared the meeting closed at 9:56 am.

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