

Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council Special Council Meeting
Friday, 6 December 2024 at 2:00 pm
Council Chambers

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND OPENING OF MEETING

Chairperson Mayor Woods declared the meeting open at 2:08 pm, welcomed all in attendance and did an Acknowledgement of Country.

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson	James Woods (Mayor) (via video)
Deputy Mayor	Elizabeth Williams (via video)
Councillor	Ralph F Blyth (via video)
Councillor	Mickitja Onus (via video)
Councillor	Otto Dann (via video)
Councillor	Donna Nadjamerrek (via video)
Councillor	Monica Wilton (via video)
Councillor	Jermaine Namanurki (via video)
Councillor	Jacqueline Phillips (via video)
Councillor	James Marrawal (via video)

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Andrew Walsh (via video)
Director Community and Council Services	Fiona Ainsworth (via video)
Information Advisor	Ben Heaslip (via video)
Executive Assistant to the Mayor and CEO	Gina Carrascalao (via video)
Communications and Public Relations Coordinator	Heidi Walton (via video)
Governance Advisor	Jasmine Mortimore (via video)

3 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCES

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

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

OCM361/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Cr Marrawal
Seconded Cr Dann

THAT COUNCIL received no apologies or absence with or without notice for the Special Council meeting held on 6 December 2024.

CARRIED

4 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

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

The Council considered a report on Acceptance of Agenda.

OCM362/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Cr Blyth
Seconded Cr Onus

THAT COUNCIL accept the agenda papers as circulated for the Special Council meeting held on 6 December 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, Governance Advisor

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

OCM363/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Deputy Mayor Williams
Seconded Mayor Woods

THAT COUNCIL

1. Receive the declarations of interest for Cr Blyth for item 6.2 as listed for the Special Council meeting held on 6 December 2024; and
2. Mayor Woods declared that he is a director of the Traditional Credit Union.

CARRIED

6 ACTION REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	6.1
Title:	Jabiru By-Laws for Approval
Author:	Ben Heaslip, Information Advisor

The Council considered a report on Jabiru By-Laws for Approval.

**OCM364/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Cr Onus
Seconded Deputy Mayor Williams**

THAT COUNCIL

1. Receive and note the report titled *Jabiru By-Laws for Approval*; and
2. Resolve as a special resolution to make the West Arnhem Regional Council (Jabiru Town) By-Laws 2024 under the Local Government Act 2019 and authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign the by-laws and forward to the Minister for consideration

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.2
Title:	Further positions for Remote Jobs and Economic Development Grant funding application
Author:	Leanne Johansson, Business Development Manager

Cr Blyth declared a conflict as an employer of an organisation looking at applying for this grant and left the meeting.

Cr Phillips declared a conflict as her organisation is looking at applying for this grant and left the meeting.

The Council considered a report on Further positions for Remote Jobs and Economic Development Grant funding application.

**OCM365/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Deputy Mayor Williams
Seconded Cr Marrawal**

THAT COUNCIL

1. Receive and note the report titled *Further positions for Remote Jobs and Economic Development Grant funding application*.
2. Approve West Arnhem Regional council apply for funding to support the following position under the Remote Jobs and Economic Development Program:
 - a. Transportation Team Member

CARRIED

Cr Blyth and Cr Phillips re-joined the meeting at 2:25pm

7 MEETING DECLARED CLOSED

Chairperson Mayor Woods declared the meeting closed at 2:26 pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 6 December 2024.

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