

Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council Warruwi Local Authority
Wednesday, 22 May 2024 at 10:00 am
Council Chambers

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND OPENING OF MEETING

Chairperson Nicholas Hunter declared the meeting open at 10:09, welcomed all in attendance and did an Acknowledgement of Country.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson	Nicholas Hunter
Member	Richard Nawirr
Member	Geri Narul
Member	Ida Waianga
Member	Alfred Gawaraidji

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor	James Woods
Deputy Mayor	Elizabeth Williams (via video)
Councillor	James Marrawal

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Andrew Walsh
Director of Community and Council Services	Fiona Ainsworth (via video)
Director of Finance	Jocelyn Nathanael-Walters
General Manager, Technical Services (acting)	Clem Beard
Governance and Risk Advisor (acting)	Jasmine Mortimore
Information Advisor	Ben Heaslip (via video)
Manager Community Services Support	Marnie Mitchell (via video)
Senior Council Services Manager	Rick Mitchell
Council Services Manager (acting)	Misman Kris

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 Local Authority considered a report on Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absence Without Notice.

WAR19/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Gawaraidji
Seconded Member Nawirr

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY accepts the apologies received from Jason Mayinaj, William Wurulr and Phillip Wasaga for Warruwi Local Authority meeting held on 22 May 2024.

CARRIED

4 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

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

The Local Authority considered a report on Acceptance of Agenda.

WAR20/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Cr Marrawal
Seconded Member Waianga

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY accept the agenda papers as circulated for the Warruwi Local Authority meeting held on 22 May 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 Local Authority considered a report on Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff.

WAR21/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Nawirr
Seconded Member Gawaraidji

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY received no declarations of interest as listed for the Warruwi Local Authority meeting held on 22 May 2024.

CARRIED

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda Reference:	6.1
Title:	Confirmation of Local Authority Meeting Minutes
Author:	Jessie Schaecken, Governance and Risk Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Confirmation of Local Authority Meeting Minutes.

WAR22/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Waianga
Seconded Member Narul**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY adopted the tabled minutes of the 8 February 2024 Warruwi Local Authority as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

7 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Agenda Reference:	7.1
Title:	Presentations and Visitors - Power and Water Corporation - Water Demand Deduction Campaign
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Acting Governance and Risk Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Presentations and Visitors - Power and Water Corporation - Water Demand Deduction Campaign.

WAR23/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Gawaraidji
Seconded Member Nawirr**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Noted the presentations on water demand reduction campaign; and
2. Thanks presenter Nicole Joy from PowerWater Corporation.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.2
Title:	Presentations and Visitors - Power and Water Corporation - 4G Power Meter
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Acting Governance and Risk Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Presentations and Visitors - Power and Water Corporation - 4G Power Meter.

WAR25/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Cr Marrawal
Seconded Member Waianga**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Noted the presentations on new Prepayment Meter Replacement Program.
2. Thanks presenter Trude Blizzard from PowerWater Corporation; and
3. Request PowerWater to provide information on options for online payment including option for those on income management.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.3
Title:	Presentations and Visitors - Northern Territory Electoral Commission
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Acting Governance and Risk Advisor

Meeting broke for lunch at 11:39 and recommenced at 12:13

The Local Authority considered a report on Presentations and Visitors - Northern Territory Electoral Commission.

WAR26/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Nawirr
Seconded Member Gawaraidji**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Noted the presentations on 2024 Territory Election.
2. Thanks presenter Anna Egerton from the Northern Territory Electoral Commission.

CARRIED

8 ACTION REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	8.1
Title:	Review of Action Items
Author:	Ben Heaslip, Information Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Review of Action Items.

WAR24/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Cr Marrawal
Seconded Mayor Woods**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Received and noted the report entitled *Review of Action Items*.
2. Reviewed the outstanding action items and gave approval for completed items to be removed from the register.
3. Requested amendments to Croc management action for Warruwi Local Authority to write letter to Northern Land Council and Dept Agriculture and Fisheries seeking support for Warruwi Community to introduce crocodile safety and economic development initiatives relating to Croc Management, Awareness and Safety.
4. Requested amendments to Horse management action for CSM to organise meeting with Regional Coordinator West Arnhem NLC and Warruwi Local Authority to discuss Crocs and horses.
5. Requested amendments to shade sail action to be for repairs to existing shade sail between clinic and crèche.
6. Remove action for trailer screen as it is no longer a priority project.
7. Requested administration research mechanical apprenticeships for staff; and
8. Requested amendments to Sea Link action for administration to follow up with MLA on ferry service between Warruwi and Minjilang and seek support for funds for a business case to be developed.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	8.2
Title:	Finance Report to April 2024
Author:	Corey White, Acting Finance Manager

The Local Authority considered a report on Finance Report to April 2024.

WAR27/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Waianga
Seconded Cr Marrawal**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY received and noted the report entitled *Finance Report to April 2024*.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	8.3
Title:	Speed Bumps - Supply and Install Steel Grab Rail Bollards

Author:	Clem Beard, Project Manager Technical Services
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The Local Authority considered a report on Speed Bumps - Supply and Install Steel Grab Rail Bollards.

WAR28/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Waianga
Seconded Member Gawaraidji**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Received and noted the report entitled *Speed Bumps - Supply and Install Steel Grab Rail Bollards*; and
2. Approved the allocation of \$15,000 from the Waruwi LA Project Funding for stall steel grab rail bollards.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	8.4
Title:	Council's Draft Regional Plan and Budget 2024-2205
Author:	Andrew Walsh, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Council Draft Regional Plan and Budget 2024-2025.

WAR29/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Cr Marrawal
Seconded Mayor Woods**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Receive and note the report titled *Council's Draft Regional Plan and Budget 2024-2025*; and
2. Discussed future regional plan to consider investment in youth, staff housing, assets for youth hall, oval upgrades including seating, internal roads, aged care operations and family centres for social activities.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	8.5
Title:	Iyarmulu Found on Weyirra
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Acting Governance and Risk Advisor

Bunug and Frank joined at 13:24 and left at 13:50

The Local Authority considered a report on Iyarmulu Found on Weyirra.

WAR30/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Nawirr
Seconded Member Gawaraidji**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Received and noted the report entitled *Iyarmulu Found on Weyirra*; and
2. Determines location is not a known Burial site; and
3. Refer item to CEO to contact Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet and NLC for further action.

CARRIED

9 RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	9.1
Title:	Top End Youth Leadership Summit April 2024
Author:	Marnie Mitchell, Manager Community Services Support

Meeting broke at 1350 and recommenced at 1400
The Local Authority considered a report on Top End Youth Leadership Summit April 2024.

WAR31/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Cr Marrawal
Seconded Member Waianga

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Received and noted the report entitled *Top End Youth Leadership Summit April 2024*.
2. Allocate \$25,000 local authority funds to the Warruwi Cultural Camp 2024.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	9.2
Title:	CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services
Author:	Rick Mitchell, Senior Council Services Manager

The Local Authority considered a report on CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services.

WAR32/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Waianga
Seconded Member Nawirr

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Received and noted the report entitled *CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services*.
2. Confirmed concerns with police presence in Warruwi and request police are stationed on the island and would like to see the current police accommodation fixed.

CARRIED

10 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER QUESTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT NOTICE

Agenda Reference:	10.1
Title:	Local Authority Member Questions with or without Notice
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Acting Governance and Risk Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Local Authority Member Questions with or without Notice.

WAR33/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Nawirr
Seconded Member Waianga

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Noted the attendance Bunug Galaminda and Frank Nabalameri to discuss the future of the Warruwi office building; and
2. Discussed that Warruwi Community does not want the current building demolished and recommended WARC investigate building new office on another Council Lot.

CARRIED

11 NEXT MEETING

The next Warruwi Local Authority meeting is scheduled to take place on 16 July 2024.

12 MEETING DECLARED CLOSED

Chairperson Nicholas Hunter declared the meeting closed at 14:45