

Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee  
Friday, 15 May 2026 at 12:00 pm  
Council Chambers

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1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND OPENING OF MEETING

Chairperson Cr Micketja Onus declared the meeting open at 1:30pm welcomed all in attendance and did an Acknowledgement of Country.

2 PERSONS PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson	Micketja Onus
Deputy Mayor	Jacqueline Phillips
Councillor	Ralph F Blyth
Councillor	Dwane Baker

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Katharine Clare Murray
Acting Director Community and Council Services	Rick Mitchell
Director Technical Services	Grant McKenzie
Project Manager	Clem Beard
Governance Advisor	Debbie Branson
Executive Assistant	Violette Stehlin
Council Services Manager	Kevin Voisey

3 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCES

Agenda Reference:	3.1
Title:	Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absence Without Notice
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

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

KWAC22/2026 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Cr Dwane Baker  
Seconded Deputy Mayor Jacqueline Phillips

THAT THE COMMITTEE notes Mayor James Woods is on a Leave of Absence.

CARRIED

4 NOMINATION OF CHAIRPERSON

Agenda Reference:	4.1
Title:	Nomination of Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee Chairperson
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Committee considered a report on Nomination of Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee Chairperson.

KWAC23/2026 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Cr Dwane Baker  
Seconded Cr Ralph F Blyth

THAT THE COMMITTEE:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Nomination of Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee Chairperson*; and
2. Recommends to Council that Cr Onus be appointed Chairperson of the Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee for a period of 12 months on a rotating basis.

CARRIED

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

Agenda Reference:	5.1
Title:	Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

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

KWAC24/2026 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Chairperson Cr Micketja Onus  
Seconded Cr Dwane Baker

THAT THE COMMITTEE acknowledges that there were no declarations of interest in reference to the items listed for the Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee meeting held on 15 May 2026.

CARRIED

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda Reference:	6.1
Title:	Confirmation of Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Confirmation of Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes.

KWAC23/2026 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Cr Ralph F Blyth  
Seconded Deputy Mayor Jacqueline Phillips

THAT THE COMMITTEE adopts the minutes of the Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee held on Friday 6 March 2026 as a true and correct record, including the Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee confidential minutes available under separate cover.

CARRIED

7 ACTION REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	7.1
Title:	Review of Action Items
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

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

KWAC24/2026 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Cr Dwane Baker  
Seconded Deputy Mayor Jacqueline Phillips

THAT THE COMMITTEE:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Review of Action Items*; and
2. Reviews the outstanding action items and gave approval for completed items to be removed from the register.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.2
Title:	Community Benefit Fund
Author:	Clem Beard, Project Manager

The Committee considered a report on Community Benefit Fund.

KWAC25/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Deputy Mayor Jacqueline Phillips

Seconded Chairperson Cr Micketja Onus

THAT THE COMMITTEE:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Community Benefit Fund*; and
2. Prioritises a list of projects from the Local Authority members for the Administration to pursue future grant applications.

CARRIED

## 8 RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	8.1
Title:	Jabiru Waste Management Update
Author:	Meredith Newall, Waste and Resource Coordinator

The Committee considered a report on Jabiru Waste Management Update.

KWAC26/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Cr Ralph F Blyth

Seconded Cr Dwane Baker

THAT THE COMMITTEE receive and note the report titled *Jabiru Waste Management Update*.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	8.2
Title:	CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services
Author:	Kevin Voisey, Council Services Manager, Jabiru

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

KWAC27/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Cr Dwane Baker

Seconded Cr Ralph F Blyth

THAT THE Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee receives and notes the report titled *CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services*.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	8.3
Title:	Technical Services Jabiru Projects Report
Author:	Kylie Gregson, Manager Technical Services

The Committee considered a report on Technical Services Jabiru Projects Report.

KWAC28/2026 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Cr Dwane Baker  
Seconded Chairperson Cr Micketja Onus

THAT THE COMMITTEE receives and notes the report titled *Technical Services Jabiru Projects Report*.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	8.4
Title:	Human Resources Report as of 24 April 2026
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Committee considered a report on Human Resources Report as of 24 April 2026.

KWAC29/2026 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Cr Dwane Baker  
Seconded Cr Ralph F Blyth

THAT THE COMMITTEE receives and notes the report titled *Human Resources Report as of 24 April 2026*.

CARRIED

## 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER QUESTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT NOTICE

Agenda Reference:	9.1
Title:	Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee Member Questions
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Committee considered a report on Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee Member Questions.

KWAC30/2026 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Chairperson Cr Micketja Onus  
Seconded Cr Dwane Baker

THAT THE COMMITTEE requests the Director of Technical Services prepare a detailed report on the fencing to assist animal management.

CARRIED

10 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 28 July 2026.

11 MEETING DECLARED CLOSED

Chairperson Cr Mickitja Onus declared the meeting closed at 2:55pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee held on Friday 15 May 2026.

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