

Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council Warruwi Local Authority
Wednesday, 15 July 2026 at 10:00 am
Council Chambers

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND OPENING OF MEETING

Chairperson Nicholas Hunter declared the meeting open at 10:15am, welcomed all in attendance and did an Acknowledgement of Country.

2 PERSONS PRESENT

APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson	Nicholas Hunter
Member	Jason Mayinaj
Member	Misman Kris
Member	Richard Nawirr
Member	Renfred Manmurulu
Member	Ida Waianga

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor	James Woods
Councillor	Steven Nabalmarda

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Katharine Murray
Director Technical Services	Grant McKenzie
Interim Director Council and Community Services	Peter Mickleson
Finance Manager	Imran Shajib
Manager Technical Services	Kylie Gregson
Governance Advisor	Debbie Branson
Executive Assistant	Violette Stehlin (via Teams)

GUESTS

NT Police	Tim Gillhan (via audio)
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Agenda Reference:	3.1
Title:	Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absence Without Notice
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

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

WAR19/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Renfred Manmurulu

Seconded Member Jason Mayinaj

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Notes the apology received from Member Jamie Milpurr; and
2. Determines Member Jamie Milpurr is absent with permission of the Authority.

CARRIED

4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

Agenda Reference:	4.1
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.

WAR20/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Jason Mayinaj

Seconded Member Misman Kris

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY acknowledges that there were no declarations of interest in reference to the items listed for the Warruwi Local Authority meeting held on 15 July 2026.

CARRIED

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda Reference:	5.1
Title:	Confirmation of Local Authority Meeting Minutes
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

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

WAR21/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Renfred Manmurulu

Seconded Member Ida Waianga

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY adopts the minutes of the Warruwi Local Authority meeting held on Wednesday, 13 May 2026 as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.1
Title:	Review of Action Items
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

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

WAR22/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Richard Nawirr

Seconded Member Ida Waianga

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Review of Action Items*; and
2. Reviews the outstanding action items.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.2
Title:	Warruwi Creche Building – Future Use
Author:	Peter Mickleson Interim Director Community and Council Services

The Local Authority considered a report on Warruwi Creche Building - Future Use.

WAR23/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Jason Mayinaj

Seconded Member Mismam Kris

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Warruwi Creche Building – Future Use*; and
2. Recommends to Council that it advises the Department of Education that Council, after consulting with Traditional Owners, Elders and the community, wants to close the Warruwi creche for good and keep the building for aged care services.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.3
Title:	Finance Report Warruwi Local Authority
Author:	Imran Shajib, Finance Manager

The Local Authority considered a report on Finance Report Warruwi Local Authority.

WAR24/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Renfred Manmurulu

Seconded Member Jason Mayinaj

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY receives and notes the report titled *Finance Report Warruwi Local Authority*.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.1
Title:	Technical Services Warruwi Projects Report
Author:	Kylie Gregson, Manager Technical Services

The Local Authority considered a report on Technical Services Warruwi Projects Report.

WAR25/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Ida Waianga

Seconded Member Misman Kris

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Technical Services Warruwi Projects Report*;
2. Presents quotes for a funeral vehicle, a large barbeque for the seating area at the look out, bollards at the creek, native trees and an irrigation system for the oval for Warruwi for next Local Authority meeting.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.2
Title:	Pavement Defects
Author:	Kylie Gregson, Manager Technical Services

The Local Authority considered a report on Pavement Defects.

WAR26/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Renfred Manmurulu

Seconded Member Jason Mayinaj

THAT COUNCIL receives and notes the report titled *Pavement Defects*;

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.3
Title:	CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services
Author:	Scott Page, Acting Manager Regional Council Services

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

WAR27/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Misman Kris

Seconded Member Renfred Manmurulu

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY receives and notes the report titled *CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services*.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.4
Title:	Human Resources Report
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Human Resources Report.

WAR28/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Richard Nawirr

Seconded Member Misman Kris

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY receives and notes the report titled *Human Resources Report*.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33am and reconvened at 12:23pm with the absence of Member Jason Mayinaj.

8 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Agenda Reference:	8.1
Title:	Invited Guest - NT Police
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Invited Guest - NT Police.

WAR29/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Misman Kris

Seconded Member Renfred Manmurulu

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Notes the update on Law and Order by the NT Police; and
2. Requests that Council events on Warruwi be forwarded to the NT Police representative.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	9.1
Title:	Local Authority Member Questions with or without Notice
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

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

WAR30/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Richard Nawirr

Seconded Chairperson Member Nicholas Hunter

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY recorded for action the following questions from Members:

- Installation of culverts in the creek area
- Bring grader into community / Road drag

CARRIED

10 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, 7 October 2026 at 10:00am.

11 MEETING DECLARED CLOSED

Chairperson Nicholas Hunter declared the meeting closed at 12:50pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Warruwi Local Authority held on Wednesday 15 July 2026.

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