



WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL AGENDA

**FINANCE COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, 25 AUGUST 2026**

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WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that a Finance Committee Meeting of the West Arnhem Regional Council will be held in Council Chambers Jabiru on Tuesday 25 August 2026 at 9:00 am.



Katharine Clare Murray
Chief Executive Officer

Code of Conduct: The Local Government Act 2019

As stipulated in Schedule 1 of the Act, the Code of Conduct for Members is as follows:

1. *Honesty and Integrity:* A member must act honestly and with integrity in performing official functions.
2. *Care and diligence:* A member must act with reasonable care and diligence in performing official functions.
3. *Courtesy:* A member must act with courtesy towards other members, council staff, electors and members of the public.
4. *Prohibition on bullying:* A member must not bully another person in the course of performing official functions.
5. *Conduct towards Council staff:* A member must not direct, reprimand, or interfere in the management of, council staff.
6. *Respect for cultural diversity and culture:* A member must respect cultural diversity and must not therefore discriminate against others, or the opinions of others, on the ground of their cultural background.
A member must act with respect for cultural beliefs and practices in relation to other members, council staff, electors and members of the public.
7. *Conflict of interest:* A member must avoid any conflict of interest, whether actual or perceived, when undertaking official functions and responsibilities.
If a conflict of interest exists, the member must comply with any statutory obligations of disclosure.
8. *Respect for confidences:* A member must respect the confidentiality of information obtained in confidence in the member's official capacity.
A member must not make improper use of confidential information obtained in an official capacity to gain a private benefit or to cause harm to another.
9. *Gifts:* Members must not solicit, encourage or accept gifts or private benefits from any person who might have an interest in obtaining a benefit from the council.
A member must not accept a gift from a person that is given in relation to the person's interest in obtaining a benefit from the council.'
10. *Accountability:* A member must be prepared at all times to account for the member's performance as a member and the member's use of council resources.
11. *Interests of municipality, region or shire to be paramount:* A member must act in what the member genuinely believes to be the best interests of the municipality, region or shire.
In particular, a member must seek to ensure that the member's decisions and actions are based on an honest, reasonable and properly informed judgment about what best advances the best interests of the municipality, region or shire.
12. *Training:* A member must undertake relevant training in good faith.

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Acknowledgement of Country

West Arnhem Regional Council acknowledges the First Nations Custodians, and the many Language and Family groups who are Managers and Caretakers to each of their Traditional homelands and Waters across the West Arnhem Region Wards.

West Arnhem Regional Council pays its respects and acknowledges Elders, past, present and rising.

WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

FOR THE MEETING 25 AUGUST 2026

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

SUMMARY

This report is to table, for the Committees record, any apologies, and requests for leave of absence received by Council's Chief Executive Officer from Members, as well as record any absence without notice for the Special Finance Committee meeting held on 25 August 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE COMMITTEE:

1. Notes the absence of ...
2. Notes the apology received from
3. Determines ... are an apology with permission of the Council.
4. Determines ... are absent without permission of the Council.

COMMENT

The Committee can choose to accept the apologies or requests for leave of absence as presented, or not accept them. Apologies or requests for leave of absence that are not accepted by Council will be recorded as absent without notice.

LEGISLATION AND POLICY

Section 47(o) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.

Council's Scheduling and Conduct of Meetings (Elected, Local Authority and Council Committee Members) Policy.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

This report is aligned to the following pillars and goals in the *Regional Plan and Budget*:

PILLAR 6 FOUNDATIONS OF GOVERNANCE

Integrity is at the heart of everything we do. We are leaders of best practice and excellence in governance, advocacy, consultation and administration. Our processes, procedures and policies are ethical and transparent.

Goal 6.3 Council and Local Authorities

Excellence in governance, consultation administration and representation

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

FOR THE MEETING 25 AUGUST 2026

Agenda Reference:	4.1
Title:	Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

Elected Members are required to disclose an interest in a matter under consideration at the Council Committee meeting:

- 1) In the case of a matter featured in an officer's report or written agenda item by disclosing the interest to the meeting as soon as possible after the matter is raised.
- 2) In the case of a matter raised in a general debate or by any means other than the printed agenda of the Committee meeting, disclosure as soon as possible after the matter is raised.

Under disclosure, the Member must abide by the decision of the Committee on whether they shall remain in the Chambers and/or take part in the vote on the issue. The Committee may elect to allow the Member to provide further and better particulars of the interest prior to requesting them to leave the Chambers.

Staff Members of the Council are required to disclose an interest in a matter at any time on which they are required to act or exercise their delegate authority in relation to the matter. Upon disclosure, the staff member is not to act or exercise their delegated authority unless the Committee expressly directs them to do so.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE COMMITTEE acknowledges there were no declarations of interest received in relation to the items listed for the Finance Committee meeting held on 25 August 2026.

LEGISLATION AND POLICY/STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Section 114 (Elected Members) *Local Government Act 2019*

Section 179 (staff members) *Local Government Act 2019*

Council's Scheduling and Conduct of Meetings (Elected, Local Authority and Council Committee Members) Policy.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

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Goal 6.4 Risk Management

The monitoring and minimisation of risks associated with the operations of Council.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

WEST ARNHAM REGIONAL COUNCIL

FOR THE MEETING 25 AUGUST 2026

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

SUMMARY

The minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on Thursday, 18 December 2025 are submitted for confirmation that those minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT COMMITTEE confirm the minutes of Finance Committee meeting held on Thursday, 18 December 2025 as a true and correct record of the meeting.

BACKGROUND

A council committee must, at its next meeting, confirm the minutes (with or without amendment), including any confidential business considered at the meeting, as a correct record of the meeting.

STATUTORY AND POLICY

Section 101 *Local Government Act 2019*

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

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Goal 6.3 Council and Local Authorities

Excellence in governance, consultation administration and representation.

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2025-12-18 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes - Unconfirmed [5.1.1 - 5 pages]



Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council Finance Committee Meeting
Thursday, 18 December 2025 at 9:00 am
Council Chambers

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND OPENING OF MEETING

Mayor James Woods declared the meeting open at 9:09am, welcomed all in attendance and did an Acknowledgement of Country.

2 PERSONS PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson	James Woods (Mayor)
Deputy Mayor	Jacqueline Phillips
Councillor	Mickitja Onus
Councillor	Ralph McCoy

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Katharine Clare Murray
Director Finance	Jocelyn Nathanael-Walters
Manager Finance	Imran Shajib
Director Technical Services	Grant McKenzie
Acting Director Community and Council Services	Rick Mitchell
Governance Advisor	Debbie Branson

3 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCES

Agenda Reference:	3.1
Title:	Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absence Without Notice
Author:	Debbie Branson, Governance Advisor

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

FC8/2025 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Cr Mickitja Onus

Seconded Deputy Mayor Jacqueline Phillips

THAT THE COMMITTEE:

1. Notes the apology received from Cr Ralph Blyth; and
2. Determines Cr Ralph Blyth is absent with permission of the Committee.

CARRIED

4 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Agenda Reference:	4.1
Title:	Acceptance of Agenda
Author:	Debbie Branson, Governance Advisor

The Committee considered a report on Acceptance of Agenda.

FC9/2025 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Mayor James Woods

Seconded Cr Mickitja Onus

THAT THE COMMITTEE accept the agenda papers as circulated for the Finance Committee meeting held on 18 December 2025.

CARRIED

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

Agenda Reference:	5.1
Title:	Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff
Author:	Debbie Branson, Governance Advisor

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

FC10/2025 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Mayor James Woods

Seconded Deputy Mayor Jacqueline Phillips

THAT THE COMMITTEE acknowledge there were no declarations of interest received in relation to the items listed for the Finance Committee meeting held on 18 December 2025.

CARRIED

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item 6.1 – Finance Committee Meeting Minutes was deferred.

7 ACTION REPORTS

Nil.

8 RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	8.1
Title:	Financial report for period ending 30 November 2025
Author:	Jocelyn Nathanael-Walters, Director Finance

The Committee considered a report on Financial report for period ending 30 November 2025.

FC11/2025 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Mayor James Woods

Seconded Deputy Mayor Jacqueline Phillips

THAT THE COMMITTEE receives and notes the report titled *Financial report for period ending 30 November 2025*.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	8.2
Title:	Local Authority Funding - Community Sponsorship
Author:	Jocelyn Nathanael-Walters, Director of Finance

The Committee considered a report on Local Authority Funding - Community Sponsorship.

FC12/2025 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Mayor James Woods

Seconded Cr Mickitja Onus

THAT THE COMMITTEE receives and notes the report titled *Local Authority Funding - Community Sponsorship*.

CARRIED

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda Reference:	6.1
Title:	Finance Committee Meeting Minutes – 26 August 2025
Author:	Debbie Branson, Governance Advisor

The Committee considered a report on Finance Committee Meeting Minutes - 26 August 2025.

FC13/2025 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Cr Mickitja Onus

Seconded Mayor James Woods

THAT THE COMMITTEE confirm the minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 26 August 2025 are a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

9 PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

Agenda Reference:	9.1
Title:	Closure to the Public for the Discussion of Confidential Items
Author:	Debbie Branson, Governance Advisor

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

FC14/2025 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Mayor James Woods

Seconded Cr Mickitja Onus

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 at 9:44am to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda.

CARRIED

10 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Agenda Reference:	10.1
Title:	Finance Committee Meeting Confidential Minutes - 26 August 2025
Author:	Debbie Branson, Governance Advisor

FC14/2025 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Cr Mickitja Onus

Seconded Deputy Mayor Jacqueline Phillips

THAT the confidential unconfirmed minutes of the Finance Committee held 26 August 2025 are confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

12 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 25 August 2026.

13 MEETING DECLARED CLOSED

Mayor James Woods declared the meeting closed at 9:47am.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Finance Committee held on Thursday 18 December 2025.

Click [here](#) to view the agenda for the Finance Committee held on Thursday 18 December 2025.

WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

FOR THE MEETING 25 August 2026

Agenda Reference:	6.1
Title:	Financial report for period ending 31 July 2026
Author:	Imran Shajib, Finance Manager

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the Financial Management Report for the period ended 31 July 2026 and to approve the amendments to the Schedule of Fees and Charges 2026-27.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Financial report for period ending 31 July 2026; and*
2. Approves to Transfer \$1,195,508.00 from Insurance Reserve to pay 2026-27 Insurance cost.

BACKGROUND

Monthly Finance Report

The CEO must, in each month, give the Council (or Council's Finance Committee) a report setting out:

- The actual year to date income and expenditure of council;
- The most recently adopted annual budget; and
- Details of any material variances between the most recent actual income and expenditure, and the most recently adopted annual budget.

The report must be in the approved form.

The report must be accompanied by the CEO's certification in writing, to the Council, that to the best of the CEO's knowledge, information and belief:

- The internal controls implemented by Council are appropriate; and
- The Council's financial report best reflects the financial affairs of Council.

If the CEO cannot provide the certification, then written reasons for not providing the certification is to be submitted.

The format of the monthly financial report follows the prescribed format set out in the CEO of the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet's approved form published on the NT Government Local Government Unit's website.

Regulation 17 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* outlines the requirements for the monthly financial report to Council.

Transfer \$1,195,508.00 from Insurance Reserve to pay 2026-27 Insurance cost

The Council has accumulated \$1,195,508.00 in an Insurance Reserve to pay the 2026-27 insurance invoices due in August/September 2026. To ensure the council can pay its 2027-28 insurance premiums when they fall due the council has begun to accumulate a provision from council's 2026-27

activities and programs and, from time to time, finance officers will seek Council approval, by resolution, to move that provision balance to the Insurance Reserve.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 2019 (NT)

Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 (NT)

West Arnhem Regional Council Delegations Manual

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Monthly Finance Report

The CEO is responsible for laying before the Council a monthly financial report and the Council is responsible for managing its resources.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

This report aligns to the following pillars and goals as outlined in the *Regional Plan and Budget*:

PILLAR 6 FOUNDATIONS OF GOVERNANCE

Integrity is at the heart of everything we do. We are leaders of best practice and excellence in governance, advocacy, consultation and administration. Our processes, procedures and policies are ethical and transparent.

Goal 6.1 Financial Management

Provision of strong financial management and leadership which ensures long term sustainability and growth.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Monthly Financial Report - July 2026 [6.1.1 - 21 pages]

Certification by the CEO to the Council

Council Name:	West Arnhem Regional Council
Reporting Period:	July 2026

That, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief:

- (1) The internal controls implemented by the council are appropriate; and
 (2) The council's financial report best reflects the financial affairs of the council.

CEO Signed



Date Signed

19 August 2026

Note: The monthly financial report to council must either be accompanied by a written certification by the CEO to the council, as set out above, or the CEO is to provide written reasons for not providing the certification. (Regulation 17(5) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*)

[Monthly Financial Report for July 2026](#)[Report 1](#)**Table 1. Income and Expenditure Statement**

Expected YTD Annual Budget Completion

8%

Period ended 31 July 2026	Notes	YTD Actuals (A) \$	Commitments (B) \$	YTD Budget (C) \$	YTD Variance (A - C) \$	Approved 1st Budget (SCM12/2026) (E) \$	YTD Actual Compared to Approved Budget (A / E) %
OPERATING INCOME							
Rates		61,963		30,304	31,660	3,281,756	2%
Charges	1	40,534		142,564	(102,030)	3,998,435	1%
Fees and Charges		53,657		47,355	6,302	728,816	7%
Operating Grants and Subsidies		7,152,895		1,518,494	5,634,400	15,062,800	47%
Interest / Investment Income		48,401		16,728	31,673	170,000	28%
Commercial and Other Income	2	1,031,404		1,156,488	(125,085)	11,526,818	9%
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME		8,388,854	-	2,911,934	5,476,921	34,768,625	24%
OPERATING EXPENDITURE							
Employee Expenses		1,451,297		1,785,456	(334,159)	19,189,241	8%
Materials and Contracts	3	226,514	1,615,802	841,598	(615,084)	5,687,227	4%
Elected Member Allowances		27,585		29,743	(2,159)	454,270	6%
Elected Member Expenses		17,700		29,443	(11,744)	329,319	5%
Council Committee		-		-	-	7,000	0%
Council Committee & LA Allowances		1,950		3,626	(1,676)	36,305	5%
Council Committee & LA Expenses		-		6,798	(6,798)	33,858	0%
Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment		439,287		439,287	-	5,271,438	8%
Other Expenses	4	523,259	253,211	887,304	(364,045)	8,677,405	6%
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE		2,687,591	1,869,013	4,023,254	(1,335,664)	39,686,063	7%
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		5,701,264		(1,111,321)	6,812,585	(4,917,438)	

Period ended 31 July 2026	Notes	YTD Actuals (A) \$	Commitments (B) \$	YTD Budget (C) \$	YTD Variance (A - C) \$	Approved 1st Budget (SCM12/2026) (E) \$	YTD Actual Compared to Approved Budget (A / E) %
<u>Charges Income</u>	1						
Sewerage		1,514	-	37,269	(35,755)	750,797	0%
Water		39,020	-	92,605	(53,585)	1,574,000	2%
Waste Collection		-	-	12,690	(12,690)	1,673,638	0%
		40,534	-	142,564	(102,030)	3,998,435	
<u>Commercial and Other Income</u>	2						
Income Allocations		382,684	-	475,334	(92,650)	5,861,568	7%
Agency and Commercial Services Income		634,774	-	485,186	149,588	5,571,741	11%
Other Income		13,946	-	195,968	(182,022)	93,509	15%
		1,031,404	-	1,156,488	(125,085)	11,526,818	
<u>Other Expenses</u>	4						
Travel, Freight & Accommodation		56,745	101,511	176,528	(119,783)	1,150,486	5%
Fuel, Utilities & Communication		133,318	10,158	216,179	(82,861)	2,334,863	6%
Finance Expenses		553	43	1,261	(708)	10,390	5%
Other Expenses		332,644	141,499	493,336	(160,692)	5,181,666	6%
		523,259	253,211	887,304	(364,045)	8,677,405	

No	Note. 3 & 4 All Commitments	Commitments \$
1	Jabiru Lakeside Precinct	693,579
2	Animal Control	173,427
3	Corporate Financial Management	138,863
4	Maintain local roads	116,757
5	Support at Home Program	93,741
6	WaRM - Waste and Resource Management	76,775
7	ICT Transition	49,719
8	LAP - Fencing Basketball Court - Maningrida	43,279
9	Install and maintain street lights	39,228
10	Manage Information Technology and Communications	36,024
11	Sewerage Management	31,391
12	ABA - Maningrida Oval Changerooms	27,887
13	Kurrung Sports Carnival - Sport Australia	26,252
14	Aerodromes Inspection and Maintenance	25,606
15	Operate and maintain swimming pool	21,539
16	Waste Management	19,309
17	Manage Electricity and water business	18,305
18	Sports and Recreation	17,218
19	Water Management: Jabiru	17,063
20	Manage Council Governance	16,382
21	Community Service Delivery	13,146
22	Executive leadership CEO	12,826
23	Human Resource Management	6,517
24	Maintain plant, equipment and motor vehicles	12,174
25	Parks and Public Open Space - including weed control	11,358
26	NDIS - National Disability Insurance Scheme	10,090
27	Operate Fuel Storage Facility	9,857
28	LAP - Community Flag Poles	9,446
29	Upgrade for Maningrida Rd and airport road funeral access	9,086
30	Operate Long day care	8,536

No	Note. 3 & 4 All Commitments	Commitments \$
31	Active Regional and Remote Communities Program	7,503
32	West Arnhem Cemetery Establishment	7,200
33	Operate post office business	7,157
34	LAP - Chilled Water Bubbler - Basketball Court - Maningrida	6,556
35	IEI - NT Jobs Package - Aged Care	5,868
36	LAP - Upgrade the Stainless Steel Toilets - Gunbalanya	5,521
37	Manage Creche	5,249
38	LAP - Cultural Camp - Waruwi	4,818
39	Food Preparation Services	4,463
40	Manage Technical Services	3,820
41	Night Patrol	3,204
42	Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP)	2,660
43	NAIDOC Week	2,649
44	Jabiru Wayfinding Signage	2,565
45	Manage Work Health and Safety	1,874
46	Maintain staff houses	1,732
47	Manage Visitor accommodation	1,601
48	Sport and Recreation - Jabiru	1,580
49	Library Service: Jabiru	1,390
50	LAP - Fabrication Variation - Height of Airport Shelter	1,335
51	LAP - Additional Garden Hard Structure at the Billabong	1,171
52	Operate Centrelink service	838
53	Maintain & construct council controlled buildings & land	766
54	Home Care Packages Program (HCP)	729
55	4WD Vehicles - Sports & Recreation	477
56	Manage and maintain cemeteries	310
57	Manage Business Development & Commercial Services	304
58	Municipal Services	229
59	Manage Community Services	62
Total		1,869,013

Table 2. Monthly Operating Position

Expected YTD Annual Budget Completion	8%
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Period ended 31 July 2026	Notes	YTD Actuals (A) \$	YTD Budget (C) \$	YTD Variance (A - C) \$	Approved 1st Budget (SCM12/2026) (E) \$	YTD Actual Compared to Approved Budget (A / E) %
BUDGETED OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) (Table 1.)		5,701,264	(1,111,321)	6,812,585	(4,917,438)	
Remove NON-CASH ITEMS						
Less Non-Cash Income	5	(382,684)	(475,334)	92,650	(5,861,568)	7%
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses		821,970	914,621	- 92,650	11,133,006	7%
TOTAL NON-CASH ITEMS		439,287	439,287	-	5,271,438	
Less ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS						
Capital Expenditure	Table 3	(12,924)	(689,111)	676,187	(1,883,838)	1%
Transfer to Reserves		-	-	-	(1,300,000)	0%
Other Outflows		-	-	-	-	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS		(12,924)	(689,111)	676,187	(3,183,838)	
Add ADDITIONAL INFLOWS						
Capital Grants Income		-	-	-	-	
Prior Year Carry Forward Tied Funding (Capital)		2,200,224	1,209,838	990,386	1,209,838	
Proceeds from Sale of Assets		-	-	-	90,000	0%
Other Inflow of Funds	6	38,376	-	38,376		
Transfer from Reserve		-	-	-	1,530,000	0%
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS		2,238,600	1,209,838	1,028,762	2,829,838	
Net BUDGETED OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		8,366,226	(151,308)	8,517,534	-	

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<u>Non-Cash Income</u>						
Income Allocations (internal movement)	5	(382,684)	(475,334)	92,650	(5,861,568)	
<u>Non-Cash Expenses</u>						
Expense Allocations (internal movement)		382,684	475,334	(92,650)	5,861,568	
Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment		439,287	439,287	-	5,271,438	
		821,970	914,621	(92,650)	11,133,006	
<u>Other Inflow of Funds</u>						
Capital Reserve - Decommission of Old Fuel Tank	6	7,237	-	7,237	-	
Kerb and Channel Airport to Workshop Road - Warruwi		4,188	-	4,188	-	
Water meter Replacement		25,242		25,242		
Rectification works - Jabiru Town Water		531		531		
Rectification works - Jabiru Sewer Pond & Irrigation		1,178		1,178		
		38,376	-	38,376	-	

Table 3. Capital Expenditure and Funding
By class of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE Period ended 31 July 2026	Notes	YTD Actuals \$	Commitments \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	Approved 1st Budget (SCM12/2026) (E) \$
Infrastructure	7	12,924	485,538	315,833	(302,909)	1,196,560
Vehicles	7	-	84,763	373,278	(373,278)	687,278
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE		12,924	570,301	689,111	(676,187)	1,883,838
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FUNDED BY:						
Operating Income (amount allocated to fund capital items)		-	-	230,000	(230,000)	354,000
Capital Grants		12,924	-	459,111	(446,187)	1,209,838
Capital Reserves		-	-	-	-	230,000
Proceeds from Sale of assets		-	-	-	-	90,000
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FUNDING		(12,924)	-	(689,111)	(676,187)	(1,883,838)

NO	Note. 7 Commitments for Capital Expenditures	Commitments \$
1	Maintain plant, equipment and motor vehicles	293,948
2	Replace the Minjilang Fuel Tank	181,318
3	New Vehicle for DCCS	84,763
4	ABA- Maningrida Oval Changeroom	10,272
	Total	570,301

Table 4. Monthly Balance Sheet Report

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 July 2026	YTD Actuals \$	Notes
ASSETS		
Cash at Bank		A & A.1
Tied Funds	8,492,957	
Untied Funds	5,049,637	
Trade Debtors	772,416	B
Rates & Charges Debtors	441,882	C
Other Current Assets	91,313	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	14,848,206	
Non-Current Financial Assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment	122,819,667	D
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	122,819,667	
TOTAL ASSETS	137,667,872	
LIABILITIES		
Trade Creditors	447,048	E
ATO & Payroll Liabilities	70,220	F
Current Provisions	2,094,543	G
Accrued Expenses	603,832	
Other Current Liabilities	431,790	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	3,647,434	
Non-Current Provisions	308,245	G
Other Non-Current Liabilities	8,190,268	H
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	8,498,513	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	12,145,947	
NET ASSETS	125,521,926	

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 July 2026	YTD Actuals \$	Notes
EQUITY		
Asset Revaluation Reserve	59,844,243	
Capital Reserve	968,425	
Election Reserve	60,000	
Disaster Recovery Funding	100,000	
Fleet Capital Reserve	118,600	
Sponsorship Reserve	30,000	
Equity Adjustments	23,013,652	
Insurance Reserve	1,195,508	
Accumulated Surplus	40,191,497	
TOTAL EQUITY	125,521,926	

BALANCE SHEET NOTES

Note A. Details of Cash and Investments Held	\$	\$
<u>Investments Held</u>		
Operating Bank Account	245,898	
Business One - Post Office Bank Account	37,391	
Business Maxi Bank Account (Note A.1)	3,072,976	
General Trust Bank Account	130,000	
Term Deposits (Note A.1)	10,055,000	13,541,266
<u>Cash Held</u>		
Floats	1,329	1,329
Total Cash and Investments Held		13,542,595
Less: Restricted Cash		8,492,957
Balance Unrestricted Cash		5,049,637

Note A.1 Higher Interest Earning Investments	Deposit Date	Principal \$	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Terms
Westpac	21/03/2026	5,000	3.95%	21/03/2027	365
NAB	28/10/2025	450,000	4.13%	28/10/2026	365
NAB	29/04/2026	500,000	5.16%	29/09/2026	153
NAB	20/04/2026	500,000	5.00%	18/08/2026	120
NAB	13/04/2026	500,000	5.30%	9/12/2026	240
NAB	13/04/2026	500,000	5.25%	12/10/2026	182
NAB	22/05/2026	2,000,000	5.05%	21/09/2026	122
NAB	18/05/2026	500,000	5.15%	15/10/2026	150
NAB	12/05/2026	1,000,000	5.30%	8/12/2026	210
NAB	8/05/2026	500,000	5.20%	4/11/2026	180
NAB	16/06/2026	500,000	5.15%	14/10/2026	120
NAB	25/06/2026	1,000,000	5.05%	23/09/2026	90
NAB	9/07/2026	300,000	5.15%	9/03/2027	243
NAB	31/07/2026	400,000	5.30%	26/07/2027	360
NAB	31/07/2026	400,000	5.25%	27/01/2027	180
NAB	10/07/2026	1,000,000	4.15%	11/08/2026	32
Business Maxi Bank Account		3,072,976	1.55%		
Total Higher Interest Earning Investments		13,127,976			

Note B. Trade Debtors	Current	Past Due 31 - 60 Days	Past Due 61 - 90 Days	Past Due 90+ Days	Jul 26 Total \$	Jun 2026 Total \$
NDIS Debtors	-	7,220	3,246	20,876	31,342	53,850
ChildCare Debtors	-	-	-	34,272	34,272	34,272
Trade Debtors	335	494,396	60,293	151,779	706,803	572,848
Total Trade Debtors	335	501,616	63,538	206,927	772,416	660,970

Note C. Rates & Charges Debtors	To be Levied in 2025/26	Current	Past Due 31 - 60 Days	Past Due 61 - 90 Days	Past Due 90+ Days	Total \$
General Rates	2,662,230	-			42,191	42,191
Special Rates	277,625	-			3,011	3,011
Water Charges	1,515,106	167,368	75,227	2,017	123,959	368,571
Waste Charges	2,277,504	-			28,108	28,108
Total Rates & Charges Debtors	6,732,466	167,368	75,227	2,017	197,269	441,882
						Refer sub Note C.1

Note C.1 Rates & Charges Debtors -Past 90+ Days Comparison	Jun-26	Jul-26	Difference
	Past Due 90+ Days	Past Due 90+ Days	
General Rates	46,283	42,191	(4,092)
Special Rates	3,030	3,011	(19)
Water Charges	123,959	123,959	-
Waste Charges	46,007	28,108	(17,899)
Total Rates & Charges Debtors	219,279	197,269	(22,010)

Note D. New Physical Assets (including WIP) YTD	1 July 2026 Assets & WIP	YTD WIP	YTD New Assets & Capitalising WIP	YTD Disposals	Revaluation	Accumulated Depreciation	YTD WDV Balance	Notes
Land	520,000	-		-		-	520,000	
Section 19 Leases	5,540,790	-		-		(1,318,309)	4,222,481	
Jabiru Town Sub Leases	3,666,078	-				(811,145)	2,854,933	
Buildings	33,678,044					(18,801,081)	14,876,963	
WIP - Buildings	-					-	-	
Infrastructure	115,543,802					(18,485,059)	97,058,743	
WIP - Infrastructure	306,520	12,924				-	319,444	D1
Vehicles	3,163,013					(2,441,195)	721,818	
WIP - Vehicles	150,193						150,193	
Furniture and Fittings	1,072,395					(870,489)	201,905	
WIP - Furniture	375						375	
Plant and Machinery	9,309,380					(7,517,959)	1,791,421	
WIP - Plant and Machinery	101,390						101,390	
Total Non- Current Assets	173,051,980	12,924	-	-	-	(50,245,237)	122,819,667	

Work-In-Progress (WIP - items not yet recorded in the Asset Register) Note:

D1 - WARC Cemetery Solar Light Installation and Cemetery Sign Boards- \$12.9k

Note E. Trade Creditors	Current	Past Due 31 - 60 Days	Past Due 61 - 90 Days	Past Due 90+ Days	Total \$
Trade Creditors	379,264	26,344	17,839	23,602	447,048
Refer sub Note E.1					

Sub Note E.1-Under Retention \$19,694

Note F. Australian Tax Office (ATO) and Payroll Obligations

As at the date of this report, all reporting and payment obligations have been met.

Note G. Provisions (Current and Non-Current)	\$	\$
<u>Current Provisions</u>		
Employee Annual Leave	1,048,861	
Long Service Leave	813,976	
Doubtful Debts	10,807	
<u>Provision - other</u>		
Insurance for 2027-28	115,932	
Special Charges- Street Lighting 2025-26	100,640	
Replacement of Council's aged IT equipment	4,327	
		2,094,543
<u>Non-Current Provisions</u>		
Long Service Leave	308,245	
		308,245
Total Provisions		2,402,788

Note H. Other Non Current Liabilities	\$	\$
Section 19 Lease Liability	4,658,222	
Jabiru Town Sub Lease Liability	3,532,046	
Total Other Non Current Liabilities		8,190,268

Monthly Financial Report for Local Authority Areas

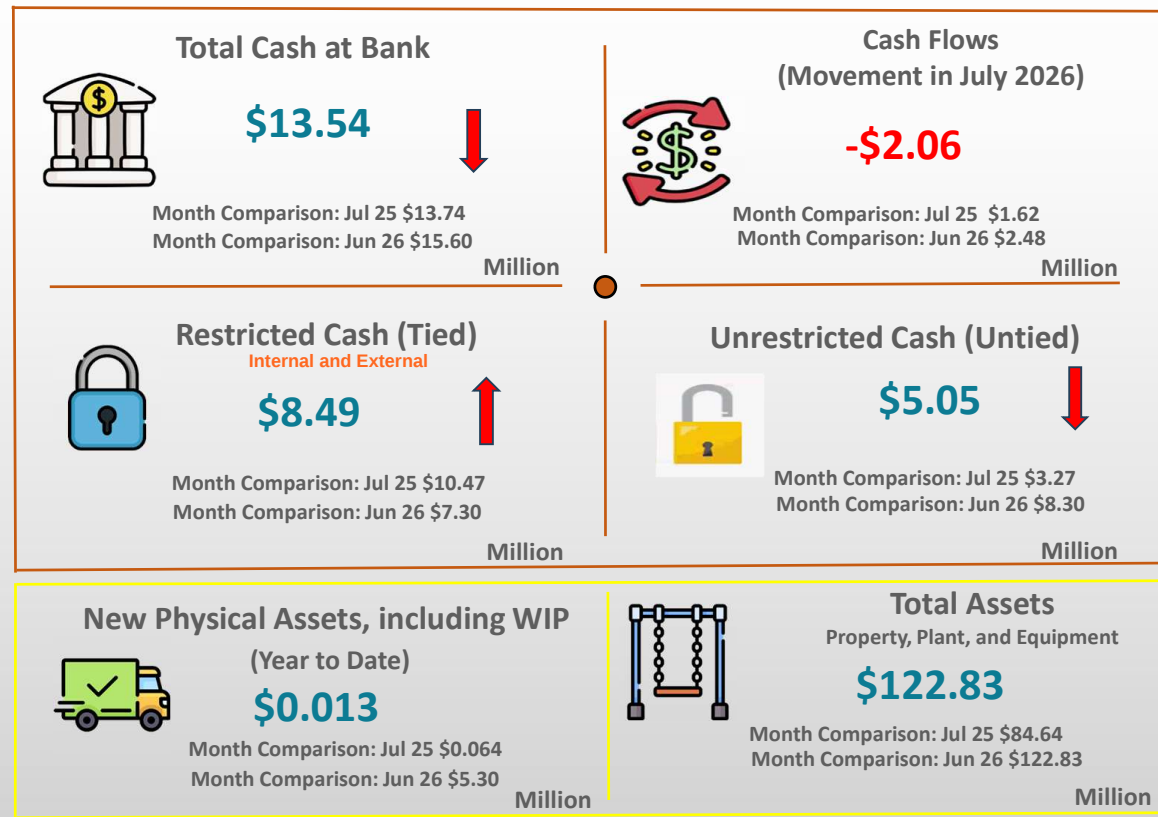
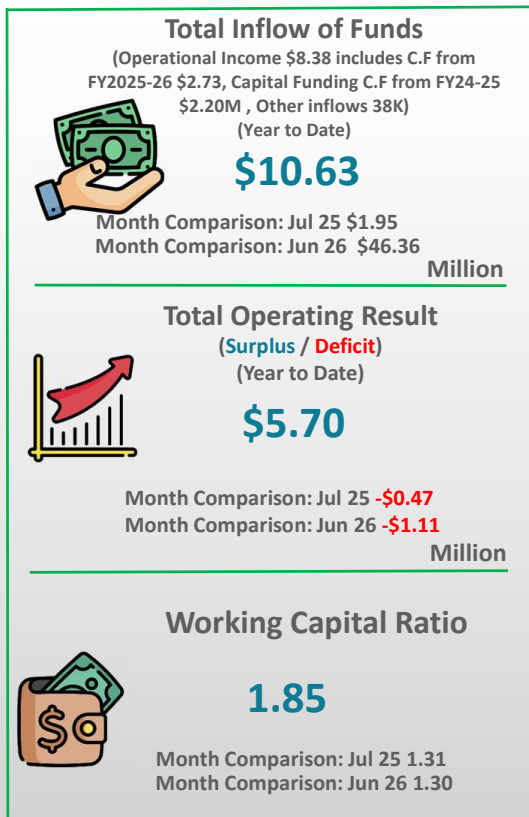
Operating Income and Expenditure for Local Authorities for the Period Ending 31 July 2026

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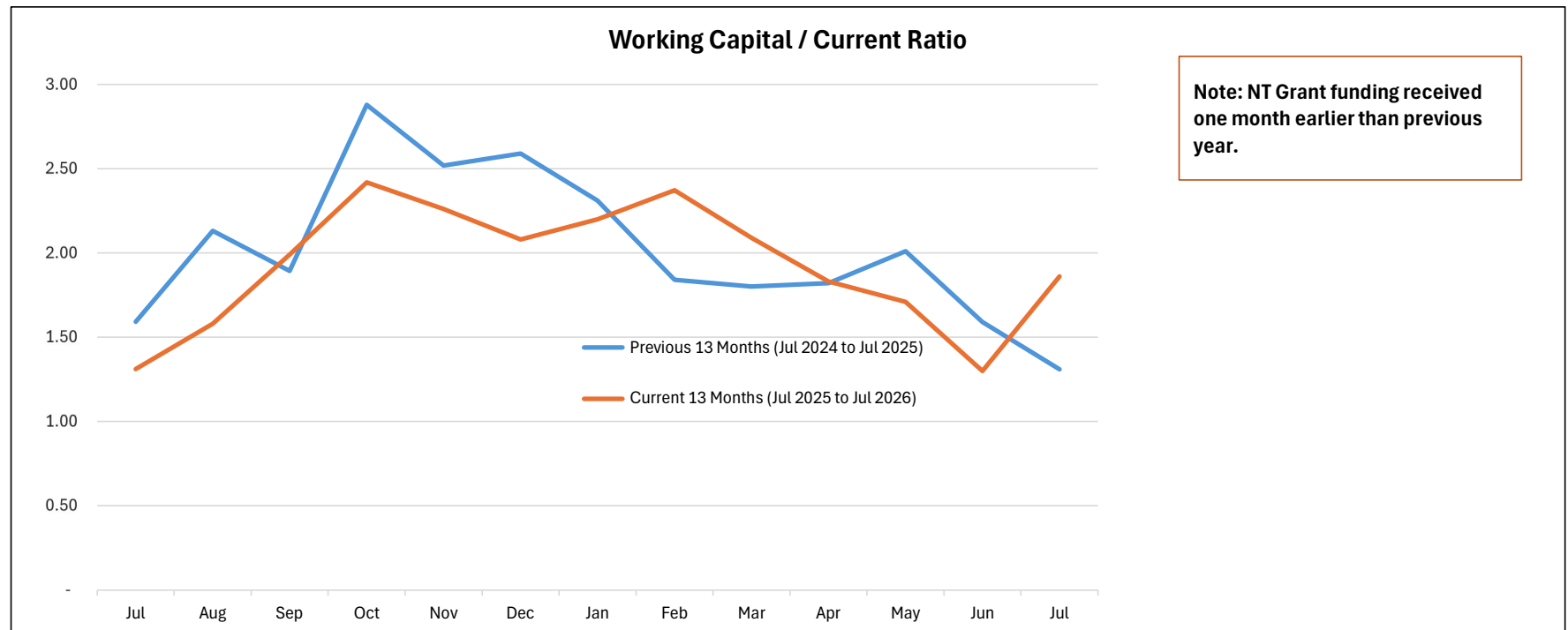
	Regional Office / Unallocated			Minijilang LA			Warruwi LA			Gunbalanya LA		
	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$
OPERATING INCOME												
Rates	41,486	-	41,486	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,624	(20,624)
Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,163	(12,163)
Fees and Charges	11,392	16,458	(5,066)	156	2,306	(2,150)	364	1,527	(1,163)	-	-	-
Operating Grants and Subsidies	5,618,950	1,234,857	4,384,093	234,175	253,069	(18,893)	117,641	1,443	116,198	346,785	4,811	341,974
Interest / Investment Income	48,401	16,728	31,673	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial and Other Income	366,811	650,111	(283,300)	67,441	96,983	(29,543)	62,748	72,307	(9,559)	101,457	139,118	(37,661)
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	6,087,040	1,918,154	4,168,886	301,772	352,358	(50,586)	180,753	75,278	105,476	448,242	176,716	271,526
OPERATING EXPENDITURE												
Employee Expenses	599,483	678,195	(78,712)	130,341	158,412	(28,070)	119,288	161,844	(42,556)	171,209	212,994	(41,785)
Materials and Contracts	20,014	165,832	(145,818)	18,953	66,937	(47,984)	33,731	69,579	(35,848)	36,008	155,269	(119,260)
Elected Member Allowances	27,585	29,743	(2,159)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Elected Member Expenses	17,700	29,443	(11,744)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Council Committee & LA Allowances	-	583	(583)	-	535	(535)	1,950	767	1,183	-	1,242	(1,242)
Council Committee & LA Expenses	-	-	-	-	2,150	(2,150)	-	771	(771)	-	1,000	(1,000)
Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	439,287	439,287	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	224,110	360,935	(136,826)	26,781	86,489	(59,708)	46,195	65,490	(19,295)	56,856	110,173	(53,317)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	1,328,177	1,704,018	(375,841)	176,075	314,521	(138,447)	201,163	298,450	(97,287)	264,072	480,677	(216,604)
OPERATING SURPLUS /(DEFICIT)	4,758,863	214,136	4,544,727	125,697	37,837	87,861	(20,410)	(223,172)	202,763	184,169	(303,961)	488,130

	Maningrida LA			Kakadu Ward Advisory Committee			Total		
	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$
OPERATING INCOME									
Rates	-	510	(510)	20,477	9,170	11,307	61,963	30,304	31,660
Charges	-	527	(527)	40,534	129,874	(89,340)	40,534	142,564	(102,030)
Fees and Charges	2,255	12,182	(9,927)	39,491	14,881	24,609	53,657	47,355	6,302
Operating Grants and Subsidies	693,466	9,793	683,672	141,877	14,521	127,357	7,152,895	1,518,494	5,634,400
Interest / Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	48,401	16,728	31,673
Commercial and Other Income	103,592	94,411	9,182	329,355	103,558	225,797	1,031,404	1,156,488	(125,085)
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	799,313	117,423	681,890	571,735	272,005	299,730	8,388,854	2,911,934	5,476,921
OPERATING EXPENDITURE									
Employee Expenses	165,952	219,259	(53,308)	265,025	354,752	(89,727)	1,451,297	1,785,456	(334,159)
Materials and Contracts	36,707	203,380	(166,673)	81,101	180,602	(99,502)	226,514	841,598	(615,084)
Elected Member Allowances	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,585	29,743	(2,159)
Elected Member Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,700	29,443	(11,744)
Council Committee & LA Allowances	-	500	(500)	-	-	-	1,950	3,626	(1,676)
Council Committee & LA Expenses	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	877	(877)	-	6,798	(6,798)
Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	-	-	-	-	-	-	439,287	439,287	-
Interest Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	84,035	115,851	(31,817)	85,285	148,367	(63,082)	523,259	887,304	(364,045)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	286,693	540,990	(254,297)	431,410	684,598	(253,188)	2,687,591	4,023,255	(1,335,664)
OPERATING SURPLUS /(DEFICIT)	512,619	(423,567)	936,187	140,325	(412,593)	552,918	5,701,264	(1,111,321)	6,812,585

Snapshot – July 2026 Financial Report



Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Previous 13 Months (Jul 2024 to Jul 2025)	1.59	2.13	1.89	2.88	2.52	2.59	2.31	1.84	1.80	1.82	2.01	1.59	1.31
Current 13 Months (Jul 2025 to Jul 2026)	1.31	1.58	1.99	2.42	2.26	2.08	2.20	2.37	2.09	1.83	1.71	1.30	1.85



Member and CEO Council Credit Card Transactions for the Month

Where a council credit card has been issued to an Elected Member and/or the CEO, a list per cardholder of all credit card transactions in the month is to be published including the name of the supplier, the amount for each transaction and the reason for the transaction.

Cardholder Name: Mayor James Woods

Transaction Date	Amount \$	Supplier's Name	Reason for the Transaction
06.07.2026	\$ 33.28	CabFare	Transport to attend PAWA meeting Darwin
09.07.2026	\$ 5.50	Officeworks	J.Burrows Swing Clip File A4 Blue
Total	\$ 38.78		



Cardholder statement

Run Date: 4 August 2026

Company details

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 ATT DAVID GLOVER PO BOX 721
 JABIRU NT 0886

Cardholder name: JAMES WOODS
 Cardholder number: xxxx-xxxx-xxxx-xxxx

Cost centre no:
 Statement date: 03/08/26

Opening balance: 1,743.04

For enquiries please call: 1300 650 107

C indicates a credit or payment

*Closing balance: 38.78

* The closing balance will be transferred automatically in terms of the authority held.

Payment due date:	13/08/26	Credit limit:	5,000.00	Annual percentage rate:	15.65%
Past due:	0.00	Available credit:	4,961.00	Monthly percentage rate:	1.30%
Minimum payment due:	0.00				

Date	Description of transaction	Amount	Ref.
06/07/26	CabFare Payments Melbourne AUS	33.28	4121
07/07/26	AUTOMATIC PAYMENT	1,743.04 C	0000
09/07/26	OFFICEWORKS Bentleigh EasAUS	5.50	5943

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Member and CEO Council Credit Card Transactions for the Month

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Cardholder Name: CEO Katharine Murray

Transaction Date	Amount \$	Supplier's Name	Reason for the Transaction
07/07/26	\$ 7.00	Brumby's Bakery Hibiscus	Catering for Maningrida HR visit 08.07.2026
08/07/26	\$ 30.00	Officeworks	Stationery for Council meetings
08/07/26	\$ 110.00	Officeworks	Stationery for Council meetings
08/07/26	\$ 116.52	Woolworths	Catering for Maningrida HR visit 08.07.2026
08/07/26	\$ 12.00	Soul Train Darwin	Coffee for CEO & Mayor for stakeholder meeting.
08/07/26	\$ 5.60	City of Darwin	Parking to attend meeting in Darwin with stakeholders 07.07.2026
08/07/26	\$ 193.25	Territory Butchers	Catering for Maningrida HR visit 08.07.2026
20/07/26	\$ 4.44	BuzzSporut	LG News podcast monthly subscription
22/07/26	\$ 3.64	Paystay	Parking to attend meeting in Darwin with stakeholders 22.07.2026
27/07/26	\$ 24.00	News Pty Limited	NT News Digital Membership
Total	\$ 506.45		



Cardholder statement

Run Date: 4 August 2026

Company details

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 ATT DAVID GLOVER PO BOX 721
 JABIRU NT 0886

Cardholder name: KATHARINE MURRAY
 Cardholder number: xxxx-xxxx-xxxx-xxxx

Cost centre no:
 Statement date: 03/08/26

Opening balance: 2,525.12

For enquiries please call: 1300 650 107

C indicates a credit or payment

*Closing balance: 506.45

* The closing balance will be transferred automatically in terms of the authority held.

Payment due date:	13/08/26	Credit limit:	10,000.00	Annual percentage rate:	15.65%
Past due:	0.00	Available credit:	9,493.00	Monthly percentage rate:	1.30%
Minimum payment due:	0.00				

Date	Description of transaction	Amount	Ref.
07/07/26	BBH HIBISCUS SHOP 13A Leanyer AUS	7.00	5462
07/07/26	AUTOMATIC PAYMENT	2,525.12 C	0000
08/07/26	OFFICEWORKS Bentleigh EasAUS	30.00	5943
08/07/26	OFFICEWORKS 0801 STUART PARK AUS	110.00	5943
08/07/26	WOOLWORTHS 5659 LEANYER AUS	116.52	5411
08/07/26	SOUL ORIGIN DARWIN GAL DARWIN AUS	12.00	5814
08/07/26	CITY OF DARWIN DARWIN AUS	5.60	7523
08/07/26	TERRITORY BUTCHERS P LEANYER AUS	193.25	5422
20/07/26	PODCAST SUBSCRIPTION JACKSONVILLE USA	4.44	7372
	3.00 U. S. DOLLAR		
22/07/26	Paystay South Wharf AUS	3.64	7523
27/07/26	NEWS PTY LIMITED SURRY HILLS AUS	24.00	5818

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WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

FOR THE MEETING 25 AUGUST 2026

Agenda Reference:	8.1
Title:	Closure to the Public for the Discussion of Confidential Items
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

Pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and regulation 52 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, the meeting is to be closed to the public to consider confidential matters.

LEGISLATION AND POLICY

Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019*

Regulations 51 and 52 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2021*

RECOMMENDATION

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 at {time} to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

FOR THE MEETING 25 AUGUST 2026

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

The information in this section of the agenda is classed as confidential under section 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and regulation 52 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2021*.

WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

FOR THE MEETING TUESDAY 25 AUGUST 2026

RE-ADMITTANCE OF THE PUBLIC

The information in this section of the agenda is classed as confidential under section 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and regulation 52 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2021*.

- 11 NEXT MEETING**
- 12 MEETING DECLARED CLOSED**