

Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council Warruwi Local Authority
Wednesday, 7 October 2026 at 10:00 am
Council Chambers

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND OPENING OF MEETING

Chairperson Nicholas Hunter declared the meeting open at 9:59am, welcomed all in attendance and did an Acknowledgement of Country.

2 PERSONS PRESENT

APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT

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

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor	James Woods
Councillor	Geraldine Narul

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Katharine Murray (via Teams)
Finance Manager	Imran Shajib
Director Technical Services	Grant McKenzie
Acting Director Community and Council Services	Peter Mickleson
Technical Services Manager	Kylie Gregson
Council Services Manager	Misman Kris
Acting Governance Advisor	Joy Mickleson
Project Manager	Rajeev Devaraj
Human Resources Manager	Luisa Arango

3 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCES

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.

WAR31/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Ida Waianga
Seconded Member Misman Kris**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Notes the apology received from Members Jason Mayinaj and Jamie Milpurrr and notes that Member Renfred Manmurulu will be a late arrival.
2. Determines Members Jason Mayinaj and Jamie Milpurrr are absent and that Member Renfred Manmurulu will be a late arrival 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.

WAR32/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Ida Waianga
Seconded Member Nicholas Hunter**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY acknowledges that there were no declarations of interest in reference to the items listed for the Waruwi Local Authority meeting held on 7 October 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.

WAR33/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Ida Waianga

Seconded Member Nicholas Hunter

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY adopts the minutes of the Warruwi Local Authority meeting held on 15 July 2026 as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

6 ACTION REPORTS

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.

WAR34/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Nicholas Hunter

Seconded Member Ida Waianga

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Review of Action Items*; and
2. Investigates funding options available from grants team at AINT
3. Reviews the outstanding action items and gives approval for completed items to be removed from the register.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.2
Title:	Community Benefit Fund
Author:	Kylie Gregson, Manager Technical Services

The Local Authority considered a report on Community Benefit Fund.

WAR35/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Richard Nawirr

Seconded Member Misan Kris

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

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

Agenda Reference:	6.3
Title:	Proposed - Reinstall Fencing Along Roadside Culvert
Author:	Kylie Gregson, Manager Technical Services

The Local Authority considered a report on Proposed - Reinstall Fencing Along Roadside Culvert.

WAR36/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Ida Waianga

Seconded Member Nicholas Hunter

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Proposed - Reinstall Fencing Along Roadside Culvert*; and
2. Approves the allocation of \$8,640.00 from the Warruwi Local Authority Funding.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.4
Title:	Proposed - Supply of Native Plants for Warruwi Community
Author:	Kylie Gregson, Manager Technical Services

The Local Authority considered a report on Proposed - Supply of Native Plants for Warruwi Community.

WAR37/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Richard Nawirr

Seconded Member Misman Kris

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receive and note the report titled *Proposed - Supply of Native Plants for Warruwi Community*; and
2. Approve the allocation of \$1,489.09 Option 2 (14L/28L) from the Warruwi Local Authority Funding.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.5
Title:	Proposed - Supply and Install Seating and BBQ Fire Pits
Author:	Kylie Gregson, Manager Technical Services

The Local Authority considered a report on Proposed - Supply and Install Seating and BBQ Fire Pits.

Member Richard Nawirr left the meeting at 10:38am

WAR38/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Nicholas Hunter

Seconded Member Ida Waianga

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receive and note the report titled *Proposed - Supply and Install Seating and BBQ Fire Pits*; and
2. Approve the purchase of 2 park bench seats plus delivery with installation by WARC staff within a budget of up to \$6,000.00 from the Warruwi Local Authority Funding.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.6
Title:	Proposed - Install Concrete Floodway
Author:	Kylie Gregson, Manager Technical Services

Member Richard Nawirr returned to the meeting at 10:42 am.

The Local Authority considered a report on Proposed - Install Concrete Floodway.

WAR39/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Nicholas Hunter

Seconded Member Misan Kris

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receive and note the report titled *Proposed - Install Concrete Floodway*; and
2. Recommend that Council consider funding during next budget deliberations.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.7
Title:	Local Government Representation Review - Submission by Council
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

Member Renfred Manmurulu arrived at the meeting at 10:49 am.

The Local Authority considered a report on 2026 Local Government Representation Review.

WAR40/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Nicholas Hunter

Seconded Member Renfred Manmurulu

THAT The Warruwi Local Authority Committee

1. Endorses the submission (and attached map) made to the 2026 Local Government Representation Review Committee; and
2. That subsequent to consultation with the Minjilang Local Authority a further letter will be sent to the LGRR advising of the Warruwi Local Authority support for the proposal.

CARRIED

7 RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	7.1
Title:	Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence.

WAR41/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Nicholas Hunter

Seconded Member Misman Kris

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY receives and notes the attached items of incoming and outgoing correspondence.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.2
Title:	Technical Services Warruwi Projects Report
Author:	Kylie Gregson, Manager Technical Services

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

WAR42/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Renfred Manmurulu

Seconded Member Misman Kris

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY receives and notes the report titled *Technical Services Warruwi Projects Report*.

CARRIED

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

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

WAR43/2026 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Member Ida Waianga

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:	Finance Report Warruwi Local Authority
Author:	Imran Shajib, Finance Manager

Member Renfred Manmurulu left the meeting at 11:25 am and returned at 11:33am.

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

WAR44/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Richard Nawirr
Seconded Member Mismam Kris**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Finance Report Warruwi Local Authority*; and
2. Receives and notes the Warruwi Local Authority Certification of the 2025-26 Local Authority Project Funding.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.5
Title:	Human Resources Report
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Human Resources Report.

WAR45/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Renfred Manmurulu
Seconded Member Nicholas Hunter**

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

CARRIED

8 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Agenda Reference:	8.1
Title:	Presentations and Visitors
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Presentations and Visitors.

WAR46/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Nicholas Hunter
Seconded Member Ida Waianga**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY notes the report on presentations and visitors.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	8.2
Title:	Invited Guest - NT Police
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

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

WAR47/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Ida Waianga
Seconded Member Nicholas Hunter**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY notes the NT Police did not attend the meeting.

CARRIED

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER QUESTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT NOTICE

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.

WAR48/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Nicholas Hunter
Seconded Member Renfred Manmurulu**

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

- Investigate lawn maintenance options for private properties - ALPA, etc

CARRIED

10 NEXT MEETING

11 MEETING DECLARED CLOSED

Member Nicholas Hunter declared the meeting closed at 11:54am.

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