



MINUTES OF THE WILLOWRA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD
IN THE CENTRAL DESERT SERVICE DELIVERY OFFICE ON
THURSDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2017 AT 10:00AM

1 OPEN

2 PRESENT

Present:

Local Authority Members

Harold Ross, Justina Forrest, Jeannie Presley, Lillian Long, Keziah Ahkit-Kitson, Owen Williams

Councillors

Cr Adrian Dixon, Cr April Martin, Cr Jacob Spencer, Cr Warren Williams, Cr Freddy Williams.

3 APOLOGIES/ABSENCES

4 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

4.1 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

SUMMARY: As per Council policy the Local Authority must elect a chairperson and deputy chair in order for meetings to be conducted.

RESOLVED:

That the Local Authority:

- 1. Elect Harold Ross as the Local Authority Chairperson**
- 2. Elect Keziah Ahkit as the Local Authority Deputy Chairperson**

5 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

5.1 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

SUMMARY: The agenda of this Local Authority meeting is being tabled. Local Authority members decide whether they wish to accept the agenda as it stands or whether they wish to make changes.

Will039/2017 **RESOLVED (Lillian Long/Keziah Ahkit-Kitson)**
That the Local Authority accept the agenda for the meeting.

6 CODE OF CONDUCT MATTERS

6.1 CONSIDERATION OF CODE OF CONDUCT

SUMMARY: The Local Authority endorsed a revised Code of Conduct. To ensure that the Local Authority is familiar with the code of conduct it is presented at every meeting. The Local Authority can use this item as an opportunity to discuss any concerns.

Will040/2017 **RESOLVED (Keziah Ahkit-Kitson/April Martin)**
That the Local Authority re-confirm their commitment to the Code of Conduct.

7 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil

8 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

8.1 ACTIV8ME

SUMMARY: Activ8me wish to ask the Local Authority to consider the installation of these services.

Will041/2017 **RESOLVED (April Martin/Harold Ross)**
That the Local Authority approve the installation of public wi-fi hardware and services in Willowra.

9 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

9.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

SUMMARY: Local Authority is to consider the unconfirmed minutes of the previous Local Authority meeting.

Will042/2017 **RESOLVED (Lillian Long/Harold Ross)**
That the Local Authority accept and confirm the minutes of the previous meeting.

10 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

10.1 REPORT FROM REGIONAL COUNCIL

SUMMARY: Council decisions made in the last Regional Council meetings are available in the attached Summary of Major Items.

Will043/2017 **RESOLVED (Jeannie Presley/Lillian Long)**
That the Local Authority accept the report from Council on decisions made in the last Ordinary Council meeting in September 2017, as attached.

10.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION ITEMS

SUMMARY: Attached is the running list of Local Authority action items as reported in previous meetings.

Will044/2017 **RESOLVED (April Martin/Owen Williams)**
That the Local Authority note the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received.

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

12 COMMUNITY REPORTS

12.1 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY: The Council Services Report is provided by the Council Services Manager at every Local Authority meeting to provide information to members.

Will045/2017 **RESOLVED (April Martin/Lillian Long)**
That the Local Authority note the Council Services Report.

12.2 FINANCE REPORT

SUMMARY: The Finance Report outlines the budget for the community and details works expenditure as required in the community.

Will046/2017 **RESOLVED (Lillian Long/Owen Williams)**
That the Local Authority note the attached Finance Report.

12.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY PATROL REFERENCE GROUP

SUMMARY: The Council Services Manager provides an update and profile on the operations of Community Safety Patrol to the Local Authority for their input and feedback if any.

Will047/2017 **RESOLVED (Harold Ross/Jeannie Presley)**
The Local Authority requests:

- 1. Council commence lobbying Government to highlight community safety issues in Willowra**
- 2. Council write to PM&C to request they check all public phones in community are working and install additional phones in key places for safety reasons**

13 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

14 NORTHERN TERRITORY GOVERNMENT

14.1 NORTHERN TERRITORY GOVERNMENT REPORT

SUMMARY: A NTG representative from the Department of Housing and Community Development will attend each Local Authority meeting to provide information and take questions on NTG services including,

health, education, police, housing, etc.

Will048/2017 RESOLVED (April Martin/Keziah Ahkit-Kitson)

That the Local Authority note:

- 1. The review of the Alcohol Policy is finished and the committee is not going to visit Willowra at this time. A report is currently being written.**
- 2. Request that the NTG representative find out when the NT Department of Housing will do their presentation in regards to community housing.**
- 3. Request that the NTG representative find out when NT Roads will upgrade the road to the Stuart Highway (first 30 km is Central Desert Regional Council, rest is NT Government) and report the road condition following the recent rain.**
- 4. Request that the NTG representative find out if the Willowra sign coming from Tennant Creek will be replaced.**

15 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 12:12 pm.

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Chairperson