



AGENDA

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

21st OCTOBER, 2014

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Signed: Leigh Ashford Chief Executive Officer

AGENDA

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BATCHELOR

ON TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER, 2014 AT 6.00PM

President of the Shire Council Andrew Turner declared the meeting open at 6.00pm and welcomed all in attendance.

1 PERSONS PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor	President Andrew Turner
Councillor	Vice President Bruce Jones
Councillor	Sue Bulmer
Councillor	Max Corliss
Councillor	Dave Gray
Councillor	Ewan Crook

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Leigh Ashford
Senior Administration Officer	Aleyshia Kim

PERSONS PRESENT

Peter Wyatt	Department of Local Government and Regions
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2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

This report is to table, for Council's record, any apologies and requests for leave of absence received from Elected Members for the Ordinary General Meeting held 21st October, 2014.

BACKGROUND

Not applicable.

COMMENT

Council 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 absence without notice.

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

As per the Local Government Act s.39 (1) A person ceases to hold office as a member of a council if the person:
(d) is absent, without permission of the council, from 2 consecutive ordinary meetings of the council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and notes that there is no apologies of absence for the Ordinary General Meeting held 21st October, 2014.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Elected Members are required to disclose an interest in a matter under consideration by Council at a meeting of the Council or a meeting of a Council committee by:

- 1) In the case of a matter featured in an officer's report or written agenda item by disclosing the interest to the Council by disclosure as soon as possible after the matter is raised
- 2) In the case of a matter raised in general debate or by any means other than the printed agenda of the Council by disclosure as soon as possible after the matter is raised. Under disclosure, the Member must abide by the decision of Council on whether he/ she shall remain in the Chambers and/ or take part in the vote on the issue. The council may elect to allow the Member to provide further and better particulars of the interest prior to requesting him/ her to leave the Chambers.

Staff Members of the Council are required to disclose an interest in a matter at any time at 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 his or her delegated authority unless the Council expressly directs him or her to do so.

BACKGROUND

Not applicable.

COMMENT

Not applicable.

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act s73 & s74 (Elected Members).

Local Government Act (2008) s107 Conflict of interest (Staff Members).

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Conflict of Interest – Code of Conduct.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the declarations of interest as listed for the Ordinary General Meeting held 21st October, 2014.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

4 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

4.1 PUBLIC DISCUSSION

NOTE

Maria Holohan has expressed her concerns about the level of rates on the Daly River Road in the Robins Falls area. Maria has requested to make a presentation of her concerns to Council.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2014

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Aleyshia Kim, Senior Administration Officer
Attachments:	Copy of Minutes will be tabled at the meeting

SUMMARY

Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held 16th September 2014, are submitted to Council for confirmation that those minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting.

BACKGROUND

Not applicable.

COMMENT

Not applicable.

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

The minutes as submitted must comply with part section 67(2) Local Government Act 2011 and that confirmation of minutes is compliant with section 67(3) of the Local Government Act 2011.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held 16th September 2014 be confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

6 OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORTS

6.1 OPERATIONS REPORTS

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\Operations Manager
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Robert Bright, Operations Manager
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Operations Manager Report September/October

Roads-

Strickland road re-sheet has been completed on two sections. The work was carried out in the areas where there were only rocks left to grade. Water grade and roll will start when the rain starts.

Haynes road re-sheeting has been done.

Started doing the flood damage section on Coach, Milton and Cheeney. Water grade and roll will be done on all roads when we get rain.

Reseal on Chinner and Haynes road will follow the completion of the quotation process.

Waste-

Dumps going okay.

Hard stand and reclaim area at Batchelor dump has been completed. Fill bought in for wet season cover.

Both dumps have been cleaned up with a dozer.

Subdivision-

Quite a few still going on, Erkelens has been finished and all agencies have been signed off.

Section 117 Cheeney Road drive still has not been done.

Sections 113 Drive ways have started.

Tortilla, Ringwood road subdivision still being considered by the consent authority.

Solar light-

The proposed agreed sites will be checked for obstacles this week and the footings concreted. The electrician has assembled the framework for the solar panels and will carry out the installation in conjunction with the contractors assembling the poles within the next month.

Machinery shed-

Plans have been drawn up and approved for machinery shed at the depot yard, and will be started to erect at the end of the month.

Trees-

A few more trees are coming out around the oval. Tree audit will be done next month.

Weeds-

Free chemical program from the government will be going again this wet season, after our November meeting will commence.

RECOMMENDATION:

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and note the Operations Manager Report for September/October.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

6.2 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Applicant: N/A

Location/Address: N/A

File Ref: CCGCDocs\Animal Management Officer

Date: 16th October, 2014
Author: Trevor Sullivan, Animal Management Officer
Attachments: Nil

SUMMARY Animal Management Officer’s report September/October.

This month has been a horror month. The Animal Welfare Branch of the Department of Primary Industry has investigated a case involving 4 dogs, which died of heat and thirst, and in a separate case 3 dogs that were stabbed. Council assisted Territory Housing and Animal Welfare recover the 4 dogs in the first case.

The new dog traps are acting as a deterrent. The visibility of the traps has reduced the number of uncontrolled dogs in public places.

A resident reported a dog attack on their dog. The resident did not wish the matter taken any further. A report has also been made to Council in relation to a dog attacking a patron at the Rum Jungle Tavern. This matter is currently being investigated.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and note the Animal Management Officers Report for September/October.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

6.3 POOL REPORT

Applicant: N/A
Location/Address: N/A
File Ref: CCGCDocs\Pool Supervisor
Date: 16th October, 2014
Author: Trevor Sullivan, Animal Management Officer
Attachments: Nil

SUMMARY

Pool use has been picking up as the weather continues to get hotter. AFL grant final weekend was very popular and also the rugby grand final weekend.

Pool is running well and no problems to mention.

Swimming Pool Takings and Statistics

<u>Period ending</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>Families</u>	<u>Pens</u>	<u>Gate</u>	<u>value of sold passes</u>	<u>Pool Takings</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Children</u>
10/09/2014	4	9	4		48.50		48.50	9	9
17/09/2014	10	33	6	4	84.00		97.50	13	7

24/09/2014	9	24	5	13	103.00		103.00	15	18
1/10/2014	10	19	4	8	88.50		88.50	13	8
8/10/2014	10	44	9	4	129.50	82.50	212.00	10	13

VOTING REQUIREMENT

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and note the Pool Report for September/October.

Moved: **Clr.**

Seconded: **Clr.**

7 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

7.1 INCOMING AND OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Correspondence to be tabled

SUMMARY

Council is provided with items of correspondence both received and sent during the months of September/October.

BACKGROUND

Hard copies are available to Council on the day of each Ordinary Council meeting for perusal, with additional copies available on request to individual Elected Members.

COMMENT

The correspondence inwards and outwards will be tabled at every meeting or included in agenda items as part of the background information for that particular issue.

The Items of Correspondence are as follows:

Correspondence In

7/10/14	MI 26	Dr Mahajani	Letter of thanks and appreciation to council staff ☺
DATE	ID	Source/Author	Subject
9/9/14	MI 1	COTA	Letter of thanks, Seniors Picnic
11/9/14	MI 2	Brian Schindler FYFE Pty Ltd.	AN 395 request for Part V Clearance for Development Permit
17/9/14	MI 3	NT EPA	Waste Management Grant agreement, Ref 4113
18/9/14	MI 4	Department of Attorney General and Justice	Review of the Criminal Justice Centre Act
18/9/14	MI 5	Department of Land Resource Management	Gamba Grass Assistance Program 2014/15
18/9/14	MI 6	JF & CL Erkelens	Road to service 18 block Sub-Division , signs and posts
18/9/14	MI 7	Wayne Hawkins	Dog Complaint Adelaide River
22/9/14	MI 8	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim	Copies of letters re Adelaide River War Cemetery sent to Federal Ministers Andrew Robb (Trade and Investment)and Michael Ronaldson (Veterans Affairs and ANZAC Centenary)
24/9/14	MI 9	M Holohan	Complaint re lack of consultation prior to Dorat Rd Incorporation
24/9/14	MI 10	Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment	AN 1091 Development Dodd Lake Bennett
25/9/14	MI 11	Rum Jungle Bowls Club	Request for tree removal
25/9/14	MI 12	Power Water	Implementation of Streetlight Repairs and Maintenance Charges
24/9/14	MI 13	Geoffrey Kyle	Rates Complaint
24/9/2014	MI 14	Aurecon Optus	Instillation of Low Impact Telecommunications Facility at 6 Dorat Road Adelaide River
30/9/2014	MI 15	Chloe Haskell Office of the Ombudsman	Complaint from Mr Darryl Bailey Robin Falls re difficulty paying rates
8/10/14	MI 16	Melissa Kerr	Response to complaints by Mr McNamee re UCV on AN 828 and waste management levy on AN 580 & 634
26/9/14	MI 17	Drs Roe and Schacht	AN 1281 Robin Falls Landowners re Incorporation process
7/10/2014	MI 18	Geoffrey Kyle	To Richard Langshaw Valuer Generals Office CC to CEO re UCV of AN 292
7/10/14	MI 19	B & J Holland	Protest against Incorporation of land AN 1278
6/10/2014	MI 20	LGANT	Remote Engagement and Coordination Strategy notes
2/10/14	MI 21	M Skinner	Report of dogs causing mess when bins put out on Mondays, and overgrown block AN 487 McArdle
3/10/14	MI 22	The Hon Warren Snowden	Re mobile service deficiency in Coomalie Shire and Litchfield Park
3/10/14	MI 23	The Hon Warren Truss and The Hon Jamie Brigg	Guidelines and application process for the Australian Governments National Stronger Regions Fund
7/10/14	MI 24	The Hon Warren Truss	Roads to Recovery Funding 2014-2015
7/10/14	MI 25	Department of Land Resource Management	Gamba Grass Assistance Program 2014-2015

Correspondence Out

DATE	ID	Source	Subject
15/9/14	MO 1	LA	Department of Infrastructure Re Agreement concerning wet season road management.
17/9/14	MO2	LA	Jan Hills Batchelor Museum Development Assn. Re: CCGC Grants
17/9/14	MO3	LA	Helen Clayton AR Playgroup Re: CCGC Grants
17/9/14	MO4	LA	Margaret Wardrope AR Craft Market Inc. Re: CCGC Grants
17/9/14	MO5	LA	Annette Rixon AR Show Society Re: CCGC Grants
18/9/14	MO6	LA	John Love Valuer General re :complaints regarding UCV
18/9/14	MO7	LA	Jan Hills Batchelor Museum Development Assn. Re: Tourist Information Centre relocation
18/9/14	MO8	LA	Aziz Rangwala re: SAO position
18/9/14	MO9	LA	Cathy Parra re: SAO position
18/9/14	MO10	LA	Dave Villamanca re: SAO position
18/9/14	MO 11	LA	Sharna Deveraux re : SAO position
19/9/14	MO 12	LA	Avril Beattie re erosion control Cheeney Road
14/10/14	MO 13	LA	Geoffrey Kyle re: rates
14/10/14	MO 14	LA	Ms M Holohan re incorporation of Robin Falls
14/10/14	MO 15	LA	Dr A Roe & Dr I Schacht re incorporation of Robin Falls
14/10/14	MO 16	LA	B & J Holland re incorporation of Robin Falls

CONSULTATION

Not Applicable.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Not Applicable.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the items of incoming and outgoing correspondence as tabled.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.2 REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS LIST SEPTEMBER - 2014

Applicant: Nil
Location/Address: N/A
File Ref: N/A
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 16th October, 2014
Author: Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Action Items List May, 2014

7.3 COMPLAINTS REGISTER SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2014

Applicant: Nil
Location/Address: N/A
File Ref: N/A
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 16th October, 2014
Author: Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Complaints Register

7.4 STANDING ORDER – AMALGAMATION REVIEW

Applicant: N/A
Location/Address: Coomalie Councillors
File Ref: CC/79
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 16th October, 2014
Author: Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:

SUMMARY

The following is the decision of Council from its May 2012 meeting.

Moved Clr. Turner, Seconded Clr. Crook that Boundary Consultation/Expansion be a standing item on the council agenda until resolved. Council supports making this a priority for council.

COMMENT

February, 2013

Clr Turner and CEO met with the Minister for Local Government to discuss this issue.

March 2013

The Minister for Local Government has approved a SP Grant of \$10k to assist with financial modelling and review of boundary changes.

May 2013

Information on the number of lots, roads etc in the unincorporated land area has been requested from the Dept. of Local Government.

November 2013

A/CEO to write to Minister for Local Government and Regions and Member for Daly to meet with Council.

January 2014

Boundary Expansion Opportunity document completed.

February 2014

Meeting with Minister Tollner, Local Government and Regions to discuss Boundary Expansion Opportunity

April 2014

The Department of Local Government were advised that Council wished to proceed immediately with the Dorat Road area and the Litchfield National Park. Council was continuing to investigate the Mt Ringwood Road and the Douglas Daly region. The areas are to be processed individually to ensure that issues arising in one area do not impact on other areas. An invitation has been forwarded to Minister Tollner's office.

May 2014

The Department of Local Government has arranged for the Surveyor General to draw up and define the Additional land proposed to be incorporated into the Coomalie Community Government Council area. The first area to be included is the locality known as Robin Falls.

June 2014

The Minister for Local Government visited Council on Thursday 6 June 2014. He was particularly supportive of Council's proposal to include areas outside the current proposal into the Council area. These included Litchfield National Park, Douglas Daly Region and Mt Ringwood area and the Litchfield region to the west to the current boundary.

A meeting was held between The Department of Local Government representative, CEO from Belyuen Council and the president and CEO from Coomalie. The meeting was to initiate dialogue between the parties regarding possible incorporation of areas with the respective Council areas.

July 2014

A further meeting has been held with Belyuen Council regarding the future inclusion of unincorporated land within the Local Council areas. The second meeting was held at Belyuen and was attended by representatives of both Councils and the Department of Local Government.

The participants agreed to continue joint discussions. It was suggested that this should be through a Transition Committee set up and supported by the Minister for Local Government.

A notice was published in the Government Gazette on 3 July 2014 which includes the Robin Falls area in the Coomalie Community Government Council area.

August 2014

The property information for the Robin Falls area has been difficult to obtain. A direct approach was made to the Minister for Lands Planning and Environment. Initially the Department's computer system could not produce the appropriate report. The Department has now provided copies of the individual title searches of each property.

September 2014

Council received advice that the Minister for Local Government and Regions did not agree to the formation of a Transition Committee. David Tollner resigned his position as Minister for Local Government and Regions and the Chief Minister The Hon Adam Giles has taken on the responsibility.

The Shire President and the CEO met with The Department of Local Government Executive Director Mr David Willing and The Special Projects Manager, Mr Shaun Hardy on Wednesday 3 September 2014 to discuss the future expansion of the Council area.

Council sent letters of introduction to the 59 properties listed in Robin Falls with the information provided by the Department of Lands. 12 Letters have been returned as not known at the address provided.. Contacting the current owners has been the largest single issue coming out of the new area being included in the Council Boundary.

October 2014

Council staff have responded to letters of complaint from affected Robin Falls residents. The Department of Local Government have advised that any further work will be delayed until the appointment of a new Minister for Local Government.

CONSULTATION

Department of Local Government NT

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.5 CEO ACTIVITIES REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\CEO
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Emergency Management Reviews

The CEO attended two meetings arranged by the NT Police and attended by representatives of emergency response groups or organisations which may be impacted by emergencies. The meeting was initiated and organised by the Batchelor Police and separately by the Adelaide River Police.

The aim of the meetings was to identify the major threats to both Batchelor and Adelaide River, the likely occurrence and the impact. These will be used in the new Local Emergency Management Plan currently being developed for the Northern Territory. They replace the current Counter Disaster Plans.

CDU Work Experience

Council registered a Work experience Job with Charles Darwin University. It has received expressions of interest from 6 students who may be suitable to assist the Operations manager for some of the time that the Operations Supervisor is on leave.

Dust and Access Issues Adelaide River

Cr Corliss and myself mediated a meeting in Adelaide River of concerned residents in relation to dust being generated on a crown reserve and affecting a local residence. A resident has blocked access the reserve which has upset other local residents who have used the reserve as a short cut for many years. An agreement was reached between the parties at a local level, however if the problem of dust or access continue it is likely to be referred to the land owner which is the Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment.

Volunteers Recognition Awards

An advertisement was placed in the October edition of the Stop Press calling for nomination of Volunteers to be recognised by Council. This has been held on the first Friday of October for the last two years but with the change in staff was not recognised until too late to commit to the normal date. It is currently proposed to advertise in both the current edition of Stop Press and the November Edition with event to be held on the last Friday of November this year.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the CEO's Activity Report for September/October 2014.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded	Clr.
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7.6 APPOINTMENT OF A CHAIRPERSON TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Resume MR R Anderson

SUMMARY

The CEO has negotiated with Mr Russell Anderson to Chair the Coomalie Community Government Council Audit Committee. Mr Anderson has a broad experience across the Northern Territory. Russell has worked in diverse roles from his early days as a Ranger, to Technical Services Manager in Parks and Wildlife and the recent role as CEO at Litchfield Council for seven years.

It is considered that the council should endorse Mr Andersons as the Chairman of the Audit committee and determine a date and time to hold the inaugural Audit Committee meeting.

BACKGROUND

Council established an audit committee in 2012. It appointed Cr Turner and Cr Bulmer as the councillor representatives, the CEO and the Finance Manager. It nominated that an independent chairperson be appointed with an appropriate accounting /local government background.

The Local Government compliance inspection carried out in late May found that Council did not have an effective audit committee and required Council to take appropriate remedial measures.

COMMENT

Mr Anderson has indicated that if Council appoints him as the Audit Committee Chairperson, he would like to hold the first meeting in late October as he will be overseas from early November 2014.

CONSULTATION

Finance Manager

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

The Local Government (Accounting) Regulations 10(2) (b) requires Council to establish and maintain an Audit Committee Act requires council to have an internal audit committee.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost to support the Audit Committee will be approximately \$4000 per annum. Provision has been made in this budget and will be an ongoing annual cost.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council appoints Mr Russell Anderson to the position of Chairperson of the Coomalie community Government Council Audit Committee.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.7 ROADS TO RECOVERY

Applicant: Australian Commonwealth Government

Location/Address: N/A

File Ref: CC 104/2

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 16th October, 2014

Author: Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: Letter from the Deputy Prime Minister

SUMMARY

Council has received confirmation that the allocation from the Roads to recovery program over the next 5 years will be \$830,676. This is made up of the following allocations:

2014/15	\$138,446
2015/16	\$276,892
2016/17	\$138,446
2017/18	\$138,446
2018/19	\$138,446

Council estimated in its annual budget that the grant would be \$135,000 per annum.

BACKGROUND

The Commonwealth Government has had the Roads to Recovery Program in place since 2000. It is one of the best grant programs for rural Councils to be involved. The criteria and reporting requirements are relatively simple. The Program has run on a 5 year cycle with Councils aware of their funding allocation over the 5 year period.

Whilst an extension of the program was announced in the May budget, enabling legislation has only recently been passed.

COMMENT

The allocated amounts are similar to the amounts anticipated in the budget and Long Term Financial Plan

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Council must comply with the provisions of the funding Agreement. In previous programs the major issue was that Council had to maintain or improve the level of own source funds for roads. This adversely impacted Councils who had significant roadwork's through Disaster Relief Funding as normal road projects were deferred to allow the repair of the roads following the disaster.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the allocation of funds through the Roads to Recovery Program.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.8 REQUEST FOR ANNUAL CLEANUP

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Council has been requested to have an annual Clean-up of Batchelor and Adelaide River prior to the cyclone season.

The is considered that if approved, that one day will need to be allocated to Batchelor and one day to Adelaide River. Experience has shown that there is often some follow up pickups are required. This project is additional to Council's normal cleanup and additional resources will be needed to supplement Council resources required.

BACKGROUND

At a recent FERG meeting, the issue of an annual town clean up prior to the Cyclone Season was considered. Cr Jones subsequently requested that the issue should be listed on the Council agenda for discussion.

The last evidence on Council's record system of annual town clean-up was 2008.

COMMENT

Council's transfer stations are currently free and within easy access to the townships.

CONSULTATION

There is no consultation that applies to this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds have not been allocated in this year's budget for an annual clean-up of Batchelor and Adelaide River. It is estimated that the cost will be \$2500 per day. The total estimate is \$6000 which includes both towns plus some limited follow up work.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council determines if it wishes to conduct an annual clean-up of Adelaide River and Batchelor prior to the cyclone season.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.9 BRUCE JONES COMMUNITY HALL REQUEST TO LINE MARK THE FLOOR

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Sketch of proposed line marking

SUMMARY

The Coomalie Scout Group has requested Council to permit them to line mark the floor at the Bruce Jones Community Centre to assist run their programs.

The Scout group are the currently the only regular users of the facility.

It is considered that Council should support the proposal as long as the work is carried out in a tradesman like manner.

BACKGROUND

The Bruce Jones Community Centre was constructed in 2012. To date the Centre has been used regularly by Friday Night Fun run by the Community Recreation Officer and the Coomalie Scout Group.

The Coomalie

COMMENT

It is important that community assets are used to their most effective potential. The Coomalie Scout Group is currently the major user of the facility. The proposed line marking will enhance their ability to carry out programs that teach coordination, discipline and spatial awareness.

Many community halls have a variety of line marking to promote the multi-use aspect of the facility. This practice is generally accepted by users and visitors.

Currently the Coomalie Scout group has 12 joeys, 12 cubs and 10 scouts on the books. The Scout group has been active in the community, participating in Australia day, Bombing of Darwin Commemorations, clean up Australia day and Territory Day Celebrations.

The line marking must be completed in a professional manner to ensure that it does not detract from the building.

Council has applied for a grant to construct a kitchen at the Community Centre. This may impact on the proposed line marking in the future. The Scout group will be made aware of this proposal.

CONSULTATION

Steve McWilliams.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The proposal does not conflict with Council's policy for the use of the Facility.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the Coomalie Scout group's request to line mark the floor in accordance with the proposed layout as long as the work is carried out to a tradesman like standard.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.10 RUM JUNGLE BOWLS CLUB- REQUEST TO REMOVE TREES

Applicant:	Rum Jungle Bowls Club
Location/Address:	Batchelor Bowls green
File Ref:	CC 31
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Letter

SUMMARY

The Rum Jungle Bowls Club has requested that Council remove the trees adjoining the bowling green in the Batchelor Swimming Pool.

The club claim that the trees are shading the Northern end of the green which is restricting the growth of grass.

They have requested that Council removes the trees prior to the wet season to allow the establishment of the grass.

BACKGROUND

The Club is the most active sporting group in the Shire. They have representative teams in the Northern Territory Pennant competition. They also hold regular night bowls and an annual Business House Competition.

Maintenance of the green is carried out by volunteers, whereas most bowls club employ a green keeper.

The Bowls Club submission is based upon advice from visiting greenkeepers.

The branches of two trees in the swimming pool area over hang the bowls club area and marginally over the rink. The overhanging branches affect the flood lights at night making the northern end of the rink very dark.

The trees provide some shade to patrons to the Batchelor Swimming Pool, but are not ideal shade trees as they provide hiding areas.

COMMENT

The swimming Pool supervisor has no objection to the trees being removed and has stated that the trees are self sown.

It is appropriate that Council make the swimming pool patrons aware of the proposal and invite comment. Should no adverse comment be received then approval should be granted to remove the trees.

The club should be advised that all future requests should be made as part of Council's annual community grant program.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

There are no specific statutory requirements that apply to this report.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council Risk Management Plan and Procedures for Trees in Coomalie Shire outlines that prior to removal Council should consult with any parties that may be affected prior to the removal of the trees. The trees are located on the swimming pool land and affect the Bowling Club ground.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council allows \$10,000 in its budget to carry out tree maintenance work. This is usually confined to the removal of dead or dangerous tree or limbs. In this case Council could consider using this budget item to cover the costs of the work. It is estimated that the work will cost \$1500.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the Rum Jungle Bowls Club's request to remove two trees in the Batchelor Swimming pool area subject to no serious adverse issues being raised through the consultation process.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.11 DEVELOPMENT OF BATCHELOR AIRSTRIP

Applicant:	Coomalie Air Maintenance & Aerotech NT
Location/Address:	Batchelor Airstrip – Crown land. Lot 324 & 318
File Ref:	CC/83
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014.
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Discussions with the Department of Infrastructure have indicated that the draft plans of the Batchelor airstrip are available this week.

The proposed strategy meeting will involve the major users of the airstrip and Council. The purpose of the meeting is to confirm and flesh out the long term development of the airstrip. At the end of this process Council should have available a conceptual plan and a number of principles to guide the process.

The invitees will be the regular users of the Batchelor Airstrip, Coomalie the Department of infrastructure, the Department of Lands and Councillors.

BACKGROUND

Council has been considering the development of the Coomalie Airstrip for a number of years. Council has received advice previously that any application for a development proposal will not proceed due to the Native Title Claim over the Crown Lands in Batchelor.

Council submitted a grant application for \$132,000 in 2010 to prepare a feasibility study, development plan and business plan for a commercial aviation industrial precinct operating at the Batchelor airfield. The grant was not successful.

COMMENT

Nil

CONSULTATION

Department of Infrastructure

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Native Title Clearance and planning approval will be required for freehold title of Land in this area to be finalised.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council has allocated \$8,000 in this year's budget to initiate the development of the airstrip. There will be financial costs, risks and possible profits involved in the development of an airstrip industrial park for the developers.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

DIRECTION

That the CEO arranges a meeting that suits the majority of the participants.

7.12 NATIONAL STRONGER REGIONS FUND

Applicant:	Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development.
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Letter NSRF Guidelines

SUMMARY

The Deputy Prime Minister The Hon Warren Truss MP and the Assistant Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development The Hon Jamie Briggs MP have written to Council advising of the release of guidelines and the initial application process for the Australian Government's National Stronger Regions Fund (NSRF).

The program is \$1billion over 5 years for community infrastructure projects that promote economic development and address disadvantage in Australia's regions.

Round one applications close on 28 November 2014 with work to commence in July 2015. The second round will close on 31 July 2015.

Grants will be between \$20,000 and \$10,000,000 and must be matched in cash on at least a dollar for dollar basis.

BACKGROUND

Nil

COMMENT

Council's previous application for the development of the Snake Creek Tourist Precinct was not successful.

CONSULTATION

There is no consultation that applies to this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council has not made any provision in this year's budget for this program.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council determine if it wishes to apply for a grant under this program.

Moved: **Clr.**

Seconded: **Clr.**

7.13 CHIN ESTATE-REQUEST TO SUPPLY ROCKS

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Council has received a request to supply rocks to the Chin estate to allow residents to fill holes in the access roads and tracks.

It is considered that the self help shown by the residents should be supported with a strict limit on the cost involved.

BACKGROUND

Council has provided approximately 40cubic metres of rock for the last two years for landowners to use to assist them access their properties.

COMMENT

The Operations Manager has advised that the rocks are sourced near Adelaide River and the only costs involved are the loading and transport cost. The cost is estimated to be less than \$500.

The residents have used the rocks very effectively over the last two years. There is clear evidence of the rocks being placed in washouts and bog holes not only on the private tracks but also on the local roads.

CONSULTATION

Jacinta Brown.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council has not made any specific budget allocation for this work in this year's budget. The Operations Manager has advised that the work delivery of the rocks can be carried out in conjunction with other works. The cost should not exceed \$500 which can be accommodated in the normal Road Maintenance Program.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council provide a load of rocks to the residents of Chin Estate to a maximum cost of \$500.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

8 FINANCE REPORTS

8.1 PAYMENT REGISTER

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Melissa Kerr, Finance Manager
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

As part of the monthly reporting procedures a full listing of cheques and EFT payments made is submitted to Council.

BACKGROUND

Attached is a listing of accounts paid for September 2014.

COMMENT

No additional comments are provided to this report.

CONSULTATION

There is no consultation that applies to this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Section 18 of the Local Government Accounting Regulations 2008 Financial reports to council –

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(b) the forecast income and expenditure for the whole of the financial year.

(2) The report must include:

(a) details of all cash and investments held by the council (including money held in trust); and

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(c) other information required by the council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

COOMALIE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

PAYMENT REGISTER

SEPTEMBER 2014

DATE	REFERENCE	DETAILS	AMOUNT
2/09/2014	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	19,129.47
2/09/2014	POS Fee	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	5.93
2/09/2014	Merch Fee	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	169.85
2/09/2014	Visa	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	50.00
3/09/2014	6166	Area IT Solutions	611.07
3/09/2014	6167	Cr. Sue Bulmer	350.00
3/09/2014	6168	Bunnings Building Supplies P/L	113.16
3/09/2014	6169	Cr. Max Corliss	350.00

3/09/2014	6170	Cr. Ewan Crook	350.00
3/09/2014	6171	Darwin Parachute Club Incorpor	500.00
3/09/2014	6172	Cr. Dave Gray	350.00
3/09/2014	6173	HSS NT Pty Ltd	6,479.00
3/09/2014	6174	Cr. Bruce Jones	750.00
3/09/2014	6175	Denise Kelly	1,535.90
3/09/2014	6176	DT & MG Kerr	7,590.00
3/09/2014	6177	Ooloo Investments Pty Ltd	24,241.14
3/09/2014	6178	Cr. Andrew Turner	1,333.00
3/09/2014	355	PowerWater	713.51
15/09/2014	Tran Fee	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	34.10
15/09/2014	Bpay Fee	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	11.02
15/09/2014	Tran Fee	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	10.78
16/09/2014	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	18,629.43
17/09/2014	6179	Area IT Solutions	115.50
17/09/2014	6180	Therese Balanzategui	400.00
17/09/2014	6181	Batchelor Institute	100.00
17/09/2014	6182	Byron Bay Web Hosting	20.00
17/09/2014	6183	Darwin Military Museum	206.60
17/09/2014	6184	B Evans	3,040.00
17/09/2014	6185	Charlotte Alice Gittens	300.00
17/09/2014	6186	Higgie Mechanical Engineering	1,033.23
17/09/2014	6187	L&V Nominees Pty Ltd	360.00
17/09/2014	6188	Bruce Mason	2,227.50
17/09/2014	6189	NT News	403.20
17/09/2014	6190	RS Gardening Care	1,760.00
17/09/2014	6191	Think Water	633.61
18/09/2014	6192	Air Liquide WA Pty Ltd	87.29
18/09/2014	6193	AJ Couriers & Haulage Pty Ltd	154.00
18/09/2014	6194	Area IT Solutions	169.05
18/09/2014	6195	Adelaide River Freight Service	202.40
18/09/2014	6196	Dannah Pty Ltd	216.69
18/09/2014	6197	Bunnings Building Supplies P/L	1,067.40
18/09/2014	6198	Darwin Business Machines	120.29
18/09/2014	6199	EcoAir AirConditioning	745.00
18/09/2014	6200	Darwin Bolt Supplies (Normist)	2,198.90
18/09/2014	6201	Intergrated Land Information S	179.40
18/09/2014	6202	Ooloo Investments Pty Ltd	28,004.90
18/09/2014	6203	Tradelink - Darwin Plumbing S	431.20
25/09/2014	6204	Area IT Solutions	539.00
25/09/2014	6205	RWA Exact	123.75
25/09/2014	6206	Batchelor Service Centre	1,386.34
25/09/2014	6207	The Big Mower	133.35
25/09/2014	6208	B P Australia Limited	3,511.15
25/09/2014	6209	Bunnings Building Supplies P/L	475.00
25/09/2014	6210	Copytime	2,037.20

25/09/2014	6211	Cridlands	2,410.40
25/09/2014	6212	Darwin Office Technology	111.63
25/09/2014	6213	Fin Bins	10,638.00
25/09/2014	6214	Cr. Bruce Jones	104.00
25/09/2014	6215	Nair Watkins Chartered Account	14,272.50
25/09/2014	6216	Darwin Bolt Supplies (Normist)	33.92
25/09/2014	6217	Norsign NT	1,861.09
25/09/2014	6218	NT Consulting Engineers	1,540.00
25/09/2014	6219	OfficeMax	114.18
25/09/2014	6220	Oolloo Investments Pty Ltd	63,162.22
25/09/2014	6221	Diedre Pickering	1,356.53
25/09/2014	6222	Professional Trapping Supplies	1,572.00
25/09/2014	6223	Rum Jungle Tavern	860.00
25/09/2014	6224	NT Rural Pty Ltd TA Territory	1,768.25
25/09/2014	6225	Think Water	301.34
25/09/2014	6226	Tradelink - Darwin Plumbing S	111.14
25/09/2014	6227	Turbo's Tyres	1,779.80
26/09/2014	359	Telstra	1,552.85
26/09/2014	358	PowerWater	4,951.41
26/09/2014	357	Motor Vehicle Registry	353.90
26/09/2014	356	Jacana Energy	1,494.57
26/09/2014	DD	Click Super	6,298.23
30/09/2014	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	19,758.57
Total			\$ 272,095.84

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve and pass for payment the September 2014 payment register totalling **\$272,095.84**.

Moved: **Clr.**

Seconded: **Clr.**

8.2 FINANCE AND GRANT REPORT, QUARTERLY DETAILED FINANCIAL REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Melissa Kerr, Finance Manager
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

As part of the monthly reporting procedures a finance and grant report, and a financial summary report is submitted to Council.

BACKGROUND

Attached is a finance and grant report and financial summary report to 30th September 2014.

COMMENT

No additional comments are provided to this report.

CONSULTATION

There is no consultation that applies to this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

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(c) other information required by the council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

COOMALIE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL
FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER 2014

Cash at Bank	
Cash on Hand	\$ 2,000.00
Cheque Account	\$ 171,010.72
Investment Account	\$ 910,211.24
Total Cash at Bank	\$ 1,083,221.96

Debtors	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	
Trade	-	-	51,175.00	2,390.90	\$ 53,565.90
Rates	-	423,086.63	-	56,566.41	\$ 479,653.04
Total Debtors					\$ 533,218.94

Creditors	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	
Trade	1,568.40	-	-	-	\$ 1,568.40
Total Creditors					\$ 1,568.40

Reconciliation of Funds	
Balance as per General Ledger	\$ 173,010.72
Add outstanding Debtors	\$ 533,218.94
Less outstanding Creditors	\$ 1,568.40
Add Investment Account	\$ 910,211.24
Total Cash & Receivables Available	\$ 1,614,872.50

COOMALIE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

GRANT REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER 2014

Date Received	Grant	From	Amount	Expended to date	Amount Remaining	Acquittal Due
6/12/2013	Footpaths Batchelor	SPG - Dept Local Government	\$ 151,000.00	\$ 154,024.27	\$ -	Acquitted
17/06/2014	Flood Damage Feb 2014	NDRRA	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 142,801.01	\$ 57,198.99	30/06/2015
24/06/2014	Lingalonga Festival 2014	Dept of Arts and Museums	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 11,771.10	\$ 728.90	3/11/2014
25/06/2014	School Holiday Program July 2014	Dept Chief Minister - OYA	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 191.04	\$ 808.96	31/08/2014
26/06/2014	RJBC Shade and Seating	Dept Sport Rec & Racing	\$ 12,000.00	\$ -	\$ 12,000.00	30/04/2015
30/06/2014	Upgrade Admin Buildings Bat & AR	SPG - Dept Local Government	\$ 146,030.00	\$ -	\$ 146,030.00	30/06/2015
30/06/2014	Solar Park Lighting	SPG - Family Safe Environment	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 32,806.80	\$ 17,193.20	30/06/2015
8/07/2014	Seniors Month	Dept Chief Minister	\$ 1,455.00	\$ 780.09	\$ 674.91	30/11/2014
30/07/2014	AR FERG Meeting Room	NT Emergency Services	\$ 33,795.45	\$ -	\$ 33,795.45	20/02/2015
12/08/2014	Recycling Transportation Bins	Keep Australia Beautiful Council	\$ 4,363.64	\$ -	\$ 4,363.64	20/02/2015
26/08/2014	Anzac Day 2015	Dept Chief Minister	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 13,980.00	30/06/2015
16/09/2014	Recycling Shed Batchelor	Dept Planning & Infrastructure	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	27/02/2015
29/09/2014	Library Grant	Dept of Arts and Museums	\$ 50,757.00	\$ 10,314.88	\$ 40,442.12	31/07/2015
			\$ 686,901.09	\$ 352,709.19	\$ 337,216.17	
		Cash and Receivables			\$ 1,614,872.50	
		Unspent Grants & Subsidies			\$ 337,216.17	
		Cash Available to Council			\$ 1,277,656.33	

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the financial and grant report and detailed quarterly financial report at 30th September 2014.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

8.3 SPECIAL PURPOSE GRANT ACQUITTAL – BATCHELOR FOOTPATHS

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Melissa Kerr, Finance Manager
Attachments:	Batchelor Footpaths SPG Acquittal

SUMMARY

The Special Purpose Grant of \$151,000 from the Department of Local Government in 2013-2014 has to be laid before a Council meeting prior to final acquittal.

BACKGROUND

Council received a grant to construct footpaths in Batchelor. The grant has been expended and is now due for acquittal.

COMMENT

No additional comments are provided to this report.

CONSULTATION

There is no consultation that applies to this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

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(c) other information required by the council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the 2013-14 Acquittal of Special Purpose Grant for the construction of footpaths in the Batchelor Township.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

8.4 SURVEY CHIN ROAD

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Melissa Kerr, Finance Manager
Attachments:	Quotes

SUMMARY

Council have budgeted \$10,000 to survey and gazette Chin Road this financial year.

The quotes exceed the amount budgeted and require council to amend the budget.

BACKGROUND

Council have received two quotes from qualified surveyors –

FYFE - \$21,360

Arafura Surveying Consultants - \$13,550

COMMENT

Council only has a license to use part of the Crown Land south of the estate, this expires in February 2016.

The Local Member Gary Higgins MP has indicated the Government will fund part or all of the costs involved if an approach is made.

CONSULTATION

Mr Gary Higgins MP.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council amend the budget for survey 410.4045 from \$10,000 to \$14,000 and engage Arafura Surveying Consultants to survey Chin Road.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

DIRECTION

Council direct the CEO to write to the Member for Daly, Mr Gary Higgins MP seeking funds from the Government to offset the costs to Council.

8.5 ANNUAL REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	Melissa Kerr, Finance Manager
Attachments:	Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements 2013/14

SUMMARY

The annual report and financial statements for Council are complete. The annual audit was completed with an unqualified audit report.

BACKGROUND

Council's financial statements are audited every year. The audited financial statements and annual report are due to the Dept of Local Government and Regions by 15th November each year.

COMMENT

No additional comments are provided to this report.

CONSULTATION

There is no consultation that applies to this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

131 Annual financial statement

- (1) A council must prepare a financial statement for each financial year.
- (2) The annual financial statement must give a true and fair view of:
 - (a) the council's revenue and expenditure for the financial year; and

- (b) the council's assets and liabilities as at the end of the financial year.
- (3) The annual financial statement must conform with the accounting standards and other requirements stipulated in the regulations and any guidelines that the Minister may make.

132 Reference of annual financial statement for audit

The annual financial statement must be prepared, and referred to the council's auditor for audit:

- (a) as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of the relevant financial year; and
- (b) in any event, in time to ensure that the audited statement will be available no later than 15 November in the calendar year in which the financial year ends.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the annual report and audited financial statements for 2013/14 year and forward to the Department of Local Government and Regions.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

8.6 USE OF COMMON SEAL

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CC / 144
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th October, 2014
Author:	N/A
Attachments:	Common Seal Correspondence

SUMMARY

The Common Seal was affixed to Form 25 and Form 47 for sale of AN80

BACKGROUND

The property was sold at Auction on 20 September 2014 for \$180,000.

COMMENT

Council is required to resolve to use its Common Seal on Form 25: Transfer by Chargee Exercising Power of Sale and Form 47: Notice of Exercise of Power of Sale Pursuant to Statutory Charge. The Common Seal was required to transfer the land to the new owner.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

As per the Local Government Act Section 26(2).The affixing of the common seal to a document:

(a) must be authorised or ratified by resolution of the council; and

(b) must be attested by the signatures of the CEO and at least one member of the council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the use of the common seal on Form 25 and Form 47 for sale of AN80

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

10 COMMUNITY RECREATION OFFICER'S REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\ CRO
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
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Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

CRO Report – September/October 2014

Friday Night Fun – Suspended until further notice due to vandalism after the event at the Batchelor Area School.

Aussie Hoops – Third week of the program at Batchelor Area School and I ran sessions on a Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon with three different groups between the ages of five and nine.

Batchelor Markets – Held on 12th October and quite a few extra locals attended. This was due to the power outage from 9am to 2pm & the markets under the trees being cooler than staying at home. I am in discussion with marketeers regarding the possibility of postponing the November market and making the December Christmas market a big event.

Cricket – The cricket competition was discontinued after 3 weeks due to a lack of interest. The cricket program will focus on certain dates only e.g. Australia Day, Lingalonga Festival and the Memorial Match for Kylie Turner.

Coomalie Swim Group – The Swim group is progressing well with several new children between 0 – 5. There are also some new swimmers in the older age group. We have 6 toddlers and parents registered for the Water Safety Awareness Program and within the next month they will be eligible to receive the Sports Vouchers through Government.

Bronze Medallion Course – The two Day course and the refresher course will be held on 1st and 2nd November with over 15 participants.

Playgroup – This event will be held on the 20th October at the Batchelor Oval and is coordinated by Playgroup Australia. I have advertised and promoted for them, plus will attend and help out with Kerrie Crosbie from Batchelor playgroup.

Australia Day – Will submit a grant to the Australia Day Council for the Community Breakfast on 26th January. The horsewomen who transport the flag in have been confirmed, as well as a special appearance by Lance with his ‘duck & Dog show’ and whip cracking. Several people in the local community have asked if the Breakfast could be held at the Batchelor Oval, which keeps the audience in the same location for the Oz Day cricket match. As an undercover venue is crucial due to the weather – the Rum Jungle Recreation Hall was suggested. I have asked the Tavern if they might consider this option – dependant on the agreement of Council and Councillors. The Tavern is happy to consider this option.

Grants – I will submit a grant in conjunction with the Batchelor Area School for Youth Week in April 2015. I have met with the SRC representatives for ideas as the event is primarily focused on youth aged 12 to 25 years. The SRC reps were very enthusiastic and I am now compiling a grant to be submitted by 7th November.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Community Recreation Officer’s reports for September/October 2014.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

11 LATE REPORTS

Nil

12 COUNCIL REPORTS

Nil

13 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

14 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

RECOMMENDATION

That Council close the meeting to the general public in accordance with section 65(2) of the Local Government Act to enable Council to discuss in a Confidential Session an item described under Local Government (Administration) regulations 8 (a,b,c,d or e)

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

The information is classed as confidential under Clause 9(c) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008.

(a) information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual;

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(iii) prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff; or

(iv) prejudice the interests of the council or some other person;

(d) information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity;

(e) information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council re-open the meeting to the general public in accordance with Section 65(1) of the Local Government Act

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

15 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary General Meeting of Coomalie Community Government Council will be held at Batchelor on 18th November, 2014.