



MINUTES
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
15th December 2015

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Leigh Ashford', written in a cursive style.

Signed: Leigh Ashford Chief Executive Officer

MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BATCHELOR

ON TUESDAY 15th December 2015

Vice President of the Shire Council Bruce Jones declared the meeting open at 6:03pm and welcomed all in attendance.

1 PERSONS PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor President Andrew Turner – Via phone

Councillor Vice President Bruce Jones

Councillor Max Corliss

Councillor Dave Gray

Councillor Sue Bulmer

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer Leigh Ashford

Senior Administration Officer Aleyshia Kim

VISITORS PRESENT

Nil

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15th December 2015
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 on 15th December 2015.

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

NOTE

There are no apologies of absence for the Ordinary General Meeting held 15th December 2015.

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15th December 2015
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

NOTE

There are no declarations of interest as listed for the Ordinary General Meeting held 15th December 2015.

4 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Nil

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING 17TH NOVEMBER 2015**

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15th December 2015
Author:	Aleyshia Kim, Senior Administration Officer
Attachments:	Copy of Minutes will be tabled at the meeting

SUMMARY

Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held 17th November 2015, 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

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/001

That the Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held 17th November 2015 be confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Clr. Bulmer

Seconded: Clr. Gray

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6 OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORTS**6.1 OPERATIONS REPORTS**

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\Operations Manager
Date:	15th December 2015
Author:	Emma Dunne, acting Operations Manager
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY**Roads-**

Contractors have completed the first stage of upgrading of Chinner Rd. The repaired areas will be resealed in the New Year and the remaining grant funds used to improve flood ways on Heather Lagoon Road.

Weight restriction signs have been installed on the roads for the wet season. Council staff can issue overload permits for operators wishing to transport goods subject to the road conditions at the time.

Waste Management

Adelaide River and Batchelor dumps are running well. The operations supervisor has carried out an audit of the weekly bin pickup.

Discussions have been held with Ironbark regarding projects for the Green Army program. In particular the possibility of Green Army participants carrying out an Emu Parade around both the Batchelor and Adelaide River landfill sites.

Parks-

Contractors have commenced the fortnightly mow cycle of parks mowing and maintenance. The irrigation systems have been turned off.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/002

That Council receives and notes the acting Operations Manager's Report for October/November 2015.

Moved: Clr. Corliss

Seconded: Clr. Gray

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6.2 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\Animal Management Officer
Date:	15th December 2015
Author:	Trevor Sullivan, Animal Management Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

The Dog Management officer is following up dog complaints regarding Dogherty St in Adelaide River and Turana St in Batchelor. There have been increased patrols of both streets. Letters have been sent to both property occupiers. A second warning has been sent to the Turana street resident following a further complaint from a different complainant.

NOTE

For the information of Council.

VICE PRESIDENT BRUCE JONES HANDED OVER THE CHAIR TO PRESIDENT ANDREW TURNER WHO THEN CHAIRED REMAINDER OF THE MEETING.

6.3 POOL REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\Pool Supervisor
Date:	15th December 2015
Author:	Trevor Sullivan, Animal Management Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Pool operations are running satisfactorily.

The School used the pool for swimming lessons and training during the first week of December and for the swimming carnival held on the 7th December 2015.

A relief Pool attendant was engaged for a week end in November whilst the Pool supervisor recovered from an eye infection.

It appears there may have been unauthorised entry to the pool at the end of November. A gate was found open and there is additional damage to the main shade structure. The incident has been reported to the police.

A replacement for the damaged shade structure has been listed with Stronger Community Grant Program for consideration. The local member, The Hon Warren Snowden has recommended the project for funding by the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development. The Department is currently considering the project.

Swimming Pool Takings and Statistics											Coomalie	
Period ending	Paying at gate swimmers and takings						Pool Takings	Pass Swimmers		Outdoor Ed/School	Passes	Swim group
	Adult	Children	Families	Pens	Gate	value of sold passes		Adult	Children	Children & Adults	Names	Children & Adults
4/11/2015	12	25	7	1	\$104.00		\$104.00	20	20	24 & 6		no swim group
11/11/2015	13	41	7	1	\$180.50		\$180.50	22	13	14 and 2		18 & 2
18/11/2015	4	29	4	1	\$106.00		\$106.00			59 & 8		25 & 3
25/11/2015	3	31	6	1	\$96.50		\$96.50	14	6	71 & 13		6 & 2
2/12/2015							\$0.00			374 & 12		
9/12/2015						82.5	\$82.50			226 & 20	Sean Webster	

NOTE

For the information of Council.

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:	15th December 2015
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 November/December.

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

DATE	REF	Source	Subject
14/11/15	MI 1	Department of Local Government	General Grant Funding- Office of Women's Policy unsuccessful application notice
30/11/15	MI 2	Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment	Land tenure of Coomalie Council's Rubbish Dumps
30/11/15	MI 3	Minister for Asian Engagement and Trade	NT Investment opportunities
30/11/15	MI 4	Minister for Local Government and Community Services	Re opening section of Coach Road Adelaide River
30/11/15	MI 5	PAWA	Invitation to opening of Adelaide River water Treatment Plant
8/12/15	MI 6	Minister for Mines and Energy	Oil and gas exploration in the Coomalie Region
8/12 15	MI 7	Minister for Transport	Successful Regional Economic Infrastructure Fund application Seal Cheeney Road

Correspondence Out

DATE	REF	Source	Subject
19/11/15	MO 1	LA	Batchelor Landowner, Re derelict house Kirra Crescent Batchelor
23/11/15	MO 2	LA	Parks and Wildlife Commission NT, Re: Draft Litchfield National Park Management Plan
24/11/15	MO 3	MK	Land Titles Office, Registration of Statutory Charges
2/12 15	MO 4	LA	Department of Lands Planning and the Environment ; Landfills in Coomalie Council Areas
26/11/15	MO 5	LA	OP supervisor; Acting Operations Manager
8/12/15	MO 6	LA	Batchelor resident Re second complaint of threatening dogs

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

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/003

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

Moved: Clr. Gray

Seconded: Clr. Corliss

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7.2 REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS LIST DECEMBER 2015

Applicant:	Nil
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15th December 2015
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Action Items List to December, 2015

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/004

That Council receives and notes the Actions Items List.

Moved: Clr. Corliss

Seconded: Clr. Gray

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7.3 COMPLAINTS REGISTER NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2015

Applicant:	Nil
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15th December 2015
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Complaints Register

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/005

That Council receives and notes the items listed in the Complaints Register and the actions taken.

Moved: Clr. Gray

Seconded: Clr. Jones

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7.4 STANDING ORDER – AMALGAMATION REVIEW

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	Coomalie Councillors
File Ref:	CC/79
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15th December 2015
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	THE Territorian Article 6/12/2015

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

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.

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.

September 2014

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.

February 2015

The Ombudsman found that Council does not have a case to answer in relation to the process to incorporate the Robin Falls area into the Council area.

Following a Council reshuffle the Hon Bess Price has retained the portfolio of Local Government and Community Services. The Minister visited Council on Friday 27 February 2015.

March 2015

The Minister has advised that she is supportive of the previous Minister's position in relation to the incorporation of the unincorporated lands.

April 2015

A request has been sent to The Parks and Wildlife Commission to start discussions regarding the incorporation of the Litchfield National Park into Coomalie Shire's area.

June 2015

A meeting of the BCWLGAG was held at Belyuen on Tuesday 9 June 2015. The main discussion revolved around the incorporation of the remaining unincorporated areas into Councils.

July 2015

The President and CEO met with The Director of the Department on Thursday 16 July to discuss the sustainability of the Council and discuss the Coomalie Shire going forward.

November 2015

The President and CEO have had meetings with the Executive Director of Department of Local Government about improving the long term sustainability of the Council. The matter was raised at the meeting of the BCWLGAC held in Wagait on 10 November 2015 by Department representatives.

December 2015

The Department of Local Government provided a background briefing for Councillors. The Territorian published a brief article on the proposal on Sunday 6th December 2015 making comment about the proposal.

CONSULTATION

Department of Local Government
Belyuen, Coomalie, Wagait Local Government Advisory Committee

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

NOTE

For the information of Council

7.5 CEO ACTIVITIES REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\CEO
Date:	15th December 2015
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Office
Attachments:	Local Government National Report from LGANT 2016/17 NT Government Budget Submission from LGANT

SUMMARY

Community Citizenship award

Council changed its Strategic plan and annual Plan earlier in the year to include an Action (9.6.1) to recognise emerging talent and community student leaders. Council sponsored book vouchers for the most appropriate student at both the Batchelor Area School and the Adelaide River School. These were presented at each of the School's annual award presentations.

Batchelor Airstrip

The Consultant for the Department of Transport is currently developing a master plan for the Batchelor Airport. Last week they carried out the "listening" phase of the project having contacted many of the operators and potential operators as well as having a Community workshop in Batchelor. The Batchelor Workshop was very well attended with about 20 people. A wide variety of views were expressed including noise issues, particularly military operations at night, to supporting local businesses and economic development of the town.

COTA Living in Place Project

The Council of the Aging have held workshops in both Adelaide River and Batchelor as part of a joint project with CDU to investigate support for aging in place. This is particularly relevant as surveys have shown that most people wish to stay in their existing home as long as possible. The project also identifies volunteers within the community who can assist and meet the needs of the aging. It is hoped the final report will recommend appropriate strategies to the Federal Government to best assist providing support to aging communities in rural and remote Australia.

Adelaide River Economic Development and Tourism Precinct Feasibility Study

A meeting was held with the Steering Committee in early November to discuss the draft Brief for the project. A request was also sent to the Department of Business to provide advice and suggest suitable consultants.

Council advertised in the NT news on Saturday 5 December 2015 for Expressions of Interest to carry out the project. These close on 18th December 2015.

LGANT Annual Report and Budget Submission

LGANT have forwarded the annual report and proposed NT Government Budget Submission for information and comment if appropriate. The documents have been provided for in the Attachments for Councillor's information.

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/006

That Council receives and notes the CEO's Activity report for November/December 2015.

Moved: Clr. Corliss

Seconded: Clr. Gray

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7.6 DARWIN REGIONAL TRANSPORT PLAN

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CC 44, CC15
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	10 th December, 2015
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Draft Regional Transport Plan Copy of City of Darwin's Draft Submission

SUMMARY

The Department of Transport has invited submissions regarding The Draft Darwin Regional Transport Plan. The document is aimed to build on the Darwin Land Use Plan, linking Darwin's development to transport hubs. Submissions close on 18th December 2015.

The Document is divided into four sections with a specific theme. It makes brief comment about the requests from Adelaide River and Batchelor communities to provide a regular transport service to Palmerston, Darwin and Casuarina. It states that it will continue to explore opportunities to address these needs.

Under the Public Transport Section, it is appropriate that Council makes comment on the consultation Paper stressing the need to provide a service for people without vehicles to attend specialist medical and other appointments as well as providing shopping opportunities.

The Council should suggest that the Department should be looking for synergies with other Commonwealth and Territory Government departments as well as private enterprise to reduce the cost of a service. These could include discussions with the Commonwealth Government in relation to patient transport schemes, community support networks and private business opportunities to reduce the cost of the service.

In the area of Active Transport it is considered appropriate to comment that the old Northern Australian Railway has been identified in the long term strategic plan as a potential rail trail. However it should also be noted that council requested this route be considered as a second traffic route south out of Darwin. It is appropriate to include a comment of the development of this road both for motor vehicles and as a rail trail.

TOPROC have requested a copy of Council's submission to allow it to include the issues in its submission. This does not seem an unreasonable request as it will reinforce council's position.

BACKGROUND

The Department of Transport has released a Consultation Draft for the Darwin Regional Transport Plan. They have invited feedback from the community.

They have lists four areas for discussion.

1. Integrating Transport and land use.
2. Strategic road Network and Freight.
3. Public Transport
4. Active Transport

In relation to Batchelor and Adelaide River the Consultation draft makes the following comments.

Rural communities have highlighted local demand for public transport services to connect rural centres such as Batchelor and Adelaide River with urban activity centres including Palmerston, Casuarina and Darwin. Efficiently servicing rural, low density populations with regular public transport services can be challenging. The Department of Transport will continue to explore opportunities for improving transport connections for rural communities.

COMMENT

COTANT and the Community Health Clinics have continually lobbied Government to provide regular public transport to Batchelor and Adelaide River. The Health clinics advised that there may be up to 100 clients who could benefit from a regular bus service. Their endeavours in lobbying government have been fully supported by Council. Unfortunately there has not been a positive outcome to date for the community.

An estimate of costs to provide a one day a week service with a morning and afternoon service (two round trips) will cost in the order of \$41,000 per year using a 10 seater bus. This reduces to \$26,000 for a fortnightly service. Charging bus travellers for the journey may generate \$2000 to \$5000 income per year.

It is noted that Buslink operate a school bus service from Batchelor daily leaving Batchelor at 7.30am and returning at 4.00pm. Ideally this could be extended to include paying passengers and the service extended to meet the needs of the paying customers.

There may also be an opportunity to tap into the Commonwealth Patient transport schemes. One Adelaide River resident claims it is costing the Commonwealth Government \$500 per week for transport to Darwin and return. In addition, a regular weekly bus might be able to provide small parcel courier service. However this may be competition to existing local contractors.

TOPROC also agreed at its meeting on 4 December 2015 to forward a submission. They intend to use the City of Darwin response as the basis of the submission and add additional information from the individual Councils. Inclusion of council's comments in the TOPROC submission will reinforce council's own submission.

CONSULTATION

TOPROC

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The introduction of government Sponsored service may create some savings on the use of the community bus.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

DIRECTION

The CEO forwards a submission to the Department of Transport in response to the Draft Regional Transport Plan outlining the comments made in the report and a copy provided to TOPROC for inclusion in their submission.

7.7 TOPROC REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CC 44
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	10 th December, 2015
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	TOPROC Regional Development Plan.

SUMMARY

TOPROC have developed a Regional Development Plan. This follows on from the initial workshop held early in the year conducted by KPMG.

The document proposes a vision, mission statement and three focus areas. TOPROC have requested that Council formally endorse the Regional Development Plan. Council's representatives have been fully involved in the process. The document provides three important focus areas for TOPROC. These are:

- Land Use Planning and Policy.
- Waste and Recycling.
- Incorporation of Unincorporated Land.

It is considered that the Regional Development Plan prepared by KPMG for TOPROC provides a range of issues to develop that affect all the Councils involved and Council should endorse the Plan.

BACKGROUND

Council has been a member of TOPROC for many years. It is made up of City of Darwin, Palmerston City Council, Litchfield Council and the three Community Government Councils. TOPROC meets quarterly and discusses issues affecting the regions surrounding Darwin.

COMMENT

Nil

CONSULTATION

Council workshop held in March 2015.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/007

That Council Endorse the TOPROC's Regional Development Plan as presented.

Moved: Clr. Corliss

Seconded: Clr. Turner

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7.8 NORTHERN TERRITORY LAND CORPORTION TRANSFER OF LAND FOR FUTURE ROADS

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CC 127
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	10 th December, 2015
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Map of possible road links through NTLC Land

SUMMARY

The Northern Territory Land Corporation (NTLC) is currently negotiating leases over parts of their land throughout the Council area. Staff have been in discussion with Northern Territory Land Corporation in relation to providing a legal road access to the approximately 17 allotments in the north and west of the Shire.

NTLC have advised they are prepared to transfer the land to council for the purposes of providing roads reserve which link the existing roads or provide a better alignment or allow for the continuation of a road along the western side of the shire. Council may then open the land as a road reserve. Staff have advised the NTLC that the ideal road reserve width for the rural roads is 30m wide.

It is considered that Council should advise NTLC that it supports in principal the proposal to reserve the areas shown on attached plans for road reserves. Council does not have the funds to prepare the survey plans and it is suggested the matter of reinstating the original roads or covering the costs of surveying and opening the roads should be taken up with the local member Gary Higgins MLA.

There are no funds to construct these roads as Council's current 10 year works program places maintenance and renewal of existing roads as the priority.

BACKGROUND

The Northern Territory Land Corporation was set up in 1979 to acquire hold and dispose of property. A large section of crown land in the Shire was handed over to NTLC. The land includes the roads designated on the original Survey Plan of the Hundred of Cavenagh, Hundred of Goyder and the Hundred of Waterhouse. The unintended consequence of the including the roads in NTLC portfolio is that existing freehold allotments lost their legal access even though it may have been impractical in some cases.

COMMENT

There are currently approximately seventeen properties abutted by NTLC land that have no legal access.

It is considered appropriate that for the long term development of the Shire that Council request that NTLC either reopen the roads to reinstate the legal access to the properties. THE NTLC have advised that the offer is conditional on their being no cost to themselves. The costs involved should be borne by the NT Government and the matter raised with the Local Member Gary Higgins MLA.

It should be noted that reopening the roads does not infer that Council is required to construct the roads and there is no requirement for Council to do so as Council's roads work priorities are listed in its 10 Year Works

Plan. The plan has been developed to firstly protect the assets that Council already owns prior to new works being initiated.

CONSULTATION

NTLC
Operations Manager

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/008

That Council supports in principle the Northern Territory Land Corporation proposal to reserve land and transfer the land shown on the attached plan.

Moved: Clr. Bulmer

Seconded: Clr. Jones

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DIRECTION

The CEO requests the Member for Daly to seek funds to cover the costs of transferring the land for roads to Council and Gazettal of Road Reserves.

7.9 CHIN AND CHEENEY ROAD RESERVES

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CC 222
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	10 th December, 2015
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Plan of Chin Rd and Cheeney Rd Copy of the advertisement

SUMMARY

Council has been attempting to provide a practical legal road for access to the Chin estate for some time. Currently Cheeney Road and Chin Road are used to access the estate. This has been made possible through a licence with the Northern Territory Land Corporation. This licence is set to expire in 2016.

The Northern Territory Land Corporation has indicated that it will transfer the land for Council to gazette the area as two roads reserves. Council has arranged for the roads reserves to be surveyed and Plans drawn up.

The plan has been advertised on Council's Website and submissions closed on 13th November 2015. There were no submissions.

The process may be complicated due to the legal status of the Northern Territory Land Corporation Land. The normal process is that Council writes to the Minister for Local Government and Community Services asking her to gazette the road opening. This letter needs to include:

- The reason for the road opening;
- A copy of the survey plan;
- Advice that you undertook the public notification process and the results of this process; and
- A request to now gazette the road opening.

The Department of Local Government and Community Services then arranges for the gazette notice which formally opens the road.

BACKGROUND

Nil

COMMENT

The recent request from the Department of Lands and Planning for Council to Gazette the railway crossing at Adelaide River as a public road has been stalled as the existing leases have to be surrendered and the land has to be transferred to the Crown prior to the gazettal process proceeding.

CONSULTATION

Advertised on Council's website for 28 days for public submissions

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government (Administration) Regulations

18. Establishment of new road

(1) Before a council establishes a new road in its area, it must give public notice of the proposal to do so.

(2) The proposal (which must include a plan delineating the proposed new road with reasonable accuracy and detail):

(a) must be accessible on the council's website; and

(b) must be available for inspection by interested members of the public at the council's public office.

(3) The notice must include an invitation to any person who may object to the proposal to lodge a written objection to the proposal within a reasonable period (at least 28 days) stated in the notice.

(4) The council must consider any written objections lodged in accordance with the invitation.

(5) If, after publishing a notice under this regulation, the council substantially modifies its proposal (either as a result of objections or for some other reason), the council must publish a fresh notice under this regulation of the modified proposal.

(6) This regulation does not apply to the establishment of a road on a temporary basis.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/009

That Council write to the Minister for Local Government and Community Services asking her to gazette that Chin Rd and Cheeney Rd as shown on the attached plans be opened following confirmation of the transfer from the Northern Territory Land Corporation.

Moved: Clr. Bulmer

Seconded: Clr. Gray

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7.10 REGIONAL ECONOMIC INFRASTRUCTURE FUND GRANT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CC 104#2
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	10 th December, 2015
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Letter from Minister for Transport RTR Summary

SUMMARY

The Department of Transport invited Council to submit applications for Regional Economic Infrastructure Fund in late September. The program relates to developing infrastructure which will generate economic benefits, particularly tourism. Council submitted two applications. One For sealing Cheeney Rd and the second for a feasibility study for aged accommodation in Batchelor.

Council has now received a letter from the Minister for Transport, The Hon Peter Chandler MLA advising Council that its application to seal Cheeney road was successful.

The Grant is for \$1,743,687 to seal 10kms of Cheeney Rd from Solomon Rd to Milton Rd. The estimated cost is \$2.1 million. Council was not in a position match the 50% funding required and it submitted Roads to Recovery grant funding of \$662k as its contribution. The project involves no changes to the vertical and horizontal alignment of the road. The work is limited to gravelling and sealing the existing road.

The Roads to Recovery Program has also been altered in the last few months following the reintroduction of the indexing of the Fuel Excise. This means an increase of \$438,824 over the original allocation of \$830,676 for the 5 year program. Council still has \$993,500 of unexpended funds in the program.

Neither the proposed project costs nor the increase in the Roads to Recovery Program have been factored into Council's Long Term Works Plan. Even though additional funds from the Roads to Recovery Program offset

Council's required contribution, it is considered that Council should review the impact of the grant and the increased Roads to Recovery funding on the Long Term works Program prior to entering into a contract for the work with The Department of Transport. This can be distributed prior to the January meeting.

BACKGROUND

Council applied for a grant under the Department of Transport's Regional Economic Infrastructure Fund Program to seal Cheeney Rd. The Department was advised that this was the first stage of a project to seal the back road from Adelaide River to Batchelor to improve tourism opportunities.

COMMENT

Council's Long Term Works Plan concentrates on maintenance and renewal of existing assets. Capital improvement projects such as sealing Cheeney road are normally not considered as they are beyond the financial capacity of Council. They risk syphoning funds away from ensuring existing assets are protected and renewed. However the additional Government Grants through Roads to Recovery program and the Regional Economic Infrastructure fund offset Council's contribution.

CONSULTATION

Operations Manager

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The offer of the grant will require Council to review and revise the current Long Terms Works Plan.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

DIRECTION

The CEO prepare a report to the January 2016 Council meeting to review the Long term Works Plan and incorporating the Regional Economic Infrastructure Grant offer and the increased level of Roads to Recovery Funding.

8 FINANCE REPORTS

8.1 PAYMENT REGISTER

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15th December 2015
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 November 2015.

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 –

(1) The CEO must, in each month, lay before a meeting of the Council a report, in a form approved by the Council, setting out:

(a) the actual income and expenditure of the Council for the period from the commencement of the financial year up to the end of the previous month; and

(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

(b) a statement on the debts owed to the Council including the aggregate amount owed under each category with a general indication of the age of the debts; and

(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****NOVEMBER 2015**

DATE	REFERENCE	DETAILS	AMOUNT
2/11/2015	CBA POS Fee	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	28.13
3/11/2015	CBA Merc Fee	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	461.45
3/11/2015	CBA Visa Nov 15	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	1,425.98
4/11/2015	7017	AA Company Pty Ltd	461.40
4/11/2015	7018	Area IT Solutions	77.00
4/11/2015	7019	Dannah Pty Ltd	89.84
4/11/2015	7020	Cr. Sue Bulmer	450.00
4/11/2015	7021	Coomalie Community Govt Council	16,735.25
4/11/2015	7022	Cr. Max Corliss	450.00
4/11/2015	7023	Cr. Ewan Crook	450.00
4/11/2015	7024	Cr. Dave Gray	450.00
4/11/2015	7025	H&K Earthmoving Pty Ltd	121,711.57
4/11/2015	7026	Higgie Mechanical Engineering	449.90
4/11/2015	7027	Cr. Bruce Jones	850.00
4/11/2015	7028	Bruce Mason	1,087.90
4/11/2015	7029	Diedre Pickering	2,431.86
4/11/2015	7030	Practical Safety Australia Pty	165.66
4/11/2015	7031	St John Ambulance Australia	262.54
4/11/2015	7032	Territory Steel	296.36
4/11/2015	7033	Tradelink - Darwin Plumbing S	435.60
4/11/2015	7034	Cr. Andrew Turner	1,500.00
4/11/2015	458685	Petty Cash Reimbursements	656.15
4/11/2015	445	PowerWater	442.91
4/11/2015	446	Telstra	1,567.24
6/11/2015	7035	AJ Couriers & Haulage Pty Ltd	115.50
6/11/2015	7036	Area IT Solutions	715.00
6/11/2015	7037	Attache Software Australia Pty	36.00
6/11/2015	7038	The Big Mower	100.70
6/11/2015	7039	DT & MG Kerr	9,471.00
6/11/2015	7040	Litchfield Springs Water Pty L	60.00
6/11/2015	7041	NT News	362.40
6/11/2015	7042	Outdoor Cameras Australia	2,100.00
6/11/2015	7043	Rum Jungle Tavern	3,190.00
6/11/2015	7044	Stockwell Water and Gas PTY LT	440.00
6/11/2015	7045	NT Rural Pty Ltd TA Territory	1,379.87
6/11/2015	447	PowerWater	2,216.77
10/11/2015	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	20,656.61
11/11/2015	7046	Air Liquide WA Pty Ltd	54.31
11/11/2015	7047	Airpower (NT) Pty Ltd	198.96
11/11/2015	7048	Bunnings Building Supplies P/L	167.57
11/11/2015	7049	Darwin Office Technology	57.71
11/11/2015	7050	FARMWORLD NT PTY LTD	83.00
11/11/2015	7051	Higgie Mechanical Engineering	95.00
11/11/2015	7052	OfficeMax	146.19
11/11/2015	7053	Ooloo Investments Pty Ltd	12,846.96
11/11/2015	448	Motor Vehicle Registry	1,112.40
16/11/2015	7054	Batchelor Service Centre	464.29
16/11/2015	7055	B P Australia Limited	3,191.46
16/11/2015	7056	Flick Anticimex	229.90
16/11/2015	7057	Higgie Mechanical Engineering	228.19
16/11/2015	7058	Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd	1,049.24
16/11/2015	7059	Elaine Lacaille	187.00

16/11/2015	7060	Oolloo Investments Pty Ltd	13,255.70
16/11/2015	449	PowerWater	1,307.69
16/11/2015	Commbiz Nov 15	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	33.44
16/11/2015	BPay Nov 15	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	57.92
16/11/2015	Tran Fee Nov 15	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	11.44
17/11/2015	7061	Fin Bins	5,347.60
17/11/2015	7062	H&K Earthmoving Pty Ltd	180,959.20
17/11/2015	7063	Bruce Mason	915.20
17/11/2015	7064	Norsign NT	2,068.00
17/11/2015	7065	OfficeMax	232.09
17/11/2015	7066	Shed Boss Darwin	220.00
17/11/2015	450	PowerWater	3,019.60
17/11/2015	451	Australian Taxation Office	17,355.00
19/11/2015	7067	FERG Adelaide River	370.43
19/11/2015	7068	Flowers By Elise	100.00
19/11/2015	7069	Stephen McGugan	300.00
19/11/2015	7070	Dianne Tchumut	200.00
19/11/2015	452	Jacana Energy	2,243.49
19/11/2015	453	PowerWater	8,117.86
19/11/2015	454	Telstra	1,470.13
24/11/2015	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	20,296.83
26/11/2015	Super Oct 2015	Click Super	6,971.98
27/11/2015	7071	Airpower (NT) Pty Ltd	561.63
27/11/2015	7072	Australia Day Council of SA	163.00
27/11/2015	7073	L&V Nominees Pty Ltd	572.00
27/11/2015	7074	Norsign NT	1,766.49
27/11/2015	7075	NQ Resource Recovery Pty Ltd	163.35
27/11/2015	7076	S.E. Rentals Pty Ltd	258.63
27/11/2015	7077	Turbo's Tyres	539.00
27/11/2015	7078	Vanderfield Northwest	267.50
27/11/2015	7079	Western Kuku Yalanji Artwork	200.00
27/11/2015	455	Australian Communications Auth	43.00
TOTAL			\$ 483,280.97

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/010

That Council approve and pass for payment the December 2015 payment register totalling **\$483,280.97**

Moved: Clr. Corliss

Seconded: Clr. Gray

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8.2 FINANCE AND GRANT REPORT, MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15th December 2015
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 the finance and grant report and monthly financial summary report to 30th November 2015.

COMMENT

Nil

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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(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 NOVEMBER 2015

Cash at Bank					
Cash on Hand					\$ 1,000.00
Cheque Account					\$ 365,063.22
Investment Account					\$ 1,250,000.00
Trust Account					\$ 96,555.25
Total Cash at Bank					\$ 1,712,618.47
Debtors					
	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	
Trade	154,000.00	1,495.00	-	2,480.70	\$ 157,975.70
Rate Arrears	-	104,688.25	-	65,223.15	\$ 169,911.40
Rates paid in advance	- 12,372.33	-	-	-	-\$ 12,372.33
Total Debtors					\$ 315,514.77
Creditors					
	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	
	-	-	-	238.00	\$ 238.00
Total Creditors					\$ 238.00
Reconciliation of Funds					
Balance as per General Ledger					\$ 462,618.47
Add outstanding Debtors					\$ 315,514.77
Less outstanding Creditors					\$ 238.00
Add Investment Account					\$ 1,250,000.00
Total Cash & Receivables Available					\$ 2,027,895.24

COOMALIE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

GRANT REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30TH NOVEMBER 2015

Date Received	Grant	From	Amount	Expended to date	Amount Remaining	Acquittal Due
30/07/2014	AR FERG Meeting Room - 80% paid	NT Emergency Services	\$ 67,590.91	\$ 66,292.26	\$ 1,298.65	31/12/2015
20/02/2015	Servery Bruce Jones Community Centre	SPG - Dept Local Government	\$ 23,780.00	\$ 23,180.00	\$ 600.00	30/06/2016
7/09/2015	Landfill Cameras	NTEPA	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,909.09	\$ 2,090.91	30/06/2016
2/10/2015	Community Libraries	Dept Arts and Museums	\$ 50,757.00	\$ 21,887.85	\$ 28,869.15	31/08/2016
14/10/2015	School Holiday Program Jan 2016	Dept Chief Minister	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -	\$ 1,250.00	14/03/2016
14/10/2015	AR Tourist Precinct Feasibility	Dept of Transport	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 54.69	\$ 39,945.31	30/07/2016
27/10/2015	Friday Night Fun Youth	Dept Chief Minister	\$ 1,495.00	\$ 775.71	\$ 719.29	31/12/2015
28/10/2015	Heavy Patching Chinner Road	Dept of Transport	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 288,772.00	-\$ 38,772.00	30/07/2016
5/11/2015	Tractor Slasher	SPG - Dept Local Government	\$ 79,820.00	\$ -	\$ 79,820.00	30/06/2016
17/11/2015	Roads to Recovery Chinner Road	Dept of Infrastructure	\$ 276,000.00	\$ 87,930.62	\$ 188,069.38	30/06/2016
			\$ 794,692.91	\$ 490,802.22	\$ 303,890.69	
		Cash and Receivables			\$ 2,027,895.24	
		Unspent Grants & Subsidies			\$ 303,890.69	
		Cash Available to Council			\$ 1,724,004.55	

COOMALIE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL**MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT****NOVEMBER 2015**

Account Code	Account Description	14/15 Actual	Month Actual	YTD Actual	15/16 Budget
110 ADMINISTRATION					
110 3899	TOTAL INCOME	1,537,246	5,790	1,123,430	1,410,951
110 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	701,935	45,331	335,842	770,886
110 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 110	835,311	-39,541	787,588	640,065
210 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES					
210 3899	TOTAL INCOME	9,000	0	0	9,000
210 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	75,894	7,085	22,881	81,900
210 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 210	-66,894	-7,085	-22,881	-72,900
211 SANITATION AND GARBAGE					
211 3899	TOTAL INCOME	335,934	0	342,737	343,685
211 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	246,840	17,008	82,501	306,171
211 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 211	89,094	-17,008	260,236	37,514
212 CEMETERIES					
212 3899	TOTAL INCOME	2,100	0	0	2,000
212 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	12,651	681	3,710	10,600
212 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 212	-10,551	-681	-3,710	-8,600
310 PARKS AND GARDENS					
310 3899	TOTAL INCOME	51,940	87	249	1,100
310 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	168,025	5,383	58,880	177,339
310 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 310	-116,085	-5,296	-58,631	-176,239
311 LIBRARIES					
311 3899	TOTAL INCOME	50,757	0	50,757	50,757
311 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	53,785	3,427	21,887	50,757
311 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 311	-3,028	-3,427	28,870	0
312 SPORT AND RECREATION					
312 3899	TOTAL INCOME	15,780	0	23,780	100
312 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	98,221	5,998	39,478	126,668
312 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 312	-82,441	-5,998	-15,698	-126,568
313 SWIMMING POOL					
313 3899	TOTAL INCOME	4,909	10	900	4,000
313 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	103,965	9,311	30,859	107,755
313 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 313	-99,056	-9,301	-29,959	-103,755
314 COMMUNITY RECREATION					
314 3899	TOTAL INCOME	41,138	59	4,818	34,714
314 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	76,063	5,934	32,175	80,645
314 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 312	-34,925	-5,875	-27,357	-45,931
410 ROADS					
410 3899	TOTAL INCOME	1,134,398	505,878	952,036	1,056,972
410 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	1,345,674	328,322	495,897	1,633,180
410 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 410	-211,276	177,556	456,139	-576,208
510 STREETLIGHTING					
510 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	18,676	2,745	8,779	24,200
510 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 510	-18,676	-2,745	-8,779	-24,200
511 TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
511 3899	TOTAL INCOME	105,571	427	9,262	21,690
511 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	120,992	1,004	25,619	50,270
511 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 511	-15,421	-577	-16,357	-28,580
512 DOG MANAGEMENT					
512 3899	TOTAL INCOME	2,210	746	1,213	2,000
512 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	15,839	1,533	7,100	14,766
512 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 512	-13,629	-787	-5,887	-12,766
513 GLYPHOSATE					

513 3899	TOTAL INCOME	3,600	436	545	5,000
513 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	3,136	0	0	5,000
513 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 513	464	436	545	0
514 GAMBA AND WEED MANAGEMENT					
514 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	0	0	0	10,000
514 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 514	0	0	0	-10,000
900 3899 TOTAL INCOME 3,294,583 513,433 2,509,727 2,941,969					
900 4999 TOTAL EXPENSES 3,041,696 433,762 1,165,608 3,450,137					
900 5000 SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 252,887 79,671 1,344,119 -508,168					

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/011

That Council receives and notes the Finance Report, Grant Report and Monthly Financial Summary for November 2015.

Moved: Clr. Gray

Seconded: Clr. Jones

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9 COMMUNITY RECREATION OFFICER'S REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\ CRO
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15th December 2015
Author:	Marilyn Morris, Community Recreation Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Batchelor Markets

The last Batchelor Market for 2015 was held on Sunday 6th December at the Batchelor Oval, displaying a Christmas vibe throughout the market. The Coordinator spoke live with ABC to promote the Markets and the Christmas Carols. Next market will be in April 2016.

Friday Night Fun & Basketball News

A group of approximately 40 children and teens enjoyed the evening on 27th November. They were supervised by three adults and Night Patrol. Next date is 11th December, then 8th January.

Basketball games will continue each fortnight in line with the Friday Night Fun event and barbecue. Night Patrol will support these fortnightly events.

Christmas Carols

Christmas Carols were held from 7pm to 8.30pm at the Outdoor Education Centre on Sunday 6th December with approximately 150 people attending. Volunteers worked together to run the Carols. The students from Batchelor School were a huge hit, as was the reading of "Twas the Night before Christmas" by two local youngsters.

Seniors Christmas Luncheon

The seniors Christmas Party will be held at the Mt Bundy Homestead on Tuesday 15th December 2015. The event is booked out and will cater to sixty five Seniors. Many wonderful prizes and donations have been received.

Coomalie Swim Group

Classes will finish for the year on 16th December 2015 and resume on 20th January 2016.

Swimming

We are currently planning a big swim day with Royal Life Saving for the 10th February. This will include activities and exercises for the youngsters, plus activities for Seniors' groups. These exercises for Older Australians will then be added into the Coomalie Swim Group as an activity each week, at a time to be determined.

Australia Day

Nomination forms are at Post Office, Schools, Batchelor Clinic and website and due in by Wednesday 6th January. To date – no nominations have been received.

Anzac Day 2016

A Request for Ceremonial Support from Defence has been forwarded to the NT Department regarding support for the following - Catafalque Party, special guest speaker, Chaplain, bugler and flyover.

Confirmation of attendance from Arafura Wind Ensemble, Darwin Piper and Drummer, bugler and Waler horses.

Grants –

- Harmony Day Grant for 12th February – Requesting \$950. Granted \$500.
- Youth Week grant for 9th April – Requesting \$3000. Granted \$2000

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

NOTE

For the information of Council.

10 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Nil

11 COMMON SEAL

Nil

12 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

13 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/012

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 b & c(i).

Moved: Clr. Corliss

Seconded: Clr. Jones

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RESOLUTION 15/12/2015/015

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

Moved: Clr. Gray

Seconded: Clr. Corliss

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14 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary General Meeting of Coomalie Community Government Council will be held at Batchelor on 19th January, 2016.

Meeting Closed 7.02pm