



AGENDA

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

20th December 2016

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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

AGENDA

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BATCHELOR

ON TUESDAY 20th December 2016

President of the Shire Council Andrew Turner will declare the meeting open following the presentations listed below.

1 PERSONS PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Leigh Ashford
Senior Administration Officer	Aleyshia Kim

VISITORS PRESENT

LGANT President	Damien Ryan
LGANT Chief Executive Officer	Tony Tapsell
Action Ideas Consultant	Deborah Moyle

5:30pm Presentation of Adelaide River Tourism Precinct Feasibility Study from Action Ideas

6:00pm Presentation of Long Service Awards from LGANT

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	20th December 2016
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 20th December 2016

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 the apologies of absence for the Ordinary General Meeting held 20th December 2016.

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:	20th December 2016
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 20th December 2016

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

4 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATION**5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES****5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES FOR THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF 15TH NOVEMBER 2016**

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	20th December 2016
Author:	Aleyshia Kim, Senior Administration Officer
Attachments:	Copy of Minutes will be tabled at the meeting

SUMMARY

Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held on 15th November 2016, are submitted to Council for confirmation that those Minutes are a true and correct record of the meetings.

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 on 15th November 2016 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
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	20th December 2016
Author:	Robert Bright, Operations Manager
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Roads

The remainder of Cheeney Road has received the second seal and line marking has been completed. Milton Road will have the second seal laid next year. The water, grade and roll has commenced on unsealed roads, with only Strickland Road remaining. Slashing and spraying has been completed on Meneling Road, Old Coach Road, Miles Road, Solomon Road, Rum Jungle Lake, Scott Road, Lithgow Road, Crater Lake Road and Poet Road. The rest of the roads will be completed as time permits.

Waste

Batchelor dump has been partly fenced using a NTEPA grant of \$20,000.

Mr Trevor Sullivan has commenced opening and closing the gates 6am to 6pm. At this stage, all is going well. Stage 2 Signage has been ordered from Norsign and will be displayed once received. This will close the tip for Wednesday and Thursday from mid-January 2017. The tip will also be closed Christmas Day.

We have received notification for an SPG for a hook truck, we will continue to utilise Buff Bins until Council purchase a hook truck that will suit the new bins purchased earlier in the year. A plant strategy is currently being developed to take into account the grant for the hook truck. This will be presented to Council in the new year for consideration.

Adelaide River Dump is running okay. There is still some evidence of unauthorised burning in the transfer bins.

Parks

Three quotes from qualified tree removalist were received in October to remove trees in Bicentennial Park. The lowest quote received was from RSGC for \$28,000. Council's annual budget for tree maintenance is currently \$10,000.

Other

The Operations Supervisor and 2 Service Officer's will be working normal working hours over the Christmas break. The Operations Supervisor will be the on-call contact person for Council while the office is closed.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Operations Manager's Report for November/December 2016.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

6.2 REALLOCATION OF FUNDS

Applicant:	Operations Manager
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	Nil
Disclosure of Interest:	N/A
Date:	13 December 2016
Author:	Robert Bright, Operations Manager
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

The Operations Team has identified areas has two areas where extra funds are required in order to maintain or repair Council assets. The 2 areas are as follows:

Trees

An audit of dead trees has been carried out in the parks. Approximately 20 dead trees have been identified in Bicentennial Park as needing to be removed. Three quotes were received in October 2016 to remove these trees. The lowest quote received was from RS Gardening Care for \$28,000. Council's annual budget for tree maintenance is currently only \$10,000.

Pool

The hot and humid weather has taken a toll on the pool operations. There have been significant problems getting water to a standard appropriate for a public pool. The early storms and hot temperatures have made it difficult to treat and balance. This has been compounded by 2 of the pumps and 2 chlorinators failing.

There are insufficient funds within the pool budget for chemicals for the rest of the season and to replace pumps and chlorinators. The cost of the replacement items which includes chlorinators, filter sand and pumps is approximately \$11,000.

BACKGROUND

Nil

COMMENT

Both of the above projects are a priority for the Operations Team, however current budget does not allow for adequate repairs to be carried out.

Council may wish to consider reallocating funds from other areas to offset the costs in these areas. In particular the wages for Roads administration is not expected to be fully expended this year. These costs have been charged to the Cheeney Road project.

CONSULTATION

Chief Executive Officer
Operations Supervisor
Finance Manager

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

RECOMMENDATION

Council approve the transfer of \$20,000 from budget line 410.4370 Road Wages, to 310.4181 Landscaping and Arborists to allow for the removal of trees in Bicentennial Park as per the report.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

RECOMMENDATION

Council approve the transfer of \$5,000 from budget line 410.4370 Road Wages to 313.4242 Pool Chemicals, and \$11,000 from 410.4370 Road Wages to 313.4280 Pool R&M to allow for pool chemicals and repairs and maintenance.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

6.3 MONTHLY POOL & DOG STATISTICS

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\Pool Supervisor
Date:	20th December 2016
Author:	Trevor Sullivan, Animal Management Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Dog Statistics

Week beginning	Dogs Impounded		Dogs Released	
	Registered	Unregistered	Owner collected	Destroyed
14/11/2016				
21/11/2016				
28/11/2016		1		Stolen from Pound
05/12/2016				
12/12/2016				
Totals		1		1

Pool Takings and Statistics

Takings and statistics to date are as follows

Period ending	Paying at gate swimmers and takings							Passes		Outdoor Ed/School	Swim group
	Adult	Children	Families	Pens	Gate	value of sold passes	Total Takings	Adult	Children	Children & Adults	Children & Adults
2/11/2016	11	14	5	2	\$76.50	\$15.00	\$91.50	34	10		
9/11/2016	8	19	5	3	\$73.00	0	\$73.00	30	10		
16/11/2016 & 23/11/2016	15	27	4	4	\$104.00	0	\$104.00	23	10		
30/11/2016	2	8	4	2	\$40.00	\$66.00	\$106.00	8	0		
7/12/2016	6	16	5	1	\$65.00	0	\$65.00	18	8		
14/12/2016	4	17	1	0	\$43.00	0	\$43.00	18	10		
Totals	46	101	24	12	\$401.50	\$81.00	\$482.50	131	48		

NOTE
For the Information of the 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:	20th December 2016
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 2016.

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		Source	Subject
10/11/16	MI 01	Batchelor Museum Development Ass.	CCGC Community Grant 2016
24/11/16	MI 02	Dept of Housing & Community Development	Reimbursement of Streetlight Operational Maintenance & Repairs Charges
24/11/16	MI 03	Rural Resident	Road enquiry
25/11/16	MI 04	LGANT	Revised Service Level Agreement & Costing Model
25/11/16	MI 05	LGANT	2015/2016 LGANT Annual Report
25/11/16	MI 06	Ironbark Aboriginal Corp	Extension of Lease – 35 Finlay Rd Adelaide River
30/11/16	MI 07	Ironbark Aboriginal Corp	Letter of Agreement for lease on 35 Finlay Rd Adelaide River
1/12/16	MI 08	Minister for Housing & Community Development	Review of retirement accommodation in the NT
1/12/16	MI 09	Minister for Housing & Community Development	Special purpose grant approval for hook truck
1/12/16	MI 10	Dept of Infrastructure & Planning & Logistics	Variation Permit DP12/0125C Subdivision Dorat Road
5/12/16	MI 11	Dept of Housing & Community Development	Acceptance letter for SP Grant for signing.
5/12/16	MI 12	Dept of Housing & Community Development	SP Grants round 1 2016-17 unsuccessful applications
DATE		Source	Subject
6/12/16	MI 13	Dept of Infrastructure, Planning & Logistics	Variation of completion date – Cheeney Road
6/12/16	MI 14	Minister for Territory	National Youth Week 2017 application – awarded

		Families	
7/12/16	MI 15	RPS	Building better regions fund
8/12/16	MI 16	Dept of Housing & Community Development	LG 2016-17 Operational Subsidy funding increase
8/12/16	MI 17	PowerWater	Annual testing of Backflow Prevention Device
14/12/16	MI 18	Native Title NT	Court Orders

Correspondence Out

DATE		Source	Subject
09/11/16	MO 01	LA	Request to defer final completion date for Cheeney Rd REIF Project
17/11/16	MO 02	LA	Sale of Surplus items – acceptance
21/11/16	MO 03	LA	EOI – Operation of Batchelor Transfer Station – acceptance
21/11/16	MO 04	LA	EOI – Operation of Batchelor Transfer Station – non acceptance
21/11/16	MO 05	LA	EOI – Operation of Batchelor Transfer Station – non acceptance
21/11/16	MO 06	LA	EOI – Operation of Batchelor Transfer Station – non acceptance
24/11/16	MO 07	LA	Reply to a request to review interest & charges of rates
28/11/16	MO 08	LA	Response to BMDA request to alter Community Grant
29/11/16	MO 09	LA & AT	Common seal stamp – Dept of Land planning & the environment
29/11/16	MO 10	RB	Response to enquiry regarding White Road (Rum Jungle – West)
2/12/16	MO 11	LA	Application to issue separate titles for section 954/957 Hundred of Goyder
14/12/16	MO 12	LA/AT/AK	Signed letter of agreement

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 NOVEMBER 2016

Applicant: Nil
Location/Address: N/A
File Ref: N/A
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 20th December 2016
Author: Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Action Items List to December, 2016

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Actions Items List.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.3 COMPLAINTS REGISTER NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2016

Applicant: Nil
Location/Address: N/A
File Ref: N/A
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 20th December 2016
Author: Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil

SUMMARY

DATE		Source	Subject	Follow up
23/11/16	C 01	Batchelor Town Resident	Many dogs roaming Batchelor streets	Forwarded to CEO & Dog Catcher
5/12/2016	C 02	Batchelor Town Resident	Dismantled 4WD on street verge needs to be removed, very unsightly – Kirra Crescent	Forwarded to Operations Manager to carry out inspection.

8/12/2016	C 03	Batchelor Town Resident	2 trees that are at risk of falling. In the park opposite 12 Turana Street	SAO passed onto Operations Manager to carry out inspection.
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RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the complaints for the November/December period.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.4 STANDING ORDER – AMALGAMATION REVIEW

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	Coomalie Councillors
File Ref:	CC/79
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	20th December 2016
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Survey

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

July 2014

The NT Government published a notice in the Government Gazette on 3 July 2014 which includes the Robin Falls area in the Coomalie Community Government 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.

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.

December 2015

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

January 2016

Letter sent to Department of Local Government requesting Litchfield National Park be included in the Coomalie Community Government Council area.

February 2016

The Department of Local Government have advised that there will be no further decisions made in relation to formation of new Councils in this term of Government. The Department has acknowledged Council's request in relation to Litchfield National Park.

May 2016

A meeting was held of the BCWLGAG. There was a discussion regarding the three councils working together in developing a strategy to put to the Government in relation to their future and the unincorporated land.

June 2016

Department of Local Government and Community Services were advised of Council's agreement to investigate the formation of a regional council subject to Batchelor being the administrative centre.

July 2016

Three consultants were invited to quote on the scope of works to provide an analysis of options for local government structures in the area. Two quotes were received. An application was submitted for a Special purpose Grant to proceed with the consultancy.

August 2016

The Council received an email on Tuesday 9th of August from the Department of Local Government advising that the Special Purpose Grant to provide an analysis of options for Local Government structures in the area has been granted.

September 2016

Consultants have been engaged and anticipate the review will take approximately 6 weeks.

October 2016

The President and the CEO met with the consultant's representative on Monday 26th September 2016. The discussion revolved around Councils preferred options for a new Regional Council. The consultant was advised that council's preferred option was to progressively identify areas which relate to the current Council and incorporate them into the Council.

November 2016

The Consultants met with BCWLGAG on 9 November 2016 for an update and work shop. Council representatives presented varying views of the future and there was no consensus of a preferred direction for the future. The major points were that the consultants should focus on the current Council and perhaps comment on aligning the rural parts of Lichfield Council with any new entity. Marrakai area was excluded from the current discussion. The current Belyuen stalemate should be resolved by the next election. The Government needs to lead the process for incorporation of the unincorporated lands. The timeframe is probably 5 to 9 years.

December 2016

Report attached.

CONSULTATION

Nil

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:	20th December 2016
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Office
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Adelaide River Tourist Precinct Feasibility Study

Council received a grant in October 2015 to conduct a Tourism Precinct Feasibility Study for Adelaide River. After much frustration, a local consultant Action Ideas has now been appointed and work has commenced. The consultant has had three meetings with Adelaide River residents and has spoken to numerous stakeholders. She has been invited to provide a briefing to Council on the progress with the project.

Operational Subsidy

The Minister for Housing and Community Development has announced an increase in the Operational Grant from \$26.04m to \$27.50m across the Northern Territory. Council has been advised that its grant will increase from \$473,587 to \$500,198 for the year. This is an increase of \$26,611 over the original amount.

LGANT has called for Council motions to be considered at the next General Meeting to be held in Alice Springs on 1 & 2 December 2016. Council has traditionally not forwarded any motions to the LGANT Annual Meeting.

Local Government Strategic Infrastructure Fund

The Minister for Housing and Community Development has announced The NT Government is committing \$5M a year as an ongoing program for a new Local Government Strategic Infrastructure Fund. This fund will commence in the 2017/18 financial year. These funds are in addition to the other grants programs that the government already supports.

Batchelor Signage Group

The CEO attended a meeting of the group on Tuesday 13 December 2016. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss making an application to the Department of Transport to replace the existing tourism signage bays in the town of Batchelor. The Chairperson of the group advised that the Department was amenable to the idea but their major condition is all the illegally erected signs must be removed.

The groups expectation is that Council will administer and maintain the information bay signs once they are erected. Council already has a policy in place as the result of a previous attempt to erect a new information bays some years ago.

Native Title Claims Adelaide River and Batchelor

The CEO has been briefed by The NT Solicitor General Office representative in relation to the current situation with the Native Title Claims over Batchelor and Adelaide River. Council will be provided with a briefing at the meeting.

Adelaide River Music Muster

Staff have been approached by the promoter of the Adelaide River Music Muster requesting an opportunity to present to Council seeking funds to hold this event. The event was not held this year. The promoter has been advised that his request has been passed on to Council who may wish to entertain his request.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the CEO's Activity report for November/December 2016.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.6 BCWLGAG CONSULTANTS REPORT

Applicant:	Nil
Location/Address:	Nil
File Ref:	CC/79
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	14 December 2016
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Consultants Report

SUMMARY

The Department of Local Government and Communities provided Council with a grant of \$30,000 to engage a consultant to analyse the sustainability and assess options for the future of Belyuen, Coomalie and Wagait Councils. This project was initiated by the Department, but requested that it be managed through Coomalie Council.

Council engaged McGill Management Services and Sharyn Innes Consultancies Pty Ltd to carry out the work.

The Consultants have now forwarded the report to Council for consideration.

The consultants have requested that Council's form their own views on the content of the report. They have suggested that each Council adopt a formal resolution on those views whatever they might be.

The three Councils have broad and differing views on how the future should develop. Their ideas are based on individual issues and goals. The summary of the key overall recommendations of the report were;

1. Remove Belyuen from administration prior to the August Council elections to allow elections to occur.
2. Investigate further options for resource sharing by July 2017.
3. Develop a longer term strategy to incorporate unincorporated land and rationalise the current Councils.

It is considered that recommendations one and three are the prerogative of the NT Government. Whilst it is likely the Government may be forced to act on resolving the administration of Belyuen, they have made no commitment to incorporate the unincorporated land within Council areas. It is considered that the long term commitment by Government is a precursor to any real work on how this will be achieved.

Council has already embraced the possibility of resource sharing. In particular it has signed a common service agreement which involves four NT Councils. It also applied for a grant for new financial management software on three occasions which can be shared with other Councils but has not been successful. It is appropriate to continue to investigate and incorporate resource sharing initiatives where they are appropriate.

Council should develop and formalise a response to Consultants report. In particular Council should clearly identify its position on the future of the Council and the role it plays in the future of Local Government in the region. It is considered that Council's position remains as to:

- Progressively improve Council's sustainability through efficiencies, resource sharing and continued review of service levels. This also includes seeking additional income sources when appropriate.
- Selective expansion of the Shire area to include areas which are naturally serviced by Council.
- Ensure Batchelor remains the centre of administration for the Council.
- Support NT Government initiatives that achieve the goals identified previously.

BACKGROUND

The then Department of Local Government and Regions set up an Advisory Committee in 2015 of Belyuen, Wagait and Coomalie to explore opportunities for resource sharing, boundaries, sustainability and incorporation of unincorporated areas with the Council areas.

COMMENT

The consultancy was generated by the then Department of Local Government and Communities. It is considered that its objectives were to find a solution to the Belyuen administration issue and link it to the incorporation of the unincorporated areas.

The major issue moving forward is that there is no commitment from the political arm of Government to support the incorporation of the unincorporated areas. It certainly has not been listed as a priority. It is considered that this barrier will negate all the good will, work and consultation that have been carried out in the past and into the future until that commitment is made.

It is considered there will be very limited support from land owners in the unincorporated areas for the incorporation of land into Councils. There is a clear and understood link between rates and Councils. However the link between rates and services is not understood. This is particularly the case whilst the NT Government continues to support and subsidise services to the unincorporated areas.

A viable long term strategy has not been developed by Government and the current strategy relies on the three affected Councils being seen to as driving the process. A consequence of this approach is that the three small Councils are unfairly ostracised by landowners in the unincorporated areas.

It is considered that Council's current strategy of identifying areas which may improve its sustainability into the future should be continued. These include incorporation of additional areas into the Shire where there is an identified link between the areas and the shire. Council's current proposal is to incorporate the Litchfield National Park within the Council area. Income generation and cost efficiencies continue to be investigated when opportunities emerge.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council formally adopt its position as outlined in the report.

That Council advise that the Department of Housing and Community Development that it believes there will be little progress in the incorporation of unincorporated land unless there is long term commitment from the political arm of Government

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.7 LGANT GENERAL MEETING ALICE SPRINGS

Applicant:	Nil
Location/Address:	Nil
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	14 December 2016
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Minister for Housing and Communities Notes Acting Executive Director Local Government Presentation President of ALGA Presentation President of LGANTS Report for the Annual Report

SUMMARY

LGANT held its biannual general meeting in Alice Springs on 1st and 2nd December this year.

The meeting was addressed by the:

- Minister for Housing and Communities, The Hon Gerry McCarthy MLA
- Acting Executive Director/ Local Government, Mr Shaun Hardy
- President of ALGA Mr David O'Loughlin
- President of LGANT Cr Damian Ryan

The major actions arising from the meeting were:

ACTIONS

1. Arrange a meeting between LGANT Executive and the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics.
2. Write to the Minister about local government representation in the ministerial structure.
3. LGANT staff will present a proposal to the next general meeting to change the meeting format.
4. Update LGANT Policy Statements in relation to release of political parties policies prior to elections.
5. LGANT to address the issue of elected members interacting with council staff with AICD course coordinators

BACKGROUND

Nil

COMMENT

Nil

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Northern Territory Planning Scheme

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

NOTE

For the information of Councillors.

7.8 ROAD ACCESS ISSUES

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CC/19
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15 th December 2016
Author:	Chief Executive Officer, Leigh Ashford
Attachment:	Lease of Roads Flyer Licence of Roads Flyer

SUMMARY

Council has considered a number of reports on the issue of closing/leasing or licencing some of its unformed roads. At the October Council meeting Council directed the CEO to develop a Draft flyer on how these outcomes might be achieved. Additional question were asked at the November Meeting and the CEO was asked to investigate these issues.

All the roads reserves in the shire were vested in Council in 1993 by advertisement in the Government Gazette. The only roads not transferred to Council were roads specifically nominated by the Northern Territory Government.

Other Council's Licensing or Leasing unused road reserves

Enquiries with council's in the top end that there does not appear to be any other Council's leasing or licencing Road reserves. This is not unexpected as the circumstances in the Coomalie area are unique. It is still close to Darwin, has good road access, but the Shire is generally undeveloped.

Statute Law and Common Law

The Control of Roads Act and the Local Government Act control what Council can or cannot do on Local roads.

The NT Statute law's definition of a road does not cover the issues involved in whom or what is allowed access over a road. In the absence of an adequate definition, the law will revert back to the Common Law. Under Common Law, it is simply that the public has a right of passage over a road or road reserve. The standard definition does not make any allowance for vehicles or other conveyances. There does not appear to be any requirement to provide or allow vehicular access to the public.

The NT legislation does allow provision to make a substantial temporary road closure. If this approved, the rights of the public are removed.

Negligence Risks

Council can be held accountable for circumstances where the Courts consider that it is negligent in any matter.

In general terms we should act with reasonable care taking into account the potential harm that might foreseeably arise. The reasonable person test will apply in these cases.

The major foreseeable negligence risks in this case probably relates to control of acts or omissions of the licensee or lessee. In particular any structure erected on the land creates a hazard. It is not negligent if the risks have been assessed and mitigated to an acceptable level. These need to be considered on a case by case basis.

Environmental Risks

The major environmental hazards on the roads are the spread of weeds and fire. These are current hazards and Council's management is fairly limited. Council's exposure in these areas may be actually reduced by entering into a licence or lease with a landowner to better control these hazards.

The Council can issue a licence for a landowner to carry out any activity it licences on the road reserve or it can enter into a lease with a landholder to take complete control of the land in accordance with the provisions of a lease.

There are significant differences between the two agreements. The differences are:

1. Licence.
 - a. The decision is made solely by Council
 - b. Council and licensee agree on the activities which are to be permitted on the land
 - c. Council retains overall control but may require the licensee to comply with the noxious weeds act and Bushfire Act.
 - d. A licence cannot prohibit public access over the road reserve. However there is not a requirement to ensure vehicular access is available.
 - e. The land is not rateable.

Note: In addition Council may independently approve a substantial temporary road closure after consideration of comments from the Minister, Local Member and the public. This would extinguish the public's automatic right to travel over the road reserve. However it is council's responsibility to monitor and enforce.

2. Lease.
 - a. A lease allows the lessee to control the land in accordance with the lease.
 - b. The lessee is responsible for compliance with any legislation applicable to the land.
 - c. The land is rateable.

- d. A lease can only be entered into if Council has approved a Substantial temporary closure of a road. This can only occur after considering comments from the Minister, Local Member and the general public
- e. There will be survey costs and costs associated with setting up a lease.

In addition to the suggested controls listed in last month's report to Council it is suggested that the applicants prepare a documented risk assessment of any hazards that they may identify with their proposal. If Council decided to proceed with this proposal, the risk assessment forms part of council's assessment of the merits of the proposal.

BACKGROUND

Council receives ongoing concerns from property owners in relation to unauthorised, illegal access to properties and irresponsible use by the trespassers. It is perceived that access is often gained along Council's unformed roads. Council is contacted regularly in relation to access or lack of access issues.

COMMENT

The initial stage is to make provision by having a licence agreement. This still allows public access but restrictions can be placed on the type of vehicle that can access the road. This could be done at very little cost and by exchange of letters.

The next stage is for the Council to independently resolve to impose a Substantial Temporary Road closure. This can only occur after going through a prescribed procedure set out in Local Government Act and regulations. As Council retains control of the land it may be subject to enforcing the road closure.

Council is not in position to police a substantial temporary road closure. It can only be achieved by physical barriers.

The most complete result is to enter into a lease agreement. This requires a substantial Temporary Road Closure, survey plans and a lease agreement drawn up. This will allow the lessee to physical prohibit access unless approved by themselves or set out in the lease.

CONSULTATION

Local landholder

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Control of Roads Act

Local Government Act

Bushfire Act

Weeds Management Act

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That council consider individual applications on a case by case basis for a licence or a lease on their merits and in accordance with the developed flyers.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

7.9 2017 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CC/ 173
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	13 th December 2016
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Standard template for Service Level Agreement NTEC NTEC Election Costing model Presentation to LGANT

SUMMARY

The NT Local Government Elections will be held on Saturday 26 August 2017. The timetable is as follows:

- 14 July 2017 Nominations open
- 25 July 2017 Electoral rolls close
- 3 August Close of nominations and caretaker period commences
- 7 August 2017 postal votes open if appropriate
- 14 August 2017 Early voting and mobile voting commences
- 26 August 2017 Election Day

Council was advised by the Northern Territory Electoral Commission in January 2016 that the initial estimated cost for the 2017 Local Government General Election in the Coomalie Shire is \$18,704 Inc GST. This works out at \$30.71 per eligible voter.

Council has requested the Northern Territory Electoral Commission to discuss with Council ways in which the cost can be reduced. It is understood that the agreement has to be in place by 1 April 2017.

BACKGROUND

The Local Government election has been delayed from August 2016 until August 2107. The elections are carried out by the Northern Territory Electoral Commission and the costs borne by Councils. The 2012 elections were subsidised by The NT Government.

COMMENT

The Northern Territory Electoral Commission has suggested a number of ways that the costs can be reduced. These include:

- Use of council venues
- Council staff to provide early voting and data input
- Provide communication forums
- Support enrolment and voter participation strategies

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council will be required to make provision for the election in the 2017/18 financial year.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

NOTE

For the information of Council.

7.10 PROPOSED SPLITTING OF TITLE TO LOT 445 AND LOT 447 HUNDRED OF GOYDER

Applicant:	Earl James and Associates
Location/Address:	Lot 954 Lot 957 Hundred of Goyder
File Ref:	CC/114
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	29 November 2016
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	DA Documents

SUMMARY

This item was considered as an out of session and now needs to be ratified in the Council meeting.

Council has received a request from the Department of Planning to comment on the proposed splitting of the Titles for Lots 445 and 447 Hundred of Goyder.

The two lots exist legally and Council rates both blocks individually, however there is only one title for the two lots. The applicants currently are joint owners but wish to separate their interest with each party solely owning one lot.

This is administrative issue and does not affect Council. Council's response should include a statement that the legal access to these properties was removed by the Northern Territory government with the granting of lands to the Aboriginal Land Trust and the incorporation of roads into the Northern Territory Land Corporation.

BACKGROUND

Nil

COMMENT

Only having one title for two separate lots appears to be a quirk of the Northern Territory land title system as individual titles were not automatically issued originally for each lot. The application will clean up this anomaly in this case.

There is a "paper Road" between the blocks but there is no legal access to either the lots in question or the road between the lots. The current practical access appears to across Aboriginal Land trust Land from the Northern Australian Railway Reserve to the East. The legal access was removed when the lands to the east were granted to the Aboriginal Land Trust and to the Northern Territory Land Corporation to the West. Council is currently working with the Northern Territory Land Corporation to reinstate legal road access to properties in this area. The process is very slow due to Native Title issues.

CONSULTATION

Operations Manager

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Northern Territory Planning Scheme

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council advise the Department of Lands and Planning that Council has no objections to the splitting of the Title between Lot 445 and Lot 447 Hundred of Goyder and reiterating that legal access was removed by Government in the past.

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:	20th December 2016
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 2016.

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

(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 2016**

DATE	REFERENCE	DETAILS	AMOUNT
1/11/2016	Merc Fees Nov16	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	417.67
2/11/2016	7706	Adelaide River Inn	173.60
2/11/2016	7707	Buff Bins NT	630.00
2/11/2016	7708	Cr. Sue Bulmer	450.00
2/11/2016	7709	Bunnings Building Supplies P/L	124.47
2/11/2016	7710	Combined Electrical	896.18
2/11/2016	7711	Cr. Max Corliss	450.00
2/11/2016	7712	Cr. Ewan Crook	450.00
2/11/2016	7713	Cr. Dave Gray	450.00
2/11/2016	7714	IS Australia Pty Ltd	308.00
2/11/2016	7715	Cr. Bruce Jones	850.00
2/11/2016	7716	DT & MG Kerr	9,339.00
2/11/2016	7717	Bruce Mason	2,755.50
2/11/2016	7718	Norsign NT	330.66
2/11/2016	7719	Northern Territory Land Corpor	1.00
2/11/2016	7720	Intergrated Land Information S	54.80
2/11/2016	7721	RS Gardening Care	4,487.94
2/11/2016	7722	Cr. Andrew Turner	1,500.00
2/11/2016	VISA Nov 2016	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	411.24
2/11/2016	POS Fees Nov16	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	18.26
7/11/2016	528	Motor Vehicle Registry	822.85
7/11/2016	7723	TIO	200.00
8/11/2016	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	19,953.27
9/11/2016	7724	Action Ideas	9,868.10
9/11/2016	7725	Airpower (NT) Pty Ltd	20.36
9/11/2016	7726	AJ Couriers & Haulage Pty Ltd	77.00
9/11/2016	7727	Attache Software Australia Pty	41.00
9/11/2016	7728	Dannah Pty Ltd	108.32
9/11/2016	7729	Robert Bright	360.84
9/11/2016	7730	Buff Bins NT	2,520.00
9/11/2016	7731	Fin Bins	4,131.40
9/11/2016	7732	H&K Earthmoving Pty Ltd	101,085.60
9/11/2016	7733	Norsign NT	269.28
9/11/2016	7734	NT News	1,951.04
9/11/2016	7735	OfficeMax	59.95
9/11/2016	7736	Diedre Pickering	2,448.72
9/11/2016	7737	Turbo's Tyres	634.70
9/11/2016	529	Australian Communications Auth	43.00
9/11/2016	530	Jacana Energy	3,524.90
9/11/2016	531	PowerWater	6,118.51
14/11/2016	532	Motor Vehicle Registry	1,141.10
15/11/2016	7738	Air Liquide WA Pty Ltd	66.11
15/11/2016	7739	Airpower (NT) Pty Ltd	7.29
15/11/2016	7740	Arafura Site & Street Sweeping	1,155.00
15/11/2016	7741	Area IT Solutions	913.00
15/11/2016	7742	B P Australia Limited	118.66
15/11/2016	7743	Department of Housing - Refund rates	1,650.00
15/11/2016	7744	Flowers By Elise	100.00

15/11/2016	7745	H&K Earthmoving Pty Ltd	242,717.38
15/11/2016	7746	Higgie Mechanical Engineering	95.00
15/11/2016	7747	Howard Springs Vet	90.50
15/11/2016	7748	JAC Embroidery	70.40
15/11/2016	7749	Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd	282.96
15/11/2016	7750	S.E. Rentals Pty Ltd	258.63
15/11/2016	7751	Steeline GRP	440.00
15/11/2016	7752	Turbo's Tyres	555.50
15/11/2016	7753	Vanderfield Northwest	629.92
15/11/2016	458694	Petty Cash Reimbursements	705.15
15/11/2016	Bpay Fee Nov 16	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	96.17
15/11/2016	CommBiz Nov 16	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	12.10
15/11/2016	Tran Fee Nov 16	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	42.13
22/11/2016	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	20,158.99
24/11/2016	533	Jacana Energy	2,498.44
24/11/2016	534	PowerWater	1,957.35
24/11/2016	535	Telstra	988.68
24/11/2016	7754	Action Ideas	9,347.80
24/11/2016	7755	Batchelor Service Centre	2,602.99
24/11/2016	7756	Fin Bins	5,244.14
24/11/2016	7757	H&K Earthmoving Pty Ltd	201,059.93
24/11/2016	7758	Higgie Mechanical Engineering	1,302.40
24/11/2016	7759	L&V Nominees Pty Ltd	800.00
24/11/2016	7760	OfficeMax	462.49
24/11/2016	7761	Sharyn Innes Consultancies Pty	12,214.40
24/11/2016	7762	Top End Line Markers	7,920.00
24/11/2016	7763	Vanderfield Northwest	145.62
25/11/2016	Super Oct 2016	Click Super	6,605.59
28/11/2016	7764	Buff Bins NT	1,890.00
28/11/2016	7765	Darwin Glass	733.00
28/11/2016	7766	L&V Nominees Pty Ltd	720.00
28/11/2016	7767	Mount Bundy Station	1,390.00
28/11/2016	7768	NT Water Filters	130.00
28/11/2016	7769	OfficeMax	8.46
TOTAL			707,664.44

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve and pass for payment of the November 2016 payment register totalling **\$707 664.44**

Moved: **Clr.**

Seconded: **Clr.**

8.2 FINANCE AND GRANT REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	20th December 2016
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 for November 2016.

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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(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

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30TH NOVEMBER 2016

Cash at Bank	
Cash on Hand	\$ 1,000.00
Cheque Account	\$ 225,720.48
Investment Account	\$ 2,050,000.00
Trust Account	\$ 87,691.76
Total Cash at Bank	\$ 2,364,412.24

Debtors	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	
Trade ***	617.50	120.00	110.00	2,410.70	\$ 3,258.20
Rate Arrears	-	-	125,660.08	63,215.16	\$ 188,875.24
Rates paid in advance	- 8,733.76	-	-	-	-\$ 8,733.76
Total Debtors					\$ 183,399.68

Creditors	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	
	33,652.18	-	-	-	\$ 33,652.18
Total Creditors					\$ 33,652.18

Reconciliation of Funds	
Balance as per General Ledger	\$ 314,412.24
Add outstanding Debtors	\$ 183,399.68
Less outstanding Creditors	\$ 33,652.18
Add Investment Account	\$ 2,050,000.00
Total Cash & Receivables Available	\$ 2,514,159.74

*** Trade Debtors				
Top End Buffalo - IN ADMINISTRATION				2,410.70
Dept of Housing			110.00	
RS Gardening Care		120.00		
BIITE - Pool Fees	232.50			
Comserv - Hire Tipper	385.00			
	617.50	120.00	110.00	2,410.70

COOMALIE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

GRANT REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30TH NOVEMBER 2016

Date Received	Grant	From	Amount	Expended to date	Amount Remaining	Acquittal Due
14/10/2015	AR Tourist Precinct Feasibility	Dept of Transport	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 22,077.97	\$ 17,922.03	31/12/2016
31/05/2016	Regional Ec Infrastructure Cheeney Rd	Dept of Transport	\$ 1,743,687.00	\$ 1,389,729.48	\$ 353,957.52	31/12/2016
27/04/2016	Havlik Castle Upgrade	Dept Infrastructure Regional Dev	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,853.26	\$ 1,146.74	31/10/2016
13/05/2016	Hook Bins	Dept of Local Government	\$ 114,650.00	\$ 108,650.00	\$ 6,000.00	30/06/2017
26/08/2016	Boundary Consultancy BCWLGAG	Dept of Local Government	\$ 27,800.00	\$ 19,432.00	\$ 8,368.00	30/06/2017
31/08/2016	Community Libraries	Dept of Arts and Museums	\$ 50,757.00	\$ 18,481.40	\$ 32,275.60	31/08/2017
15/09/2016	Territory Remembers 2017	Dept of Arts and Museums	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	30/04/2017
17/11/2016	Anzac Day 2017	Dept of Chief Minister	\$ 7,000.00	\$ -	\$ 7,000.00	31/05/2017
25/11/2016	Youth Vibe Holiday Grant - SHP Jan 2017	Dept of Chief Minister	\$ 1,300.00	\$ -	\$ 1,300.00	28/02/2017
			\$ 2,000,194.00	\$ 1,567,224.11	\$ 432,969.89	
		Cash and Receivables			\$ 2,514,159.74	
		Unspent Grants & Subsidies			\$ 432,969.89	
		Cash Available to Council			\$ 2,081,189.85	

COOMALIE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

NOVEMBER 2016

Account Code	Account Description	14/15 Actual	Month Actual	YTD Actual	15/16 Budget	%
110 ADMINISTRATION						
110 3899	TOTAL INCOME	1,394,730	16,683	1,207,954	1,483,604	81%
110 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	743,533	57,303	363,771	889,662	41%
110 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 110	651,197	-40,620	844,183	593,942	
210 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES						
210 3899	TOTAL INCOME	9,000	0	0	9,000	0%
210 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	77,031	5,987	29,535	84,800	35%
210 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 210	-68,031	-5,987	-29,535	-75,800	
211 SANITATION AND GARBAGE						
211 3899	TOTAL INCOME	459,680	386	366,455	370,400	99%
211 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	219,793	25,234	207,782	401,901	52%
211 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 211	239,887	-24,848	158,673	-31,501	
212 CEMETERIES						
212 3899	TOTAL INCOME	227	0	1,973	2,000	99%
212 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	6,666	1,588	4,155	9,700	43%
212 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 212	-6,439	-1,588	-2,182	-7,700	
310 PARKS AND GARDENS						
310 3899	TOTAL INCOME	2,933	67	10,441	10,500	99%
310 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	148,250	8,076	48,933	199,993	24%
310 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 310	-145,317	-8,009	-38,492	-189,493	
311 LIBRARIES						
311 3899	TOTAL INCOME	50,757	391	51,243	50,757	101%
311 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	54,286	2,190	18,485	50,757	36%
311 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 311	-3,529	-1,799	32,758	0	
312 SPORT AND RECREATION						
312 3899	TOTAL INCOME	16,389	0	10,096	70,136	14%
312 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	118,122	6,827	36,621	193,074	19%
312 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 312	-101,733	-6,827	-26,525	-122,938	
313 SWIMMING POOL						
313 3899	TOTAL INCOME	10,351	914	1,446	4,000	36%
313 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	97,615	10,788	39,661	101,089	39%
313 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 313	-87,264	-9,874	-38,215	-97,089	
314 COMMUNITY RECREATION						
314 3899	TOTAL INCOME	54,045	1,382	2,762	145,400	2%
314 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	88,249	4,639	21,588	170,860	13%
314 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 314	-34,204	-3,257	-18,826	-25,460	
410 ROADS						
410 3899	TOTAL INCOME	1,634,098	101,114	2,072,427	2,462,973	84%
410 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	850,422	552,111	2,173,793	3,655,577	59%
410 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 410	783,676	-450,997	-101,366	-1,192,604	
510 STREETLIGHTING						
510 3899	TOTAL INCOME	0	13,725	13,725	0	0%
510 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	21,079	8,623	8,623	13,200	65%
510 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 510	-21,079	5,102	5,102	-13,200	
511 TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT						
511 3899	TOTAL INCOME	31,767	9,335	16,621	19,900	84%
511 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	52,290	650	6,001	37,800	16%
511 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 511	-20,523	8,685	10,620	-17,900	

512 DOG MANAGEMENT						
512 3899	TOTAL INCOME	2,141	50	940	2,000	47%
512 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	20,031	1,875	7,358	20,539	36%
512 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 512	-17,890	-1,825	-6,418	-18,539	
513 GLYPHOSATE						
513 3899	TOTAL INCOME	3,709	218	436	5,000	9%
513 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	3,264	0	0	5,000	0%
513 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 513	445	218	436	0	
514 GAMBA AND WEED MANAGEMENT						
514 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	4,576	0	0	10,000	0%
514 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 514	-4,576	0	0	-10,000	
900 3899	TOTAL INCOME	3,669,827	144,265	3,756,519	4,635,670	81%
900 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	2,505,207	685,891	2,966,306	5,843,952	51%
900 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY)	1,164,620	-541,626	790,213	-1,208,282	

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Finance Report, Grant Report and Monthly Financial Summary for November 2016.

Moved: **Clr.**

Seconded: **Clr.**

9 COMMUNITY RECREATION OFFICERS REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\CRO
Date:	9 th November, 2016
Author:	Sue Wainwright, Community Recreation Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Seniors Christmas Luncheon

The Seniors Christmas Party was held at the Rum Jungle Tavern on Tuesday 5th December 2016. The event was attended by 70 local seniors. Feedback to date has been very promising. The highlight was the students from the Batchelor area school singing carols.

In addition to the Coomalie Council donation of \$1,000 for the event, COTA very generously provided \$1,500 together with a further \$500 from the Adelaide River Market Committee. Sundry other sponsored donations were also received and a large number of donated prizes for lucky spots and door ticket prizes.

Batchelor Area School Award Assembly

The annual prize giving for the Batchelor Area School was held on Tuesday 12th December 2016. The Chief executive officer and myself attended on Council's behalf. The Australia young citizens of the year nominations were announced. Mr Leigh Ashford presented the Community student of the year award to Madison Sykes.

School Holiday Program

The School Holiday program commences on Thursday 5th January 2017, and continues each Tuesday and Thursday until the Tuesday 24th with Australia Day celebrations on the Thursday 26th. The program consists of indoor and outdoor activities with alternative arrangement in case of inclement weather.

It was noticed last year that there was a trend of parents booking in children and then not showing up. Council was then left with the costs involved of booked events. This year we have introduced a \$5 fee per child for each event. Alternatively parents who volunteer to assist on the day will have the fee waived.

Australia Day

A grant of \$1,500 has been received and the program for the 26th January is organised at the Batchelor Area School. As usual it will consist of a free early Aussie breakfast starting at 7.30am with the Ceremonials and Australia Day Awards presentation taking place, starting at 9.00am. This will be followed at 11am with the traditional Community Cricket Match.

Coomalie Swim Group

The Swim Group is being organised to start in on Wednesdays. There will both lessons and the Water Safety program for toddlers and babies.

Grants

\$2,000 grant was awarded for a "Fabulous Food for Fun" program hygienic handling and storage of food.

A grant application for \$3000 has been submitted to hold a lunch for International Women’s Day. It is proposed to hold the event at Mt Bundy if the grant is successful.

ANZAC Day

Preparations are well in hand. Grant application for \$7,000 has been submitted.

NOTE

For the information of Council.

10 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Nil

11 USE OF THE COMMON SEAL

11.1 COMMON SEAL ON NT EPA GRANT AGREEMENT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CC/101
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	30 th November, 2016
Author:	Leigh Ashford, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Common Seal affixture to Grant Agreement

SUMMARY

Council is required to affix the common seal to the NT EPA Grant Funding Agreement.

BACKGROUND

Council have received a grant for \$20,000 from NT EPA for fencing the Batchelor Waste Station.

COMMENT

Nil

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the use of the Common Seal on the NT EPA Grant Funding Agreement.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

11.2 USE OF COMMON SEAL FOR VARIATION OF REIF PROJECT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CC 104/B
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	13 TH December 2016
Author:	Leigh Ashford Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Letter of Variation

SUMMARY

Council is required to affix the common seal to the variation of the REIF Project for the Cheeney Rd Sealing project. The variation is to extend the completion date until 31 August 2017.

BACKGROUND

The Cheeney Road sealing project has been very successful with an additional 2.6km of road sealed beyond the original project into Milton road.

The last section to be sealed was the extension onto Milton Road. The initial seal was laid in early November. The initial seal is required to cure for at least three months before the final seal is applied. The final seal cannot be applied until the February 2017. In reality it should be applied at the end of the wet season.

COMMENT

Nil

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 affix the common seal to the variation of the REIF Project for the Sealing of Cheeney Rd.

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

13 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) 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;

Moved: Clr.

Seconded: Clr.

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.

14 DECISIONS ARISING FROM THE CONFIDENTIAL SECTION OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

Nil

15 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary General Meeting of Coomalie Community Government Council will be held at Batchelor on 17th January, 2017.