



MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING Tuesday 21 July 2020



Venue

Council Chambers
506 Kang Kang Road
Aurukun Qld 4892

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD AT AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL OFFICE
506 KANG KANG ROAD, AURUKUN ON TUESDAY 21 JULY 2020**

1. Present

Councillors	Mayor Keri Tamwoy Councillor Craig Koomeeta Councillor Delys Yunkaporta Councillor Kemuel Tamwoy
Leave of Absence	Alan Neilan, Director Community Services (DCOM) Gus Yates, Director Technical Services (DTS)
Officers	Bernie McCarthy, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Dave Ferguson, Acting Director Corporate Services (ADCOR) Amanda Ray, Executive Assistant (EA)/Minute Taker
Via teleconference	Lucy Deemal, Finance Manager (FM)

2. Guests

Lauren Jessup and Bronwyn Pressland from Hansen Bailey Environmental Consultants to provide presentation on Aurukun Bauxite Project (Glencore) – overview of EIS approvals process and information on Terms of Reference.

Acting Senior Sergeant Gary Hall, Aurukun Police.

3. Opening

Mayor opened the meeting with a prayer at 9.15am and acknowledged traditional owners past and present.

4. Declaration of Material Personal Interests (MPI)

Nil

5. Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI)

Nil

6. Condolences

Waal Waal Danny Landis

Mayor offered condolences to the Landis family on the loss of their loved one.

7. Leave of Absence for Approval

Nil

8. Previous Minutes

Resolution 20.6671

That Council receives and adopts the Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 June 2020 and confirms as a true and correct record.

MOVED: Cr Craig Koomeeta
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

7 Procedural Matters

Nil

8. Presentation of Petitions

Nil

9. Consideration of Notified Motions

Nil

10. Reception and Consideration of Committee and/or Delegates Reports

Nil

11. Mayor's Report

11.1 Meetings and Community Events

Past

16/17 June 2020	LGAQ Civic Leaders Forum
22 June 2020	DATSIP Action Planning (Children Can See program)
23 June 2020	NDIS Meeting (National Disability Insurance Scheme)
25 June 2020	Aurukun Technical Working Group
25 June 2020	RIO Tinto Weipa Meeting
25 June 2020	Ministerial and Government Champions (video conference)
29 June 2020	Food Security in Remote Indigenous Communities (Federal Government Inquiry)
29 June 2020	LDMG meeting
30 June 2020	Island & Cape Board Meeting
13/14 July 2020	TCICA (Weipa) Mayor and Deputy Mayor

Future

22 July 2020	LGAQ President and CEO visit
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23/24 July 2020	Cynthia Lui, PM, Senator Nita Green and Senator Murray Watt visit
28 July 2020	Councillors Related Party Training
4 August 2020	Aurukun Day Celebrations
6 August 2020	Stop Sly Grog / Homebrew Meeting (QPS)
6 August 2020	Technical Working Group
7 August 2020	Councillors Township Tour
12 August 2020	TCICA Meeting
26/27 August 2020	Disaster Management Training (LDMG Members)

NOTED

11.2 TCICA Meeting in Weipa

Deputy Mayor and I attended the TCICA Meeting in Weipa on 13/14 July 2020. The meeting was very informative with many subjects discussed over the two days. Main focus for the meeting centred on:

- Local Fares Scheme
- Indigenous Waste Strategy
- Indigenous Business support – Supply Nation
- Clean Energy
- Health and Wellbeing
- Seasonal work – training and employment

It is important that we continue to explore ways to support Indigenous training, employment and small businesses.

Deputy Mayor and I look forward to strengthening our commitment and work with TCICA.

NOTED

11.3 COVID-19 Update

COVID-19 Stage 3 Recovery Phase was introduced at 12.00noon on Friday 3 July 2020. Aurukun Shire/Community transitioned to State 3 which was welcomed by Aurukun residents as it meant that travel restrictions were lifts.

Several communities in Cape York region remained in Stage 2 and did not transition to Stage 3 until a week later.

This is not a time for people to become complacent as COVID-19 is not over. We must remain vigilant and keep practising social distancing.

NOTED

11.4 Island & Cape Board Meeting

I attended the Island & Cape Board Meeting as a newly appointed Board Member on 30 May 2020 via teleconference.

The main points of discussion centred on Indigenous employment, Aurukun Community Benevolent Fund and Modern Slavery Act. Under the Modern Slavery Act, Island & Cape will not source products from countries that practice modern slavery:

- Human trafficking
- Slavery
- Servitude
- Forced labour
- Debt bondage
- Forced marriage
- Child labour

It is pleasing to see the Aurukun Community Benevolent Fund continuing.

NOTED

11.5 Media Release – ‘The richest poor people on earth’

‘The richest poor people on Earth: Aurukun locals sitting on \$120m trust’ published in The Sydney Morning Herald on 13 July 2020

Sydney Morning Herald article states “Australia's most-troubled Aboriginal community, Aurukun on western Cape York in Queensland, has locals living in abject poverty, yet a trust set up to help pay for health, education and other essential infrastructure has more than \$120 million in cash and assets that remain untouched.”

‘The issues are complex’: MP warns of no easy fix for the ‘richest poor people on earth’ published in The Age on 13 July 2020

The Age article states, “The Western Cape Communities Trust collects royalties paid by energy giant Rio Tinto for the right to mine bauxite on the traditional owners' land.”

The money is earmarked to help pay for health, education and other essential infrastructure in Aurukun, which has been the location of rioting in recent months. A lawyer who worked on the trust labelled the residents "the richest poor people on Earth".

NOTED

11.6 Pama Futures Mayi Market

Pama Futures has introduced the Mayi Market initiative bringing fresh food to remote First Nations communities at regional mainstream prices.

Mayi Market aims to transform the way people access their groceries so that fresh produce and meat are a part of daily life. It is a not-for-profit social enterprise

powered by Cape York people's Pama Futures agenda and operated by Cape York Partnership.

Resolution 20.6672

That Council:

- (1) endorses Pama Futures to establish a pilot program of Mayi Markets in Aurukun on a six months trial basis
- (2) invites a representative from Mayi Market to August Council Meeting to explain the ordering process.

**MOVED: Cr Craig Koomeeta
CARRIED**

SECONDED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy

11.7 Councillors Portfolios

NOTED

11.8 Correspondence – Pama Futures Steering Committee

The Commonwealth Government's National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) is supporting Cape York communities to develop community governance structures for the purpose of local and regional decision making, with the intention to partner with Indigenous people through their community-led model.

Resolution 20.6673

That Council endorses Mayor Tamwoy and her assigned delegate to join the Pama Futures Steering Committee.

**MOVED: Cr Craig Koomeeta
CARRIED**

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

11.9 Community Unrest

I am disappointed with the current theft and damage of vehicles that is occurring in our community.

With the reduced number of vehicles operating Aurukun Shire Council has less ability to provide services to the community. The damage is costly not only for Aurukun Shire Council but also to community residents whose vehicles have been vandalised.

We have to work together in finding solutions before things come to this point as everyone in community has the right to live without fear.

NOTED

11.10 Thank You

I would like to thank Councillors for their support over the last month.

It is encouraging to see Councillors attending external meetings that relate to their portfolio commitments.

I believe that we are now working together as a team to help grow future projects for Aurukun not only for the community as a whole but for the youth.

NOTED

11.11 Cultural Endorsement for Housing Allocations

On 16 July 2020, Cr Delys Yunkaporta, CEO and I met with Penny Guthrie and Liz Johnson from Housing Tenancy to discuss and approve the below housing allocations as culturally appropriate.

Resolution 20.6674

That Council approves the following housing allocations as culturally appropriate.

- (1) 144 Muttich Street, 2-bedroom house – Anita Wolmby
- (2) 276 Ian Peinkinna Street, 2-bedroom house – Michelle Pamtoonda
- (3) 417 Kang Kang Road, 3-bedroom house – Pam Tarpencha
- (4) 11 Kang Kang Road, 3-bedroom house – Wenoah Miskin (family)
- (5) 294 Enyan Circuit, 3-bedroom house – Cheryl Bowenda
- (6) 137 Muttich Street, 4-bedroom house – Judy Wolby and Kenneth Pamtoonda
- (7) 277 Ian Peinkinna Street, 4-bedroom house – Marie Yunkaporta and Fredrick Pemugina
- (8) 191 Wel Street, 4-bedroom house – Loretta Kepple and Tony Ngakyunkwokka

**MOVED: Cr Craig Koomeeta
CARRIED**

SECONDED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy

Resolution 20.6675

That Council receives and adopts the Mayor's Report.

**MOVED: Cr Craig Koomeeta
CARRIED**

SECONDED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy

12. Chief Executive Officer's Report

12.1 Action from Previous Council Meetings

Resolution 20.6642 – Ex Government Employee Houses

That Council discusses with Sharyn Halliwell, Director, Government Employee Housing, Queensland Government Accommodation Office the possibility of ASC taking over occupancy of the five ex Government Employee Houses located on:

- (1) lots 707, 708 and 709 (duplex) Kor Street
- (2) lots 706, 704 and 705 (duplex) Kang Kang Road
- (3) lot 703 Wuungkam Street

CEO Update:

On 16 July 2020, I spoke to Sharyn Halliwell, Director – Government Employee Housing, Department of Housing and Public Works and inquired when a decision is going to be made on the possible transfer of the five vacant GEH houses to ASC.

Sharyn advised that they are still assessing feedback on the needs of Government agencies.

CEO pointed out that the external areas of houses are in an untidy state and present a fire risk. CEO followed up with photos on 17 July 2020 showing the untidy state of the areas.

Also, CEO advised that there is a risk to house damage as long as they remain vacant.

Sharyn advised it will be a few more weeks before a final decision can be advised.

NOTED

12.2 Future Meetings / Events

Past

25 June 2020	LDMG Meeting
25 June 2020	Ministerial and Government Champions (via video conference)
15 July 2020	Rio Tinto CEO Meeting

Future

22 July 2020	LGAQ visit
23 July 2020	Interagency Meeting
23/24 July 2020	Cynthia Lui, PM, Senator Nita Green and Senator Murray Watt visit
29 July 2020	Special Budget Meeting
31 July 2020	LGAQ ILF Forum Virtual Meeting (Councillors invited to attend)
4 August 2020	Aurukun Day Celebrations
6 August 2020	Stop Sly Grog / Homebrew Meeting (QPS)

26/27 August 2020	Disaster Management Training (LDMG Members)
4 September 2020	LGAQ ILF Conference in Cairns
TBA	Review ASC Corporate Plan
TBA	Aurukun Supermarket Advisory Committee

NOTED

12.3 Councillor and Officer's Register of Interest

Councillors and Officers were requested to review their Register of Interests and advise the Finance Manager of any changes which need to be recorded.

NOTED

12.4 Tenancy Management Update Report, Department of Housing and Public Works

Resolution 20.6676

That Council requests Housing Tenancy Team to consider extending its on ground presence in Aurukun as Council does not believe the scheduled three-day visits are not long enough to address the housing needs of the community.

**MOVED: Mayor Keri Tamwoy
CARRIED**

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

12.5 Facebook Report for April 2020

For the month of June there were 22 posts, 27 notices and 5 shares, followers 4,171.

Notices continued to dominate the Facebook posts with many performing very well. In fact, the greatest reach in June was achieved with the Stage 3 easing of restrictions.

The notice about Stage 3 recovery reached 10,295 people with 248 engagements. The one kangaroo apart notice reached 9,363 people with 928 engagements.

A pic of the Aurukun camp dog carvings reached 9,427 people with 1,403 engagements.

NOTED

12.6 Special Holidays Nomination

Email received from Jacqui McGuire, Senior Industrial Officer, Office of Industrial Relations requesting ASC to nominate special/show holidays for the following year. Requests need to be lodged by no later than 21 August 2020.

Resolution 20.6677

That Council nominates the following dates to be granted and observed as special holidays under the *Holiday's Act 1983*, for Aurukun Shire:

- (1) Aurukun Show Day -16 July 2021
- (2) Aurukun Day – 4 August 2021

MOVED: Cr Craig Koomeeta
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy

12.8 Correspondence - Aurukun Bauxite Project Environmental Impact Statement – Hansen Bailey

Draft Terms of Reference (TOR) for the Aurukun Bauxite Project EIS have been prepared and will be placed on public exhibition. The Department of Environment and Science (DES) has prepared a notice providing information about the public exhibition process. In accordance with Section 43(3) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*, a copy of the notice is attached 12.8.2 and TOR and Initial Advice Statement (IAS).

12.9 Minutes of Ministerial and Government Champions Meeting held on 25 June 2020

NOTED

Resolution 20.6678

That Council receives and adopts the Chief Executive Officer's Report.

MOVED: Cr Craig Koomeeta
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy

10.07am Lucy Deemal Finance Manager joined the meeting via videoconference in Cairns

13. Finance Manager's Report

13.1 Cash and Investments

NOTED

13.2 Non-current Loans

NOTED

13.3 Operating Revenue and Expenses

NOTED

13.4 Portfolio of Investments

NOTED

13.5 Monthly Grants Schedule

NOTED

Resolution 20.6679

That Council receives and adopts the Finance Manager's Report.

**MOVED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy
CARRIED**

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

10.26am Lucy Deemal, Finance Manager left the meeting

14. Acting Director Corporate Services Report

14.1 Actions from Previous Council Meeting

Nil

14.2 Leasing Update

NOTED

14.3 Community Development Program

NOTED

14.4 Public Information Disclosure/Election Summary Returns

NOTED

14.5 Audit

Currently liaising with Finance Manager regarding internal audit, prioritising recommendations handed down by QAO. Focus between now and end of August is the audit plan.

NOTED

14.6 Human Resources Manager's Report

Staff Induction

General staff induction was conducted on 2 July 2020 in the Council Chambers. Seven new employees attended. The induction included an introduction by the CEO

and each of the Directors and a cultural awareness session conducted by the Mayor. Sessions on HR policies and WH&S were also included.

2020 Deadly Employee & Deadly Safety Awards of the Second Quarter

Nominations for Deadly Awards for the second quarter have closed. Award winners to be announced at Joint Staff Meeting to be held on 24 July 2020.

Staff Entitlements Committee (SEC)

A meeting was held on 9 July 2020. Discussion centred on updates to the following policies to be undertaken by the HR Manager prior to the next meeting:

- Leave Policy
- Working from Home Policy
- Mental Health Policy
- Relocation Policy
- Recruitment Policy
- Vehicle Pool Policy.

The next SEC meeting scheduled for 17 September 2020.

Training Update

A detailed training plan for 2020/21 financial year is being finalised to ensure it meets the training needs of employees, and which supports the goals and objectives of Council.

Vacancies

Local Recruitment

- TA Mechanic – Appointment Pending
- Assistant Animal Control – On Hold (pending recruitment of Animal Control Officer)
- EOI Traineeships
- EA Trainee
- Receptionist
- Splash Park Supervisor
- Cleaners
- Grounds person

NOTED

14.7 Workplace Health and Safety Report

NOTED

14.8 Administration Managers Report

NOTED

14.11 Arts Centre Manager's Report

Exhibitions - Good News Story

- The Wik and Kugu Arts Centre is preparing for participation in three upcoming exhibitions:
 1. *Undercurrents*, Tank Art Centre, Cairns (11 July – 23 August),
 2. *Cairns Indigenous Art Fair* (14 August – 13 September 2020), and
 3. *Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair* (6/14 August 2020).
- Was successful in securing additional funding from Arts Queensland (\$60,000) to help mitigate the impact of COVID-19 (i.e. income loss through cancellation of physical art fairs and exhibitions). The funding will be released in January 2021.
- In collaboration with the Indigenous Knowledge Centre and Family Services applied for funding of \$38,200 from the *Indigenous Languages and Arts program* (ILA).

This project will support Aurukun Women Artist in reinvigorating specific arts and cultural practices including string-making, weaving and fibre works. Providing creative and sustainable opportunities for younger generations to learn on country and in community in their ancestral languages will support Aurukun women's cultural and linguistic heritage and develop creative livelihoods.

NOTED

14.12 Information Technology Report

NOTED

14.13 Stores

NOTED

Resolution 20.6680

That Council receives and adopts the Acting Director Corporate Services Report.

MOVED: Cr Craig Koomeeta
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy

10.58am meeting adjourned for morning tea
11.15am meeting resumed

15. Director Community Services Report

Report was presented by CEO

15.1 Actions from previous Council Meeting

Nil Outstanding

15.2 Funerals

Organised Funerals: Waal Waal Danny Landis, 31 July 2020

NOTED

15.3 Events

Events Held – June 2020

Date	Event Details
29 June – 10 July	School Vacation Program

Upcoming Events – July to September 2020

Date	Event Details
4 August	Aurukun Day Aurukun Photo Competition Presentations
5 September	River to Ramp Fun Run Ngangk Min Festival

NOTED

15.4 Community Police, Safety and CCTV

Patrol Schedule and Locations

Patrol areas for Community Police have remained focused on the Town Square. Community residents have been very cooperative with social distancing at the Supermarket and Bank/Post Office.

Robert Woolla has commenced taking on additional duties in property checks since acquiring his Security Officer's registration.

Resolution 20.6681

That Council forwards a letter of congratulations to Robert Woolla on his achievement of obtaining Security Officer's registration.

**MOVED: Cr Craig Koomeeta
CARRIED**

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

CCTV Operations – User Activity Report for June 2020

Total Number: 378
Queensland Police: 26
Aurukun Shire Council: 352

Training and Licensing

Community Police Officers, Patrick Bell and Lorenzo Marbendinar will be completing Cert 2 Security Services shortly. All other CPOs have completed their certificates.

Security Services

The number of guards will be reduced to two, with Carl Williams leaving Aurukun on Thursday 16 July 2020. The roster rotation will occur on Monday 3 August 2020 with Siaoosi Moeaki and John Seal departing and Muneer and Mailik Sateer commencing.

Tender 003/20 Aurukun Security Services

Please refer to Confidential Items.

NOTED

15.5 Koolkan Early Childcare Centre (Koolkan ECC)

Enrolment Report

Total Enrolment:	16
Babies Room:	2
Kindy Room:	2
Toddlers Room:	12

On the appointment of a new Manager, an enrolment drive will occur. Expected enrolment should be 30.

NOTED

Sustainable Business Case – Basis Daily Rate

The current income streams for the centre are from the Commonwealth (based on \$25.97 per day, Annual grant of \$522,133) and the State (set grant in 2019/20 \$273,970).

Pacifica Chartered Accountants were engaged to conduct a daily rate review and complete the required business case to the Commonwealth for a review of the daily rate. The majority of centres on Cape York are operating on a day rate of between \$50 and \$95.

The cost to operate and maintain the centre is dependent on enrolments. The draft business case provided by Pacifica suggests our rate should increase to between \$63.47 (15 enrolments) to \$52.79 (30 enrolments). The rate would again decrease if the centre was at full capacity to \$48.15 (53 enrolments).

The Pacifica assessment will be reviewed and then forwarded to the Commonwealth Department of Education for their consideration.

NOTED

15.6 Chivaree Community Aged Care Centre

Service Provision

Home Care Package (HCP): 15
Level 2 - 5
Level 4 – 10

Community Care Program (CHSP): 30
National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS): 4

Good News and Visitors – Apunipima CYHC

A meeting has been held with the Director of Nursing, Annette McPherson to ensure all health services are aware of health service delivery and the role of the Chivaree Centre. The Chivaree Centre Manager will attend the next joint Clinic meeting, held on Monday mornings to explain the various client packages. A similar meeting is being held with Johanna Hunt at Apunipima.

Tracey Jia from Extreme Care visited Aurukun in relation to NDIS packages and claims.

Other allied health professionals are ramping up service delivery post COVID-19 Stage 2. Jenny Cotinx, Occupational Therapist and Amy O'Hara, Physiotherapist both visited.

Assistance with Client Yard Maintenance

Yusia Lawn Care has commenced maintaining client yards.

Total Number of eligible clients: 40

Number of yards mowed by in June 2020: 12

NOTED

Woolworths Basics Box

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Woolworths arranged with Island and Cape the supply and delivery of 350 basic boxes of groceries. These boxes were distributed to Chivaree clients each week and includes snacks, groceries, and toiletries.

Resolution 20.6682

That Council provides a letter of thanks to Woolworths and Island and Cape Supermarket for the kind donation of groceries to Chivaree clients during the COVID-19 pandemic.

MOVED: Mayor Keri Tamwoy
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy

15.7 Animal Control

The Animal Control Officer and the Assistant Animal Control Officer positions are currently under recruitment.

Contact has been made with SeaDog Vets to continue the visiting vet service when the positions are filled.

All dog registrations are due from 1 July 2020. Owners with more than two adult dogs (age more than three months), should lodge an Application for Excess Dogs.

NOTED

15.8 Indigenous Knowledge Centre and Community Broadcasting

Flexible Learning Program

Great engagement with the outdoor activities as well as the digital devices at the IKC. The new Dugout Canoe is coming along nicely with lots of interest from the wider community like the last one. 20 school age attendees was the highest number for June which included six Flexi-enrolled. Numbers were erratic; however, a core number of students continue to opt in to the IKC program consistently.

Special Priority Project

The Woyan Min Bio/Cultural Catalogue and Outdoor Living Classroom Project has just received approval of its application for the 2020/21 round of funding which will support Elders engaging in the project and consolidate the digital resources being created for the community.

First Five Forever (FFF)

Tina Van Bekkum continues to run playgroup Tuesdays and Thursdays at the IKC and is looking forward to the new soft furnishings and using the new educational toys and activities which have been received in June.

Deadly Digital Media Project (DDC)/Tech Savvy Seniors Project (TSS)

Since recommencing 25 May 2020, four weekly DDC sessions have been held at WKCC and other community locations. Activities have included training in the use of tablets, access to digital archives, digital photography and editing, and using apps. TSS activities will be incorporated into 2020 Chivaree Centre Activity Program.

Two weekly sessions held, and ongoing weekly sessions scheduled at alternative community locations. Activities in the first sessions have included training in accessing online resources and information via phone and tablet, accessing and printing material from digital archive and digital recording.

School Vacation Program – 29 June to 10 July 2020

Tina Van Bekkum has once again run a successful holiday program engaging many children and families in fun activities including Splash Park, games, painting, fishing and weaving.

The program was a collaboration between the Family Support workers, the Community Centre and First Five Forever program with PCYC lending support where possible.

NOTED

15.9 Environmental Health

Food Licenses and Assessments

Cook Shire Council Environmental Health Officer, Michelle Jordan, has confirmed a visit in August.

The following licensed food premises will be inspected:

- Island and Cape Supermarket
- Kang Kang Café
- Wuungkam Lodge
- Training Centre Kitchen and Coffee Van
- Koolkan Child Care Centre
- Chivaree Centre
- Wo'uw Ko'alam Community Centre

Illegal Dumping

A report and photos of refuse along the Aurukun Access Road was received and investigated. The refuse was likely to have fallen off the back of a vehicle.

The issue was discussed with the agency responsible to ensure they were taking advantage of the wheelie bin service and not relying on removing their refuse to the refuse tip by utility.

Container Refund Program

<u>Visit Date</u>	<u>Containers collected</u>
17 June 2020	9,132
1 July 2020	6,864

Future visits: 15 July, 29 July 2020

NOTED

15.10 Grants Development and Lobbying

NOTED

15.11 Wo'uw Ko'alam Community Centre

NOTED

15.12 Family Support Worker and Playgroup

Engagement with Parents

We have made some adjustments to our Playgroup schedule, trialling some new outdoor areas during the favourable weather. We are currently operating at the Archewald Park, Po'Al Street and indoors at the Indigenous Knowledge Centre. Family Support home visits are ongoing and will continue indefinitely.

Referrals to other Agencies

One referral was provided this reporting period.

Playgroup Attendance

12 children attended playgroup regularly during the month.

Good News

Our new Playgroup staff member has commenced, which is allowing us to facilitate an additional playgroup that provides easier access to families residing in the top end area. So far, this has been well attended with positive feedback being received from parents/carers.

NOTED

15.13 Aak Muunchanak Splash Park

Operations

The Splash Park is operating as per the DATSIP agreement. The facility was used for the School Vacation program from 29 June/10 July 2020.

The Splash Park is open on school days from 3.00pm and on weekend days from 1.00pm, unless there is community disturbance nearby or Sorry Business.

Management and Operation

The Safety and Evacuation Plan has been completed and quarterly reports provided to DATSIP as per our agreement. The facility is being operated and managed in accordance with the Queensland Health best practise guidelines for aquatic facilities.

Water testing has commenced with Cairns Regional Council and results to date are satisfactory. The facility is considered medium risk by QHealth, hence the higher level of water testing required.

Kirratch Pool Services remains engaged to conduct scheduled maintenance of the water infrastructure and chlorinator plant.

NOTED

Resolution 20.6683

That Council receives and adopts the Director Community Services Report.

MOVED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

16. Director Technical Services Report

Report was presented by CEO

16.1 Actions from Previous Council Meeting

Resolution 19.6521 – Interim Capital Housing Program (\$2.35M Social Housing)

DTS Update:

Refer to section 16.2 Housing Maintenance in this report for update.

Resolution 20.6660 – Master Plan

That Council advises Cardno Pty Ltd of identified cultural locations and requests the Master Plan to be updated.

DTS Update:

A meeting has been arranged with some Councillors on Tuesday 28 July 2020 to clearly identify these cultural locations on a map.

Resolution 20.6663 – Aurukun Airport Terminal Upgrade

That Council:

- (1) endorses the building construction works for Stage 1 and holds the external works (carpark) for future project
- (2) requests that the Director Technical Services engages a suitably qualified Project Manager through Local Buy to manage the tendering and construction of the Aurukun Airport Terminal Upgrade project
- (3) requests that a tender report is brought to a future Council Meeting to allow a suitable contractor to be engaged to construct the new Aurukun Airport Terminal Building.

DTS Update:

A Local Buy fee proposal has been received from PDR SMEC to project manage the tender and construction phase of the Airport Terminal Building project.

NOTED

16.2 Housing Maintenance

Community Housing Maintenance and Upgrades (QBuild)

QBuild do and charge works continue to be completed within stipulated response times. QBuild have started allocating 2020/21 upgrade projects to Council.

NOTED

Interim Capital Housing Program (\$2.35M Social Housing)

A meeting was held with Department of Housing Officers, Wade Jablonski and Allan Linneman on 19 June 2020 to recommence this project.

Resolution 20.6684

That Council:

- (1) endorses the building of 3 x 2 bedroom and 2 x 3-bedroom dwellings with the Interim Capital Housing Program funds
- (2) endorses the buildings to be constructed on the following sites:
 - 41 Ko'An Street
 - 194 Pikkuw Street
 - 286 Enyan Circuit
 - 293 Enyan Circuit

- 288 Enyan Circuit or
 - 291 Enyan Circuit
- (3) requests that the Department of Housing and Public Works construct the following sized dwellings on the vacant blocks on Pikkuw and Muttich Streets:
- 79 Pikkuw Street a two-bedroom dwelling
 - 97 Muttich Street a two-bedroom dwelling
 - 102 Muttich Street a three-bedroom dwelling

MOVED: Mayor Keri Tamwoy
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

Department of Housing and QBuild - Good News Story

Emails received from Department of Housing and QBuild thanking Aurukun Shire Council staff for the additional support and effort demonstrated through the COVID-19 travel restriction period.

NOTED

16.3 Roads Construction and Maintenance

Request to install two information signs on the Aurukun Access Roads

3 June 2020 an email as received from Mark Malthouse from Cape York Land Council on behalf of Ngan Aak Kunch Prescribed Body Corporate (NAKPBC), requesting permission to install two information signs on the Aurukun Access Road sign proof attached.

Resolution 20.6685

That Council:

- (1) approves installation of the information signs, as requested with conditions.
- (2) requests that the Director Technical Services responds in writing to Mark Malthouse, Cape York Land Council advising that the installation of the sign is approved with the following conditions:
 - the sign will always remain the property of Ngan Aak Kunch Prescribed Body Corporate
 - Ngan Aak Kunch Prescribed Body Corporate will indemnify Council against all costs or claims associated with the sign
 - Ngan Aak Kunch Prescribed Body Corporate will be responsible for all cost associated with the installation of the sign
 - the sign, support and footing are to be installed in accordance with the Department of Transport and Main Roads Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices and relevant specifications
 - the sign is to be installed in a location that does not introduce a hazard to road users
 - Ngan Aak Kunch Prescribed Body Corporate will be responsible for all maintenance or replacement costs associated with the sign
 - Council reserves the right to instruct Ngan Aak Kunch Prescribed Body Corporate to undertake maintenance on the sign or remove the sign if the sign is not appropriately maintained or becomes a hazard to road users.

**MOVED: Cr Craig Koomeeta
CARRIED**

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

16.4 Works

Water supply/infrastructure

Council's Plumbing Team continues to supply compliant potable water to the community, there have not been any exceedances reported from the samples submitted to Cairns Water for testing.

Solid Waste Management

Kerbside collection services have continued however there have been delays and disruptions as staff attendance has been intermittent.

Bama Civil Pty Ltd has been advised that with the easing of COVID-19 travel restrictions that it can commence works on the ICCIP Solid Waste project Bama Civil Pty Ltd has been advised that they are looking to start works in August 2020.

Parks and Gardens Team

- Parks and Gardens Team continues to deliver general maintenance activities around the community.
- Parks and Gardens Team has also had to undertake garbage collection and other tasks during the month of June 2020.

NOTED

16.5 Workshop/Depot

NOTED

16.6 Airport Operations

NOTED

16.7 Electrical/CCTV

NOTED

16.8 Material Change of use development application – Ngaay Road Industrial Estate lots

Over the last 12 months Council has received several enquiries from external parties in leasing the five lots on Ngaay Road. These lots are vacant land in Aurukun Township and are identified as residential. Master plans prepared in recent years has identified this area and the area adjacent as future light industrial.

Council engaged the Remote Indigenous Land and Infrastructure Program Office (RILIPO) to undertake a Material Change of Use Development Application on Council behalf.

The proposed development will streamline the development approval for future lease holders wishing to establish business operations with the Aurukun township.

The proposed industrial use of the land is supported by and reflective of the Aurukun Master Plan which earmarks the lease allotments for light industrial use and set down (ID2).

The proposed development is unlikely to have any significant impacts on the infrastructure, environment or the community of the surrounding area that cannot adequately be controlled through reasonable and relevant conditions.

Further detail is available in the tabled document "Council Development Application Report"

Resolution 20.6686

That Council:

1. approves the material change of use development application on Lease NA, NB, NC, ND, NE on SP276451, lodged on behalf of Aurukun Shire Council, by the Remote Indigenous Land and Infrastructure Program Office (RILIPO).
2. confirms that the development application is to allow for broad scale Industrial Uses (i.e. 'warehouses') being permitted over the allotments located on Ngaay Road, Aurukun.
3. requests that the Director Technical Services and CEO provide the Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Remote Indigenous Land and Infrastructure Program Office written advice on Councils resolution in this matter.

**MOVED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy
CARRIED**

SECONDED: Cr Craig Koomeeta

Resolution 20.6687

That Council receives and adopts the Director Technical Services Report.

**MOVED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy
CARRIED**

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

11.56am Lauren Jessup and Bronwyn Pressland from Hansen Bailey joined the meeting via Teams in Brisbane.

Hansen Bailey – Aurukun Bauxite Project EIS presentation

Lauren Jessup presented to Council the Aurukun Bauxite Project EIS. They outlined the Environment Approval Process and how it works in two stages.

- An Environmental Authority (EA) from the Queensland Department of Environment and Science (DES)

- Approval under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBCAct) from the Federal Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (DAWE).

After explaining the approval process Lauren then went on to explain Terms of Reference (ToR) which sets out the scope and required content that the EIS for the Aurukun Bauxite Project must include.

- The ToR describes the scope of assessment for each project specific matter including:
 - Land
 - Rehabilitation and Closure
 - Coastal Environment
 - Air
 - Water
 - Traffic
 - Social

The ToR is not the EIS.

After the presentation Councillors asked questions about the environmental impact on wildlife, water (drinking water), air pollution and possible damage to roads from heavy trucks.

Lauren advised that she understood Councils concerns and reply back in due course.

Council will write a letter to Hansen Bailey outlining all of Councillors concerns.

Resolution 20.6694

That Council advises Hansen Bailey that prior to lodging a submission it requires further information on the following concerns in respect to Aurukun Bauxite Project Impact Statement:

- (1) impact on air quality and pollutants
- (2) impact on local water supply
- (3) disruption to flora and fauna in the area
- (4) destabilising of the land from removal of soil layers
- (5) impact on road and infrastructure in Aurukun Shire and Community
- (6) increased freight delivery via shipping and the potential impact on Community Waterfront recreation area
- (7) increased flights through Aurukun Airport
- (8) waste management disposable
- (9) storage of fuel in or near township area

MOVED: Mayor Keri Tamwoy
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

12.38pm Lauren Jessup and Bronwyn Pressland from Hansen Bailey left the meeting.

12.04pm Acting Senior Sergeant Gary Hall, Aurukun Police enter the meeting and sat in the Galley during Hansen Bailey presentation.

Acting Senior Sergeant Gary Hall update

Acting Senior Sergeant Gary Hall updated Council on current Policing community issues including:

- Illegal alcohol confiscation
- Vehicle damage and vandalism

12.59pm Acting Senior Sergeant Gary Hall left the meeting.

12.59pm Meeting adjourned for lunch.

1.40pm Meeting resumed.

17. Confidential Business

1.40pm Lucy Deemal, Finance Manager and John Fotheringham, Human Resources Manager joined the meeting via videoconference in Cairns.

Resolution 20.6688

That in accordance with Local Government Regulation 2012, Chapter 8 Administration, Part 2 Local Government meetings and committees, Council closes the meeting to the public for the following reasons:

- (e) contracts proposed to be made by it; or
- (f) starting or defending legal proceedings involving the local government; or
- (h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else or enable a person to gain financial advantage.

**MOVED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy
CARRIED**

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

Discussion was held on the following items:

- (1) 90-day Debtors Report
- (2) Uniting Church lease and fees
- (3) Tender 03/20 – Aurukun Security Services
- (4) Workers Compensation Claims and Civil Cases

Resolution 20.6689

That Council comes out of closed committee and opens the meeting back up to the public.

MOVED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

Detailed Analysis of 90-day Debtors List

Resolution 20.6690

That Council receives the 90-day Debtors Report and undertakes the necessary follow up actions.

MOVED: Mayor Keri Tamwoy
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy

Uniting Church

Resolution 20.6691

That Council requests the Director Technical Services to provide a written response to the Uniting Church including the following points:

- (1) Council has met its responsibility under clause 4.4 of the lease as there is an Ergon service line at the front of the property.
- (2) Uniting Church or its builder/electrician is required to apply for Ergon connection to its service in front of the property (Lot 365 John Koowarta Drive)
- (3) Uniting Church to pay the full ASC fees for connection to water and sewer services.

MOVED: Cr Craig Koomeeta
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Delys Yunkaporta

Tender 03/20 Summary – Aurukun Security Services

Resolution 20.6692

That Council accepts the tender from RRMC Pty Ltd to undertake Aurukun Security Services in accordance with Tender 003/20 Scope, commencing 1 August 2020 for a term of two years.

MOVED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Craig Koomeeta

Workers Compensation Claims and Civil Cases

NOTED

2.33pm John Fotheringham, Human Resources Manager left the meeting. Lucy Deemal remained in the meeting.

18. Councillors Portfolio Reports

Cr Kemuel Tamwoy – Youth, Sports and Recreation portfolio

Attended Koolkan Aurukun State School as ASC Councillor. The children asked Cr Tamwoy about his work as Councillor. He also spoke about the importance of obtaining a good education.

Having a meeting next week with Sports Association to discuss possible community events. Queensland Rugby League has made contacted to discuss the potential of forming a Rugby team in Aurukun.

On 30 June 2020 he attended the WCCCA meeting on behalf of the Mayor. The main point of focus was the discussion on cultural awareness and 'Welcome to Country' session that Rio Tinto have made as part of their induction sessions. Cr Kemuel Tamwoy supported this idea.

Cr K Tamwoy mentioned that there was sand digging and shacks being erected on the beach which was not allowed. After a quick discussion it was agreed upon that the CEO would investigate this matter further.

Resolution 20.6693

That Council requests CEO to investigate sand digging and makeshift shacks on the land in Aurukun Shire and report back to Council.

MOVED: Mayor Keri Tamwoy
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Kemuel Tamwoy

Cr Delys Yunkaporta – Housing and Community Services portfolio

Provided an update on the meeting with Housing Tenancy Team on housing allocations for cultural recommendation.

Deputy Mayor Craig Koomeeta – Community Safety / Environment portfolio

Pleased to advise that after many weeks of trying to have the Social and Emotional Wellbeing Service recommence services in Aurukun that they will be on ground in community from Monday 27 July 2020.

NOTED

19. General Business

Email received from Jim Boden, LGAQ advising the exciting news that Alison Woolla Memorial Award for Local Leadership in Preventing Domestic and Family Violence, which recognises anti-violence leadership by an individual community member - and carries a \$5,000 prize purse.

The annual award has been launched by the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) in honour of Alison Woolla, a pioneering former Mayor of Aurukun Shire Council and dynamic reform leader, who provided remarkable leadership and support for members of her community when they were experiencing abuse.

The recently elected Mayor of Aurukun Shire, Keri Tamwoy – who is the daughter of Alison Woolla – will present the award at the LGAQ Annual Conference in October 2020.

NOTED

20. Late Items

Nil

21. Closure

Mayor declared the meeting closed at 2.59pm

These minutes are signed as a true and correct record:

Mayor Keri Tamwoy



Dated: 18 August 2020