



Aurukun Shire Council

MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING

9:00am

Tuesday 21 May 2019



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Venue:
Council Chambers
39 Kang Kang Road, Aurukun 4892

ORDINARY MEETING

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL, HELD AT AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 39 KANG KANG ROAD AURUKUN, ON TUESDAY 16 APRIL 2019

Present:

Councillors

Cr. Dereck Walpo (Mayor)
Cr. Edgar Kerindun (Deputy Mayor)
Cr. Doris Poonkamelya
Cr. Vera Koomeeta
Cr. Ada Woolla

Leave of Absence

Nil

Officers

Bernie McCarthy Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Alan Neilan – Director Community Services (DCOM)
Ron Fenner – Director Corporate Services (DCOR)
Gus Yates – Director Technical Services (DTS)
Marina Schaefer Finance Manager (FM)
Vanessa Kennedy, Executive Assistant and Minute Secretary (EA)

Leave of Absence

Nil

Guests:

- 12:00pm:** Paula McGuire, Principal (Koolkan Aurukun State School)
Baressa Frazer, Deputy Principal (Koolkan Aurukun State School)
- 12:30pm** Kelsey Ormsby, Regional Director -
Department of State Development,
Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning,
(Far North Queensland Regional Office)
- 2:00pm:** Bryce Coxall, Aurukun Coordinator (Family Responsibilities Commission)

1. Opening

Mayor Walpo opened the Meeting at 9:03am with an opening prayer.

2. Declaration of Material Personal Interests (MPI)

Nil.

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI)

Nil.

4. Condolences

Waal Waal Mr Wolmby, Waal Waal Ms Tarpencha,
Waal Waal Mr Kalkeeyorta, Waal Waal Ms Pambegan

5. Leave of Absence for Approval

Nil.

6. Previous Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting 16 April 2019

Matters Arising

6.1.1 Item 11.4 Island and Cape Board Meeting, 2 April 2019

Resolution: 19.6307

That Council requests Island and Cape Board to hold Community Advisory Board meetings for Aurukun on a quarterly basis.

MOVED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Councillor Ada Woolla
CARRIED

6.1.2 Item 11.9 Resolution 19.6283. Return of Aurukun Community Members who are Currently Homeless in Cairns

Chief Executive Officer advised nil response received from:

- (1) Hon. Mark Ryan MP, Minister for Police and Corrections, and Police Commissioner Ian Stewart
- (2) Cairns Regional Council
- (3) Hon. Michael De Brenni MP - Minister for Housing and Public Works
- (4) Hon. Dr Steven Miles MP, Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services

He advised issue will be been raised with Ministerial Champion Hon. Di Farmer MP (Minister for Child Safety, Youth and Women) and Government Champion Acting Director-General

Rachel Hunter (Department of the Premier and Cabinet).
Councillor Koomeeta advised she will provide an update on the names of Aurukun people who are homeless in Cairns.

Mayor advised he has recently spoken to Acting Inspector, Gary Hunter, Queensland Police Service. Mayor provided a verbal response on meeting re: homeless Aurukun residents in Cairns and possible action to be taken.

6.1.3 Item 12.6. Resolution No 19.6286 Maintenance of Nature Strips in Front of Government Properties

Chief Executive Officer advised that nil response has been received from government leaseholds about maintenance of nature strips in front of their properties.

6.1.4 Item 12.12 Assessment of use of the 'Furniture Factory'

Director Community Services advised that he will report on the progress of the furniture factory feasibility study at the June Council meeting.

6.1.5 Item 12.16 Proposed Cape York Bus Service Cairns – Weipa - Cairns

Chief Executive Officer advised that Cairns Bus Charters is commencing a bus service in June 2019. Passengers will be dropped off at Aurukun Access Road intersection with Peninsula Development Road (PDR). Interested local persons will be able to conduct a small charter bus business from PDR intersection to Aurukun.

6.1.6 Item 18.02 Resolution 19.6298, Parking on Boat Ramp and Barge Deliveries

Director Technical Services advised that he will report on the three requests of him at the June Council meeting.

Director Corporate Services advised he will report on the one request of him at the June Council meeting.

Chief Executive Officer advised he has circulated a flyer re: parking of vehicles and boat trailers on all areas of the boat ramp.

6.1.7

Resolution 19.6299 - Kapani Warrior Cup

Chief Executive Officer advised that a meeting will be held with Dr Tim White, Coordinator of Kapani Warrior Cup, on 23 May 2019. Mayor and Officers will attend.

6.1.8

Resolution 19.6300 Australasian Indigenous Family Violence Policing Conference (AIFVP) 19 - 21 June 2019

Chief Executive Officer advised that Skytrans have offered to sponsor local Community Police Officers to attend the AIFVP Conference in Cairns 19-21 June 2019. Recommendations asked for people to attend this conference. Mayor and Chief Executive Officer are attending this conference. Chief Executive Officer requests Councillors provide nominations by 31 May 2019.

6.1.9

Resolution 19.6303. NAKAC: Response of Aurukun Shire Council to Cape York United #1 Native Title Determination

Chief Executive Officer advised that Director Technical Services and Director Corporate Services met with Andrew Kerr, Preston Law and discussed possibilities in regards to an Industrial Estate on Lots 39 and 40. Andrew Kerr agreed to clarify status of the land and Chief Executive Officer agreed to seek further information from Corey Roderick, Planner, Aurecon on the background of Lots 39 and 40 located outside the town boundaries and marked as "Future Urban Area" in the Aurukun Shire Planning Scheme.

6.1.10

Item 19.1 - General Business

A request for Leave by Mayor to attend June Council Meeting via videoconference from Cairns Office

Mayor advised that he will be attending the June Ordinary Council meeting in Aurukun and will fly to the Indigenous Police Summit in Cairns at 5pm on 18 June 2019.

Resolution 19.6308

That Council receives and adopts the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 16 April 2019 and confirms these as a true and correct record.

MOVED: Councillor Doris Poonkamelya **SECONDED:** Councillor Vera Koomeeta
CARRIED

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

NOTED

11.2 Trial Alcohol Event Community Consultation and Feedback

A meeting with some Aurukun community stakeholders to discuss a possible Trial Alcohol Event was held on Tuesday 26 March 2019. Representatives from Aurukun Shire Council, Department of Justice and Attorney-General, Queensland Police, Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnership, Koolkan Aurukun State School, Queensland Health, and Apunipima Cape York Health attended the meeting.

Key consultation dates: Community Forum to be held in Town Square 22 May 2019. Community feedback submissions close on 27 May 2019. Council will determine if the Alcohol Trial Event is to proceed at a Special Council Meeting to be held in late May.

NOTED

11.3 Western Cape Communities Trust (WCCT)

At the 29 May 2019 meeting of the Southern Sub-Regional Trust (SSRT)/WCCCA, an update on who the new executive officer for WCCT is to be announced.

NOTED

11.4 Aurukun Army Recruits

Great to see five young men participate in the ANZAC march, good community participation. Looking forward to the Kapani Warrior Cup games event to be held in Aurukun on 11-13 July 2019.

NOTED

11.5 Return of Aurukun Community Members Who are Homeless in Cairns

There are ongoing issues for Aurukun residents who are homeless in Cairns Council awaits response from several State Ministers, Queensland Police Service and Cairns Regional Council on . Aurukun Shire Council's request for assistance in this concerning issue.

NOTED

11.6 Community Centre

Council is pleased that the Wo'uw Ko'alam Community Centre is being utilised for all types of community events weddings, birthdays and funeral wakes.

NOTED

11.7 Kalan Enterprises

Email received from Tim Jaffer, Kalan Enterprises re: its verbal appointment as Aurukun Community's job provider. Council responded to Tim Jaffer on 1 May 2019. Mayor read this letter to the Council

NOTED

11.8 Community Meeting on Safety Issues

Meeting was held on 1 May 2019 and was attended by approximately 90 people. Discussion was on community safety and support of stakeholders. Great that a lot of people spoke with passion about the need for all to be responsible for respect to stakeholders/service providers.

NOTED

Councillor Doris Poonkamelya left the meeting at 9.35am and returned to the meeting at 9.38am.

11.9 Correspondence

11.9.1 Letter from Deputy Premier Jackie Trad, MP to TCICA Councillor Vonda Malone from DATSIP

Detailing the response to QPC Report and the establishment of the Local Thriving Communities Commission to address reforms.

NOTED

11.9.2 Media Release - Labor to Seal Cape Roads

Media release received from Labor Shadow Minister for Transport, Anthony Albanese, and Labor candidate for Leichhardt, Elida Faith, announcing that a Shorten Labor Government would commit \$125 million for Cape York roads.

NOTED

11.9.3 Notes from Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance (TCICA) Special General meeting re: Local Thriving Communities (LTC) / Teleconference held Wednesday 8 May 2019

Points raised by Dr Chris Sarra - Director-General, Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships (DATSIP)

- Wants to establish high quality relationships with communities so that communities have more authority to make decisions.
- Will work with established governance models in communities if they are functional and effective.
- Keen to first understand existing mechanisms, and for communities and the government to put their interests on the table.
- Wants other Directors-General to let some power go and have that power sit with communities, to let communities decide who the senior officers in regions should be. His vision is that communities themselves would appoint, for example, school principals. Communities then take responsibility for ensuring the Principal is working in the best interest of the community.
- Government is not here to undermine the authority of elected members but we need to ensure the structure is durable and endures beyond elections.
- For communities that have good existing governance models in place, we hope to be able to work with them by the middle of the year. In the meantime, we are working on developing the next step to allow the hand-over of decision-making.
- The Joint Coordinating Committee held last week is one part of the process. Next step is the forum in Cairns on 16 May to bring people together and start the conversation about what a Local Thriving Community looks like and how we can work together to co-design the

model. This process will help establish a sense of readiness in communities.

- We want to identify 4-6 leaders in each community who have the support of everyone in the community. A 'Local Thriving Communities authority' will be established and will include the Mayor or their elected representative. We will establish a mechanism for remuneration and propose that the authority meets once a month.
- We'll be guided by you as to what will work best for your community – if your structures already work, we won't change it. A 'Local Thriving Communities authority' will not be imposed on you if you already have something working.
- We don't want to waste money with a third party – we want direct relationships with communities.
- We will have a discussion about what money is going into communities and hopes to get to a point where funding is pooled and communities determine how it is allocated / distributed.

Points raised by Deputy Premier Hon. Jackie Trad MP

- We are working towards meeting community aspirations and having community around the decision-making table.
- Remote Housing announcement – Qld will not sign an agreement when there is no long-term commitment by the Commonwealth. Federal Labor is doubling what is on the table by the LNP. The State is still putting in the dollars and filling the gap.
- Acknowledged the good work of TCICA. Will consider further funding on the basis TCICA outlines what has been achieved in the past 2 years, how many times it has met, what its future focus is.
- Queensland is making significant investments – we need to have an understanding of how agencies are working with communities on investment in communities.
- Will be talking to Grace Grace about how to best invest in education in communities to deliver the best outcomes.

Council discussed the above points raised by Dr Chris Sarra and Deputy Premier Hon. Jackie Trad MP:

- Is Local Thriving Communities setting up a new Council?
- Council is already working very effectively
- Questions raised about whether the proposed funding pool would work.

NOTED

11.9.4 Letter from Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance (TCICA) to Deputy Premier Treasurer and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Hon. Jackie Trad MP

Firstly, on behalf of the Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance (TCICA) Inc., I would like to thank you for meeting with our Deputy Chair Mayor Eddie Newman and some of our members last week. I am sorry I could not attend, however I understand the meeting was very useful and members appreciated the opportunity to engage directly with you on matters of importance.

We have just concluded our second meeting for 2019, during which we had a lengthy discussion about Local Thriving Communities and the planned community forum in Cairns on 16 May. Members shared significant concerns about the lack of clear information regarding the proposed reforms and the process the Queensland Government has undertaken to get to this point. TCICA members resolved to write to you to bring these to your attention.

The TCICA expects that the Government will engage directly with us in any reform process, as the democratically elected leaders of 14 communities spread across Cape York, the Torres Strait, and Mornington Island. To date, there has been limited direct engagement with Mayors regarding Local Thriving Communities and no real acknowledgement of the role local government plays in determining the future of our communities.

We strongly object to the lack of consultation and transparency over the last six months as your Department has developed the Local Thriving Communities framework. The 'Local Thriving Communities Authorities' mentioned by Director General Chris Sarra during our meeting last week suggests there has been a

Despite the reassurance that local governments would be partners in the co-design of any reform, not having us at the table from the very beginning is a failure to deliver on this promise. There is now a real risk that the reforms will be poorly supported by local governments and the communities that we represent.

The inadequate information and notice regarding the Cairns forum on 16 May is also of concern and has caused confusion about who is invited to participate. There is likely to be limited representation by local government, which will only serve to compound our concerns.

Please be assured that our members are committed to reform, however we reiterate that any reform must be designed and developed in partnership with us from the onset.

We ask that you and your Department works with us and provides clear information about what the Government is planning to implement, and the real role of local governments in the design and implementation process.

The TCICA now provides an avenue for the communication and coordination of information to local governments. I encourage your Department to ensure the TCICA Executive Officer is kept informed of matters affecting or involving our members as a collective.

Mayor Walpo advised that Aurukun Shire Council is one of the founding members of the TCICA organisation.

Council undertook discussion about the following points raised about the Local Thriving Communities Authority proposal:

- What services would a proposed Local Thriving Communities authority be looking to take off Council?
- The proposed authority may want a stronger community presence e.g. community police/community safety, CCTV maintenance and operational costs.
- The proposed authority might be interested in the arts centre
- Council believes Aurukun Access Road would be better owned by the State.
- Proposed authority may not want to take on water and sewerage, as it is easier for the Council to operate these.

Mayor personally met with Dr Chris Sarra Director-General of the Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships (DATSIP). Mayor presented a verbal report to Council on this meeting.

- Council agreed that Dr Chris Sarra should be talking directly to us.
- Council is providing all essential services for the benefit of Aurukun Community and most are not financially viable.

NOTED

11.9.6 Letter received from Hon. Stirling Hinchliffe MP – Minister for Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs

Advised outcome of the Works for Queensland (W4Q) 2019/21 funding allocations \$2.16 million for Aurukun Shire Council Projects.

Resolution 19.6309

That Council requests ASC Management to provide a Works for Queensland (W4Q) works plan and proposal to a future Council meeting for the following two projects:

- (1) Aurukun Waterfront Development and Public Facilities
- (2) Aurukun Airport Terminal Upgrade

MOVED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Councillor Doris Poonkamelya
CARRIED

11.9.7 Email sent out and Alcohol Trial Event Flyer distributed 9 May 2019

Chief Executive Officer advised that a Special Council meeting will be held as soon as possible after feedback submissions closes on 27 May 2019.

NOTED

11.9.8 Aurukun Shire Council response to email received from Kalan Enterprises

NOTED

Resolution: 19.6310

That Council endorses Mayor and Chief Executive Officer's response provided to Kalan Enterprises in respect of the Community Development job provider being appointed by Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC).

MOVED: Councillor Doris Poonkamelya **SECONDED:** Councillor Ada Woolla
CARRIED

Resolution: 19.6311

That Council receives and endorses the Mayor's Report.

MOVED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Councillor Doris Poonkamelya
CARRIED

12. Chief Executive Officer's Report

12.1 Future Meetings / Events

22 May 2019 –	Community Forum on Alcohol Trial Event
27 May 2019 –	Alcohol Trial Event Feedback Submissions close
TBA May 2019 –	Special Council Meeting
5 & 6 June 2019 –	LGAQ Indigenous Leaders Forum
TBA June 2019 –	Virtual Meeting Minister Farmer / DG Rachel Hunter
15 June 2019 –	Onchan Min Festival
18 June 2019 –	ASC Ordinary Council Meeting
19/21 June 2019 –	Australasian Indigenous Family Violence Policing Conference in Cairns
10 July 2019 –	TCICA Meeting (Cairns)
11/13 July 2019 –	Kapani Warrior Cup (Aurukun)
12/14 July 2019 –	Cairns Indigenous Art Fair
16 July 2019 –	ASC Ordinary Council Meeting (Cairns)

- 17 July 2019 – Elected Member Update (Cairns)
- 18 July 2019 – ASC Budget Meeting (Cairns)
- 19 July 2019 – Aurukun Show Day Holiday
- 6 August 2019 – Aurukun Day Celebrations
- 6/7 August 2019 – TCICA AGM / Meeting (Cairns)
- 20 August 2019 – ASC Ordinary Council Meeting
- 10/12 September 2019 – LGMA Local Government Conference QLD
Townsville
- 17 September 2019 – ASC Ordinary Council Meeting
- 10 October 2019 – Aurukun Newcomers Welcome Function
- 14/16 October 2019 – LGAQ Conference (Cairns)
- 17 October 2019 – ASC Ordinary Council Meeting (Cairns)
- 25/26 October 2019 – Um Thurpak Concert
- 5/6 November 2019 – Proposed TCICA Meeting (Cairns)
- 11 November 2019 – Remembrance Day Ceremony.

Director Community Services gave a verbal report on the Onchan Min Festival to be held on 15 June 2019. Sponsors have been approached.

Chief Executive Officer advised 'Living in Aurukun' Photo competition commences on 1 June 2019.

NOTED

12.2 Meetings / Functions Attended

NOTED

12.3 Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance Inc. (TCICA)

Mayor Dereck Walpo and CEO Bernie McCarthy attended this meeting in Cairns on 14 and 15 May 2019.

Three federal election candidates Warren Entsch, Elida Faith and Daniel McCarthy presented to the meeting on issues and why they considered they should be elected.

There was a range of interesting presenters including:

- Peter Collings, (Chairman), Michael Thinee, (CEO) and Rebecca Hyde (Business Development) from Skytrans. They raised current issues facing the airlines plus presented on regional services and community connectivity.

The challenging pilot changeover issue was raised. Over the past year the pilot changeover was over 100% due to the pilots upgrading their employment to Qantas and other larger airlines. Major General (Rtd) Stuart Smith, Queensland Reconstruction Authority gave an update on development of the State Recovery Plan (SRP) and the \$242M package contained in the plan.

- Possible SRP projects raised by ASC Mayor and Chief Executive Officer were restoration of the flood damaged Aurukun Old Cemetery (closed since 15 May 2018), funding the Aurukun Access Road (26km) and the new Airport Terminal. Chief Executive Officer advised that guidelines for the possible SRP projects will need to be investigated when they become available
- Discussion by Darren Batty, National Manager, Regional Sales and Development, Qantas Airways on Qantas regional services and community connectivity.

The possibility of Qantas flying to Aurukun was discussed. Qantas flies to smaller communities in Queensland like Charleville and Blackall. However, Qantas flying to Aurukun is unlikely and would be restricted to 52 seats (Q300 plane) due to the unsatisfactory PSI (hardness) of the airstrip surface.

- Other discussion points included Indigenous Tourism in Cape York /Torres Strait.
- The possibility of a TCICA 'strategic delegation' was tabled. Representatives will be determined to visit Canberra later this year to discuss the most important current issues.
- Also, Mayor Walpo spoke on where TCICA has developed from and how it is now developing into the true representative body for Councils across Cape York/Torres Strait region including Mornington Island Weipa Town and Cook Shire.

NOTED

12.4 Archer River Barge Ramp Planning Issue

Development application for proposed Archer River barge ramp on land at Mipwun has been discussed. Concurrence conditions 903-10061 SRA application is included in correspondence attachments.

Chief Executive Officer advised he has sought further information from Gerhard Visser DATSIP. He may seek advice from another external consultant on this matter.

NOTED

12.5 Town Tour

Councillors and Management will inspect various Council facilities and projects on Thursday 23 May 2019 at 9am.

NOTED

12.6 Remote Area Boards (RAB) Forum

Chief Executive Officer attended the RAB Forum held in Cairns on Thursday 9 May 2019.

NOTED

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

A Report for May 2019 was received from the Department of Housing and Public Works.

Resolution 19.6312

That Council approves as culturally appropriate the Department of Housing and Public Works proposed housing allocations as follows:

Address	Bedrooms	Applicant
157 Wel Street Aurukun	3	Martha Pootchemunka
99 Muttich Street Aurukun	3	Sherima Poonkamelya

MOVED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Councillor Ada Woolla
CARRIED

Resolution 19.6313

That Council requests the Department of Housing and Public Works to follow up on all tenanted properties with long grass inside and outside all social housing properties in Aurukun township.

MOVED: Councillor Doris Poonkamelya **SECONDED:** Councillor Ada Woolla
CARRIED

Mayor Dereck Walpo left the meeting at 10.37am and returned at 10.39am.

12.8 Rainfall Report

Chief Executive Officer advised rainfall for the month of April was 76mm.

NOTED

12.9 Facebook Report for April 2019

Chief Executive Officer advised for the month of April there were 24 posts and 15 notices with one share.

Aurukun Shire Council's Facebook page reached 3000 likes this month, a great achievement for a community with a population of less than 1200 people. This shows the level of interest in the community, especially by government and agency stakeholders, media and people who have worked there in the past.

Bernie McCarthy's sunset pic reached the most people this month with 46 shares taking it to 9240 people. The competition in this category will be intense for the 'Living in Aurukun' Photo competition launching next month.

Anzac Day was the next most popular reaching 5900 people followed by the Apalech dancers greeting visiting senior police which reached 5200 people.

NOTED

12.10 Renaming of Pikkuws Restaurant

Sodexo's competition has closed for a new name with a first prize of return flight to Cairns or Aurukun (donated by Skytrans) and a runner-up prize of a \$500 voucher to spend at the restaurant or shop. The name must be in Wik with no more than 10 letters long. Competition winner's announcement has been put on hold due to 'Sorry business'.

NOTED

The meeting was adjourned for morning tea at 10.40am and resumed at 10.58am.

12.11 Correspondence

- 12.11.1** Letter from Director-General Warwick Agnew, Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs re: Proposed local government reform.

NOTED

- 12.11.2** Letter from Director-General Neil Scales, Department of Transport and Main Roads, re: Local Fare Scheme (LFS) impact on local communities improving the living standards in remote communities via access to transport. Transport and Main Roads is currently finalising its review of the LFS. An announcement is expected in coming months.

Resolution: 19.6314

That Council:

- (1) notes Director-General Neil Scales, Department of Transport and Main Roads advice that an announcement on the Lower Fare Scheme continuation is expected by 30 June 2019.
- (2) continues to promote LFS to all eligible residents within Aurukun township.

MOVED: Councillor Vera Koomeeta
Woolla

SECONDED: Councillor Ada

CARRIED

- 12.11.3** Letter from Wade Mullings, Acting Regional Manager, Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet re: the Community Development Program. Current contract provider Cape York Employment has been extended up to 30 September 2019.

NOTED

- 12.11.4** Letter from Pat Vidgen PSM, Queensland Electoral Commissioner re: 2020 Local Government Elections detailing cost estimates and improved election processes.

NOTED

- 12.11.5** Letter from Director-General Warwick Agnew, Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs re: Works for Queensland 2019/21 funding allocations \$2.16 million for Aurukun Shire Council Projects (1) Aurukun Waterfront Development and Public Facilities (2) Aurukun Airport Terminal upgrade.

NOTED

- 12.11.6** Letter from Brett Nancarrow, Manager Planning re: State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) response received for Archer River Planning approval for Barge access

Resolution: 19.6315

That Council refers this letter from State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) re: Archer River south of Aurukun Barge ramp to DATSIP and an external planning consultant for further advice on action Council should take with this Development Application.

MOVED: Councillor Doris Poonkamelya **SECONDED:** Councillor Vera Koomeeta
CARRIED

Councillor Vera Koomeeta left the meeting at 11.22am and returned at 11.29am.

12.12 Late Item:

Aurukun Shire Council Operational Plan 2018-2019.

The full Operational Plan for the quarter ending 31 March 2019 was presented and explained to Council.

Resolution: 19.6316

That Council receives and adopts the Aurukun Shire Council Operational Plan for the quarter ending 31 March 2019.

MOVED: Councillor Doris Poonkamelya **SECONDED:** Councillor Ada Woolla
CARRIED

Finance Manager entered the meeting at 11.26am

Resolution: 19.6317

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

MOVED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Councillor Doris Poonkamelya
CARRIED

13. Finance Manager's Report

13.1 Cash and Investments

13.1.1 Cash on hand as at 10 May 2019

NOTED

13.2 Liabilities

NOTED

13.3 Revenue as at 30 April 2019

NOTED

13.4 Expenses 30 April 2019

NOTED

13.5 SynergySoft Implementation

NOTED

13.6 Budget Review 2018/19

Finance Manager presented the 2018/19 Budget Review and amendments and responded to queries of Council and Officers.

NOTED

Resolution: 19.6318

That Council adopts the 2018/19 Budget Review.

MOVED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Councillor Doris Poonkamelya
CARRIED

Chief Executive Officer asked the Finance Manager what Council can do with some of its Reserves Fund. Can they be allocated to Capital Works projects?

Finance Manager responded:

As long as Council can accurately cover its loans and day to day operations then reserves may be used elsewhere.

If Council is paid in advance for projects, then it can use some of the money from advanced payments. Cashflow is important and would need to be looked at before it could access these funds.

Chief Executive Officer stated that quality service delivery and provision of adequate infrastructure are most important. He requested the Finance Manager to provide further advice to the Council on what percentage of its Reserves could be used for major capital projects when not all funding was received from external sources.

NOTED

13.7 2018-19 External Audit

Finance Manager advised that the process of the external 2018/19 audit have commenced. On 18/20 March the Finance team met with BDO Audit (Nth Qld) Pty Ltd. Partner Margaret Dewhurst, Council's external auditor to plan audit timelines.

Timelines/Key reporting	Dates & Progress
External Audit Plan	Final version – 1 May (delivered)
Interim Audit	10/24 June 2019
Draft Proforma Financial Statements	17 May 2019 (presentation)
Accounting papers on known accounting issues – Accounting standards & Accounting for provision of landfill	10 June 2019
Assets valuations completed	17 May (completed and under review by Pacifica Accountants)
Final audit	16/25 September
Management signs financial statements	9 October
QAO signs financial statements	11 October
Final Management Report	25 October
Audit Review of Annual Report	31 October
Report to Parliament on Local Government Audits	February 2020

Areas of audit significance:

- Valuation of property, plant and equipment
- Depreciation expenses of property, plant and equipment
- Financial statement sustainability ratios
- Change in accounting software from Practical to SynergySoft
- Presumed risk of management override
- Presumed risk of revenue recognition

NOTED

Director Technical Services left the meeting at 11.37am and returned at 11.40am.

13.8 Budget 2019-20 preparation

Finance Manager advised that the budget templates have been provided to Managers/Supervisors for completion by 23 May 2019.

NOTED

ATTACHMENT 1: Portfolio of Investments as at 30 April 2019

NOTED

ATTACHMENT 2: 90-Day Debtors Report – 28 February 2019

NOTED

Details on Corporations/Organisations Debtors with Balances Owing Over 90 Days;

ATTACHMENT 3: Monthly Grants Schedule

NOTED

Councillor Ada Woolla left meeting at 11.47am returned to the meeting at 11.51am

Councillor Doris Poonkamelya left the meeting at 11.59am and returned at 12.01pm

Finance Manager left the meeting at 12.25pm.

Resolution: 19.6319

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

MOVED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Councillor Ada Woolla
CARRIED

Guests: Koolkan Aurukun State School Principal Paula McGuire
Principal and Deputy Principal Baressa Frazer attended the
Council meeting.

Paula presented an outline of priority areas for 2019.

With focus being on:

1. attendance
2. quality teaching
3. a culture that promotes learning.

School started with good attendance. Due to sorry business and other community events the attendance this term has been okay but overall not fantastic. Hoping that after sorry business students come back to school.

Currently working with Cape York Employment to trial more workers looking at representation from each clan and a mixture of males and females. Have lost some members due to non-eligibility of Blue Cards.

Massive drive coming up on attendance and getting teacher aides and teachers out there in the community.

Baressa gave an update about the Wik Mungkan language class. They are trying to capture some data about how people feel about the language class this will be used to put in for the Awards coming up.

They have a survey that they can share with the Council.

30 to 35 persons have been turning up to the lessons every fortnight.

Reading and writing lessons have also been attended. They have been trying to capture more children, so the class is Friday fortnightly at 1.30pm.

There is no one to replace the classroom teacher when sickness occurs, they are trying to get more local people to work at the school and also to get some training in this area. Otherwise they have to cancel the class.

Mayor advised he is very supportive to have more people employed at the school. He suggested the school turn up to the community meetings to get more people involved.

Baressa advised that she is leaving community to go to a new role at Scot's College in Sydney after two years in the Aurukun community.

Council offered thanks and wished Baressa all the best.

Paula acknowledged that Baressa will be missed at the school as she has contributed a lot to the school.

Chief Executive Officer asked if the school had heard of the proposed Local Thriving Communities project. Paula responded that minimal information had been received. She went on to say that the final priority is creating a culture that promotes learning.

This priority is about creating a school where the focus moves back to learning. This is all about removing behaviour barriers so that learning can happen. This needs a lot of support. Must link with support services like the clinic and hospital to help children in the way that they need to be supported not just about learning. It is about catering about the child's needs as a whole.

Looking at a vision of changing school values to co-relate to easily be reflected in the way the school uses language, empowering students within communities. This will ensure everyone is speaking the same language across the whole school. Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) means having the same story within the school this is how we talk this is how we relate to change how everyone relates to each other within the school. Build the links with parents and caregivers within the community. Started working parties so far just teachers but need

teachers' aides, groundsmen and others to change what it looks like and what it feels like. One group is 'School Pride' how do we make this a great school for everyone the child, staff and family. How do we link home visits, opportunities for families to come into the school? Every Friday morning is bacon and egg breakfast sponsored by various service providers in community everyone is welcome, also everyone is welcome to visit the school anytime.

Guest: Kelsey Ormsby, Regional Director, Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Industry and Regions - FNQ Regional Office. He assists Aurukun's Government Champion in the ongoing liaison process with Council.

Paula McGuire, Baressa Frazer and Kelsey Ormsby left the meeting.

Council adjourned for lunch at 12.49pm and resumed at 1.20pm.

14. Director Corporate Services Report

14.1 Actions from Previous Council Meetings

Discussion and advice on actions from previous Council Meetings has been provided in Item 6.1.9 earlier in today's meeting.

NOTED

14.2. Human Resources Manager's Report

Staff Induction

Ten employees attended the afternoon session, the majority from Chivaree, Koolkan and Community Police. The next Induction is scheduled for 30 May 2019.

Workers Compensation Claims

- Two long term claims are awaiting further advice from Council's insurer.
- Two new physical claims and one physiological claim have been submitted and approved.

Enterprise Bargaining Agreement (EBA) Update

Expressions of interest have been advertised for consultants to manage the completion of the EBA.

Training

- Food Safety for the following four staff was completed.

Anita Thompson

Kathy Marpoondin
Ana Kerindun
Janice Yunkaporta

- Airport Reporting Officer training was conducted in Aurukun for ASC employees and guests from Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council. Funding was received from the State Government via the Local Government Association of Queensland.

Staff

Vacancies

Local Recruitment

- Administration Assistant - Wik & Kugu Arts Centre
- Group Leader – Koolkan Childcare
- Group Leader – Playgroup
- Carer – Chivaree Aged Care
- Cleaners – various positions
- Grounds person – Koolkan Childcare and IKC

External Recruitment

- Assistant Manager Chivaree – closes when suitable person appointed
- Mechanic – appointment has been made

Acting Work Health & Safety Officer's Report

Data entry into the MANGO Safety Management System continues with completion estimated by end of May.

Incidents

Reporting Period	Physical	Psychological	Other	Total
Last Month	2	1	4	7
March	2	1	2	5

NOTED

14.3 Administration Managers Report

- Local Fare Scheme – has been extended until June 2019. Ongoing promotion for residents to join the scheme. Number registered to date exceeds 600.

- Director Corporate Services to arrange publicity photo and text for a publicity report on the 600th person to take up Local Fare Scheme.
- Skytrans tickets sold for the month of April 2019 – 60 tickets sold.

NOTED

14.4 Arts Centre Manager's Report

Sponsorship Glencore

Wik & Kugu Arts Centre, received a sponsorship contribution offer from Glencore Bauxite Resources for \$7,500 for the purchase of high-quality art supplies to support Arts Centre exhibitions in 2019.

Salon 19 and Paul Johnstone Gallery, Darwin

Wik & Kugu Arts Centre has been selected to present the installation "Songline of the Dog" at the prestigious Salon19 in Darwin (August 2019). Arts Centre also received an offer from prestigious Paul Johnstone Gallery to exclusively represent, promote and sell Wik & Kugu Arts in Darwin, NT.

Visit of IVAIS Representatives

Jane Barney (Director, Visual Art and Design, Department of Communications and the Arts) has selected Wik & Kugu Arts as one of four destinations she will be visiting on her FNQ travel in June 2019. Jane Barney will be accompanied by Assistant Director, Support program (IV AIS) and Pam Bigelow (Director, IACA). Both IVAIS representatives will be visiting Mornington Island, Girringun and Yarrabah Arts.

Council receives the majority of its grant funding from IVAIS.

Production for CIAF 2019 11/14 July

Wik & Kugu Arts Centre continues to complete work for Cairns Indigenous Arts Fair (CIAF) 2019. The male artists have produced 35 carvings for the CIAF Exhibition. For the first time, Wik & Kugu Arts will also be represented at the CIAF Art Market using a double stall. Female artists will be showing paintings, God's eyes, feather flowers and weavings; men artists will be showing paintings, carvings, spears, clap sticks woomeras and firesticks. The Wik & Kugu Arts Centre will also launch at CIAF its new merchandise range consisting of T-shirts, bags, aprons and tea towels.

Indigenous Art Centre Alliance (IACA) Conference Cairns

Wik & Kugu Arts Centre manager attended the IACA Conference in Cairns from 30 April until 2 May 2019. Topics covered included different models of

Arts Centre structures and production for CIAF. Representatives from the various funding bodies were also in attendance.

Good News Story

New Wik & Kugu Arts Centre promotional merchandise is now on sale at the Arts Centre and is planned to be sold at the ASC Cairns Office.

NOTED

14.5 Information Technology Report

Projects

- Computer Replacement Plan: By 2 May 2019 the PCs and laptops ordered for Cairns office had been delivered but the PCs and laptops ordered for Aurukun are yet to be delivered. This has delayed the rollout planned in Aurukun during the ICT Officer's May trip to Aurukun from 13 to 24 May.
- IT Continuity Plan: This document is 30% complete with no updates due to the ICT Officer being on leave.
- IKC Video Editing Laptop: A video editing laptop was purchased for the IKC. Video editing software was also purchased and installed on the laptop.
- IT Reports in Progress
 - a. Asset Management Plan
 - b. ICT Budget 2019/21 Plan
 - c. ICT Business Continuity Plan
 - d. AV changes at WKCC and Library
 - e. Security Penetration Testing

NOTED

14.6. Council Stores

John Fleming has commended as Councils new Stores Supervisor and is currently preparing for a stocktake at the end of May.

Good News Story

Recent cooperation between Technical Services (Qantas McKinlay) and Corporate Services for use of forklift. This allowed freight to be unloaded and distributed upon arrival in Community.

NOTED

14.7 Leasing Update

NOTED

14.8 Proposed External Audit Plan 2018/19

Attached is the proposed External Audit Plan for 2018/19 proposed by our Queensland Audit Office contracted external Auditors BDO Audit (Nth Qld) Pty Ltd. Partner Margaret Dewhurst as tabled at the meeting for Councillors and Officers.

Resolution: 19.6320

That Council adopts the proposed External Audit Plan prepared by Councils Contracted Auditors BDO Audit (Nth Qld) Pty Ltd. Partner Margaret Dewhurst.

MOVED: Councillor Doris Poonkamelya **SECONDED:** Councillor Vera Koomeeta
CARRIED

14.9 Council Policy Review 2019

Director Corporate Services tabled a list and folders for the review and new policies for Council's adoption. The only new policy added since December is the Employee Conflict of Interest Policy which was recommended by External Audit of 2017/18.

Council now has 72 policies and these policies are tabled at the meeting for Councillors and Officers.

Resolution: 19.6321

That Council adopts the following 71 reviewed policies and one new policy A020 as presented below:

A001	Asset and Services Management Policy
A002	Customer Service Policy
A003	Enterprise Risk Management Policy
A004	Incoming and Outgoing Mail Policy
A005	Records Management Policy
A006	Staff Housing Policy
A007	Travel Policy
A008	Customer Service Charter

A009	Fraud & Corruption Prevention Management
A010	Records Management - Retention & Destruction
A011	Records Management - Email Policy
A012	Council Correspondence Policy
A013	Barbeque Use Policy
A014	Management, Operation and Use of Closed Circuit Televisions
A015	Koolkan Childcare Centre Policy
A016	Chivaree Centre Policy
A017	Council Cemetery Policy
A018	Council Gift Policy
A019	Media Policy
A020	Employee Conflict of Interest Policy
F001	Accounts Receivable Policy
F002	Cash Handling Policy
F003	Credit / Debit Card Policy
F004	Council Non-Current Asset Accounting Policy
F005	Council Related Party Disclosure Policy
HR001	Employee Code of Conduct
HR002	Community Disturbance Policy
HR003	Disciplinary Policy and Procedures
HR004	Drug and Alcohol Policy
HR005	Employee Assistance Programme Policy
HR006	Grievance Policy
HR007	Internet, Email and Computer Use Policy
HR008	Leave Policy
HR009	LGW Corporate - Rehabilitation Policy
HR010	Recruitment and Retention Policy
HR011	Relocation Policy
HR012	Social Media Policy
HR013	Staff Use of Pool Car Policy
HR014	Training and Development Policy
HR015	Uniform Policy
HR016	Use of Councils Mobile Phone Policy
HR017	Work Health & Safety Policy
HR018	Work Vehicles (inc Boats, Barges and Trailers) Policy
HR019	Workplace Behaviour Policy
HR020	Workplace Bullying Policy
HR021	Council Workplace Violence and Aggression Policy
HR022	Council Toil Policy
HR023	Council Parental Leave Policy
HR024	Council Induction Policy
HR025	Council Smoke Free Workplace Policy
HR026	Council Childcare CCTV Policy
HR027	Isolation Leave & Remote Air Fare Allowance
HR028	Motor Vehicle Infringement
HR029	Domestic & Family Violence Leave Policy

HR030	Vaccine Policy
HR031	Working from Home
S001	Acceptable Request Guidelines
S002	Administrative Action Complaints Process Policy
S003	Advertising Policy
S004	Community Engagement Policy
S005	Councillor Remuneration Policy
S006	Debt (Borrowing) Policy
S007	Entertainment & Hospitality Policy
S008	Grants to Community Organisations Policy
S009	Investment Policy
S010	Non-Funding of Depreciation Charges Policy
S011	Procurement Policy
S012	Reimbursement of Councillor Expenses Policy
S013	Revenue Policy
S014	Public Interest Disclosure Management Policy
S015	Investigation of Corruption Complaints Against Chief Executive Officer Policy
S016	Councillor Conduct Investigation Policy
MOVED: Councillor Ada Woolla SECONDED: Councillor Vera Koomeeta CARRIED	

Resolution: 19.6322

That Council receives and adopts the Director Corporate Services Report.

MOVED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Councillor Ada Woolla
CARRIED

Guest: Bryce Coxall, Family Responsibilities Commission (FRC) – Aurukun Coordinator entered the meeting

Bryce presented an update on Family Responsibilities Commission which continues to meet on a fortnightly basis in Aurukun.

In the last six months from 1 October 2018 until 31 March 2019 FRC received 1250 notices primarily MAG court, EQs, and child safety notices. This related to 431 clients, majority of the adult population of Aurukun.

We held 526 conferences in the same six-month period to discuss these notices. 44% of these conferences were EQ matters, school attendance. Our main driving factor continues to be supporting the school and it's a shame that the clients are not taking full advantage of what the school has to offer with continue low attendance.

95% of these conferences were local commissioners sitting alone.

Client service referrals / our referrals to the Well Being Centre (WBC) have come down along with the number of clients on basics cards, there is currently 59 community members with active basics cards this includes three on Voluntary Income Management (VIM) which is our latest push.

Overall our conference attendance for our clients is above 60% this is usually higher but due to continued 'sorry business' our attendance levels have dropped.

The future of the FRC continues to remain in limbo with our funding still being unconfirmed from government. We have been told that we will be replaced by 'Thriving Communities' model but DATSIP has provided no information on what this model will look like. We have just set our draft calendar for the second half of the year and aim to continue to conference as normal until we hear more from DATSIP.

Bryce Coxall left the meeting at 2.30pm.

15. Director Community Services Report

15.1 Actions from previous Council Meetings

15.1.1 Ford Hearse for Sale (Resolution 19.6205)

The remaining options for the disposal of the hearse are to:

- a) offer the hearse for sale by auction – Quaid Auctioneers, Cairns or
- b) offer the hearse to the KMAC Wholesale who provided the current hearse.

The hearse has been deregistered. Director Community Services is currently awaiting confirmation of road transport cost to minimise the expense to Council.

15.1.2 Queensland Parliamentary Inquiry – Aged Care (Council Meeting 16 April 2019 Item 6.1.4 Chivaree Community Aged Care Centre)

A submission has been forwarded to the Inquiry Chair, Mr Aaron Harper, MP, providing a summary of current aged care services in Aurukun and the challenges facing service delivery in a remote indigenous community.

15.1.3 Cape York Partnerships Mobile Coffee Van (Resolution 19.6291)

Director Community Services discussed the use of the mobile van with the Site Coordinator, Cape York Employment, Ms Stacey Ketchell. Advice provided was that the mobile van is part of a Host Agreement under the Work for the Dole program. The refrigerator has been removed and the van currently has no power supply generator. Director Community Services reminded Ms Ketchell that the mobile van cannot operate from a residential address. Follow up will be required with the Cape York Employment Site Manager on his return from leave.

NOTED

15.2 Funerals

15.2.1 **Organised Funerals:** Waal Waal Ms Woolla 26 April 2019

15.2.2 **Upcoming Funerals:** Waal Waal Mr Wolmby 17 May 2019
Waal Waal Ms Tarpencha 24 May 2019
Waal Waal Mr Kalkeeyorta 25 May 2019

15.2.3 **House Openings:** Nil

15.2.4 **State Coroner:** Mr Scott Sloan 28 April 2019
(repatriation) (Deceased fisherman)

NOTED

15.3 Events

15.3.1 Events Held: April

Date	Time	Event Details	Where
25 April	9.00am	Anzac Day Ceremony	Town Square

15.3.2 Upcoming Events: June

Date	Time	Meeting/Event Details	Where
1 June 2019		'Living in Aurukun' Photo Competition	
15 June 2019	6.00pm	Onchan Min Festival	Community Centre

NOTED

15.4 Community Police, Safety and CCTV

Patrol Schedule and Locations

There have been increased requests for Community Police presence at the Supermarket and Town Square.

Incident Reports

Nil

Training and Licensing

Certificate in Security Services training is being organized for all casual employees.

Street Lights

Ergon is yet to confirm a date for the repair to street lights. Director Technical Services is following up repair of street lights on Council owned light poles.

Security Services

Roster change occurred on 6 May 2019. Malik Sataar is undertaking day roster and John Seal night roster.

NOTED

15.5 Koolkan Childcare Centre

Department of Education Visits:

Nil visits to the Centre during this reporting period. Director Community Services met with Suzette Birchley the new Assistant Regional Director, who has replaced Shirley Gallo.

Staffing (Completion of accredited training)

Penny Skerman has not had a visited since February so students have not been marked on work done. Flora Woolla has completed 19 units and Nicole Bowenda 18 units towards a Certificate III in Early Childhood and Education and Care. Other employees have commenced studies to undertake these courses.

First Aid and CPR Training

Have recently been completed by the following:

- Janice Yunkaporta
- Robyn Fleming
- Judith Purcell
- Bridgette Yunkaporta
- Antoinette Yunkaporta
- Flora Woolla

Community Engagement

The Centre continues to promote the services provided and welcomes parents to call in and visit.

Good News Stories:

Flora Woolla has commenced her Diploma in Early Childhood.

NOTED

15.6 Chivaree Community Aged Care Centre

Good News

Apunipima Health Council Practice Manager, Jessica Gatti, conducted flu vaccine and health check-ups for clients. It is intended that these visits will occur each week.

Seven participants attended and completed CPR training with TAFE Queensland on Tuesday 30 April 2019.

- James Ralph Yusia
- Dalton Agie Snr
- George Warusam
- Phillip Marpoondin
- Dominic Wockner
- Daisy Wolmby
- Susanne Brown

NDIS Update

The Manager is liaising with Apunipima Health Council and the Aurukun Health Clinic to confirm which Aurukun residents have completed an NDIS application and which are incomplete.

Memorandums of Understanding

In order to maintain communications with health service providers and meet the new standards required for community care programs, it was necessary to formalize our arrangements with Apunipima Cape York Health Council and Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service.

Memorandum for Apunipima Cape York Health Council and Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service are tabled for Council to consider.

Resolution: 19.6323

That Council endorses the sharing of services re: care, confidentiality and files via Memorandum of Understanding with:

- (1) Apunipima Cape York Health Council, and
- (2) Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service.

MOVED: Councillor Ada Woolla
CARRIED

SECONDED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun

NOTED

15.7 Animal Control

An appointment has been made and an Animal Control Officer will commence in the near future.

NOTED

15.8 Indigenous Knowledge Centre and Community Broadcasting

Flexible Learning Program

Flexi student numbers continue to fluctuate with an average school age student attendance number of 10.5 per day with 20 being the highest number on one day. The IKC is a good place of contact for youth support services and a safe place with interesting and engaging activities that sees a core group of six to eight students attending (mostly) regularly at a place offering numeracy and literacy as well as Traditional Cultural activities.

IKC Borrowing and Membership Program

Digital resources continue to be the preference for Library users and the additional devices installed over the Summer Holiday season continues to meet strong demand for digital access. A full refreshing of the book collection at the IKC has been planned for late May.

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths Engagement) Project

The Bark Canoe part of the STEM project has nearly finished. Videoing and editing has begun for this Bio/Cultural Cataloguing project at last and we are ironing out the teething problems. Some mini robots will be used to engage young learners in some of the activities.

Keeping Culture Program

Director Community Services will meet with the IKC Coordinator and Louise Ashmore to determine where this project will now progress, given the funding application for Indigenous Languages and Arts Program was not approved.

Good News

Aurukun Police enlisted the help of the IKC to have a group of Wik Elders dance at the airport to welcome the Police Minister and the Police Commissioner. The event went well and can be seen on our Facebook page at the Aurukun Indigenous Knowledge Centre.

NOTED

15.9 Environmental Health

Food Licenses and Assessments

Pamela Maher, Environmental Health Officer, Cook Shire Council will be undertaking inspections of all licensed premises on 30 May 2019. Reports for each of the premises will be provided at the conclusion of the visit. The engagement of the Environmental Health Officer is a partnership between Aurukun and Cook Shires.

Illegal Dumping

Nil Reports received.

NOTED

15.10 Grants Development and Lobbying

Grant Application Status

NOTED

15.11 Wo'uw Ko'alam Community Centre

Community Engagement

Promotion of the Centre continues at all forums and in the community. State Government representatives are being encouraged to consider holding regional workshops and forums in Aurukun. Bill Rodgers has been appointed as Manager of Wo'uw Ko'alam Community Centre and should be the first point of contact for bookings.

NOTED

15.12 Family Support Worker and Playgroup

Playgroup Attendance

23 children attended playgroup on a regular basis for the month. Average numbers for each playgroup session is around six. Additionally, 44 children attended the school holiday program held during the Easter Break at the Indigenous Knowledge Centre.

Staffing (Completion of Accredited Training)

Christina Van Bekkum has substantially completed the Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care.

Resolution: 19.624

That Council receives and adopts the Director Community Services Report.

MOVED: Councillor Doris Poonkamelya **SECONDED:** Councillor Ada Woolla
CARRIED

16. Director Technical Services Report

16.1 Action from Previous Meetings

Director Technical Services gave a progress update on his three requested action items.

NOTED

16.2 Building Construction and Maintenance

NOTED

16.3 Roads and Maintenance / Parks and Gardens

NOTED

16.4 Water/Sewerage/Garbage/Plumbing

NOTED

16.5 Workshop / Mechanical

Workshop

New Workshop Supervisor, Tim Whitcombe commenced in late April. He has worked in motor vehicle dealerships and remote communities located above the Tropic of Capricorn for the last 30 years.

NOTED

16.6 Airport Operations

Airport

NOTED

16.7 Electrical / CCTV

NOTED

16.8 Civil Construction

- Road construction will recommence in May/June 2019 pending weather to complete reconstruction of two sections on the Aurukun Access Road (Boundary and Boyd's sections), and the remaining QRA flood damage repairs on Obon Road and Aurukun Access Road. Access to establish plant and equipment appears likely by the end of May.
- Council has been activated for two QRA disaster events which will allow Council to claim for emergent works and restoration scope once approved by QRA. ERSCON will complete flood damage assessments for the town streets and other roads prior to construction works commencing which will be submitted to QRA for approval and constructed in late 2019. The value of the anticipated claim is expected to be significantly reduced from previous years due the event and the improvements achieved to the road assets over the past three years
- ERSCON consultant visited Aurukun during the week commencing 13 May 2019 to conduct QRA flood damage assessments, scope set out and pre-start for the upcoming reconstruction section along Aurukun Access Road. This visit was to include a site based meeting with Council, DATSIP and Aurecon to resolve drainage issues at Enyan Circuit and a walkover with key Council representatives to assist in developing a list of road and infrastructure related projects that can be

formalised into a forward works program with priorities assigned in consultation with Council.

NOTED

Councillor Ada Woolla left the meeting at 2.38pm and returned at 2.41pm

16.8 Minister's visit

16.8.1 Visit by Hon. Mark Bailey, MP - Minister for Transport and Main Road

Hon. Mark Bailey MP Queensland Minister for Transport and Main Roads in the company of the Member for Cook Cynthia Lui MP visited the Aurukun Access Road workers camp on Friday 10 May 2019. The Minister was travelling from Lockhart River to Weipa and had time available to inspect the start of the Aurukun Access Road and meet with representatives from Aurukun Shire Council. Items discussed with the Minister are as follows:

- The upgrading to a seal standard of the remaining 26km of the Aurukun Access Road.
 - \$3M ATSI TIDs funding has been applied for.
- The employment and training opportunities that have been realised through the upgrading of the Aurukun Access Road over the last ten years.
- ASC expressed an interest in being actively involved in the upgrading of the remaining 26km.
 - Further discussions will need to be had with Cook Shire Council.
 - Department of Transport and Main Roads is willing to participate in discussions if necessary.
- The future upgrading to seal standard of the section of PDR in front of the Aurukun Access Road.
 - A future project that will depend on ongoing Federal Government funding.
- The upgrading of the Archer River Crossing to a Bridge.
 - Again a future project that will depend on funding.
- Once funding is secured Transport and Main Roads will request to bring the project forward in the program.
 - An alignment has been identified.
 - Investigations and detailed design is still required.
 - Once commenced the construction phase is expected to run over two years.

Resolution: 19.6325

That Council requests:

- (1) Director Technical Services to provide an action plan on how to progress the possible Aurukun Access Road project with the Cook Shire and Department of Main Roads and Transport
- (2) Chief Executive Officer briefs the Director Technical Services on previous reports resolutions and actions taken in regards to this possible road project

MOVED: Councillor Doris Poonkamelya **SECONDED:** Councillor Ada Woolla
CARRIED

Resolution: 19.6326

That Council receives and adopts the Director Technical Services Report.

MOVED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Councillor Vera Koomeeta
CARRIED

17. Confidential Business

Resolution 19.6327

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:

Clauses:

- (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 a financial advantage.

MOVED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Councillor Doris Poonkamelya
CARRIED

17.1 Aurukun Cemeteries

17.1.1 Aurukun Old Cemetery

Further to Council's previous closure resolution 18.5977 of this Aurukun Old Cemetery Lot 33 SP239441, MacKenzie Drive, Aurukun, the following information was presented for Council's discussion and deliberation. This closure has been effective since 15 May 2018 pursuant to the Aurukun Shire Council – A017 Cemetery Policy.

17.1.2 Agan Ngench Thayan Cemetery

This new cemetery is located at Lot 33 SP276438, Obon Road, Aurukun and has been operational since 16 May 2018.

Discussion was held on why all burials must occur at the Agan Ngench Thayan Cemetery. It was acknowledged that full community consultation had occurred prior to the Aurukun Old Cemetery closure on 15 May 2018.

NOTED

17.2 CCTV Operational Costs / Aak Muunchanak Splash Park Operation / Master Plan - DATSIP

Chief Executive Officer advised that the Council Officers met with DATSIP to discuss the CCTV operational costs, Aak Muunchanak Splash Park operation and Aurukun Township Master Plan on 10 May 2019. The Cape York Employment CPP provider contract may end on 30 September 2019. Discussion revolved around possible funding and who may operate the Splash Park in the future.

Council advised DATSIP:

- (1) there are not sufficient funds for the operational costs of the Splash Park.
- (2) would prefer that another contractor be sourced to take over the running of this community facility.

New model/structure was suggested, Council suggests an Operational Plan, utilising teacher aides for school holidays/vacation care. Outsourcing duty of care to PCYC and the Koolkan Aurukun State School for the times that they utilise the park under reduced operating hours would limit Council's financial and operational risk. Specific use agreements would need to be put in place for all users of the Splash Park.

DATSIP is to organise a meeting with the Koolkan Aurukun State School, PCYC and Council to discuss the best practice models for the community.

NOTED

CCTV Operational Costs

Council discussed with DATSIP the significant operational costs to run the CCTV have come back onto the Council with no Government funding. Council stated that it is unhappy about funding the whole operations cost of the CCTV service when it clearly benefits other service providers in Aurukun.

Council needs to provide DATSIP with the letter from SAPE Industries in respect to the use and maintenance of CCTV equipment.

NOTED

Aurukun Township Master Plan

Council discussed the fact that the Aurukun Township Master Plan should come under the Aurukun Shire Planning Scheme. DATSIP confirmed this and that Council can pass a resolution to add to the Aurukun Shire Planning Scheme if required.

Formulation of Aurukun Township Master Plan must be finalised first and then adopted by Council. Council declined accepting the current scheme opting instead for a refresh. Council asked that a discussion on a MOU for road use/access be included. Council considers it must protect the community and demographics of the town as it is now.

DATSIP will summarise the additions to the Aurukun Township Master Plan after looking at the supplied letter and will also flag issues affecting the Aurukun Shire Planning Scheme and make recommendations.

NOTED

Resolution: 19.6328

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

MOVED: Councillor Vera Koomeeta **SECONDED:** Councillor Edgar Kerindun
CARRIED

Aurukun Old Cemetery

Resolution: 19.6329

That Council writes to Hon. Anthony Lynham MP (Minister for Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy) requesting that:

- (1) the Aurukun Old Cemetery Lot 33 SP239441, MacKenzie Drive, Aurukun be closed under Section 81 of the Land Act 1994.
- (2) any further burials not be permitted in this cemetery due to the high-water table plus difficult, unsafe and dangerous burial processes.

MOVED: Councillor Doris Poonkamelya **SECONDED:** Councillor Edgar Kerindun
CARRIED

Agan Ngench Thayan Cemetery

Resolution 19.6330

That Council seeks confirmation

- (1) from the relevant State Government department when land was approved and allocated to the new Agan Ngench Thayan Cemetery site under the current Aurukun Shire Planning Scheme.
- (2) seeking government gazettal that the Agan Ngench Thayan Cemetery is the only place where burials are to occur within the Aurukun township
- (3) whether an application was submitted for the land Agan Ngench Thayan Cemetery to be deemed a cemetery 'reserve'.

MOVED: Councillor Vera Koomeeta **SECONDED:** Councillor Ada Woolla
CARRIED

18. Late Items

Meeting 14/15 May 2019 TCICA - Media release dated 20 May 2019 tabled by Mayor Walpo.

NOTED

19. General Business

Nil.

20. Closure

Meeting closed by Mayor Walpo at 3.24pm.