

# **AGENDA**

# BULLA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2023 AT 10:30 AM AT THE BULLA COUNCIL OFFICE

**VDRC OFFICE** 

#### **MEMBERS**

Nicholas Laurie Penny Archie Shadrack Retchford Stan Retchford Duncan Bero Joseph Archie Councillor Shirley Garlett



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Brian Hylands

**Chief Executive Officer** 



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- 1. Meeting Opening
- 2. Welcome
- 3. Attendance and Apologies
- 3.1. Attendees
- 3.2. Apologies and Absentees

Nil

- 4. Disclosure of Interest
- 5. Resignations, Terminations and Nominations
- 5.1. Resignations

Nil

5.2. Terminations

Nil

5.3. Nominations

Nil

6. Guests and Presentations

Nil

7. Confirmation of Minutes

ITEM NUMBER 7.1.

**Bulla Local Authority meeting held on 15 August 2023** 

**REPORT TYPE** Confirmation of Minutes

PREPARED BY Media and Communications Officer

#### Recommendation



That the minutes of the Bulla Local Authority meeting held on 15 August 2023 be taken as read and be accepted as a true record of the meeting.

#### **Attachments**

1. 20230815 BLA MIN unconfirmed [7.1.1 - 6 pages]



# **MINUTES**

BULLA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 15 AUGUST 2023
AT 12:00 PM
AT THE BULLA COUNCIL OFFICE
VDRC Office





**MINUTES** 

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**Chief Executive Officer** 



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#### 1. Meeting Opening

The meeting opened at 12:08pm.

#### 2. Welcome

Chairperson welcomed members and visitors to the meeting.

#### 3. Attendance and Apologies

#### 3.1. Attendees

#### **Members Present**

Shadrack Retchford Chairperson
Stan Retchford Member
Penny Archie Member
Joseph Archie Member
Nicholas Laurie Member

**Staff Present** 

Brian Hylands Chief Executive Officer
Paul Buckley Council Operations Manager
Michelle Griffin Manager of Executive Services

Keira Townsend Grants Manager

**Elected Members Present** 

Brian Pedwell Mayor - Walangeri Ward

Deborah Jones Councillor - Timber Creek Ward

**Guests** 

Karen Hocking The Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet
Tristan Stonhill The Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet

Michelle Connolly Australian Electoral Commission

#### 3.2. Apologies and Absentees

Apologies: Duncan Bero

Absent: Nil

#### 4. Disclosure of Interest

There were no declarations of interest at this meeting.



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#### 5. Resignations, Terminations and Nominations

5.1. Resignations

Nil

5.2. Terminations

Nil

5.3. Nominations

Nil

#### 6. Guests and Presentations

#### 6.1. Australian Electoral Commission

The Chairperson thanked Michelle Connolly from the Australian Electoral Commission for the information regarding the Community Electoral Participation Officer opportunities.

The Bulla Local Authority expressed interest in the AEC providing an education session prior to the upcoming referendum.

Action: VDRC to contact AEC to request education session.

#### 6.2. Code of Conduct Presentation - CM&C

The Chairperson thanked Karen Hocking from the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet for the training presented on 'Understanding Code of Conduct'.

#### 7. Confirmation of Minutes

7.1. Bulla Local Authority Meeting held on 16 May 2023

BLA-2023/15 Resolution: Carried (Stan Retchford/Joseph Archie)

That the minutes of the Bulla Local Authority Meeting held on 16 May 2023 be taken as read and be accepted as a true record of the meeting.

#### 8. Council Response to Previous Minutes

#### 8.1. Feedback from Council

BLA-2023/16 Resolution: Carried (Shadrack Retchford/Stan Retchford)

A. That the Bulla Local Authority receive and note the feedback from Council



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#### 9. Reports

#### 9.1.1. Council Operations Manager Report

BLA-2023/17 Resolution: Carried (Stan Retchford/Nicholas Laurie)

A. That the Council Operations Manager Report report is received and noted

#### 9.2.1. Bulla Finance Report for period ended 30th June 2023

BLA-2023/18 Resolution: Carried (Joseph Archie/Shadrack Retchford)

That the Bulla Local Authority receive and note the finance report.

#### 9.2.2. Bulla - Projects Report updates as of 30th June 2023

BLA-2023/19 Resolution: Carried (Shadrack Retchford/Penny Archie)

- A. That the Bulla Projects Report updates as of 30th June 2023 report is received and noted
- B. That the Bulla Local Authority consider projects for investigation

<u>Action:</u> Provide information to the BLA on machinery that can crush cans (similar to Kalkarindji).

#### 9.3.1. Bulla Action Items

BLA-2023/20 Resolution: Carried (Shadrack Retchford/Joseph Archie)

A. That the Bulla Local Authority receive and note the action items update.

#### 9.4.1. Zero Turn Handover Agreement

BLA-2023/21 Resolution: Carried (Shadrack Retchford/Nicholas Laurie)

- A. The Bulla Local Authority accepts Council's decision (OCM-2023/138) to handover the zero turn mower to the Ngaliwurru-Wuli Aboriginal Corporation; and
- B. That VDRC arrange the delivery of the mower to the Bulla community one the agreement is signed.

#### 10. Questions from the Public

Nil



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#### 11. General Business

#### 11.1 New Timber Creek Councillor

Mayor Brian Pedwell introduced the new Councillor for the Timber Creek Ward, Councillor Deborah Jones, to the local authority.

#### 11.2 Local Authority Review

Information will be released by the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet soon.

#### 12. Next Meeting

The next Meeting of Bulla Local Authority will be held 21 November 2023.

The meeting closed at 1:37pm.

This page and the preceding five pages are the minutes of the Bulla Local Authority meeting held on 15 August 2023.



#### 8. Council Response to Previous Minutes

ITEM NUMBER 8.1.

**Feedback from Council** 

**REPORT TYPE** Local Authority Reports

PREPARED BY Media and Communications Officer

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to provide feedback to the Bulla Local Authority from the relevant Ordinary Council meeting.

#### Recommendation

That the Feedback from Council be received and noted.

#### **Feedback**

On 29 August 2023, Council received the minutes of the Bulla Local Authority meeting held on 15 August 2023. Council endorsed the minutes and all resolutions as per the table below:

#### OCM-2023/163 Resolution: Carried (Deborah Jones/Cr Yvette Williams)

- A. That the minutes of the Bulla Local Authority meeting held on 15 August 2023 be adopted as a resolution of Ordinary Council.
- B. That Council acknowledges **BLA-2023/21 Resolution**:
  - The Bulla Local Authority accepts Council's decision (OCM-2023/138) to handover the zero turn mower to the Ngaliwurru-Wuli Aboriginal Corporation; and endorses
  - j. That VDRC arrange the delivery of the mower to the Bulla community one the agreement is signed.

#### **Attachments**

Nil



#### 9. Correspondence

#### 10. Reports

10.1. Council Operations Manager Community Report

ITEM NUMBER 10.1.1.

**Council Operations Manager Report** 

**REPORT TYPE** Council Operations Manager Report

PREPARED BY Paul Buckley

#### **Purpose**

Updating Council on Bulla Project priorities.

#### Recommendations

- A. That the Council Operations Manager Report report is received and noted
- B. The Council accept the report.

#### **Regional Plan**

#### Goal 1: Quality Leadership

1.3 - Comply with all statutory, regulatory and reporting requirements

#### Goal 4:Liveability

4.1 Delivery of quality programs which support resident's well being

#### **Events and Activities**

To date Sports and Rec program have been work with the timber Creek and Bulla communities engaging the children and older community members.

#### **Local Authority Meetings**

Lat meeting on the 15 August 2023. New meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023.

#### **Vacant Positions (VDRC in Community)**

Aged Care workers.

NDIS worker.

#### **Maintenance Buildings and Fixed Assets**

Maintenance up to date.

#### Plant and Equipment

Vehicles, Plant and equipment are up to date.

#### **Photos and Media**

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Regional Plan Project Priorities
Playground equipment installed and finalized.

#### Council officer conflict of interest declaration

We the Author and Approving Officer declare we do not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.

#### **Attachments**

Nil



#### 10.2. Finance Report

ITEM NUMBER 10.2.1.

Finance Report for period ending 30 September 2023

**REPORT TYPE** Local Authority Finance Report

PREPARED BY Chief Finance Officer

#### Recommendations

A. That the Finance Report for period ending 30 September 2023 report is received and noted

#### **Attachments**

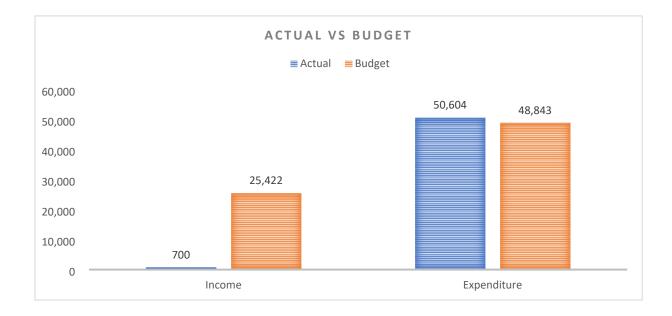
1. Bulla 30 09 2023 [**10.2.1.1** - 2 pages]

Actual v Budget for Bulla Local Authority as of 30 September 2023

71010411 7 2049011012	Actual v Budget for Build Local Authority as of 30 September 2023							
OPERATING INCOME	YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	Comments				
Rates	-	-	-					
Charges	-	-	-					
Fees and Charges	-	-	-					
Operating Grants and Subsidies	-	25,422	-25,422	The first instalment for the Night patrol grant for this financial year has yet to be received.				
Commercial and Other Income	700	-	700					
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	700	25,422	-24,722					
OPERATING EXPENDITURE								
Employee Expenses	37,455	36,330	1,125	The overspending is attributed to wage penalties paid to Night patrol staff.				
Materials and Contracts	11,922	9,763	2,159	Overspend on training costs and costs of installing street signs. The cost of training night patrol staff was not allocated in the budget. Also, the cost of installing street signs was more than budgeted.				
Council Committee & LA Allowances	1,100	2,550	-1,450					
Council Committee & LA Expenses	126	200	-74					
Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	-	-	-					
Other Expenses	-		-					
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	50,604	48,843	1,761					
OPERATING SURPLUS / DEFICIT	-49,904	-23,420	-26,483					

During the three months ended 30 September 2023, actual income was \$700, and expenditure was \$50,604 compared to budgeted income of \$25,422 and expenditure of \$48,843, respectively. The above Bulla budget is only for the Night patrol and LA expenses.

The bar graph shows actual income and expenditure vs budgets.





ITEM NUMBER 10.2.2.

**Project Funding Update as of 30 September 2023** 

**REPORT TYPE** Finance Report

PREPARED BY Chief Finance Officer

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the Local Authority Project Funding (LAPF) that has been spent or committed, and to provide an overview of funds available for future projects.

#### Recommendations

That the Project Funding Update as of 30 September 2023 report is received and noted

#### **Local Authority Project Funding**

#### Funds Spent financial year

\$34,142 of LAPF has been spent this financial year

#### Funds Committed

\$3,735 of LAPF is committed to projects.

#### Funds Available

\$53,240 of LAPF is available for future projects

The Bulla Local Authority is encouraged to discuss and consider suitable projects to be funded with the remaining LAPF.

#### **Attachments**

1. Bulla LA Projects 30 09 2023 (3) [10.2.2.1 - 1 page]

#### **Local Authority projects-Bulla**

Fund Carried forward from last financial year	71,718
Grant expected to be received this financial year	19,400
	91,118
Funds spent to date	41,265
Less: funds spent last financial year	-7,122
Funds spent this financial year 2023-24	-34,142
Funds committed but not yet spent	-3,735
Funds available for future projects	87,382

Projects Name	Resolutions	Fund allocated to projects	Amount spent to date	Remaining funds available	Status
Street Signs 20	67LB798	5,000	5,000	-	Completed
Marquees, Tables, and Chairs	BLA-2023-2	6,500	3,007	3,493	Remains open
Street Signs	BLA-2023/8	3,500	3,661	-161	Completed
Funding towards playground	BLA-2023/10	30,000	29,597	403	Completed

45,000 41,265 3,735
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## 10.3. Actions Report10.3.1. Bulla Action Items

Report Type Local Authority Reports
Department Council Operations

Prepared by Council Operations Manager, Timber Creek

#### **Purpose**

To provide an update on Bulla Local Authority action items.

#### Recommendations

A. That the Bulla Local Authority receive and note the action items update.

#### **Attachments**

1. 20230516 Action Items Report BLA 1 [**10.3.1.1** - 2 pages]

## **ACTION REGISTER**

## Bulla Local Authority – NOVEMBER 2023



MEETING DATE	ITEM	ACTION REQUIRED	ASSIGNED DEPARTMENT	ACTION TAKEN	STATUS
21 February 2023	Streetlight Audit	Action: An audit of streetlights in Bulla is required to ascertain which lights require maintenance. Night patrol will be requested to conduct the audit and information to be relayed to NWA.	Council Operations	Investigating process with PowerWater and NWA	In progress
16 May 2023	Mower Storage	The Bulla Local Authority request that Council investigate options for the storage of the mower and outdoor furniture.  Resolution: BLA-2023/4	Council Operations	Report on zero turn mower for BLA consideration.  Zero turn mower has been housed at the works department sheds in Bulla community.	Completed.
16 May 2023	Playground equipment	The Bulla Local Authority request Council approval to commit \$30,000 of Local Authority Project Funding towards playground for the Bulla community.  Resolution: BLA-2023/10	Council Operations	Quotes accepted. Playground works carried out and finalized.	Completed.
15 August 2023	AEC education session	Action: VDRC to contact AEC to request education session.		Education sessions requested. AEC has no response. AEC did speak with community on the day of the referendum to help the community members to understand the voting process.	
15 August 2023	Machinery for can crushing	Provide information to the BLA on machinery that can crush cans (similar to Kalkarindji).	Council Operations	Awaiting responses from manufacturers.	In progress.
15 August 2023	Delivery of mower	A. The Bulla Local Authority accepts Council's decision (OCM-2023/138) to handover the zero turn mower to the Ngaliwurru-Wuli Aboriginal Corporation; and     B. That VDRC arrange the delivery of the mower to the Bulla community one the agreement is signed.	Council Operations	The Bulla zero turn mower has been delivered to site at the community works department shed.	Completed.



## 10.4. General Reports11. Questions from the Public

#### 12. General Business

#### 13. Confidential

Nil

Members of the press and public to be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act, 2008 as the items listed come within the following provisions:

#### 14. Next Meeting

The next Meeting of XX Local Authority will be held DayMonthYear.