



AGENDA

**PIRLANGIMPI LOCAL AUTHORITY
MEETING**

TUESDAY 17 MARCH 2026

Notice is given that the next Pirlangimpi Local Authority Meeting of Tiwi Islands Regional Council will be held on:

- Tuesday 17 March 2026
- in Pirlangimpi Council Boardroom
- Commencing at 10:00 am

Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

Heidi Dorn
Acting Chief Executive Officer

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1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

1.1 Welcome and Opening of Meeting

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1.4 Leave of Absence

1.5 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff

Summary

This report is to table for Council's record, the disclosure of conflicts of interests by Council members and staff members.

Recommendations

That council receives and notes the disclosure of conflict of interest.

Legislative Framework

1. Section 114, s115, s116 and s117 of the *Local Government Act of 2019*.
2. Section 179 of the *Local Government Act of 2019*.
3. Regulation 57 and 58 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*.

1.6 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

1.6.1 Pirlangimpi Local Authority Meeting held on 9 December 2025

That the minutes of the Pirlangimpi Local Authority Meeting held on 9 December 2025 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.



MINUTES OF THE PIRLANGIMPI LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE PIRLANGIMPI COUNCIL BOARDROOM ON TUESDAY 9 DECEMBER 2025 AT 10:00 AM

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1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

1.1 Welcome and Opening of Meeting

The meeting opened at 10:01 am.

The Chair welcomed members and guests.

1.2 Present

Chair	Andrew Warrior	In Person
Member	Bernard Pangiraminni	In Person
Member	Rebekah Yunupingu	In Person
Member	Carol Puruntatameri	In Person
Member	Thecla Puruntatameri	In Person
Member	Andrew Orsto	In Person
Member	Margaret Tipunggwuti	In Person
Councillor	Daniel Costa	In Person
Councillor	Deanne Rioli	Teleconference
Councillor	Joseph (Gideon) Pangiraminni	Teleconference
Staff		
Chief Executive Officer	Maxie Smith	Teleconference
Chief Financial Officer	Jayesh Vasandani	Teleconference
Acting Governance Coordinator	Lauren Davidson	Teleconference
Projects & Contracts Manager	Salman Samee	Teleconference

1.3 Apologies

Apologies from members who were absent from the meeting

PLA/50 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bernard Pangiraminni

Seconded: Daniel Costa

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority members accept the apology from Mayor Lynette De Santis.

CARRIED

1.4 Leave of Absence

Nil

1.5 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff

PLA/51 RESOLUTION

Moved: Andrew Orsto

Seconded: Daniel Costa

Chairperson Andrew Warrior declared his conflict of interest as an employee of Tiwi Islands Regional Council, a board member for ALPA and member of HRG.

Carol Puruntatameri declared her conflict of interest as a member for Munupi Arts.

CARRIED



1.6 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

PLA/52 RESOLUTION

Moved: Thecla Puruntatameri
Seconded: Carol Puruntatameri

That the minutes of the Pirlangimpi Local Authority Meeting held on 13 October 2025 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

PLA/53 RESOLUTION

Moved: Margaret Tipungwuti
Seconded: Carol Puruntatameri

That the following Business Arising from Previous Minutes was discussed and noted as ongoing or completed.

- **Further information required for PLA/44 – Ongoing**
Andrew Warrior to obtain a letter and invoice from the school regarding the contribution.
- **Adjustment to PLA/46 – Ongoing**
Daniel Costa and Rebekah Yunupingu to organise gifts for children in the community, as TITEB will not be conducting the Toy Run this year.
- **Governance training for Members – Completed**
Lauren Davidson has arranged Governance Training for all Local Authority Members to commence at the first meeting next year. PLA noted their training will be held at their next meeting on the 17 March 2026.

CARRIED

3 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

4 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

4.1 Local Authority Finance Report to Pirlangimpi Local Authority as of 30th November 2025

PLA/54 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bernard Pangiraminni
Seconded: Carol Puruntatameri

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority notes this report for information.

CARRIED



5 REPORTS FOR DECISION

5.1.1 Pirlangimpi Local Authority Community Project Funding Report as on 30th November 2025

PLA/55 RESOLUTION

Moved: Margaret Tipungwuti
Seconded: Daniel Costa

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority authorise to close the following project PLA2024-25-5 territory Day at Pirlangimpi

CARRIED

5.1.2 Pirlangimpi Local Authority Community Project Funding Report as on 30th November 2025

PLA/56 RESOLUTION

Moved: Andrew Warrior
Seconded: Rebecca Yunupingu

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority authorise to close the following project PLA2025/26-2 Tiwi Cultural Festival_FY25-26

CARRIED

5.1.3 Pirlangimpi Local Authority Community Project Funding Report as on 30th November 2025

PLA/57 RESOLUTION

Moved: Joseph Gideon Pangiraminni
Seconded: Daniel Costa

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority:

- 1. Reviews and updates the Approved Projects Summary as on 30th November 25.**
- 2. Notes the funding allocations.**

CARRIED

5.2 Pirlangimpi Local Authority Nomination for Takaringuwi (Male) Skin Group Vacancy

PLA/58 RESOLUTION

Moved: Andrew Warrior
Seconded: Daniel Costa

That the Local Authority members review the application of Gareth Puruntatameri and refer the recommended candidate to the Council Meeting on 12 December 2025.

CARRIED



5.3 Re-advertisement of Pirlangimpi Local Authority Vacancy – Miyartuwi (Male) Skin Group

PLA/59 RESOLUTION

Moved: Andrew Warrior
Seconded: Bernard Pangiraminni

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority:

1. Notes that no nominations were received for the Miyartuwi (Male) skin group vacancy.
2. Approves the re-advertisement of the Miyartuwi (Male) vacancy for a minimum period of twenty-one (21) days.
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to publish and advertise the vacancy through standard community communication channels.

CARRIED

6 OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Other Business

PLA/60 RESOLUTION

Moved: Daniel Costa
Seconded: Margaret Tipungwuti

That the following Other Business items were discussed and noted for review at the next meeting.

- **Tree concerns following Cyclone Fina**
Ongoing concerns were raised regarding trees around the community following Cyclone Fina. Arborists are scheduled to attend the community on 11 and 12 December 2025. Further information on any remaining high-risk trees will be available once the assessment has been completed.
- **Member lockers**
Lauren advised she is investigating the purchase of staff lockers through SBA or Officeworks. It is anticipated that lockers will be ordered and delivered prior to the next PLA meeting scheduled for 17 March 2026.
- **Community BBQ project PLA-25/26-5**
Members agreed that the project titled *Community BBQ – New Year 2026* will instead be held as a combined Christmas and New Year community event. The event will take place on a date between the Christmas and New Year holiday period.

CARRIED

7 NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 17 March 2026.

8 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 12:40 pm.

2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

ITEM NUMBER: 2.1
TITLE: Business Arising from Previous Meeting
AUTHOR: Lauren Davidson, Executive Assistant / Acting Governance Coordinator

Summary

This report provides the Pirlangimpi Local Authority with an update on outstanding resolutions and actions from previous meetings.

The attached Action Tracker outlines the status of each item and identifies which matters are complete and ready for formal closure, and which remain in progress pending confirmation or acquittal.

BACKGROUND

Resolutions from previous Pirlangimpi Local Authority meetings required follow-up action, including funding allocations, operational matters and community initiatives.

While some actions may have been completed operationally, formal closure by the Local Authority is required before they are removed from the Action Tracker.

Other items may remain in progress pending confirmation from responsible areas including Finance, Infrastructure and Community Engagement.

Recommendation

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority:

- 1. Receives and notes the Business Arising – Action Tracker Update report.**
- 2. Reviews the attached Action Tracker.**
- 3. Formally closes completed items as endorsed at this meeting.**

Attachments

1. PLA – Action Tracker

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Pirlangimpi Local Authority – Action Tracker

As at 10 March 2026

Outstanding Resolutions and Actions

Meeting Date	Ref / Resolution	Action / Decision	Amount	Responsible Area	Status	Due Date	Comments / Update	Closure
17-Jun-25	GB	Confirm location of asbestos in Pirlangimpi Library	N/A	Community Engagement	Pending Update	Mar-26	Community Engagement Manager to confirm where asbestos is located in the library and advise members.	
17-Jun-25	GB	Provide detailed report on \$830,000 roadworks expenditure	N/A	Finance / Infrastructure	Completed	Oct-25	Confidential report presented to PLA in October 2025 outlining roadworks expenditure.	Recommend closure
17-Jun-25	GB	Clarify responsibility for maintenance of toilets outside the creche	N/A	Infrastructure	In Progress	Mar-26	Members requested confirmation of which organisation is responsible for maintenance of the toilets.	
23-Sep-25	PLA/44	Contribution to Pularumpi School swimming trip	\$ 1,200.00	Finance	In Progress	Mar-26	Awaiting letter and invoice from the school confirming the trip before payment can be processed.	
23-Sep-25	PLA/46	Contribution to Christmas Toy Run / community children gifts	\$ 2,000.00	PLA Members	Completed	Mar-26	Toys were purchased and distributed to community children on Christmas Eve.	Recommend closure
9-Dec-25	GB	Governance training for Local Authority members	N/A	Governance	In Progress	Mar-26	Training scheduled to be delivered during the PLA meeting on 17 March 2026.	
9-Dec-25	Other Business	Tree concerns following Cyclone Fina	N/A	Infrastructure	Pending Update	Mar-26	Arborists attended community on 11–12 December 2025 to assess high-risk trees. Awaiting confirmation if further works	
9-Dec-25	Other Business	Member lockers for Local Authority members	TBC	CEO	In Progress	Mar-26	Lockers being investigated for purchase through SBA or Officeworks. Need to know how much PLA want to spend.	
9-Dec-25	PLA-25/26-5	Community BBQ project (Christmas / New Year event)	\$ 2,000.00	PLA Members	Completed	Mar-26	Event held over the Christmas / New Year period for the community.	Recommend closure

Status Definitions

Not Started – Action has not yet commenced

In Progress – Action underway

Awaiting External Party – Dependent on third party

Completed – Action completed and awaiting formal closure

Closed – Formally closed by resolution of the Local Authority

3 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

ITEM NUMBER: 3.1
TITLE: Governance Training for Local Authority Members
AUTHOR: Lauren Davidson, Executive Assistant / Acting Governance Coordinator

Summary

This report is provided to the Local Authority for Members to consider and accept a guest presenter, Karen Hocking from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development, to deliver Governance Training.

The Local Authorities training includes three short courses, each taking approximately 15 minutes to complete. The courses cover Roles and Responsibilities, Conflicts of Interest, and the Code of Conduct.

Recommendation

That the Local Authority accepts Karen Hocking from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development to deliver Governance Training to Members.

Attachments

Nil

3 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

ITEM NUMBER:	3.2
TITLE:	Australian Bureau of Statistics – 2026 Census Presentation
AUTHOR:	Lauren Davidson, Executive Assistant / Acting Governance Coordinator

Summary

A request has been received from representatives of the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) seeking to attend Tiwi Islands Regional Council and Local Authority meetings to provide a presentation regarding the 2026 Census.

The purpose of the presentation is to:

- discuss the upcoming 2026 Census
- explain the Census process
- outline employment opportunities for local residents during the Census period

The presentation will provide information to Council and Local Authority members and allow time for questions from members.

The presenter has indicated that the presentation will take approximately 10–15 minutes, plus time for questions, with a maximum duration of approximately 30 minutes.

Recommendation

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority:

- 1. Receives the presentation regarding the 2026 Census; and**
- 2. Notes the information provided regarding Census processes and employment opportunities.**

Attachments

Nil

3 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

ITEM NUMBER:	3.3
TITLE:	Presentation – Dani Eveleigh (DNA People & Culture / Charles Darwin University Research Project)
AUTHOR:	Lauren Davidson, Executive Assistant / Acting Governance Coordinator

Summary

Ms Dani Eveleigh from DNA People & Culture has requested to attend the Pirlangimpi Local Authority meeting to provide information regarding a research project being undertaken in partnership with Charles Darwin University (CDU).

Participation in the study is voluntary and will involve activities such as short surveys, individual discussions (“yarns”) or small group discussions with adult participants only. No children will be involved in the research process.

The presentation will provide an overview of the research and give Local Authority members an opportunity to ask questions or provide feedback regarding community engagement.

Recommendation

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority:

- 1. Receives the presentation from Ms Dani Eveleigh regarding the respectful relationships research project being undertaken with Charles Darwin University; and**
- 2. Provides feedback on community engagement for the research project within the Tiwi Islands.**

Attachments

1. CDU HREC Participant Information Sheet and Consent form [3.3.1 - 6 pages]
2. s179522 Elder Community Member Questionnaire [3.3.2 - 3 pages]
3. ATSIRA Research Agreement DFSV Tiwi Jan26 [3.3.3 - 6 pages]

Participant Information Sheet

(This is yours to keep for reference)

Research Title:	Strengthening Respectful Relationships on Tiwi Country: Exploring the Role of Early Education Programs in Preventing Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence.
Principal Investigator:	Professor Ruth Wallace. CDU Research Supervisor, College of Indigenous Futures, Education and the Arts
Researcher(s):	Dani Eveleigh, BA Honours Student.

Thank you for your interest in participating in this research project. Please read the following information about the project so that you can decide whether you would like to take part in this research. Please feel free to ask any questions you might have about your involvement in the project.

If you decide to participate in this research, please keep in mind that your participation is voluntary. If you do not wish to take part, you do not have to. If you decide to take part and later change your mind, you are free to stop at any time, and you would not need to give any explanation for your decision to stop participating. If you choose to stop participating, your data will not be used in the research.

You will be given the Participant Information Sheet to read and Consent Form to sign, and you will be given a copy to keep. Your decision whether you take part, or not to take part, or to take part and then withdraw, will not affect your relationship with Charles Darwin University.

What is this research about?

This research aims to evaluate the impact of two trauma-informed, culturally sensitive educational programs, examples of respectful relationships education programs delivered in remote Aboriginal communities, particularly on the Tiwi Islands. These programs aim to reduce domestic, family, and sexual violence (DFSV) and harmful alcohol use by educating young people about consent, coercion, healthy relationships, and community safety.

The study will explore behavioural change and community perceptions using surveys, interviews, and focus groups, as well as data trends such as police statistics.

For more information about the study contact: Dani Eveleigh on mobile 0400 268 012 or email dani_eveleigh@hotmail.com

Study aim and objectives:

This research aims to explore the strengths, needs, and future directions of early education programs that focus on preventing domestic, family, and sexual violence (DFSV) in remote Aboriginal communities, with a focus on the Tiwi Islands. The study will gather insights from community members, educators, Elders, and facilitators involved in delivering or supporting these programs. By listening to local voices and experiences, the research seeks to understand what is working well, what challenges exist, and how early intervention and respectful relationship education can better support children, families, and the wider community.

The overall goal is to support safe, culturally strong, and sustainable approaches that reflect the values and priorities of the Tiwi people.

What are the possible benefits of taking part?

By sharing your thoughts, you'll help us understand how early education can support respectful relationships and make the community safer for young people and families. Your voice may help shape how these programs grow, improve, or receive funding in the future. This work could also support other communities across the NT.

What are the possible risks and disadvantages of taking part?

Some topics we talk about may be sensitive or bring up strong feelings. You can skip any question, stop at any time, or choose not to be involved. Support from local counsellors or staff will be available if needed.

What is the project about?

This study looks at how early education can help prevent domestic, family, and sexual violence (DFSV) in the Tiwi Islands. We'll talk with adults, like Elders, educators, and community members who want to share their thoughts. We'll have yarns (interviews or small group talks) to hear your ideas. No young people will be part of this study.

If you agree, the conversations may be audio recorded, written down, and grouped into themes to help understand the big messages. A summary will be shared with the community, and we'll also share the results (with permission) in academic reports or presentations.

All data will be stored safely and will follow Aboriginal-led research principles. The Tiwi community will have ownership over what is shared.

What will I need to do?

You're invited to take part because of your connection to respectful relationships education in the community. If you choose to be involved, you might:

- Fill out a short survey before or after a program
- Have a one-on-one yarn (15 minutes)
- Join a small group yarn (2–3 people, about 45 minutes)

You don't have to do all of these—only the parts you feel comfortable with. It's completely voluntary and won't be paid, but your time is appreciated. We'll meet at a place and time that works best for you.

What will happen to the information about me?

All information you share will remain completely confidential and anonymous. I will not use your name or anyone else's name in the research findings. All notes, consent forms, and surveys will be stored securely. Stored documents will be physically in a locked cabinet and digitally on a password-protected device. Data will be stored for 5 years as per CDU policy and then securely destroyed.

It is anticipated that the results of this research project will be published and/or presented in a variety of forms. In any publication and/or presentation, information will be provided in such a way that you cannot be identified, except with your expressed permission.

The research may be published in academic journals and other publications and presented at conferences. We will also be asking your permission to use your data in other projects. This allows us or other researchers to use what you have said in interviews and in your digital story at other times rather than having to speak to you again. You do not have to give this permission. If you choose not to, your data would be destroyed after 5 years as is standard practice in other research projects.

What will happen if I decide to withdraw?

Your participation is free and voluntary. You may withdraw your consent and data at any time up until the point of de-identification or the commencement of data analysis. After that point, withdrawal may not be possible due to aggregation and anonymisation of data.

Can I hear about the results of this research?

I will use information collected in the interviews and surveys for my BA Honours thesis that will be published. I will share a summary of the published document with the Tiwi Land Council and community via a small group meeting. A plain-English summary will also be provided to participants upon request.

Who can I contact if I have any concerns about the project?

This project is being managed by Professor Ruth Wallace Faculty of Indigenous Futures, Education and Arts at Charles Darwin University. If you would like more information before you decide to participate, please contact Professor Wallace by email ruth.wallace@cdu.edu.au. You may also contact myself, student researcher, Dani Eveleigh on 0400 268 012 or email dani_eveleigh@hotmail.com. You may use these details at any time during the project, if you need information or wish to withdraw.

This project has been approved by the Charles Darwin University Human Research Ethics Committee ID number EC00154. The project ethics approval number is Hxxxxx. If you have any questions or concerns that you do not want to direct to the researcher, you are invited to contact the Charles Darwin University Research Integrity and Ethics team on (08) 8946 6063, on the toll-free number, 1800 466 215 or by email, humanethics@cdu.edu.au.

The Research Integrity and Ethics team can pass on any concerns to the Charles Darwin University Human Research Ethics Committee (CDU-HREC) and appropriate officers within the University.

Support Pathways

We understand that talking about issues like family violence, community wellbeing, or personal experiences may sometimes feel uncomfortable or bring up strong emotions. If you feel upset or would like to talk to someone during or after the project, we want you to know that support is available. You do not have to share anything you are not comfortable with. If at any point you feel distressed or wish to stop participating, you can take a break or withdraw without any penalty.

Support Services Include:

- **Tiwi Health Service Counsellors**
- **Strong Women’s Program / Community Elders**
- **Northern Territory Mental Health Access Line** – 1800 682 288
- **1800RESPECT (24/7 National Counselling Service)** – 1800 737 732
- **Lifeline** – 13 11 14
- **Kids Helpline** (for under 25s) – 1800 55 1800

Thank you for considering taking part in this research
Professor Ruth Wallace and Ms Dani Eveleigh

Consent Form

Project Title - Evaluating Early Education on Respectful Relationships and DFSV Prevention in the Tiwi Islands. A case study on 'respectful relationships education' and 'respectful relationships education' youth programs
 Researcher - Dani Eveleigh

	Yes ✓	No ✗
I have read (or had read to me) the Plain English Information Sheet which explains what this research project is about, and I understand it.		
I have had a chance to ask questions about the project, and I am comfortable with the answers that I have been given. I know that I can ask more questions whenever I like.		
I have volunteered to participate in the research. I know that I do not have to participate in it if I don't want to. I agree to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete a brief survey before and after participating in the program • Participate in an individual interview (approx. 15 minutes) • Participate in a focus group with 2-3 of your peers (approx. 45 minutes) 		
I know that I do not have to answer every question if I do not feel comfortable, or for any reason.		
I know that I am free to withdraw at any time. If I do withdraw, there will be no bad consequences for me.		
If I withdraw, I understand that none of the information I have given can be used in the research.		
I understand that the information I share during the interview is anonymous and will be kept confidential and secure.		
I know that I won't get paid for participating in the research project.		

I have read this Consent Form and been provided a copy of the Participant Information Sheet, and I agree with it

Signed by the research participant: _____

Name of the research participant: _____

Date _____

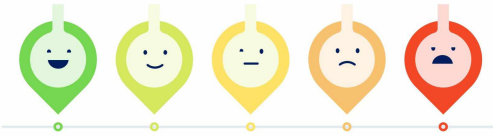
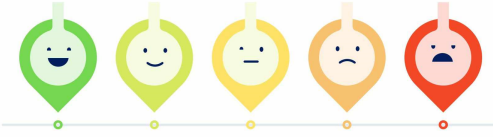
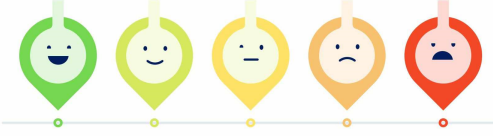
RECORDING ORAL CONSENT where applicable

I have had the Plain English Information Sheet read to me, which explains what this research project is about, and I understand it.



Yes, I confidently understand what was read to me and am happy	Yes, I mostly understand what was read to me and am happy	I think I understand what was read to me	I understand what was read to me but need more information	I did not understand what was read to me and need it explained more
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<p>I have had the Plain English Information Sheet read to me by the researcher, Dani Eveleigh which explains what this research project is about, and I understand it.</p>	
<p>I have had a chance to ask questions about the project, and I am comfortable with the answers that I have been given. I know that I can ask more questions whenever I like.</p>	
<p>I have volunteered to participate in the research. I know that I do not have to participate in it if I don't want to. I agree to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete a brief survey before and after participating in the program Participate in an individual interview (approx. 15 minutes) Participate in a focus group with 2-3 of your peers (approx. 45 minutes) 	

<p>I know that I do not have to answer every question if I do not feel comfortable, or for any reason.</p>	
<p>I know that I am free to withdraw at any time. If I do withdraw, there will be no bad consequences for me.</p>	
<p>If I withdraw, I understand that none of the information I have given can be used in the research.</p>	
<p>I know that the researchers will keep my information confidential so far as the law allows.</p>	
<p>I know that I won't get paid for participating in the research project.</p>	

Signature of the research participant: _____

Name of the research participant: _____

Oral consent conducted by *[insert researcher name]* _____

Date and time _____

[for researcher]

The participant had an opportunity to ask questions and understood the information read to them. The participant completed the above table as part of the consent process:

Yes No

Elder / Community Member Questionnaire

Guide to Researcher

- Consent must be obtained prior to commencement of the interview.
- Allow time for informal conversation and time to gain trust and respect.
- Use visual aids and/or interpreter where required.
- Sessions may be one-on-one or in small group of 2-3 people.
- Ensure the setting is culturally appropriate to hold the discussion. Female and Male Elders met with separately
- Participants must be reminded of their right to withdraw at any time.
- Use plain language throughout the discussion.
- Acknowledge cultural safety and emphasise confidentiality and no judgment.
- Only handwritten notes to be taken.

Purpose and Introduction

Strengthening Respectful Relationships on Tiwi Country: Learning from Elders and Community Voices.

This research is about listening to Tiwi Elders and community members who want to share their thoughts, experiences, and hopes for young people in the Tiwi Islands. You don't have to have been involved in any previous program to take part. Everyone's voice matters.

We are exploring how early education programs can support children and communities to build strong, respectful relationships and prevent domestic, family and sexual violence (DFSV). Your perspective will help make sure that future programs are safe, culturally strong, and designed in ways that reflect Tiwi values and priorities.

You are invited to take part because you have valuable knowledge to share about young people, community safety, and what works best on Tiwi Country.

- This is your choice – you can take part if you want to.
- You don't need to have worked on the programs before – everyone's story matters.
- You can skip questions – it's okay to say "I don't know" or "I'd rather not answer".
- What you share will be private – your name won't be used in reports or shared without permission.
- You can stop at any time – you can choose to leave the project at any point, or take a break.
- You will be kept informed – once the research is finished, you'll receive a short summary of what we found.

If you have questions or feel unsure at any time, please talk to the researcher or call the project supervisor (their contact details are on your information sheet).

You may withdraw your consent and data at any time up until the point of de-identification or the commencement of data analysis. After that point, withdrawal may not be possible due to aggregation and anonymisation of data.

Questions:

1. What does a respectful relationship mean to you?

2. What do you think young people in the Tiwi Islands need to learn or talk about to help stop family violence in the future?

3. Do you think respectful relationships education would help young people understand personal respect and safety?

4. What parts of respectful relationships education would you like to see for young people?

5. What is the best way to teach young people about respect and safety in a way that makes sense for Tiwi kids?

6. Are you aware of other programs for young people?

7. Can you tell me things that worked in other programs?

8. Do you think the whole community would support these types of programs for young people?



Establishing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Research Agreement

Charles Darwin University is committed to ensuring research undertaken with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and communities is safe, respectful, responsible, high quality and of benefit to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and communities.

In keeping with the guidance from the NHMRC on research with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and communities (2018), it is important for researchers to have a negotiated agreement with all relevant Peoples, organisations and communities so that each party fully understands what is expected from them and each other.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and communities have the right to seek advice and ask for help to negotiate agreements. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and communities also have the right to expect negotiation of a new agreement if anything substantial changes in the project.

Research agreements are important because they provide protection for organisations and communities involved in the research and for researchers and research institutions. Agreements should be a collaborative process with all parties working together in the development of the agreement.

Agreements should include how researchers, organisations and communities will work together respectfully, define roles and responsibilities throughout the research process, identify conflict resolution and complaint processes, outline communication and dissemination strategies and outline the protection of any intellectual property.

Such agreements will vary in format, formality and complexity, depending on the characteristics of each research project. However, the agreement should be comprehensive and cover all aspects of the research, incorporating ethical standards appropriate when working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. In some cases (such as research resulting in commercial products) further legal documents will likely be required.

A research agreement might include (but is not limited to):

- aim of the research
- names of researchers and research institution/s
- funding details
- benefit to the participants and broader Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander population
- commitment of the researchers and the participating organisations and communities
- copyright and intellectual property management
- clarification of roles and responsibilities of researchers and participating organisations and communities
- informed consent process
- data collection, ownership, analysis and storage
- strengthening capacity strategy
- communication and media strategy
- dissemination process, including to communities and key stakeholders

For further information on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander research agreements, please refer to the NHMRC publication [Keeping research on track II](#).



Research Agreement Title:

Research Agreement for Respectful Early Education Program on DFSV

Project Title:

Strengthening Respectful Relationships on Tiwi Country: Exploring the Role of Early Education Programs in Preventing Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence.

Proposed start date:

21 January 2026

Estimated end date:

TBC

Parties to this agreement:

Dani Eveleigh - Student, Charles Darwin University

Professor Ruth Wallace - CDU Research Supervisor, College of Indigenous Futures, Education and the Arts

Tiwi Islands Land Council - Senior Elder or Community Representative

- CDU Faculty: Principle Investigator Professor Ruth Wallace College of Indigenous Futures, Education and the Arts
- Student Researcher: Dani Eveleigh, Honours Student (Bachelor of Arts), CDU
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander/Australian Indigenous Leaders; community representatives;
- Other partners (if relevant) e.g. community-based organisations, researchers from other universities

Purpose:

This agreement formalises a collaborative partnership between Charles Darwin University, and Tiwi Islands Land Council to ethically conduct community-engaged research into the potential benefits of early education programs on preventing domestic, family, and sexual violence (DFSV). All parties commit to respectful, reciprocal, and culturally safe practices grounded in the AIATSIS Code of Ethics and NHMRC guidelines.

This negotiated agreement supports ethical conduct of research with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and communities. The research agreement certifies that each party fully understands what is expected from them and each other. Research agreements are important because they provide protection for organisations and communities involved in the research and for researchers and research institutions.

The agreement should represent a collaborative process, involving all parties working together to produce a fair plan for the conduct and reporting of research that has merit and integrity and is beneficial, respectful and sensitive to the culture, values and beliefs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and communities.

The Research Study/Project:

This research does not evaluate any specific education program but instead examines the perceived value and community-led principles of early education as a strategy for preventing DFSV and alcohol harm.

The study is community-led and honours Tiwi ways of knowing, being, and doing. Using qualitative methods, the project will gather insights from adult participants, including Tiwi Elders, community members, and program facilitators with experience in delivering respectful relationships and wellbeing programs in remote communities.



Regular updates, summary findings, and final report shared with Tiwi Islands Land Council and Elders.
Academic publications with community co-authorship where appropriate.

The background justification and purpose of this research project

This research project explores the role and cultural relevance of early education programs that aim to build respectful relationships and prevent domestic, family, and sexual violence (DFSV) in remote Aboriginal communities, with a focus on the Tiwi Islands. Rooted in the community's strong tradition of local leadership and proactive responses to social challenges, the study responds to growing interest from Tiwi educators and community members in embedding culturally safe, age-appropriate, and community-led approaches to violence prevention within school settings.

While the programs "I Respect" and "Girl Speak"—delivered at Tiwi College since 2023—are examples of structured initiatives in this space, the study is not limited to evaluating these programs alone. Instead, it takes a broader view of early education as a protective factor and seeks to understand how programs can reflect Tiwi ways of knowing, being, and doing to promote healthy relationships and community safety from an early age.

The research will explore:

- Local perspectives on the relevance, strengths, and limitations of respectful relationships education as a DFSV prevention strategy;
- The perceived impact of current approaches and programs;
- Opportunities to adapt, co-design, or expand educational initiatives to align with Tiwi priorities and cultural values.

The project will be guided by Tiwi community voices, including adult educators, facilitators, and community leaders, and contributes to the national evidence base for community-based DFSV prevention in remote Aboriginal communities.

The project aligns with Closing the Gap targets, the National Plan to End Violence Against Women and Children, and prioritises First Nations-led, place-based solutions that centre cultural authority and local leadership.

Anticipated Benefits for the Tiwi Community

This research project is designed to deliver practical, community-driven benefits that support the Tiwi Islands' ongoing efforts to create safe, culturally grounded learning environments. By focusing on early education as a strategy for domestic, family, and sexual violence (DFSV) prevention, the project aligns with Tiwi values and community priorities. It contributes to stronger evidence for local decision-making and supports the expansion of Tiwi-led programs that foster respectful relationships from an early age.

Strengthening Community-Based Prevention

Through respectful engagement with Tiwi educators, facilitators, Elders, and community members, the research will document local perspectives on the value of early education in DFSV prevention. It will highlight the cultural strengths already embedded in practice and contribute to a broader evidence base that recognises the expertise of remote Aboriginal communities in addressing complex social issues.



Supporting Local Educators and Enabling Future Investment

Research findings will be used to celebrate and affirm the work of Tiwi educators, while also supporting future planning and funding. These outputs may inform Tiwi College and Tiwi Islands Regional Council submissions for program investment, policy development, or service delivery design ensuring that decisions are informed by locally sourced evidence and community voices.

Community Responsibilities and Engagement

The research will partner with the Tiwi community, who hold an active role in guiding the scope, methodology, and interpretation of findings. Community members are engaged not as participants only, but as co-creators and cultural authorities. Their responsibilities include identifying key knowledge holders, advising on cultural protocols, and reviewing materials prior to publication. This ensures that the research reflects community expectations and values at every stage.

Community Control and Knowledge Ownership

Community control is a core principle of this project. The Tiwi community retains ownership of cultural knowledge shared throughout the study, with all data managed in accordance with community wishes and ethical guidelines. CDU formally recognises Tiwi intellectual property rights and cultural authority. Research outputs will not be published or presented without community review and approval. Data will be stored securely at CDU, with access available to the Tiwi community upon request, and all findings will be shared in a culturally respectful and accessible format.

Commitment to Co-Design, Capacity Building and Culturally Responsive Research

This project upholds a strong commitment to co-design, local capacity-building, and meaningful engagement. Where appropriate, community contributors will be acknowledged. The research team will work to ensure outputs are appropriate, beneficial, and reflective of Tiwi values. Culturally safe qualitative methods such as yarning interviews with adults only will be used, with no children involved in the data collection process.

Informed Consent Process

A culturally appropriate informed consent process will be used, including:

- Verbal explanations using plain language and/or local language interpreters as needed.
- Provision of a plain-language information sheet outlining the study purpose, procedures, risks, benefits, and data usage.
- Participants will have time to ask questions and consult with family or Elders before consenting.
- Written consent will be sought where appropriate, but participants may also provide audio-recorded verbal consent if preferred.
- Consent will be ongoing where participants may withdraw at any time.

Protection of Participant Identity and Confidentiality

Participants' identities will be protected by:

- Using pseudonyms or de-identified descriptors in all documentation.
- Providing participants the choice to be named or acknowledged (with consent).
- Ensuring data (audio recordings, transcripts, notes) are stored securely on password-protected devices and encrypted university systems.



- Group data (e.g., themes from yarning circles) will be presented in ways that avoid traceable attribution.

Plan of Analysis

Analysis will follow a thematic approach, using:

- Manual coding of transcripts to identify key themes.
- Collaborative sense-making with cultural advisors and, where appropriate, participant feedback to ensure meaning is not lost.
- Indigenous ways of knowing (e.g., relationality, context, reciprocity) will guide interpretation.
- Draft themes may be shared with community stakeholders for validation and refinement.

Data interpretation will prioritise community meaning-making and lived experience, not just academic framing.

Data Ownership, Confidentiality and Access

All research data including transcripts, audio recordings, field notes, and interpretive materials will be securely stored in accordance with CDU's research data management requirements. Access will be limited to the research team, with Tiwi community access provided on request and in accordance with cultural protocols. Data will not be shared beyond the project without further consent and community approval. In alignment with the AIATSIS Code of Ethics, *Keeping Research on Track II*, and the local partnership agreement with Tiwi Islands Regional Council, all data will be jointly owned by the Tiwi community and the researcher, ensuring ongoing community control and authority over cultural knowledge and use of information.

Methods and timescale for communication of project progress and outcomes to participants, the community, scientific/academic communities

The researcher is committed to regular, transparent communication with both the Tiwi community and academic audiences.

Community updates will occur at key milestones (pre-recruitment, data collection completion, preliminary findings, and final reporting). These will take the form of:

- In-person briefings with Tiwi Land Council
- Summary posters, visual maps, or yarning circle presentations in plain English

Academic outputs will include:

- An Honours thesis submitted to Charles Darwin University
- Possible publication of peer-reviewed articles (co-authored where appropriate)
- Conference presentations that will not disclose identifiable community data without consent

Timeframe:

Data collection and early analysis: January 2026

Final reporting and feedback: TBC

CDU thesis submission: TBC



Conflict resolution and complaint processes

As per CDU ethics protocol; community-nominated mediator involved if required.

The project will follow a two-tiered process for addressing concerns or complaints:

Local Resolution:

Any concerns raised by participants or community members will be addressed directly and respectfully by the researcher (Dani Eveleigh) in consultation with local Elders, school leadership, or Council representatives.

An open-door policy will be maintained throughout the research to enable real-time feedback and adjustment of methods if needed.

Formal Complaints:

Participants will be provided with CDU's formal complaint procedures and contact details for the Charles Darwin University Human Research Ethics Committee (CDU-HREC).

Community organisations will also be provided with the opportunity to submit any formal feedback via a drafted complaint handling flowchart, to be approved prior to fieldwork commencement.

Signatories to the agreement:

1)

Name Dani Eveleigh

Signature

Date 08/01/2026

Position Researcher

2)

Name

Signature

Date

Position – Tiwi Islands Land Council

3)

Name

Signature

Date

Position

Statement of Commitment by the researcher to the Tiwi Islands community:

Signed:

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4 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NUMBER: 4.1
TITLE: Local Authority Finance Report to Pirlangimpi Local Authority as of 28th February 2026
AUTHOR: Jayesh Vasandani, Chief Finance Officer

Summary

This information is provided for information to the Pirlangimpi Local Authority to report on expenditure incurred by Tiwi Islands Regional Council in Pirlangimpi Region during 1st July 2025 to 28th February 2026.

Background

Council's finance section has prepared report (attached) to be presented to each Local Authority for every meeting. Comments to provide explanation of variations between actual and budgeted amounts that are greater than \$10,000 will be presented to the sitting Local Authority.

Recommendation

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority notes this report for information.

Attachments

1. Finance Report PLA [4.1.1 - 5 pages]

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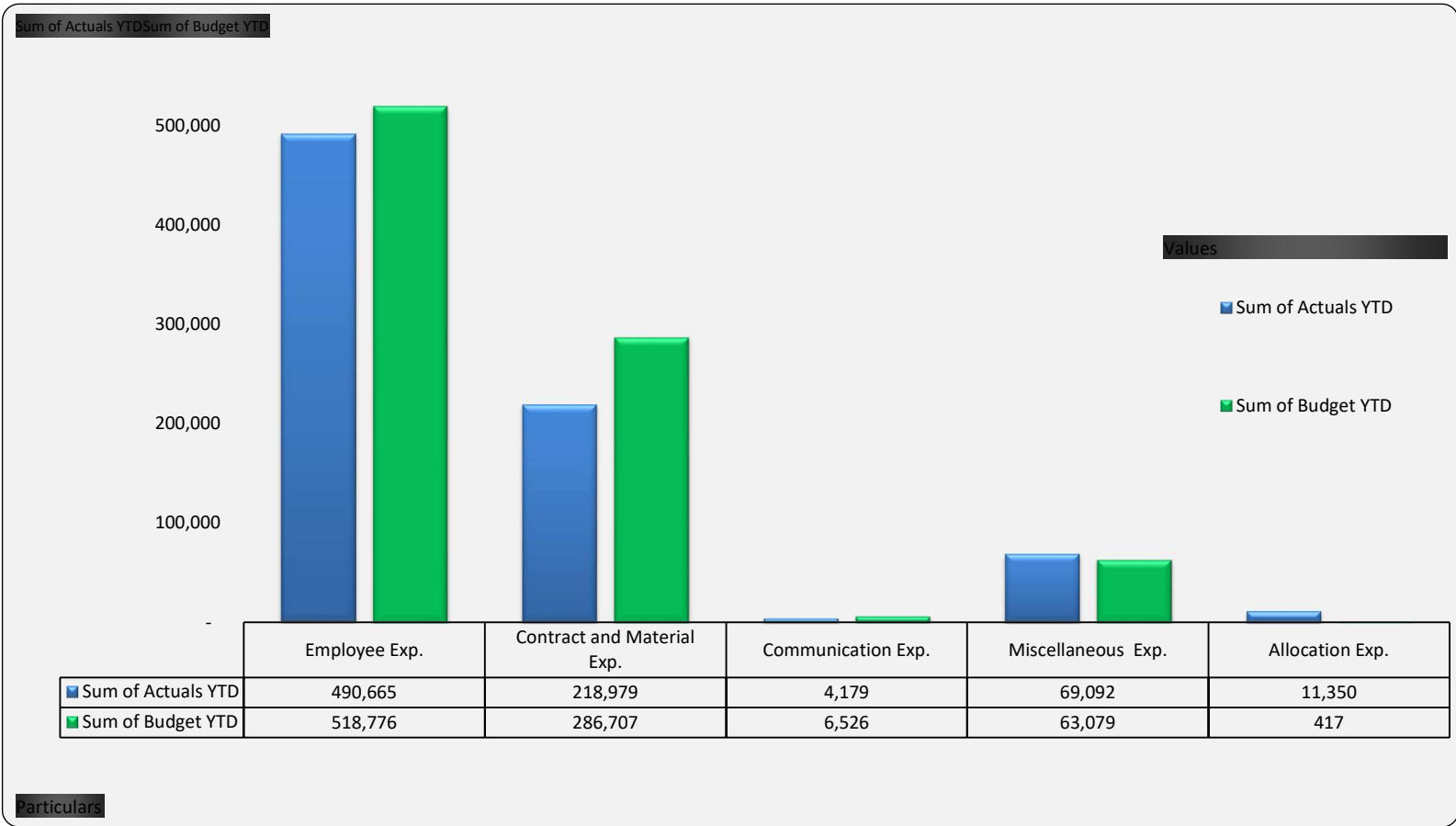
Detailed Line item Level Expense by Local Authority Area- Pirlangimpi Local Authority
as at 28-Feb-2026

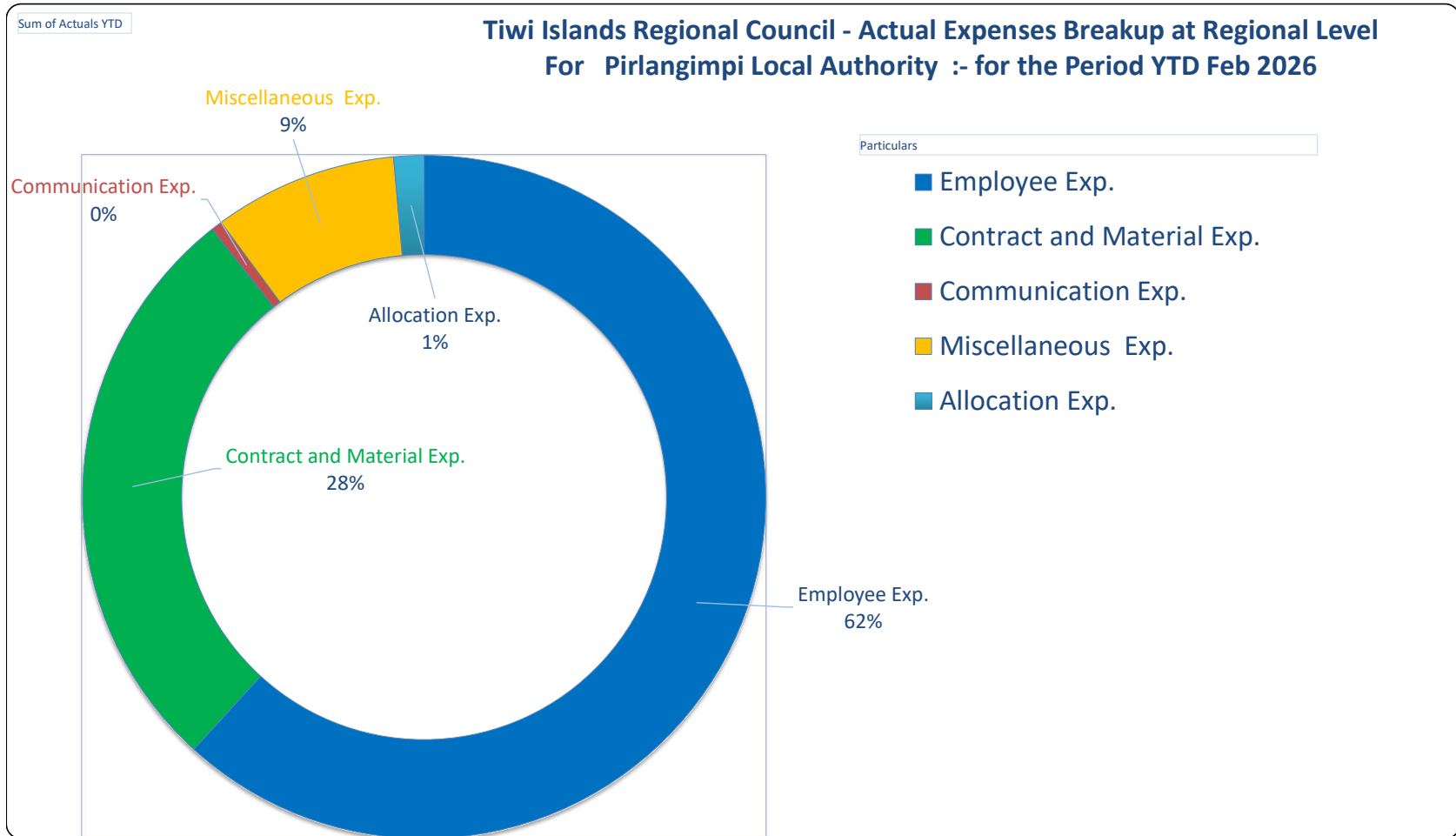


Description	Budget YTD	Actuals YTD	Variance	%		Comments	Annual Budget
Expense by Account Category INCLUDING Allocations and Capital Expense							
Pirlangimpi	875,504	794,265	81,239	9%		Summary report remarks as below	1,438,740
Employee Expenses	518,776	490,665	28,111	5%		Wages underspent reported is minor & basically represents vacancies in Tied areas.	894,787
Contract and Material Expenses	286,707	218,979	67,728	24%		Variance of \$68K is mainly under spent in Tied Funding ~ \$29K & Un Tied Funding ~\$39 K.	437,855
Communication Expenses	6,526	4,179	2,347	36%		Variance of \$2K is basically an underspent expected to catch up in coming months.	9,789
Miscellaneous Expenses	63,079	69,092	(6,013)	(10%)		Out of total \$6K overspent, \$5K is budget already available for Members allowance at Regional Level	94,225
Allocation Expense	417	11,350	(10,933)	##		Admin Fees earned in Tied Grant - TC Fina	2,083
Total INCLUDING Allocations & CapEx	875,504	794,265	81,239	9%			1,438,740

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Pirlangimpi Local Authority	Expenses Breakup at Regional Level
For the Period YTD Feb 2026	Budget Vs Actual Tracker





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Expense by Local Authority Area
as at 28-Feb-2026



Description	Budget YTD	Actuals YTD	Variance	%	Comments	Annual Budget
Expense by Account Category INCLUDING Allocations and Capital Expense						
Pirlangimpi	875,504	794,265	81,239	9%		1,438,740
Employee Expenses	518,776	490,665	28,111	5%	Wages underspent reported is minor & basically represents vacancies in Tied areas.	894,787
120602 (Tied) - Youth Diverson Scheme	0	3,552	(3,552)	(100%)		0
120802 (Tied) - Community Safety - Pirla	62,897	57,344	5,552	9%		115,440
121702 (Tied) - Remote Indegenous Bro	2,733	0	2,733	100%		13,667
108802 (Untied) - Town Services Pirlangi	204,299	195,117	9,182	4%		337,374
119002 (Untied) - Centrelink Pirlangimpi	40,389	39,540	848	2%		62,947
119302 (Untied) - Civil Works Pirlangimp	56,277	48,123	8,154	14%		117,842
119602 (Untied) - Airport Inspection Pirla	5,355	0	5,355	100%		26,775
119702 (Untied) - Mechanical Workshops	67,145	67,405	(260)	(0%)		100,552
131102 (Untied) - Commercial Building S	21,026	20,941	85	0%		33,197
146402 (Untied) - Administration Service	58,655	58,644	11	0%		86,993
Contract and Material Expenses	286,707	218,979	67,728	24%	Variance of \$68K is mainly under spent in Tied Funding ~ \$29K & Un Tied Funding ~\$39 K.	437,855
120802 (Tied) - Community Safety - Pirla	12,430	1,561	10,869	87%		18,645
121002 (Tied) - Active Remote Communi	12,351	8,235	4,117	33%		28,819
121502 (Tied) - Library Pirlangimpi	430	971	(541)	(126%)		645
125002 (Tied) - NIAA - Youth Engageme	33,136	24,704	8,433	25%		49,704
147802 (Tied) - Local Authority Project F	23,248	9,354	13,894	60%		32,374
168002 (Tied) - Public Library Funding 2l	277	0	277	100%		415
176802 (Tied) - Post Fina - Trees Remov	16,193	24,289	(8,096)	(50%)		24,289
103902 (Untied) - Commercial Facilities -	11,087	0	11,087	100%		16,630
104502 (Untied) - ICT Pirlangimpi	417	0	417	100%		625
108802 (Untied) - Town Services Pirlangi	19,927	9,889	10,038	50%		29,890
111502 (Untied) - Street Lighting Pirlang	12,667	0	12,667	100%		19,000
116002 (Untied) - Fuel - Pirlangimpi	16,247	18,860	(2,614)	(16%)		24,370
119102 (Untied) - Waste Management Pi	4,143	3,925	217	5%		6,214
119302 (Untied) - Civil Works Pirlangimp	7,559	6,542	1,016	13%		11,338
119502 (Untied) - Airport Maintenance P	0	38	(38)	(100%)		0
119702 (Untied) - Mechanical Workshops	16,571	15,648	923	6%		24,857
119802 (Untied) - Staff Housing - Pirlang	40,289	34,981	5,308	13%		60,434
120202 (Untied) - Recreation Hall Pirlanç	3,716	3,489	227	6%		5,574
120902 (Untied) - Pirlangimpi Pool	5,443	3,751	1,692	31%		8,165
121402 (Untied) - Facilities Pirlangimpi	7,009	9,617	(2,608)	(37%)		10,513

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Description	Budget YTD	Actuals YTD	Variance	%	Comments	Annual Budget
122202 (Untied) - Transit Accommodatio	5,287	5,203	85	2%		7,931
131102 (Untied) - Commercial Building S	17,377	17,766	(389)	(2%)		26,065
146402 (Untied) - Administration Service	18,514	18,233	281	2%		27,771
147002 (Untied) - Local Authority Pirlang	1,011	682	329	33%		1,517
147102 (Untied) - Regional Council & Ele	277	0	277	100%		415
161902 (Untied) - Container Recycling - I	827	1,240	(414)	(50%)		1,240
167002 (Untied) - X - Mas Celebration - "	277	0	277	100%		415
Communication Expenses	6,526	4,179	2,347	36%	Variance of \$2K is basically under spent expected to catch up in coming months.	9,789
120802 (Tied) - Community Safety - Pirla	2	3	(1)	(35%)		3
147802 (Tied) - Local Authority Project F	384	576	(192)	(50%)		576
103902 (Untied) - Commercial Facilities -	667	909	(242)	(36%)		1,000
108802 (Untied) - Town Services Pirlangi	999	249	750	75%		1,499
116002 (Untied) - Fuel - Pirlangimpi	693	0	693	100%		1,040
119702 (Untied) - Mechanical Workshops	1,696	1,827	(131)	(8%)		2,544
119802 (Untied) - Staff Housing - Pirlang	1,561	256	1,305	84%		2,341
120902 (Untied) - Pirlangimpi Pool	27	0	27	100%		40
146402 (Untied) - Administration Service	497	359	138	28%		746
Miscellaneous Expenses	63,079	69,092	(6,013)	(10%)	Out of total \$6K overspent , \$5K is budget already available for Members allowance at Regional Level	94,225
120802 (Tied) - Community Safety - Pirla	786	786	(0)	(0%)		786
147802 (Tied) - Local Authority Project F	3,245	4,867	(1,623)	(50%)		4,867
176802 (Tied) - Post Fina - Trees Remov	1,165	1,747	(582)	(50%)		1,747
104502 (Untied) - ICT Pirlangimpi	140	0	140	100%		210
119302 (Untied) - Civil Works Pirlangimp	860	0	860	100%		1,290
119702 (Untied) - Mechanical Workshops	8,254	9,047	(793)	(10%)		12,381
131102 (Untied) - Commercial Building S	140	0	140	100%		210
146402 (Untied) - Administration Service	592	263	329	56%		888
147002 (Untied) - Local Authority Pirlang	5,833	5,200	633	11%		8,750
147102 (Untied) - Regional Council & Ele	42,064	47,181	(5,117)	(12%)		63,096
Allocation Expense	417	11,350	(10,933)	(2624%)	Admin Fees earned in Tied Grant - TC Fina	2,083
121702 (Tied) - Remote Indegenous Bro	417	0	417	100%		2,083
176802 (Tied) - Post Fina - Trees Remov	0	11,350	(11,350)	(100%)		0
Total INCLUDING Allocations & CapEx	875,504	794,265	81,239	9%		1,438,740

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5 REPORTS FOR DECISION

ITEM NUMBER: 5.1
TITLE: Pirlangimpi Local Authority Community Project Funding Report as on 28th February 2026
AUTHOR: Jayesh Vasandani, Chief Finance Officer

Summary

To ask the Pirlangimpi Local Authority (PLA) consent to undertake new projects under Local Authority Project Funding (LAPF).

Background

Over the past seven (7) financial years, the Council has received a total of \$403,900 in funding. Of this, the Pirlangimpi Local Authority (PLA) has successfully completed projects valued at \$274,468. In addition, further projects worth \$74,200 have been approved by the PLA and are currently in progress.

The DCMC has confirmed that The LAPF funds must be fully expended within Two (2) years from receipt of the funds or in the case of approved major projects, Four (4) years under new guidelines. Department may request unspent funds to be repaid.

The Approved Projects summary has been updated to highlight the total funding received, Total expenditure, the balance to be spent by financial year and the total available for new Projects.

Issues/Options/Consequences

The status and expenditure of current projects will be discussed with PLA.

To ensure projects are completed in a timely manner it is important that the status of expenditure, including challenges are discussed with PLA Members.

Variations to existing projects and or Projects Scope may be required to ensure Funding Compliance

Recommendation

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority

- 1. Reviews and updates the Approved Projects Summary as on 28 February 2026.**
- 2. Notes the funding allocations.**

Attachments

1. PLA Summary Feb 2026 [5.1.1 - 5 pages]

Pirlangimpi Local Authority Project Funding A/SDC 147802

Summary of available funding as at 28th February 2026

PLAI18-19	2018/19 Grant Funding - must be spent by 30 June 2021	\$57,950
PLAI19-20	2019/20 Grant Funding - must be spent by 30 June 2022	\$57,950
PLAI20-21	2020/21 Grant Funding - must be spent by 30 June 2023	\$57,600
PLAI21-22	2021/22 Grant Funding - must be spent by 30 June 2024	\$57,600
PLAI22-23	2022/23 Grant Funding - must be spent by 30 June 2025	\$57,600
PLAI23-24	2023/24 Grant Funding - must be spent by 30 June 2026	\$57,600
PLAI24-25	2024/25 Grant Funding - must be spent by 30 June 2027	\$57,600

Total Income: = (T.I.)	\$403,900
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Completed Projects - Expenditure as at 28th February 2026

Total of Finished Projects: (F.P.)	274,468	274,468
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Summary of Current Projects - Expenditure as at 28th February 2026

Project Code	Project Name	Expenditure	Budget	Balance
PLA-23/24 - 1	Install Water Taps at the Pirlangimpi Beachfront	\$0	\$13,000	\$13,000
PLA-24/25 - 3	8 (Eight) Park Bench - Tables & Seats	\$17,792	\$35,000	\$17,208
PLA-25/26 - 1	Cemetery Works at Pirlangimpi	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000
PLA-25/26 - 3	Vet Visits 2025-26	\$2,284	\$6,000	\$3,716
PLA-25/26 - 4	Pularumpi School's Swimming Lesson	\$0	\$1,200	\$1,200
PLA-25/26 - 5	Community Barbeque -New Year 2026	\$1,851	\$2,000	\$149
PLA-25/26 - 6	Contribution to TITEB- Christmas Toy Run	\$2,276	\$2,000	(\$276)
Current Projects - (C.P.)		\$ 24,203	\$ 74,200	\$ 49,997
Balance for New Projects = (T.I. less F.P. less C.P.)			\$ 55,232	

Summary of available funding as at 28th February 2026
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	In %	In \$
Total Income: = (T.I.)	100%	\$403,900
Total of Finished Projects: (F.P.)	68%	\$274,468
Budget Allocated on -Continued Projects	18%	\$ 74,200
Total Committed Projects Expenditure (Finished + Current)	86%	\$ 348,668
Total Fund Available to be spent for New projects	14%	\$ 55,232

Detailed Project Listing As on 28th Feb 2026

Pirlangimpi Local Authority Project Funding	A/SDC 147802
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1	PLA-23/24 - 1	Install Water Taps at the Pirlangimpi Beachfront	
	Project Owner	Manager Projects & Contracts	
	Current Status	In Progress	
	Approved Budget	13,000	
	Total Expenditure	-	
Balance to be spent		13,000	

Remarks

2	PLA-24/25 - 3	8 (Eight) Park Bench - Tables & Seats	
	Project Owner	Manager Infrastructure	
	Current Status	In Progress	
	Approved Budget	35,000	
	Total Expenditure	(17,792)	
Balance to be spent		17,208	

Remarks

3	PLA-25/26 - 1	Cemetery Works at Pirlangimpi	
	Project Owner	Manager Projects & Contracts	
	Current Status	In Progress	
	Approved Budget	15,000	
	Total Expenditure	-	
Balance to be spent		15,000	

Remarks

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4 PLA-25/26 - 3		Vet Visits 2025-26
Project Owner	Manager Community Engagement	
Current Status	In Progress >	
Approved Budget	6,000	
Total Expenditure	(2,284)	
Balance to be spent		3,716
Remarks		
5 PLA-25/26 - 4		Pularumpi School's Swimming Lesson
Project Owner	Manager Community Engagement	
Current Status	In Progress >	
Approved Budget	1,200	
Total Expenditure	-	
Balance to be spent		1,200
Remarks		
6 PLA-25/26 - 5		Community Barbeque - New Year 2026
Project Owner	Manager Community Engagement	
Current Status	Completed	
Approved Budget	2,000	
Total Expenditure	(1,851)	
Balance to be spent		149
Remarks		
Projects is completed		
7 PLA-25/26 - 6		Contribution to TITEB- Christmas Toy Run
Project Owner	Manager Community Engagement	
Current Status	Completed	
Approved Budget	2,000	
Total Expenditure	(2,276)	
Balance to be spent		(276)
Remarks		
Projects is completed		

5 REPORTS FOR DECISION

ITEM NUMBER: 5.2
TITLE: ANZAC Day 2026 – Local Authority Responsibility for Hosting and Funding Community Ceremonies
AUTHOR: Thecla Brogan, Communications & Events Officer

Summary

This report seeks a decision for the Local Authority to host and fund the 2026 ANZAC Day ceremony and associated community activities in their community.

This includes responsibility for planning and delivering the ANZAC Day dawn service and any related community gathering, such as a breakfast or barbeque, using Local Authority discretionary funds.

Background

ANZAC Day is a significant community event. In previous years, elements of the ceremony and related activities have been supported by TIRC.

To strengthen local leadership and community ownership, it is proposed that responsibility for hosting ANZAC Day community events sits with the Local Authorities.

Current Situation

Each Local Authority, WLA, MLA and PLA, is proposed to be responsible for:

- Hosting and coordinating the ANZAC Day dawn service
- Hosting any associated community breakfast or barbeque
- Approving and using Local Authority funds to support these activities

TIRC will provide advice or limited logistical support if requested but will not be the lead organiser.

Financial Implications/Budget and Resource Implications

Each Local Authority will approve its own budget from discretionary funds to deliver ANZAC Day activities in their community.

Recommendation

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority:

- 1. Endorses responsibility for hosting, coordinating and funding ANZAC Day 2026 ceremonies and associated community activities.**
- 2. Approves the use of up to \$xx of Local Authority discretionary funds for this purpose.**
- 3. Notes that Tiwi Islands Regional Council will not be the lead organiser of ANZAC Day community events.**

Attachments

Nil

5 REPORTS FOR DECISION

ITEM NUMBER: 5.3
TITLE: Tiwi Cultural Festival 2026 – Financial Contribution
AUTHOR: Heidi Dorn, Acting Chief Executive Officer / Infrastructure Manager

Summary

This report seeks a decision from the Pirlangimpi Local Authority regarding a financial contribution toward the 2026 Tiwi Cultural Festival.

Background

The Tiwi Cultural Festival is scheduled for:

- **Saturday 18 July 2026** – Tiwi Cultural Festival
- **Sunday 19 July 2026** – Tiwi Football Grand Final

In 2024 and 2025, Pirlangimpi Local Authority contributed **\$5,000** toward delivery of the festival weekend.

Tiwi Land Council has indicated it is seeking discussion regarding potential financial support from Council again in 2026.

Current Situation

A contribution amount has not yet been determined.

The Pirlangimpi Local Authority is requested to consider:

- Whether it supports contributing financially to the 2026 Festival; and
- The amount it wishes to recommend for inclusion in Council's budget.

Recommendation

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority approves a financial contribution of a nominated and agreed amount toward the 2026 Tiwi Cultural Festival.

Attachments

Nil

5 REPORTS FOR DECISION

ITEM NUMBER: 5.4
TITLE: Readvertisement of Pirlangimpi Local Authority Vacancy - Miyartuwi (Male) Skin Group
AUTHOR: Lauren Davidson, Executive Assistant / Acting Governance Coordinator

Summary

At the Pirlangimpi Local Authority Meeting held on 9 December 2025, members considered nominations for the Miyartuwi (Male) skin group vacancy on the Pirlangimpi Local Authority.

No nominations were received for this position.

The Local Authority therefore resolved to re-advertise the vacancy to allow additional community members the opportunity to nominate for the position.

To support greater community awareness and participation, it is proposed that the vacancy be advertised for an extended period from 17 March 2026 to 5 June 2026.

Advertising will be undertaken through Council's standard community communication channels, including:

- Community noticeboards
- Council website
- Council social media
- Direct community engagement within Pirlangimpi

Any nominations received will be presented at the Pirlangimpi Local Authority meeting on the 16 June 2026, for consideration and recommendation to Council.

Recommendation

That the Pirlangimpi Local Authority:

- 1. Notes that no nominations were received for the Miyartuwi (Male) skin group vacancy;**
- 2. Approves the re-advertisement of the Miyartuwi (Male) vacancy from 17 March 2026 until 5 June 2026; and**
- 3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to advertise the vacancy through standard Council communication channels.**

Attachments

Nil

6 OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER: 6.1
TITLE: Other Business
AUTHOR: Lauren Davidson, Executive Assistant / Acting Governance Coordinator

Summary

This item provides an opportunity for members to raise any matters not included in the main agenda, including urgent issues, minor updates or anything emerging that requires brief discussion.

Recommendation

That Pirlangimpi Local Authority notes the items raised under Other Business.

7 NEXT MEETING

8 CLOSURE