



**MINUTES OF THE WURRUMIYANGA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE
WURRUMIYANGA COUNCIL BOARDROOM ON TUESDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2026 AT 10:00 AM**

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1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

1.1 Welcome and Opening of Meeting

The meeting opened at 10:14 am.

The Chair welcomed members and guests.

1.2 Present

Chair	Richard Tungatalum	In Person
Member	Savio Timaepatua	In Person
Member	Marie Francis Tipiloura	In Person
Member	Miriam Tipungwuti	In Person
Member	Wayne Pilakui	Teleconferencing
Member	Bradley Tipiloura	In Person
Member	Ronald Tipungwuti	In Person
Councillor	John Ross Pilakui	
Staff		
Acting Chief Executive Officer	Heidi Dorn	In Person
Chief Financial Officer	Jayesh Vasandani	Teleconferencing
Community Engagement Manager	Bill Toy	Teleconferencing
Projects and Contracts Manager	Salman Samee	Teleconferencing
Executive Assistant / Acting Governance Coordinator	Lauren Davidson	Teleconferencing
Governance Admin Officer	Kesara Scrymgour	Teleconferencing
Guests		
Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development	Karen Hocking	In Person
Keep Australia Beautiful Council NT	Heimo Schober	In Person

1.3 Apologies

Apologies from members who were absent from the meeting

WLA/52 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bradley Tipiloura

Seconded: Savio Timaepatua

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority members accept the apology from Bonaventure Timaepatua

CARRIED

1.4 Leave of Absence

Nil

1.5 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff

Nil

1.6 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

1.6.1 Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting held on 11 November 2025

WLA/53 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bradley Tipiloura
Seconded: Ronald Tipungwuti

That the minutes of the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting held on 11 November 2025 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

2.1 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

WLA/54 RESOLUTION

Moved: Marie Francis Tipiloura
Seconded: Miriam Tipungwuti

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority:

1. **Receives and notes the Business Arising – Action Tracker Update report.**
2. **Reviews the attached Action Tracker as at 18 February 2026; and**
3. **Formally closes the following completed actions:**
 - **WLA/46 - Relocation of Card Games**
 - **WLA/47 - Extension of WLA Vacancy Advertisement**

CARRIED

3 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Governance Training for Local Authority Members

WLA/55 RESOLUTION

Moved: Miriam Tipungwuti
Seconded: Marie Francis Tipiloura

That Council accepts George Amegavi from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development to deliver Governance Training to Members.

CARRIED

3.2 Keep Australia Beautiful Council NT

WLA/56 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bradley Tipiloura
Seconded: Savio Timaepatua

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority receives the presentation from Mr Heimo Schober, Chief Executive Officer of Keep Australia Beautiful Council NT, and provides direction on support and approval for the proposed 'Keep Country Beautiful' initiatives, including public place anti-litter signage plus other works, and the submission of a grant application for a public place chilled water bubbler and refill unit.

CARRIED

4 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

4.1 Local Authority Financial Report to Wurrumiyanga Local Authority as of 31st January 2026

WLA/57 RESOLUTION

Moved: Savio Timaepatua
Seconded: Ronald Tipungwuti

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority notes the Local Authority Financial Report as at 31 January 2026 for information and acknowledges that the agenda contains a typographical error, where "Milikapiti" should read "Wurrumiyanga".

CARRIED

5 REPORTS FOR DECISION

5.1 Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Community Project Funding Report as on 31st January 2026

WLA/58 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bradley Tipiloura
Seconded: Savio Timaepatua

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority

1. Reviews and updates the Approved Projects Summary as on 31st January 2026.
2. Notes the funding allocations as on 31st January 2026.

CARRIED

5.2 Post Tropical Cyclone Fina Community Clean-Up Project

WLA/59 RESOLUTION

Moved: Wayne Pilakui
Seconded: Bradley Tipiloura

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority approves the TC Fina community clean-up project amounting to \$60,000

CARRIED

5.3 ANZAC Day 2026 – Local Authority Responsibility for Hosting and Funding Community Ceremonies

WLA/60 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bradley Tipiloura
Seconded: Savio Timaepatua

That the Wurrumiyanga 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 \$2,500 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.**

CARRIED

5.4 Tiwi Cultural Festival 2026 – Financial Contribution

WLA/61 RESOLUTION

Moved: Marie Francis Tipiloura
Seconded: Miriam Tipungwuti

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority approves a financial contribution of \$25,000 toward the 2026 Tiwi Cultural Festival.

CARRIED

5.5 Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Nominations for Takaringuwi (Female) Skin Group & Non-Skin Group Vacancies

WLA/62 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bradley Tipiloura
Seconded: Savio Timaepatua

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority:

- 1. Reviews and approves the applications received for the Takaringuwi (Mullet) Female representative and Non-Skin Group representative positions; and**
- 2. Recommends the successful nominee(s) to Council for formal appointment at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 18 March 2026.**

CARRIED

5.6 Advertisement of Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Vacancy - Wurankuwu (Male) Skin Group

WLA/63 RESOLUTION

Moved: Miriam Tipungwuti
Seconded: Marie Francis Tipiloura

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority:

- 1. Notes the vacancy for the Wurankuwu (Male) representative position; and**
- 2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to advertise the vacancy from Wednesday, 25 February 2026 to Friday, 1 May 2026 in accordance with Council policy.**

CARRIED

6 OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

7 NEXT MEETING

19 May 2026

8 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 2:59 pm.