



**MINUTES OF THE WURRUMIYANGA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE
WURRUMIYANGA COUNCIL BOARDROOM ON MONDAY 18 MAY 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	In Person
Member	Bonaventure Timaepatua	In Person
Member	Bradley Tipiloura	In Person
Member	Ronald Tipungwuti	In Person
Member	Mavis Kerinaiaua	In Person
Member	Gavin Ackland	In Person
Deputy Mayor	Mary Dunn	In Person
Councillor	Jennifer Clancy	In Person
Councillor	John Ross Pilakui	In Person
Staff		
Acting Chief Executive Officer	Heidi Dorn	In Person
Chief Financial Officer	Jayesh Vasandani	In Person
Acting Governance Coordinator	Lauren Davidson	In Person
Community Engagement Manager	Bill Toy	Teleconferencing
Projects and Contracts Manager	Salman Samee	Teleconferencing

1.3 Apologies

Nil

1.4 Leave of Absence

Nil

1.5 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff

WLA/71 RESOLUTION

Moved: Miriam Tipungwuti

Seconded: Mavis Kerinaiaua

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority receive and notes the declarations of interests as listed for the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting held on 18 May 2026.

Richard Tungatalum declared his conflict for item 5.1.2

Bradley Tipiloura declared his conflict for item 5.1.2

Bonaventure Timaepatua declared his conflict for item 5.1.2

Wayne Pilakui declared his conflict for item 5.1.2

Gavin Ackland declared his conflict for item 5.1.2

CARRIED

1.6 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

1.6.1 Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting held on 25 February 2026

WLA/72 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bradley Tipiloura

Seconded: Ronald Tipungwuti

That the minutes of the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting held on 25 February 2026 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

1.6.2 Special Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting held on 25 March 2026

WLA/73 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bradley Tipiloura

Seconded: Ronald Tipungwuti

That the minutes of the Special Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting held on 25 March 2026 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/74 RESOLUTION

Moved: Wayne Pilakui

Seconded: Savio Timaepatua

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority:

- 1. Receives and notes the Outstanding Action Items report; and**
- 2. Reviews the attached Action Tracker and approves completed Action Items for closure.**

CARRIED

3 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Visitors and Presentations - DonateLife NT

WLA/75 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mary Dunn

Seconded: Wayne Pilakui

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority:

1. **Receives and notes the presentation from DonateLife NT regarding organ donation and transplantation awareness.**
2. **Provides guidance regarding culturally appropriate community engagement within the Tiwi Islands community.**
3. **Recommends that DonateLife NT engage with local health clinics and the Tiwi Land Council (TLC) to discuss and coordinate appropriate next steps for engagement within the Tiwi Islands communities.**

CARRIED

4 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

4.1 Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Financial Report as of 30th April 2026

WLA/76 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bradley Tipiloura

Seconded: Wayne Pilakui

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority notes this report for information.

CARRIED

5 REPORTS FOR DECISION

5.1.1 Project WLA 24/25-4 BBQ and Seating Installation at Front Beach

WLA/77 RESOLUTION

Moved: Marie Francis Tipiloura

Seconded: Miriam Tipungwuti

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority:

1. **Endorses the installation of BBQ facilities and concrete seating within the foreshore area.**
2. **Endorses the proposed installation locations.**
3. **Endorses the installation of one BBQ facility and one concrete seating area at each of the proposed locations.**
4. **Notes that the BBQ facilities and seating have already been purchased and received.**

CARRIED

5.1.2 Project WLA 24/25-4 BBQ and Seating Installation at Front Beach

WLA/78 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mavis Kerinaiaua

Seconded: Ronald Tipungwuti

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority:

1. **Accepts the quotation from Bathurst Island Housing Aboriginal Corporation totalling \$9,413 excluding GST.**

2. **Authorises Council to engage Bathurst Island Housing Aboriginal Corporation to undertake the installation works.**
3. **Authorises Council to proceed with the installation works.**

CARRIED

5.2 New Proposed Project – Repairs to Three Walkway Bridges

WLA/79 RESOLUTION

Moved: Wayne Pilakui
Seconded: Savio Timaepatua

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority:

1. **Notes the report.**
2. **Endorses the allocation of \$30,000 funding for repairs to the walkway bridges.**
3. **Endorses the addition of a fourth bridge to the proposed scope of works.**
4. **Endorses the use of metal tread material for the bridge repairs.**
5. **Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to assess and approve the preferred quotation once all requested quotations have been received.**

CARRIED

5.3.1 Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Community Projects Funding Report as on 30th April 2026

WLA/80 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bradley Tipiloura
Seconded: Bonaventure Timaepatua

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority notes the expenditure and approves the closure of Project WLA 24/25-12 Community Christmas Barbeque.

CARRIED

5.3.2 Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Community Projects Funding Report as on 30th April 2026

WLA/81 RESOLUTION

Moved: Wayne Pilakui
Seconded: Ronald Tipungwuti

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority notes the expenditure and approves the closure of Project WLA 25/26-4 ANZAC Day 2026 - Wurrumiyanga.

CARRIED

5.3.3 Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Community Projects Funding Report as on 30th April 2026

WLA/82 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bradley Tipiloura
Seconded: Savio Timaepatua

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority receives, notes and approves the report titled Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Community Projects Funding Report as on 30th April 2026.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 11:55 am.

The meeting resumed at 12:43 pm.

Chairperson Richard Tungatulum left the meeting during the lunch adjournment and did not return. Bradley Tipiloura was appointed Acting Chairperson for the remainder of the meeting.

6 OTHER BUSINESS

6.1.1 Other Business

WLA/83 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mary Dunn
Seconded: Miriam Tipungwuti

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority allocates \$3,500 for a community BBQ during National Reconciliation Week to coincide with the launch of the “Tiwi Hero” World War II children’s picture book.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Other Business

WLA/84 RESOLUTION

Moved: Bonaventure Timaepatua
Seconded: Gavin Ackland

That Wurrumiyanga Local Authority

- 1. Notes the update provided by the Chief Executive Officer regarding the Recreation Hall.**
- 2. Notes concerns raised regarding Night Patrol operations and staffing arrangements.**
- 3. Notes the operational hours for Bathurst Islands (BTI) Night Patrol and the proposed commencement of additional shift arrangements.**
- 4. Requests that the Chief Executive Officer investigate footpath concerns within the community, including from the new church to the airport and around the foreshore area, and provide feedback at the next meeting.**
- 5. Notes the update provided regarding community street signs and repainting of pedestrian crossings.**
- 6. Notes the update provided regarding pothole maintenance within the community.**

CARRIED

7 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Adjournment of Open Meeting at 1:34 pm.

Moved into Confidential Session at 1:34 pm.

WLA/85 RESOLUTION

Moved: Wayne Pilakui

Seconded: Ronald Tipungwuti

That pursuant to Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider a Confidential matter.

CARRIED

At the conclusion of the discussion on the Confidential Item(s), the meeting was reopened and the decision on the Item(s) noted.

The meeting was reopened at 1:36 pm.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM DECISIONS

WLA/87 RESOLUTION

Moved: Marie Francis Tipiloura

Seconded: Miriam Tipungwuti

That the meeting be reopened and the decisions on the Confidential Item(s) be noted.

CARRIED

8 NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 18 August 2026

9 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 1:38 pm.