



Ordinary Council

Business Paper for December 2023

Tuesday, 12 December 2023
Civic Centre

Mayor Matt Paterson
(Chair)

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ALICE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

FOR THE

ORDINARY MEETING OF THE FOURTEENTH COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023

8.30AM (CONFIDENTIAL) & 11.00AM (OPEN), CIVIC CENTRE, ALICE SPRINGS

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29. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

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32. NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 23 January, 2024

33. CLOSING OF OPEN MEETING



Andrew Wilsmore – Chief Executive Officer

Thursday 7 December, 2023

Petitions – Pursuant to Clause 9 of the Alice Springs (Council Meetings and Procedures) By-law where a member presents a petition to a meeting of the council, no debate on or in relation to it shall be allowed and the only motion which may be moved is:

- that the petition be received and consideration stand as an order of the day for the meeting or for a future meeting;
- or the petition be received and referred to a committee or officer for consideration and a report to Council.

Open Minutes of Council – Unconfirmed Open minutes of the meeting and associated reports not prescribed as Confidential, will be available for public inspection within ten days after the meeting pursuant to Section 102 of the Local Government Act 2019.

Notice of Motions by Elected Members – Notice must be given so that it can be included with the Business Paper circulation on the Tuesday prior to the Council meeting. Clause 6 of the By-Law requires that the Notice of Motion shall be included with the Business Paper.

MINUTES OF THE **ORDINARY** MEETING OF THE FOURTEENTH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
28 NOVEMBER 2023 IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, ALICE SPRINGS

14. RESUMPTION OF MEETING IN OPEN

PRESENT

Mayor M. Paterson (Chair)

Deputy Mayor A. Bitar

Councillor M. Banks

Councillor S. Brown

Councillor M. Coffey

Councillor K. Hopper

Councillor E. Melky

Councillor G. Morris

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr A. Wilshire – Chief Executive Officer

Mr J. Andrew – Director Technical Services

Ms N. Battle – Director Community Development

Mr J. McCabe – Acting Director Corporate Services

Mrs K. Sanders – Executive Assistant (Minutes)

Mrs E. Williams – Governance Project Officer (Minutes) (via Zoom)

15. Opening of the Open Meeting by the Mayor (Chair) and Acknowledgement of Country

Mayor Matt Paterson declared the meeting open at **11.00am** and welcomed all present to the meeting.

Mayor Matt Paterson acknowledged the Central Arrernte people who are the traditional owners and custodians of Alice Springs.

Mayor Matt Paterson advised that this meeting is being recorded and will be placed on Council's website. By speaking at a Council meeting, you agree to being recorded. Alice Springs Town Council accepts no liability for any defamatory or offensive remarks or gestures made during the course of this Council meeting.

Media present – ABC Alice Springs

16. PRAYER

Karen Zirinsky – Chabad of Rara

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17. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillor M. Liddle

Moved – Councillor Coffey

Seconded – Councillor Brown

That the apology from Councillor Michael Liddle be received and accepted.

CARRIED (22824)

18. WELCOME

Mayor Paterson welcomed members of the public in the gallery.

19. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

19.1 Tom Shilling – Resident

Mr Shilling asked if Council have a road safety committee, and if so, when do they meet and who sits on the committee

The Mayor responded that Council no longer has a road safety committee as it was operational and that Council have it included in its Strategic Plan to complete a road safety audit.

19.2 Tom Shilling – Resident

Mr Shilling asked if Council checks the qualifications of potential staff or is it taken on face value?

CEO responded that Council undertakes verification of references.

19.3 Tom Shilling – Resident

Mr Shilling asked who signs off on the completed works around town carried out by Council.

CEO responded that it is dependent on internal or external certification. If internal it is the supervisor / team leader and if external it is contract led.

19.4 Tom Shilling – Resident

Mr Shilling asked if Council is aware of the speed limit change to 60km within some parts of the CBD and the corresponding signage and raised concerns around the incorrect installation and lack of speed management signs within the CBD.

The CEO took the question on notice.

19.5 Tom Shilling – Resident

Mr Shilling advised of the misaligned curbing around the CBD.

Director Technical Services advised that these will be rectified and asked that Mr Shilling please provide a list of his concerns so that they can be reviewed and tabled at a subsequent Council meeting.

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19.6 Sally Westaway – Resident

Ms Westaway spoke of her recent experience with criminal behaviour and asked that the community show their gratitude to the police for the great work they are doing.

20. DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF COUNCIL MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Nil

21. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

21.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Open Meeting held on 24 October 2023

Moved – Deputy Mayor Bitar

Seconded – Councillor Morris

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 24 October 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

CARRIED (22825)

21.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

Nil

22. MAYORAL REPORT

22.1 Mayor's Report
Report No. 210 / 23 cncl

Moved – Councillor Morris

Seconded – Councillor Brown

That the Mayor's report be received and noted.

CARRIED (22826)

22.2 Business Arising from the Report

Nil

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23. ORDERS OF THE DAY

23.1 That Elected Members and officers provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.

23.1.1 Councillor Melky – Crime, Law and Order

23.1.2 Councillor Hopper – Tree Maintenance

23.1.3 Councillor Coffey – Verge Stewardship

23.1.4 Councillor Brown – Taxi Availability After Hours

24. MEMORIALS

Nil

25. PETITIONS

Nil

26. NOTICES OF MOTION

26.1 Deputy Mayor Bitar – Alice Springs Art Collection Storage Agreement Review

Moved – Deputy Mayor Bitar

Seconded – Councillor Hopper

1. That the Council review the agreement with Araluen for storage and exhibition of the Alice Springs Art collection and provide a report to Council.

2. That the Council develop a policy for the Alice Springs Art Collection.

CARRIED (22827)

26.2 Business Arising from the Motion

26.2.1 Councillor Coffey – Policy Development

Councillor Coffey asked that as Council develop the policy also consider the National Aboriginal Art Gallery and what that will mean around the Art Collection.

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26.3 Councillor Hopper – Declaration of Buffel Grass as Class A Weed

Moved – Councillor Hopper

Seconded – Mayor Paterson

That Alice Springs Town Council write to the Minister for Environment outlining our concerns with the management of Buffel Grass in the municipality of Alice Springs and request their expert advice on solutions and better practices for management.

CARRIED (22828)

26.4 Business Arising from the Motion

Nil

27. FINANCE

27.1 Finance Report
Report No. 206 / 23 cncl

Moved – Councillor Morris

Seconded – Councillor Banks

That this report be received and noted.

CARRIED (22829)

27.2 Business Arising from the Report

27.2.1 Deputy Mayor Bitar – Replacement of Swings in Parks

Deputy Mayor Bitar what parks are due to have their swings replaced.

Director Technical Services took the question on notice.

27.2.2 Councillor Coffey – Interest and Investment Earnings

Councillor Coffey asked why the interest and investment earnings do not match in the reports.

Director Corporate Services took the question on notice.

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28. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

28.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

28.1.1 CEO Report
Report No. 209 / 23 cncl

Moved – Councillor Hopper
Seconded – Councillor Melky

1. **That this report be received and noted.**
2. **That Council approve the CEO applying for membership of the Local Government Chief Officers Group and associated attendance requirements.**

CARRIED (22830)

28.1.2 Business Arising from the Report
Nil

28.1.3 Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program
Report No. 217 / 23 cncl

Moved – Councillor Morris
Seconded – Councillor Coffey

Council resolve applying to the Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program for a grant to develop a Master Plan for the Alice Springs Central Business District.

CARRIED (22831)

28.1.4 Business Arising from the Report
Nil

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28.2 CORPORATE SERVICES

28.2.1 End of Year Financial Position and First Budget Revision 2023/24

Report No. 218 / 23 cncl

Item transferred from Confidential Agenda item 9.2.1

Moved – Councillor Coffey

Seconded – Deputy Mayor Bitar

1. That the report entitled End of Year Financial Position and First Budget Revision Report be received and noted.
2. That Council adopt the amendments to the budget as summarised in Attachment 2 and detailed in Attachment 3, pursuant to section 203 (2) of the Local Government Act 2019, and that the appropriate budget adjustments be made to transfer \$7,699,146 to reserves for asset renewal purposes as reflected in the report and attachment 9 (Reserve Funds listing).
3. That Council adopt the carried forward funding listed in Attachment 1, totaling \$5,811,796 (\$4,955,309 capital and \$856,487 for operational).
4. That Council endorse the Allocation of Surplus Funds Policy as shown in Attachment 4.
5. That Council endorse the Financial Reserves Policy as shown in Attachment 5 and retire the Funds Reserves Policy (No.508)
6. That Council adopt the Reserve Funds listing as set out in Attachment 9.
7. That the Resolution, Report and Attachments be moved to Open Ordinary Council Meeting with the exception of Attachment 3.

CARRIED (22819)

28.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

28.3.1 Community Development Update

Report No. 211 / 23 cncl

Moved – Councillor Banks

Seconded – Councillor Morris

That this report will be received and noted.

CARRIED (22832)

28.3.2 Business Arising from the Report

Elected Members congratulated the team on the recent successful events.

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28.4 TECHNICAL SERVICES

28.4.1 Technical Services Update
Report No. 212 / 23 cncl

Moved – Councillor Coffey

Seconded – Councillor Brown

That this report be received and noted.

CARRIED (22833)

28.4.2 Business Arising from the Report

28.4.2.1 Councillor Hopper – Bar Brothers Park Opening

Councillor Hopper expressed her disappointment around Council not being formally acknowledged at the recent Bar Brothers opening.

This information will be fed back to the group.

28.4.2.2 Councillor Hopper – Ross Park Lighting

Councillor Hopper asked what the lumen level will be for the new lights at Ross Park.

Director Technical Services took the questions on notice.

28.4.2.3 Councillor Banks – Elected Member invitations

Councillor Banks asked that Elected Members be invited to all openings, especially events such as the Bar Brothers opening.

28.4.2.4 Councillor Coffey – CBD Regeneration

Councillor Coffey asked around the dates listed on the Council website.

Director Technical Services took the question on notice to clarify the date and update Council website.

28.4.3 Renaming of Percy Court Alice Springs
Report No. 215 / 23 cncl

Moved – Councillor Coffey

Seconded – Councillor Brown

That Council note the report and has no objections to the renaming of Percy Court.

CARRIED (22834)

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28.4.4 Business Arising from the Report

Nil

28.4.5 5-year CBD Footpath Renewal Program

Report No. 214 / 23 cnd

Item transferred from Confidential Agenda item 9.4.1

Moved – Councillor Brown

Seconded – Councillor Morris

1. **That Council endorse the proposed 5-year program for CBD footpath renewal subject to budget approval and long-term financial plan.**
2. **That Council approve the Technical Services Directorate reintroducing its footpath program and going to tender for Stage 1 of the proposed plan.**
3. **Council endorse the proposed finish for Stage 1 works being exposed aggregate concrete.**
4. **That the resolution be moved from Confidential to Open.**

CARRIED (22821)

29 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

29.1 Councillor Banks – Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program

Councillor Banks asked that when developing the program keep mindful of commercial areas, not just the CBD.

29.2 Councillor Hopper – Flag Protocol

Councillor Hopper asked that when Council receive a flag protocol notice that it be forwarded onto Elected Members.

CEO took on notice to action noting Council is voluntary to many protocol request notifications.

29.3 Councillor Hopper – Fireworks.

Councillor Hopper asked if Council could be more proactive in informing the community of Council events with fireworks.

CEO took the question on notice to action.

Councillor Banks left the Chamber at 12.54pm

Councillor Banks returned to the Chamber at 12.55pm

Councillor Hopper left the Chamber at 12.55pm

Councillor Hopper returned to the Chamber at 12.57pm

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Councillor Morris left the Chamber at 1.11pm

Councillor Morris returned to the Chamber at 1.15pm

30 GENERAL BUSINESS

30.1 Councillor Melky – Crime, Law and Order

Councillor Melky read the following statement:

Crime in Alice Springs has overwhelmed our community as we live in fear.

We are denied the freedom to live in peace and safety.

We sleep with one eye open, fearing our homes will be invaded and our children harmed while in their beds.

Doors, locks, windows, glass, roller shutter, bollards, Padlocks, chains, alarms, cameras, sensor lights, CCTV, Walls, roofs, Ducts, safes, security screens, toughened glass, and even Security Guards are rendered useless as a measure to secure your property.

You will be attacked, in your home, sleeping in your bed, driving your car, walking home, on the bus, going to the shops, at a café or restaurant, shopping centres, parks, even while on the toilet.

Nowhere is safe, Not the parks, nor the mall, roads, foot paths, sporting ovals, work place, cafes, shops, and certainly not your home.

Cars are used as a deadly weapon, running down pedestrians, ramming police cars, driving at speeds on the wrong side of roads, up the Todd Mall on foot paths, nowhere is safe.

A screw driver, this simple tool can give you access to the most secure premises. This is the new Master Key to the town.

They will get you anywhere any time and we can do nothing about it. We are defenceless.

People are leaving Town in their droves, amongst them are Medical professionals, this is most concerning.

Without medical professionals, doctors, nurses, ambos, who will look after us when we need them most.

Alice is a service town, People will be at risk of dying if they don't get the medical assistance they need, if the medical professionals leave town and don't return.

I call on this NT Government to STOP the Crime

This Government must STOP the Crime NOW. Before people more die. Before there is more blood on their hands.

People who offend, who invade homes, business, destroy property, steal cars and use them as a deadly weapon,

Those people who do wrong by our community,

Who commit crime, senseless crime, this must be stopped.

Territory Government must stop the Crime.

Lock down our streets, lock down our neighbourhoods, and lock out the People who commit crime from our town.

Winter, spring, summer or Fall, stop the crime.

Our town, our territory was a wonderful place to live, it can be again, just stop the crime.

This government must act swiftly to stop crime, through legislation reform to address the clear vacuum caused by weak policy that allows a person to commit crime and not be held to account, this is wrong and must be reformed.

Our community deserves better care from our government.

There is nothing wrong with a Lock down of the streets to disable stolen cars traveling in the CBD at night.

There must be an acceptance to Lock out the perpetrators who commit crime against people, property and community.

Those perpetrators, if they are not from our town, then keep them away from our town.

Crime is not new to our town or our territory, and this council has in the past addressed this issue.

We have discussed Curfews, called it a crisis, met with the Prime Minister, got some promises and funding, yet all to no avail.

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This is a turning point for our town, to achieve a long-lasting peace and live in safety, we must stop crime now.

I would like to present elected members a simple but fair resolution befitting our Process.

That is; that the Alice Springs Town Council writes to the Chief Minister and Cabinet, calling on them to reform legislation with an aim at stopping this endless wave of Youth aged 8 to 13 years committing crime without consequence on the perpetrators in Alice Springs and throughout the territory.

Moved – Councillor Melky

Seconded – Mayor Paterson

- 1. That Alice Springs Town Council writes to the Chief Minister and Cabinet calling on them to reform legislation with an aim in stopping this endless wave of crime, particularly youth, without consequences on the perpetrators in Alice Springs and throughout the community.**
- 2. That Alice Springs Town Council write to the Attorney-General requesting an update on the expansion of 'wrap-around' and diversion services to children following the raising of the age of criminal responsibility and the success or otherwise of these measures.**

CARRIED (22835)

30.2 Councillor Hopper – Tree Maintenance

Councillor Hooper asked about the tree audit program and why it isn't part of the Greening Strategy.

Director Technical Services responded that a review is being undertaken of the Council tree crew which will inform the program going forward.

30.3 Councillor Coffey – Fundraiser for Taylor Family

Councillor Coffey advised of the fundraising event for the daughter of Sandy Taylor (previous Elected Member) who is in the Royal Adelaide Hospital following a serious horse riding accident.

The fundraiser will be held at the Turf Club on the 6th December from 6pm. Further details can be obtained from Facebook or Sandy Taylor.

Director Community Development left the Chamber at 1.26pm

Director Community Development returned to the Chamber at 1.30pm

30.4 Councillor Coffey – Verge Stewardship

Councillor Coffey has received feedback from community members around caring for the verges themselves. This follows on from resolution 22050 on VergeCare.

Director Technical Services will review the previous motion and provide an update.

Deputy Mayor Bitar left the Chamber at 1.37pm

Deputy Mayor Bitar returned to the Chamber at 1.40pm

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30.5 Councillor Brown – Taxi Availability After Hours

Councillor Brown raised concerns around the number of people finding themselves stranded with no taxi's available after hours. Nothing has been done about furthering uber services in town.

Moved – Councillor Brown

Seconded – Councillor Melky

That Alice Springs Council write to Alice Springs Taxi's to seek a meeting to discuss services at night and ways to improve availability.

CARRIED (22836)

31. MATTERS FOR MEDIA ATTENTION

Media matters will be covered via the media attendance at this meeting.

32. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 12 December 2023

33. CLOSURE OF OPEN MEETING

Moved – Councillor Melky

Seconded – Councillor Banks

The Council meeting be closed.

CARRIED (22837)

Mayor Paterson declared the meeting closed at **1.42pm**.

Confirmed on (date) _____

CHAIR _____

REPORT

Report No. 223 / 23 cncI

TO: ORDINARY COUNCIL – TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023

SUBJECT: MAYOR'S REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

That the Mayor's report be received and noted.

1. MEETINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

- 1.1 Aimee Luxton Head of Event Operations, Kim Haworth Event Manager, Dale McIver, Event Manager, NT Major Events and Andrew Wilsmore, Chief Executive Officer, Alice Springs Town Council**

Discussion on 2024 Alice Springs Masters Games

- 1.2 Karen Vohland, Senior Executive Director, Corporate and Government Services, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet**

Summer in Central Australia

- 1.3 Djuna Pollard, Chief Executive Officer, Power and Water Corporation, Andrew Wilsmore, Chief Executive Officer and Joel Andrew, Director Technical Services, Alice Springs Town Council**

Discussion on various items

- 1.4 The Hon Nicole Manison, Deputy Chief Minister**

General catch up meeting

- 1.5 The Hon Amanda Rishworth, Minister for Social Services**

Lunch catch up meeting

- 1.6 Council Forums**

Weekly Council Forums

- 1.7 Development Consent Authority Meeting**

- 1.8 NT Police Review Team**

Consultation on various items

- 1.9 Taryn Brumfitt, Australian of the Year 2023**

Meet and greet

- 1.10 Peter Harvey, Assistant Commissioner, Australian Federal Police and Inspector Ken Napier, Officer in Charge AFP Operations JDF Pine Gap Central Command**

To discuss AFP position on local recruitment and long term sustainability

- 1.11 **Stephen Joyce, General Manager Asia Pacific, RDK Sports International, Nicole Battle, Director Community Development and Andrew Wilsmore, Chief Executive Officer, Alice Springs Town Council**

Discussion on business capabilities

- 1.12 **Professor Robyn L Aitken, Liam Murphy, Directors of Operations, Flinders University**

General catch up meeting

2. FUNCTIONS ATTENDED & PARTICIPATED IN

- 2.1 Centralian Senior College 2023 Awards & Year 12 Presentation Evening
- 2.2 End of Year Awards Assembly Yirara College Chapel
- 2.3 IDPwD Celebrations & Mayoral Awards
- 2.4 Living Waters Lutheran School End of Year Awards
- 2.5 The Medal of the Order of Australia Christmas Lunch
- 2.6 OLSH Catholic College Presentation Ceremony to Celebrate the Achievements
- 2.7 ASTC Christmas Carnival and Night Market
- 2.8 Carol by Candlelight 2023

3. INTERVIEWS / MEDIA COMMITMENTS

- 3.1. CAAMA Breakfast in the Desert
- 3.2. ABC Alice Springs with Stewart Brash
- 3.3. ABC National News

4. DUTIES PERFORMED IN THE MAYOR'S ABSENCE

Nil



Matt Paterson
MAYOR

Attachment A: Letter from Minister Bowden re. DCA Committee Members Appointment

Attachment B: Letter from Minister Burney re. planning and delivery in the upcoming summer period in Central Australia

Attachment C: Letter to Minister Worden re. Buffel Grass

Attachment D: Letter to Chief Minister and Minister Paech re. Youth Crimes



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His Worship the Mayor of Alice Springs
Mr Matt Paterson

Via email: mpaterson@alicesprings.nt.gov.au

Dear Mayor

Pursuant to section 89(1)(a) of the *Planning Act 1999*, I am pleased to advise that I have appointed yourself and Deputy Mayor Allison Bitar as community members, and pursuant to section 89(1)(b) of the *Planning Act 1999*, I have appointed Councillor Mark Coffey as the alternate community member to the Alice Springs Division of the Development Consent Authority in accordance with Alice Springs Town Council's nominations.

The terms of appointment will commence on 4 December 2023 for a period of two years.

I wish you well during your continuing term of appointment with the Authority.

Please note, it is the responsibility of Council to notify its unsuccessful nominee.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joel Bowden'.

JOEL BOWDEN
27 NOV 2023

cc: Mr Andrew Wilsmore, Chief Executive Officer, Alice Springs Town Council
via email: awilsmore@astc.nt.gov.au



The Hon Linda Burney MP
Minister for Indigenous Australians

Reference: MB23-000439

Mayor Matt Paterson
Alice Springs Town Council Mayor
mpaterson@alicesprings.nt.gov.au

30 NOV 2023

Dear Mayor *Matt*

I am writing to you regarding planning and delivery in the upcoming summer period in Central Australia.

As you are aware the Australian Government and Northern Territory Government, in conjunction with the Alice Springs Town Council have been working closely together to develop a Summer in Central Australia Action Plan for October 2023 to February 2024.

It is essential that all funded elements of the Summer Plan, and all aspects of the broader commitments under the Central Australia Plan are delivered fully and on time.

The Australian government has provided \$2.8 million funding for the Alice Springs Town Council to improve CCTV, lighting and safety measures within Alice Springs, which was announced in January 2023. Noting the Summer in Central Australia Action Plan commenced last month, I ask that you ensure that these works are delivered as quickly as possible to assist in mitigating anti-social behaviour in Alice Springs this summer.

Our Government has also provided \$312,000 for a range of free activities for young people, such as sport, art and music during December 2023 and January 2024. Thank you for the work Alice Springs Town Council has done to develop the schedule of activities.

I hope the Alice Springs Town Council fulfils its commitments to a Better Safer Future for Central Australia.

Yours sincerely

Linda Burney

The Hon LINDA BURNEY MP
Minister for Indigenous Australians

cc. The Hon Mark Dreyfus KC MP Attorney General



Office of the Mayor

4 December 2023

Hon Kate Worden
Minister for the Environment,
Climate Change and Water Security
GPO Box 3146
Darwin NT 0801

via email – Minister.Worden@nt.gov.au

Dear Minister *Kate,*

Work undertaken by the NT Buffel Grass Technical Working Group has identified the concerning nature of Buffel Grass and its response to fire events, growing back faster and taking over areas of native grasses and spinifex.

The recent grass fires that led to the ignition of a number of scared gum trees has our community concerned over the management of Buffel Grass in and around Alice Springs.

This has led Council to determine the following resolution:

That Alice Springs Town Council write to the Minister for Environment outlining our concerns with the management of Buffel Grass in the municipality of Alice Springs and request their expert advice on solutions and better practices for management.

The management of Buffel in our local area is mixture of responsibilities involving several NT Government agencies and Council.

We understand the Technical Working Committee is close to finalising a recommendation on whether to declare Buffel as a weed. Regardless of that outcome, it is important that Buffel management is improved across Central Australia and we would appreciate consideration by Government for its better management, including appropriateness of funding support given Gamba Grass management is funded to the tune of \$9.6m over four years due to the impacts it has in the north that Buffel does to Central Australia.

Yours faithfully

Matt Paterson
Mayor

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Office of the Mayor

4 December 2023

Hon Natasha Fyles
Chief Minister of Northern Territory
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via email – Chief.Minister@nt.gov.au

Hon Chansey Paech
Attorney-General and Minister for Justice
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Dear Chief Minister and Attorney-General,

At our Ordinary Council Meeting held 28 November 2023, Elected Members received several representations from concerned residents about crime, and questioning whether the justice system is appropriately representing the community views due to the high rates of recidivism and the immediate releasing of juvenile offenders despite their lengthy history of criminal activity.

After extensive discussion, Council resolved:

1. That Alice Springs Town Council writes to the Chief Minister and Cabinet calling on them to reform legislation with an aim in stopping this endless wave of crime, particularly youth, without consequences on the perpetrators in Alice Springs and throughout the community.
2. That Alice Springs Town Council write to the Attorney-General requesting an update on the expansion of 'wrap-around' and diversion services to children following the raising of the age of criminal responsibility and the success or otherwise of these measures.

As you may be aware, Alice Springs Town Council is a key participant in the Summer in Central Australia Action Plan and we welcome the focus of Government agencies to work cooperatively to try and avoid a repeat of another Summer like last year.

It is difficult to see how that will change under the current legislative framework that is providing offenders impunity to re-offend, and the apparent lack of success that diversion and 'wrap-around' programs are having given the same group of offenders show no signs of changing their criminal activity.

Our law-abiding local community and society deserve the support of a system that puts their rights to the forefront and allow them some comfort and assurance of a safe night's sleep and to go about the daily lives without fear of attack to their person, vehicle, business or personal property.

We appreciate your consideration of how you can better ensure the interests of our community and its residents and visitors are given more weight than those of repeat offenders.

Yours faithfully

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matt Paterson'.

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REPORT

Report No. 219 / 23 cncI

TO: ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023

SUBJECT: FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30 NOVEMBER 2023

AUTHOR: MANAGER FINANCE – LILY DY-IRWIN

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report provides financial information for the period ended 30 November 2023.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this report be received and noted.

REPORT

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report includes the following financial information for the period ended 30 November 2023:

- Council Financial Position Reports
- Cash Reserves and Cash Analysis Reconciliation
- Monthly Payments Listing (EFT & Cheque)
- Investments report

2. PREVIOUS APPLICABLE RESOLUTIONS

Nil

3. DISCUSSION

3.1 BACKGROUND

The **Council Financial Position Reports** are a summary of the above reports in the required format. These include:

- The **Income & Expenditure Statement** reflects how Council's overall income and expenditure is tracking against the budget.
- The **Balance Sheet** outlines what Council owns (assets) and what it owes (liabilities), with the difference (Equity) being Council's net worth.

The **Cash Reserves and Cash Analysis Reconciliation** provides the balances of the reserves and a reconciliation of cash.

The **Monthly Payments Listing** provides details of all expenditure (excluding payroll), listing who payments were made to and a brief description of the payment.

The **Investments report** shows the financial institutions Council has funds invested with, the term of the investment, the interest rate being received and also shows Council's compliance with its Investment Policy.

3.2 STRATEGIC ANALYSIS

<p>Noting Purpose</p>	<p>Results for the period ending 30 November 2023 are summarised as follow:</p> <p>Investments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Council currently has a mix of A1 and A2 investment rating term deposits. Interest income is showing as \$363,841 as it includes last financial year's accrued interest adjustment. Actual interest from investment (without the accrual adjustment) as of November is \$727,309 with average interest rate sitting at 5.08%. <p>Profit and Loss</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Total operating income is tracking above the budget. We have received the full year's funding for the Library. Some grants payments are on quarterly basis. Actual interest is showing lower than budget due to the effect of year end accrual as noted above. ○ Cash collections show that 52% of rates have been received to date, being higher than previous year's 50% as of November. <p>Other Operating Revenue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ RWMF weighbridge User Fees and Charges for November \$1,392,655 exceeds budgeted income, as well as other income like casual visits, multi pass income and fines. <p>Rates as at 30 November 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ More payments from rates third instalment will be received by due date of 2nd February 2024. ○ Total rates collectible is currently tracking at 48% as of November. Approximately 12% of this relates to previous year's outstanding amount. The receivables should go down next few months as more payments come in by third instalment due date. <p>Grants and Contributions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Capital grants will be paid as works get completed. Some of the initial grant payments for Capital Grants for November are for LRCI Phase 4 Park Development for \$260,000 and Stormwater Cleaning for \$149,781. <p>Financial System and reporting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Civica online leave application works in progress and training ongoing as implementation extended to various business units and so far it is going well pending some minor support matters.
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<p>Monitoring Required</p>	<p>Operational Expenditure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Materials and Contracts expenditure is slightly below year to date budget. Committed costs total \$2,320,930 as at November will be incurred in the future. Other Operating Expenses include utilities of \$869,007 and prorated insurance premiums of \$464,605. Over all, it is tracking in line with budget. <p>Employee Expenditure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employee Costs are below budget for the period. Some salaries expenses relating to unused leave for redundancy payments have been journaled out of salaries against liabilities. Employee salaries will have an increase from December 2023 of 3%, as per the ASTC Enterprise Agreement. <p>Capital expenditure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capital expenditures for the period include plant & equipment of \$64,952 for 2 Kubota mowers and \$30,000 for Regional Skate Park. Note: Items listed in top 20 Contractor Payments report are shown as GST Inclusive, however financial reports amounts are all GST exclusive. <p>Reserves</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Various transfers to and from Reserves was processed for the period, as per the new approved reserve accounts, refer attachment 2, of new reserves report.
<p>Priority</p>	<p>Ongoing upgrade to Civica for BIS reporting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrades being discussed to go explore cloud-based Altitude but continue to liaise with Civica for GL structure for more functional financial reporting capabilities. IT is also exploring options in looking at other software in the market.

The content and presentation of the financial reports are progressively being reviewed and updated to provide improved information to Elected Members and stakeholders.

4. ALIGNMENT WITH ALICE SPRINGS LIVEABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY 2030 STRATEGIC PLAN

This item pertains to relevant components of the *Alice Springs Town Council Liveability and Sustainability Strategic Plan 2030* as follows:

Pillar 5 – Governance and Civic

5. FUNDING, WHOLE OF LIFE COSTS & RESOURCING REQUIREMENTS

This report provides an overview of the budget and resource implications.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

Regulation 17(1) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* requires the CEO each month to give Council a report setting out the actual income and expenditure for the year to date; the most recently adopted annual budget; and details of any material variances between the most recent actuals and the most recently adopted annual budget.

There are no other risks, legal and legislative implications relating to this report.

7. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Nil

8. STATUTORY MATTERS / DELEGATIONS

The financial reporting documents are developed in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021.

9. COUNCIL POLICIES

Nil

10. STAKEHOLDER MANAGEMENT / PUBLIC RELATIONS

Financial reports as listed are in the Open Council with the aim of ensuring public transparency.

11. CONCLUSION

This report provides financial information for the month-end figures as at 30 November 2023.

12. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: *Council Financial Position Reports including Income & Expenditure Statement (Budgeted Statement of Financial Performance) and Balance Sheet*

Attachment B: *Cash Reserves and Cash Analysis Reconciliation*

Attachment C: *Monthly Payment listing*

Attachment D: *Investments Report*



Lily Dy-Irwin

MANAGER FINANCE



Joe McCabe

ACTING DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES



Certification by the CEO to the Council

Council Name:	ALICE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL
Reporting Period:	30-Nov-23

To the best of the CEO's knowledge, information and belief:

- (1) The internal controls implemented by the council are appropriate: and
- (2) The council's financial report best reflects the financial affairs of the council.

CEO Signed

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "B. Allen", written over a horizontal line.

Date Signed

6 Nov 23

Note: The monthly financial report to council must either be accompanied by a written certification by the CEO to the council, as set out above, or the CEO is to provide written reasons for not providing the certification. (Regularion 17(5) of the General Regulations)



Table 1.1 Monthly Income and Expenditure Statement

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30 November 2023	November 2023 YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	Approved Revision 1 Budget \$	NOTE
OPERATING INCOME					
Rates	11,421,605	11,422,213	(608)	27,413,311	
Statutory Charges	1,898,578	1,896,018	2,560	4,550,443	
User Fees and Charges	2,611,658	2,435,083	176,576	5,844,198	1
Operating Grants and Subsidies	5,016,150	2,954,456	2,061,694	7,090,695	2
Interest / Investment Income	443,487	696,558	(253,071)	1,671,738	3
Other Operating Revenue - Includes reimbursements, proceeds from sale of assets, fuel rebates, insurance claims, infringements etc	272,233	248,450	23,783	596,280	4
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	21,663,711	19,652,777	2,010,934	47,166,665	
OPERATING EXPENDITURE					
Employee Expenses	7,566,067	8,433,929	867,862	20,241,430	5
Materials and Contracts	5,062,349	7,480,860	2,418,511	17,954,064	6
Elected Member Allowances	167,827	185,208	17,381	444,500	
Elected Member Expenses	0	0	0	0	
Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	3,802,024	3,988,149	186,125	9,571,557	8
Other Operating Expenses - Includes advertising, contribution or donation made, electricity, freight, insurance, legal fees, postage, sewerage charges, telephone, travel & accommodation expenses, vehicle expenditure, water charges etc	2,500,896	2,351,466	(149,430)	5,643,518	7
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	19,099,163	22,439,612	3,340,449	53,855,069	
OPERATING SURPLUS /(DEFICIT)	2,564,548	(2,786,835)	5,351,383	(6,688,404)	

Reasons for the variation between Year to Date (YTD) actual performance and YTD budget

Note 1

Revenue from RWMF Weighbridge for November \$1,392,655 has exceeded YTD budgeted income. Some ASALC income like Casual Visits, Multi Pass Income and fines are tracking higher than budgeted income.

Note 2

Total grant as of November is \$5,016,150. Grants received for November are \$42,858 for FAG General and Roads, \$617,882 for the library, \$35,000 for ASALC and Library Youth Grant and \$12,000 for Australia Day Party.

Note 3

Interest rates for term deposit accounts are sitting at average of 5.08% for November. Interest Income includes interest income for investment and rates.

Note 4

Other operating revenue includes Insurance Claims for workers compensation for \$67,909.

Note 5

Employment expense is tracking close to budget. There should be a slight increase in December for the annual EA increase.

Note 6

Materials and contracts are under budget as of November. However, a total of \$2,320,930 in committed purchase orders reflects future expenditure as at November.

Note 7

Other operating expenses include utilities for \$869,007, street lighting \$227,713, fuel and oil \$188,881 and some grants/contributions. Some of the annual expenditure like Insurance and Pensioner Concession have been prorated as of November.

Note 8

Depreciation is run monthly based on actual purchases being added and disposals deducted. Previous months' depreciation were taken up per budgeted amount pending 2023 GL rollover for yearend audit.

Above net operating position is exclusive of:

Committed expenditure (purchase orders) of \$4,582,989 is showing at the end of November.



Table 1.2 Monthly Operating Position

	November 2023 YTD Actuals \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	Approved Revision 1 Budget \$	NOTE
BUDGETED OPERATING SURPLUS /(DEFICIT)	2,564,548	(2,786,835)	5,351,383	(6,688,404)	
Remove NON-CASH ITEMS					
Add Back Non Cash Expenses - Depreciation	3,802,024	3,988,150	186,126	9,571,557	
TOTAL NON-CASH ITEMS	3,802,024	3,988,150	186,126	9,571,557	
Less ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS					
Capital Expenditure	2,215,959	6,985,216	4,769,257	16,764,518	4
Transfers to Reserve	4,700,000	1,958,333	(2,741,667)	4,700,000	1
TOTAL ADDITIONAL OUTFLOWS	6,915,959	8,943,549	2,027,590	21,464,518	
Capital Grants Income	170,742	632,381	(461,639)	1,517,715	3
Transfers from Reserve	17,063,649	7,109,854	9,953,795	17,063,650	2
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	17,234,391	7,742,235	9,492,156	18,581,365	
NET BUDGETED OPERATING POSITION	16,685,004	0	16,685,004	-	

Reasons for the variation between Year to Date (YTD) actual performance and YTD budget

Note 1

Transfers are only undertaken through council resolutions.

Transfers to and from Reserves include various transactions for the new amended reserve accounts - please refer to movement in reserves for breakdown.

Note 2

Transfers from Reserve refer to last financial year's rollover funds to this year's budget allocation.

Note 3

Funding for capital works will be received upon progress works and/or completion.

Cromwell Drive funding will be expected to be paid by March 2024 after second quarter application.

Other works like ASALC LRCI Phase 4 funding, part and A & B received \$409,781 in November

Note 4

Capital expenditure is underspent at this stage as most technical works take time to plan and procure while also awaiting tender process.



Table 2.1 Capital Expenditure and Funding by class of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment

Capital Spend per budget FY 2023-2024	YTD Actual Expenditure \$	YTD Budget \$	YTD Variance \$	Approved Revision 1 Budget \$	NOTE
Land and Buildings	418,091	543,040	124,949	1,303,297	
Infrastructure (including roads, footpaths, park furniture)	184,605	3,754,124	3,569,519	9,009,897	
Plant and Machinery	1,560,287	2,429,311	869,024	5,830,347	
Fleet	52,977	22,074	(30,903)	52,977	
Other Assets (including furniture and office equipment)	0	236,667	236,667	568,000	
Leased Assets	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FUNDING	2,215,960	6,985,216	4,769,256	16,764,518	
Capital Expenditure Detail (projects over \$150K)	Actual \$	Grant Funded	Funded by OPEX	Capex funded by Reserve	
Hartley Street Public Toilets works in progress	399,964			399,964	
RWMF 24T Articulated Dump Truck	694,000		694,000		
RWMF hydraulic excavator	542,538		542,538		
Total Capital Expenditure (Over \$150K)	1,636,502	-	1,236,538	399,964	
Capital Expenditure Detail (below \$150K)	Actual \$	Grant Funded	Funded by OPEX	Funded by Reserves	
July					
Elevating Work Platform	21,450			21,450	
Granulator	55,814	55,814			
ASALC Adventure Play initial works	54,545			54,545	
2 x Hooklift Bins	25,560			25,560	
Depot Key Safes	7,942		7,942		
August					
Road linemarking	31,275			31,275	
Crimsafe to external windows Civic Centre	18,127			18,127	
Library Study Booth	12,114			12,114	
Park Concept Design skate park	1,000		1,000		
September					
Granulator	11,004		11,004		
Netball courts design	25,235			25,235	
Toyota Hilux	52,977		52,977		
Elevated Work platform x 5	85,798		85,798		
Recycling granulator	14,366		14,366		
Park concept design skate park	22,000	22,000			
Fire Alarm system-deposit	24,749		24,749		
October					
Park New Swing seats and swing sets - 3 parks	10,550		10,550		
Park concept design skate park	10,000	10,000			
November					
Kubota Mower	32,476		32,476		
Kubota Mower	32,476		32,476		
Concept design and drawings skate park	30,000	30,000			
Total Capital Expenditure (Under \$150K)	579,458	117,814	273,338	188,306	
TOTAL	2,215,960	117,814	1,509,876	588,270	2,215,960



Table 3. Monthly Balance Sheet

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 November 2023	YTD Actuals \$	Note Reference
ASSETS		
Cash at Bank	56,550,218	(1)
Accounts Receivable	15,559,282	
-Trade Debtors	752,089	(2)
-Rates & Charges Debtors	14,811,569	
-Other Items/Tax	(4,377)	(4)
Other Current Assets		
Inventories	273,403	
Prepayments and accrued Income	0	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	72,382,903	
Non-Current Financial Assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment	286,998,236	
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	286,998,236	
TOTAL ASSETS	359,381,139	
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	(7,207)	(3)
ATO & Payroll Liabilities		
Current Provisions (Employee Leave Provisions)	1,895,455	
Accrued Expenses	0	
Other Current Liabilities	425,796	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	2,314,044	
Non-Current Liabilities		
Long Service leave provision	767,202	
Provision for the Rehab/Cap of the Landfill Site	19,056,511	
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	19,823,714	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	22,137,758	
NET ASSETS	337,243,381	
EQUITY		
Asset Revaluation Reserve	292,272,474	
Reserves	28,384,264	(5)
Accumulated Surplus	16,586,645	
TOTAL EQUITY	337,243,382	



NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET

Note 1. Details of Cash and Investments Held

Term deposit investment and cash at bank totals \$56,550,218. Investments are with major banks with A1 and A2 ratings. Trust funds held total \$425,796 and are included in other current liabilities.

Note 2. Statement on Debts Owed to Council (Accounts Receivable)

	1-30 Days	31-60 Days	61-90 DAYS	>90 DAYS	Total
Trade Debtors	18,579	457,871	140,399	415,414	1,032,263
Less Provision for Doubtful Debts					(280,174)
					752,089

Note 3. Statement on Debts Owed by Council (Accounts Payable)

	1-30 Days	31-60 Days	61-90 Days	> 90 Days
Trade Creditors	(7,207)	\$	\$	\$
Other Creditors	\$	\$	\$	\$

Accounts payable is showing as negative amount pending unallocated credit card payment transactions for November 2023.

Note 4. Statement on Australian Tax Office, Payroll and Insurance Obligations

GST Collected	58,830
GST paid	(63,609)
	4,780

The GST and PAYG Withholding tax obligations were paid by the due date. All FBT obligations have been paid to date. All superannuation obligations have been paid to date. All insurance premiums, including Work Health and Directors and Office Holders' cover, have been paid to date.

Note 5. Reserves Movement

MOVEMENT IN RESERVES	
Reserve Balance at 31 October 2023	14,785,116
Elected Member Projects trf to RWMF re Masterplan	(100,000)
Sports Lights trf per Revision	400,000
Tree Planting trf per Revision	160,000
RWMF Liquid Waste Transfer per Revision	1,000,000
Skate Park Plan Transfer per Revision	1,650,000
Araluen Park Transfer per Revision	750,000
Elections Transfer per Revision	240,000
Road Renewals Transfer per Revision	3,000,000
Stormwater Transfer per Revision	1,000,000
Facility Renewals per Revision	1,100,000
ASALC Renewals Transfer per Revision	1,500,000
ICT Transfer per Revision	400,000
Sports Facilities and Parks Transfer per Revision	699,146
RWMF Shredder Transfer per Revision	300,000
Strategic Projects Transfer per Revision	1,500,000
Closing Reserve Balance at 30 November 2023	28,384,262



Table 4 - Member and CEO Council Credit Card Transactions for the Month

Cardholder: Matthew Paterson			
Transaction Date	Amount	Supplier's Name	Reason for the Transaction
16/11/2023	\$ 15.80	Tanakas Pty Ltd	Coffee Meeting with Minister Potter
	\$ 9.00	Card fee	
TOTAL	24.80		

Cardholder: Andrew Wilsmore			
Transaction Date	Amount	Supplier's Name	Reason for the Transaction
1/11/2023	\$ 14.80	EastSide IGA	Catering for cultural & leadership workshop on 30/10/23
3/11/2023	\$ 5.00	Mad Harry's Pty Ltd	Decorations for Mayor's Cake Auction on 3/11/23
13/11/2023	\$ 730.73	DoubleTree Darwin	Accommodation for CEO - LGANT Convention in Darwin
13/11/2023	\$ 685.75	DoubleTree Darwin	Accommodation for Cr. Coffey - LGANT Convention in Darwin
14/11/2023	\$ 30.00	BGHotels Darwin	Carparking at Hotel in Darwin
24/11/2023	\$ 8.00	Alice Springs Airport	Tourism Central Australia AGM & Christmas Function
27/11/2023	\$ 176.91	Mailchimp	Monthly Plan
	\$ 9.00	Card fee	
TOTAL	1,660.19		

Table 5. Highest 20 Contractor Payments/ Items paid in the month of November 2023

The table is to include top 20 payments to contractors made in the month (excluding taxes and employment related costs such as superannuation, and utilities) distinguishing between

Supplier Name	Council Project Title	Territory enterprise or industry supplier \$	Interstate / overseas enterprise or industry supplier \$	TOTAL
NT Recycling Solutions Pty Ltd	RWMF Removal of Liquid Waste	161,172		161,172
Power Retail Corporation t/a JACANA	Electricity	147,900		147,900
Power & Water Corporation	Water & Sewerage	106,151		106,151
Cleanaway Pty Ltd	Waste Services	77,901		77,901
Electricon Contracting PL t/a Pump	Equipment	71,477		71,477
Geraldton Fuel Company PL	Fuel		70,409	70,409
Deloitte Private Pty Ltd	Professional Services	61,229		61,229
Diligent Board Services Australia	Colaboration Pro Package		52,202	52,202
RIMFIRE Energy PL	ASALC - Electricity	46,512		46,512
MMCK Pty Ltd t/a Jensen Plus	Professional Services - CBD Master Plan		44,993	44,993
Hastings Deering (Australia) Ltd	Contract Materials & Labour	34,916		34,916
The Trustee for Wallis Family Trust	Professional Services - Skate Park		33,000	33,000
PlazArt Creative Metal Work	Contract Materials & Labour	28,125		28,125
Living Turf	Fertilizers & Fungicide		26,884	26,884
TRIPL3 FIRE ELECTRICAL & CONTRACTING	Contract Materials & Labour	25,762		25,762
KPMG	FY2023 Audit	22,398		22,398
Vocus Pty Ltd	Interest Services		21,388	21,388
The Trustee for Mead Family Trust	Professional Services - Employee Culture Survey		19,745	19,745
K M Christopher	Professional Services - Legal	17,908		17,908
Michael Rice Consulting Engineers	Contract Materials & Labour	17,181		17,181
Other (expenses to numerous to list but as per EFT listing not included above)		220,696		220,696
TOTAL		1,039,329	268,622	1,307,950

Reserve Funds as at 30 November 2023

1 Renewals		
1.01	Road Renewals	3,705,551
1.02	Facilities Renewals	1,704,450
1.03	Stormwater Renewals	1,350,792
1.04	ASALC Renewals	2,288,604
1.05	ICT Renewals	458,350
1.06	Energy Efficiency Renewals	304,648
1.07	Sports Facilities Renewals, Parks and Recreation Renewals	784,925
TOTAL RENEWALS		\$10,597,320
2 Projects and Initiatives		
2.01	Elections	240,000
2.02	RWMF Future Landfill Site	3,155,546
2.03	RWMF Shredder	300,000
2.04	Sports Facilities Advisory Committee	421,726
2.05	Reinvigorating Alice Springs Town Centre	2,509,299
2.06	Public Art	2,790
2.07	Streelighting	3,141,260
2.08	Kerbside Collections	955,952
2.09	Cemetery Masterplan	105,645
2.10	Tree Planting	213,925
2.11	Elected Member Projects	100,000
2.12	Liquid Waste Remediation	1,000,000
2.13	Lights at Sporting Ovals	400,000
2.14	Araluen Park Upgrade	750,000
2.15	Regional Skate Park	1,650,000
TOTAL PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES		\$14,946,143
3 Emergency and Unplanned Priorities		
3.01	Disaster & Emergency	940,801
3.02	Major Projects Seed Funding	400,000
3.03	Strategic Projects	1,500,000
TOTAL ENERGY AND UNPLANNED PRIORITIES		\$2,840,801
GRAND TOTAL		\$28,384,264

Purpose of Reserve Funds as at 30 November 2023



1. RENEWALS

1.01	Road Renewals	Renewals for work in the road reserve, including new pavement, kerb and channel and footpaths.
1.02	Facilities Renewals	Renewals of Council owned facilities (Civic Centre, Depot, community facilities etc).
1.03	Stormwater Renewals	Renewal of the stormwater and open drain network infrastructure
1.04	ASALC Renewals	Renewal of ASALC infrastructure, including plant and equipment, buildings and swimming pools
1.05	ICT Renewals	Renewals of Council's ICT infrastructure
1.06	Energy Efficiency Renewals	Funding for renewal of the photovoltaic system on Council assets
1.07	Sports Facilities, Parks and Recreation Renewals	Renewals for our sports facilities (excl. ASALC), parks and recreational facilities and equipment

2. PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

2.01	Elections	Fund costs associated with future Council elections
2.02	RWMF Future Landfill Site	Provision for a future landfill site for Alice Springs
2.03	RWMF Shredder	Part funding for future purchase of shredder for the RWMF
2.04	Sports Facilities Advisory Committee	Sports Facility Advisory Committee contributions (Sports Clubs & Council) to be allocated via resolution of SFAC and Council
2.05	Reinvigorating the Alice Town Centre	Project contingency for current and future town centre projects. This is to fund works on the design and capital works within Alice Springs CBD area
2.06	Public Art	Provision for future public art projects in line with the Public Art Masterplan
2.07	Streetlighting	Provision for Council owned streetlight upgrades
2.08	Kerbside Collection	Seed funding to facilitate future kerbside recycling initiatives
2.09	Cemetery Masterplan	To fund development of the Garden Cemetery in line with the masterplan for the facility
2.10	Tree Planting	Provision for future tree planting initiatives following the development and adoption of the Alice Springs Town Council Greening Strategy
2.11	Elected Member Projects	Funds for allocation by Elected Members
2.12	Liquid Waste Remediation	Remediation and decommissioning of liquid waste ponds

Purpose of Reserve Funds as at 30 November 2023



2.13	Lights at Sporting Ovals	Funding for light at sporting ovals as determined by Council
2.14	Araluen Park Upgrade	Funding for upgrade of Araluen Park
2.15	Regional Skate Park	Funding for construction of Regional Skate Park

3. EMERGENCY AND UNPLANNED PRIORITIES

3.01	Disaster & Emergency	Natural emergency and disaster support funding
3.02	Major Project Seed Funding	Seed funding for future projects and initiatives
3.03	Strategic Projects	Fund available for strategic projects to be allocated by Council



Attachment 3

EFT Payment Summary Report for Month Ending Nov-23

<u>EFT No.</u>	<u>Trans Date</u>	<u>Invoice/Ref #</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Payment >= \$100,000					
4539.6838-01	2/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	40783	NT Recycling Solutions Pty Ltd	RWMF Removal of Liquid Waste Tender 2023-07ST	161,172.00
4543.4730-01	6/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	1011360610	Power Retail Corporation t/a JACANA	Streetlight Electricity Charges- Various Sites	147,900.42
4543.1752-01	17/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	84826993	Power & Water Corporation	Water & Sewerage Charges- Various Sitiese	106,150.77
Payment \$50,000 to \$99,999					
4547.1296-01	27/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	15763520	CLEANAWAY PTY LTD	RWMF Oct 2023- Domestic Clearances, Town Camps, Rent of Truck Hire, Portaloo clean x 10 Inv 15763315	77,900.96
4547.5080-01	27/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	26539	Electricon Contracting PL t/a Pump	2x Kubota F3690-AU 35.5 HP ROPS outfront	71,477.20
4543.5200-01	25/10/2023 12:00:00 AM	02407906	Geraldton Fuel Company PL	RWMF Diesel order-Oct 2023	70,409.40
4547.390-01	10/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	8004133856	Deloitte Private Pty Ltd	Fees for Professional Services,Preparation of GPFS & Workpapers+ Landfill	61,228.75
4543.5307-01	9/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	INV412852	Diligent Board Services Australia	Board & Leadership Colaboration Pro Package	52,201.94
Payment \$10,000 to \$49,999					
4543.5065-01	6/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	12274	RIMFIRE Energy PL	ASALC - Electricity for October 2023	46,512.43
4547.6800-01	27/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	P3023/5	MMCK Pty Ltd t/a Jensen Plus	CBD Revitalisation Master Plan Stage 1 works	44,993.30
4547.257-01	12/10/2023 12:00:00 AM	40100530847	Hastings Deering (Australia) Ltd	RWMF - Radiator Cores for Compactor,RWMF- Exavator-336 Front Screen Mesh,RWMF- 962M Repair Tilt Lines, Replace Hoses,filter + parts	34,916.32
4539.6650-01	2/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	23601_sd3	The Trustee for Wallis Family Trust	Concept Design and Detailed Drawings for the ASP Regional Skate Park 2022-05ST	33,000.00
4539.4633-01	2/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	PLAZ-1415	PlazArt Creative Metal Work	Artist Fee Roundabout Art	28,125.00
4547.5456-01	20/10/2023 12:00:00 AM	119228/01	Living Turf	Fertilizers & Fungicide - As per Quote 119228	26,884.00
4547.5768-01	7/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	INV-15052	TR!PL3 FIRE ELECTRICAL & CONTRACTING	Pound Upgrades to Electrical ASTC Rear Storage,Fire Service - Replacement of Actuators - NetballCentre,Baseball club room- Supply & install 6.3Kw MHI,RWMF-Airconditioning Systems Annual Service,Service - Braitling Chilcare,Traeger Park - AFLCA Grandstand and Routine Fire Services in various sites	25,761.84
4539.6347-01	7/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	821571529	KPMG	Balance of Audit Fees FY 2023,Roads to Recovery Audit - FY2023	22,398.20
4543.5001-01	1/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	P1078635	Vocus Pty Ltd	Internet Services November 2023	21,388.18
4537.6922-01	2/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	1212	The Trustee for Mead Family Trust	Consultant Fee to Conduct Employee Culture Survey	19,745.00
4537.6018-01	16/10/2023 12:00:00 AM	0570	K M Christopher	Provision of Legal Services	17,908.00

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<u>EFT No.</u>	<u>Trans Date</u>	<u>Invoice/Ref #</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4547.2966-01	10/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	00011861	Michael Rice Consulting Engineers	ASALC - Supply & Install Variable Speed drives, RWMF-Granulator Install, Replace Light in CEO's bathroom	17,180.78
4537.6869-01	20/10/2023 12:00:00 AM	1159	Oversight Consulting Pty Ltd	Workplace Health & Safety Management System, WHS Risk Register Development	16,967.50
4543.6625-01	19/10/2023 12:00:00 AM	619384	Moduplay Group Pty Ltd	Supply & Delivery of new swing seats & swing set, Tee Swing II Frame	16,643.00
4543.6797-01	1/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	416-2	Warren Jeffrey Green T/A Warren Green Consulting	ASALC - Operational Review dtd May 2023	16,280.00
4547.1238-01	27/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	INV-0263	Alice Springs Animal Shelter Inc	October 2023 - Pound Management	15,791.60
4547.4665-01	5/10/2023 12:00:00 AM	238490	CHAMBERS TRADE SERVICES PTY LTD	Hunter I25 100mm F/C, sanitary bins, Whip 36-2 & pro spray 100mm, Stihl Back pack blower, Additional stocks-Depot	15,179.64
4539.642-01	9/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	C/LG034267	Civica Pty Limited	Prepaid Support Top-Up, Payroll Module - Self Service	15,004.00
4539.5484-01	3/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	Q24-06	FABalice Festival Incorporated	Event Sponsorship Program: 2023-24 Round 1	15,000.00
4540.5209-01	6/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	S3331	SWEL - Specialised Welding & Engineering	Assembled existing site screen @ Traeger park	14,563.56
4547.5315-01	27/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	27271	Centre Labour Force Pty Ltd	Casuals x2 18-10 to 31-10-23, Casual workers 2 x 5 days	13,025.28
4543.3102-01	5/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	FPNT17760	Flavell Plumbing	Inv FPNT17759 Rhondo & Inv FPNT17760 Traeger, Totem theatre, RWMF- Leak Repaired Near Ponds	12,756.86
4543.2232-01	8/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	00006782	Ace Treelopping & Tree Care	Remove large trees and grind stumps at various locations	12,375.00
4543.476-01	15/10/2023 12:00:00 AM	00049636	Employee Assistance Service NT Inc.	Workplace Investigation 1st - 9th October 2023, EAP Counselling	12,193.03
4537.3484-01	31/10/2023 12:00:00 AM	1040	The trustee for Harris Discretionar	Bojangles - Bike Rack installation, Trip Hazard Council Building, Repair 4 doors & reinstall the doors back in place	11,930.00
4547.5229-01	7/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	EOMNOV2023	Mayor M J Paterson	Mayoral Allowance -Nov 2023, Travel & Incidentals Allowance	11,857.22
4543.5680-01	9/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	#INV1576719	Smartsheet Inc.	Enterprise Plan Plus Pro Support -Licensed Users	11,039.52
4543.1366-01	14/11/2023 12:00:00 AM	52920	CKS Electrical Mechanical Serv. P/L	Mall Lighting & New LED Floods, Traeger Park - Replace 2 x lights for practice net, Library: Supply & Replacing wall fan; Relocate x2, Service Church lawns	10,089.99
Total EFT					1,307,950.69

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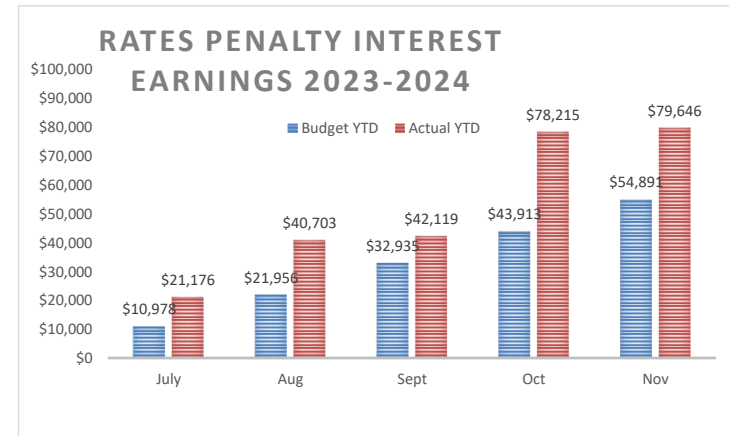
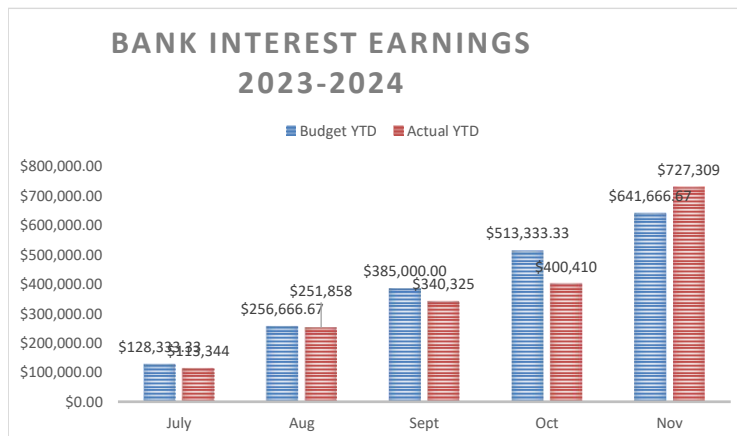
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Investments Report as at 30 November 2023

Term Deposit Details							
Date invested	Invested Amount	Time Invested	Invested with	Interest rate	Due date	Credit rating	Expected interest at maturity of term deposit
13/11/2023	\$ 3,280,437	182	NAB	5.25%	Monday, 13 May 2024	A1	\$ 85,876
30/11/2023	\$ 1,644,003	270	Bank of QLD	5.40%	Thursday, 30 November 2023	A2	\$ 65,670
30/11/2023	\$ 1,000,000	120	Bank of QLD	5.20%	Friday, 29 March 2024	A2	\$ 17,096
18/10/2023	\$ 3,207,042	180	NAB	5.10%	Monday, 15 April 2024	A1	\$ 80,659
21/08/2023	\$ 8,000,000	122	NAB	5.12%	Monday, 19 February 2024	A1	\$ 204,239
25/07/2023	\$ 2,063,265	270	Bendigo	5.45%	Saturday, 20 April 2024	A2	\$ 83,181
6/11/2023	\$ 3,475,996	182	NAB	5.20%	Monday, 6 May 2024	A1	\$ 90,128
4/05/2023	\$ 1,532,000	300	Bendigo	4.95%	Wednesday, 28 February 2024	A2	\$ 62,329
31/10/2023	\$ 1,534,767	154	NAB	5.15%	Tuesday, 2 April 2024	A1	\$ 33,349
1/11/2023	\$ 2,000,000	270	NAB	5.30%	Sunday, 28 July 2024	A1	\$ 78,411
6/06/2023	\$ 4,000,000	181	NAB	5.00%	Monday, 4 December 2023	A1	\$ 99,178
5/01/2023	\$ 5,150,182	365	NAB	4.50%	Friday, 5 January 2024	A1	\$ 231,758
7/02/2023	\$ 2,325,260	365	Bank of QLD	4.40%	Wednesday, 7 February 2024	A2	\$ 102,311
Total term deposits	\$ 39,212,952				Total Expected Interest on Maturity	\$	1,234,185

Short Term	Policy Max.	Actual Portfolio
A1	100%	80%
A2	80%	20%
A3	50%	0%
B	10%	0%

Interest Summary:			Cash & Investment Summary:		
Interest earnings as at month end were as follows:			Cash Holdings as at month end were as follows:		
Bank Interest:	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Cash at Bank :		
	\$ 363,841	\$ 641,667		\$	17,337,266
Interest on Rates:	\$ 79,646	\$ 54,891	Short Term Investments :	\$	39,212,952
Totals	\$ 443,488	\$ 696,558	Totals	\$	56,550,218



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REPORT

Report No. 221 / 23 cncl

TO: ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023

SUBJECT: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT

AUTHOR: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER – ANDREW WILSMORE

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be received and noted.

REPORT

1. CULTURE SURVEY

A team culture and organisational effectiveness survey was conducted through November and the results presented to senior leaders on 5 and 6 December.

The survey utilised the scientifically proven Human Synergistics methodology mapping our present culture and future ideal state. It identified which levers would be the most important to focus on to bring about positive change in making Council a high performing and effective team and better positioned to deliver for the community.

Elected Members will be provided further detailed analysis at a future Forum.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

3. MEETINGS ATTENDED

The following meetings were attended by the CEO as well as other officers (not an exclusive list):

- Aimee Luxton - Head of Event Operations, Kim Haworth – Event Manager, NT Major Events and Mayor Matt Paterson – Masters Games Update
- Jake Quinlivan – Regional Executive Director, Territory Regional Growth – Big Rivers Region, Sarah Crossman – Regional Director, Alice Faulks – Senior Project Officer Territory Regional Growth – Central Australia, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet, Northern Territory Government – Summer activations
- Connecting Communities Reference Group videoconference hosted by Linda Weatherhead – Director, Policy and Projects, Local Government, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet
- John O'Connor – Manager, Tony Pizzuto – Business Development Manager, Ziggy Edwards-O'Connor – Product Consultant, LG Solutions, Lily Dy-Irwin – Manager Finance and Deborah Chapa – Senior Finance Officer, Alice Springs Town Council – overview of LG Solutions applications.

- Amelia Nuku – Chief Executive Officer, Tina Parker – Workforce and Skills Officer, ISACNT and Sarah Rhodes – Manager People and Culture, Alice Springs Town Council – introductory meeting.
- Southern Region Emergency Management Committee videoconference hosted by Matthew Hollamby APM – Acting Assistant Commissioner, Southern Regional Controller, NT Police, Fire and Emergency Services
- Central Australia Regional Coordination Committee Summer in Central Australia Meetings
- Activate Alice Working Group Meetings
- Maree De Lacey – Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Territory Regional Growth, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet, Karen Kennedy – Senior Manager Performance Reporting and Improvement, Power and Water Corporation, Joel Andrew – Director Technical Services, Alice Springs Town Council
- OAM Christmas Luncheon
- Djuna Pollard – Chief Executive Officer, Power and Water Corporation, Mayor Matt Paterson and Joel Andrew - Director Technical Services, Alice Springs Town Council – various matters
- Greg Barbour – Director, Alice Springs Cinema Pty Ltd and Matt Grant – customer safety
- Council Forums
- Cultural and Leadership Workshop with Alice Springs Town Council Directors and Managers. Hosted by Sam Mead – Managing Director and Karen Delvin – Executive Coach and Lead Culture Strategist, Mind Street
- Quarterly catch-up meeting with Leslie Manda – Chief Executive Officer, Central Desert Regional Council
- Naomi Read – Head of NBN Local SA/NT, Tim Nicol – Community Engagement Manager, NBN Local and Jason Atherinos – Manager ICT, Alice Springs Town Council – introductory meeting
- Monthly catch-up meeting with Sarah Fairhead – Executive Director Southern Region, Department of Infrastructure Planning and Logistics, Northern Territory Government and Joel Andrew – Director Technical Services, Alice Springs Town Council
- Mayor's Christmas Function
- 2023 Christmas Carnival and Night Markets
- Stephen Joyce – General Manager, Ryan Kogelman – Managing Director, RDK Sports International, Mayor Matt Paterson and Nicole Battle – Director Community Development, Alice Springs Town Council – introductory meeting.
- Function to welcome the first Bonza Airline flight into Alice Springs
- 2023 Chief Minister's Christmas Reception

4. COMMUNICATIONS UNIT ACTIVITY

Marketing and Communications Office – December 2023

Council's Marketing and Communications Office actively promotes the vision and values of Council. We display authenticity and respect in all communications from Council, promoting a brighter future for our community while celebrating the unique place of Alice Springs.

Holiday Period

This summer, Council is partnering with the NT Government, NT Police, National Indigenous Australian Agency, MacDonnell Regional Council and Central Desert Regional Council to make Alice Springs a safe place for everyone. Council's role within this is to provide a fulsome school holiday program for young people, as well as ensure public amenity is maintained through swift removal of abandoned vehicles, graffiti and other detractions.

The Media and Communications Unit has been working closely with other Council units to ensure the school holiday program is effectively communicated to the public. This has been done through a range of mediums, including radio, print and online platforms. These platforms include both Council-operated channels, such as Council Connects and social media channels, as well as outside channels to ensure a wide reach.

While Council will experience reduced hours across the holiday period in certain locations, essential services will remain in place at all times. This will include on-call teams that will attend to public requests such as abandoned vehicles, pot holes, graffiti and other reports. The Marketing and Communications unit has focused on the promotion of Neat Streets as a tool to report issues and will continue this promotion through December. This will give Council team members the best opportunity of responding to requests in a timely manner.

Council Connects

November edition:

- Council distributed approximately 260 printed copies of Council Connects, consistent with previous months. We also continue to encourage distribution through other channels, including NT Government departments as part of our collaborative approach.
- The November edition had 240 online impressions at time of print.

Facebook & Instagram data – November

Reach:



Page visits:



Website data – November

Council's website had a total of 29,487 page views for the month of November with 9,500 unique users. The homepage, Library page and the Aquatic Centre page were the top three landing pages within the month. The Aquatic Centre page has been more active this month, believed to be following the announcement of free access throughout summer. The Marketing and Communications unit use Council's website as the primary source of truth for all Council information and as such, monthly audits of content will be conducted. There is also an emphasis within the team to drive members of the community to the website for all Council information to ensure the correct information is accessed by the public.

Landing page	↓ Sessions	Users	New users	Average engagement time per session
	14,100 100% of total	8,598 100% of total	7,698 100% of total	5s Avg 0%
1 /	3,063	1,931	1,477	6s
2 /recreation/library	1,703	973	929	1s
3 /recreation/aquatic-leisure-centre	857	658	547	7s
4 /council/opportunities/jobs	813	366	259	6s
5 /about-alice-springs/council-events/night-markets	622	404	363	2s
6 /about-alice-springs/calendar	412	323	211	8s
7 /contact-us	381	273	216	5s
8 /about-alice-springs/council-events/todd-mall-markets	336	233	207	2s
9 /about-alice-springs/calendar/alice-springs-christmas-show-2	324	207	171	3s
10 /about-alice-springs/more/a-brief-history	320	258	258	1s

5. ATTACHMENT(S)

Nil

Andrew Wilsmore
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Agenda Item 28.2.1

REPORT

Report No. 234 / 23 cncd

TO: ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023

SUBJECT: ALICE SPRINGS LIVEABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY 2030 - STRATEGIC ACTIONS STATUS REPORT

AUTHOR: ACTING DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES – JOE MCCABE

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a quarterly status report on progress made on delivery of strategic actions include in Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. That the status report on strategic actions in Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030 be received and noted.
2. That strategic actions E1, E2, E3, E5 and E7 be consolidated and delivered through the development and implementation of an Economic Development Plan.

REPORT

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Nil

2. PREVIOUS APPLICABLE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was passed at the 29 June 2022 Ordinary Council meeting:

27.1.2.4 Draft 2022-2030 Strategic Plan Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030
Report No. 79 / 22 cncd
Item transferred from Confidential Agenda Item 8.1.3

Moved – Mayor Paterson

Seconded – Councillor Brown

That Council adopt the Alice Springs Town Council 2022-2030 Strategic Plan Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030.

CARRIED (22246)

3. **DISCUSSION**

Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030 sets out Council's vision for the Town and maps clear strategic actions to be achieved under the following five main pillars:

- Liveability;
- Safety;
- Environment;
- Economy and
- Governance & Civic

While quarterly reporting on Council's strategic plans is not a legislative requirement, it is certainly good governance. While Council must maintain a focus on day to day operational matters, it is at least as important for Council to regularly assess its progress towards implementing its longer-term strategic direction, and share this progress to the community.

Council also assesses its progress towards achieving strategic outcomes in all its adopted key strategies and plans, which all contribute to achieving the strategic actions in Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030.

Attachment A lists all strategic actions included in Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030 and provides the progress towards their achievement, noting that the strategic actions relate to the period through to 2030.

4. **ALIGNMENT WITH ALICE SPRINGS LIVEABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY 2030 STRATEGIC PLAN**

This item pertains to relevant components of the *Alice Springs Town Council Liveability and Sustainability Strategic Plan 2030* as follows:

The report provides a status report on progress towards achieving strategic actions included in Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030.

5. **FUNDING, WHOLE OF LIFE COSTS & RESOURCING REQUIREMENTS**

Specific funding allocated for strategic actions is included in the adopted 2023/24 budget and earmarked in the long-term financial plan. Council as part of its future annual budgets and updating of the long-term financial plan will seek to allocate funding required to achieve the strategic outcomes.

6. **RISK MANAGEMENT**

Specific risks associated with each action are identified and mitigated as part of delivering the particular strategic actions.

7. **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

Any environmental impacts are assessed as part of delivering the particular strategic actions.

8. **STATUTORY MATTERS / DELEGATIONS**

Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030 complies with the NT *Local Government Act 2019* and the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*.

9. COUNCIL POLICIES

Relevant Council policies will be complied with.

10. STAKEHOLDER MANAGEMENT / PUBLIC RELATIONS

Communication and consultation with relevant internal and external stakeholders will be in accordance with requirements for each specific action.

11. CONCLUSION

It is good governance to monitor progress towards achieving the strategic actions included in Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030, which sets out the strategic direction and vision for the Town. The attached report represents good process towards achieving these strategic actions, noting that the strategic actions relate to the period through to 2030.

12. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: *Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030 – Strategic Action Status Report*



Joe McCabe

ACTING DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

ATTACHMENT A

Alice Springs Liveability & Sustainability 2030 - Strategic Action Status Report

As at 1 December 2023

Liveability

	Pillar	Plan	Commenced	Anticipated Commencement	Comment
L1	Develop and implement a Parks and Playground Master Plan to ensure Council facilities remain current and fit-for-purpose	Parks & Playground Master Plan	Yes	2022/23	Implementation plan being developed for presentation to Council in February 2024.
L2	Develop and implement a Multicultural Action Plan	Multicultural Action Plan	Yes	2022/23	Twelve month status report due to go to OCM in October
L3	Facilitate a Youth Summit to develop an updated engagement plan for the young residents of Alice Springs	Youth Summit	Yes	2022/23	Completed in October 2022
L4	Increase the number of disability friendly recreational facilities in Alice Springs	Facilities Accessibility Assessment	No	2023/24	Commitment to upgrading one facility per annum. Presently investigating better hearing enablement in Council Chambers.
L5	Develop and implement a Library Master Plan	Library Master Plan		2023/24	Consultant engaged and an initial needs assessment being finalised as the first stage in the development of a full masterplan.
L6	Develop and implement a Reconciliation Action Plan	Reconciliation Action Plan	No	2023/24	First stage complete and approved by Reconciliation Australia.
L7	Continue to develop, maintain and renew Council-owned assets that encourage active lifestyles	Long-term Recreation Strategy	No	2025/26	Current priorities determined by SFAC, however other Council projects have been approved (eg Adventure Playground, Outdoor Gym, Skatepark).
L8	Develop and advocate for more recreational infrastructure across Alice Springs	Long-term Recreation Strategy	No	2025/26	Business case for a grant to redevelop Paul Fitzsimons Oval has been completed.
L9	Support the provision of a social and built infrastructure plan associated with population growth	10-year Infrastructure Plan	No	2026/27	

Safety

	Pillar	Plan	Commenced	Anticipated Commencement	Comment
S1	Advocate for capital works in the Gap Corridor to increase safety and liveability for all users.	Gap Safety Working Group	Yes	2022/23	NTG has commenced a project and is currently undertaking consultation.
S2	Advocate for increased accommodation supporting vulnerable members of community	Accommodation for Vulnerable Advocacy	Yes	2022/23	Part of Territory Families Assertive Outreach and supporting NTG's initiative.
S3	Partner with all levels of government and the community to deliver on the Central Australian Plan (Regeneration Deal)	Central Australia Plan	Yes	2022/23	Various election commitments made and grant funding applications underway.
S4	Undertake a road regulation audit that will increase safety for traffic including bike and pedestrian traffic	Road Regulation Audit	No	2024/25	
S5	Develop, implement safety plan incorporating Council and Stakeholders facilitating needs, services of the Community	Community Safety Plan	Yes	2022/23	Advocating through NTG working groups eg SORIC, ITCG, Youth Interagency Strategic Group, Lhere Artepe Traditional Owner Patrollers. Recommend that this strategic action be closed.
S6	Conduct an audit in collaboration with the NTG and other key stakeholders, on key community services	Key Community Services Audit			NTG has completed a Service Mapping Project however has not yet been released.
S7	Increase infrastructure improving safety level within Alice Springs community, by undertaking regular CPTED audits	CPTED Audit	No	2023/24	CPTED will be incorporated into CBD Design Review.

Environment

	Pillar	Plan	Commenced	Anticipated Commencement	Comment
N1	Develop and implement a greening strategy for Alice Springs	Greening Strategy	Yes	2023/24	Consultant engaged to develop strategy with a draft expected in early 2024.
N2	Investigate opportunities to improve regional waste, sewerage and water systems, including food waste and recycling	Waste and Water Systems Improvement	Yes	2023/24	Working with Power & Water on uses for recycled water. Also new household FOGO to be undertaken.
N3	Investigate ways adapting to climate change, implement heat mitigation strategy increasing liveability of Alice Springs	Heat Mitigation Strategy	No	2024/25	Linked with Greening Strategy. Reviewing previous heat mapping and reports undertaken.
N4	Actively participate in emergency management planning, preparation, response and recovery activities	Emergency Management Plan	Yes	2023/24	Reviewing Council's roles in Emergency Management Plan, including Bushfire Prevention which was presented to the Council Forum on 17 November. Participating in all Emergency Management forums.
N5	Advocate for all infrastructure in Alice Springs to be renewable-friendly	NTG Climate Response Advocacy	Yes	2022/23	Included in the design briefs of new and refurbished facilities.
N6	Engage and work with Traditional Owners (through Lhere Artepe) to improve ecosystem management	Ecosystem Management Improvement			We participate in any working groups that are organised by Lhere Artepe. The vast majority of subject land is likely to be managed as crown land. Recommend that this strategic action be closed.
N7	Investigate opportunities for food security including community gardens	Food Security Action Plan	No	2026/27	
N8	Contribute to the Northern Territory Government's 50 per cent renewable energy by 2030 target	Renewable Energy Implementation Plan	Yes	2022/23	Progressing with Climate & Environment Policy Implementation Plan.

Economy

	Pillar	Plan	Commenced	Anticipated Commencement	Comment
E1	Develop and implement a strategy to stimulate the night time economy in Alice Springs	Economic Development Plan, Innovation Strategy	No	2024/25	Limited economic review of CBD incorporated into the CBD Revitalisation project. Recommend that strategic actions E1, E2, E3, E5 and E7 be consolidated, with requests for tenders for development of an Economic Development Strategy to sought early in 2024. Scope of strategy endorsed at Council Forum on 10 October.
E2	Develop and implement an Economic Development Plan for Alice Springs	Economic Development Plan	No	2023/24	Refer to E1
E3	Work with key commercial stakeholders in the community to grow the economy of Alice Springs	Economic Development Plan	Yes	2023/24	Todd Precinct Traders Association initiated. Refer to E1
E4	Develop and implement an Innovation Strategy	Innovation Strategy	No	2026/27	
E5	Support and develop initiatives for the development and growth of small businesses	Economic Development Plan	Yes	2022/23	Collaborate on projects with NTG Small Business Champions. Refer to E1
E6	Advocate for investment in a Regional Sports Centre that promotes Alice Springs as a sporting tourism destination	Regional Sports Centre Advocacy	No	2025/26	Initial conversations re long term strategy for sports are underway with NTG.
E7	Support initiatives to increase the population of Alice Springs through business & industry for all levels of Government	Economic Development Plan, Innovation Strategy	No	2023/24	Refer to E1
E8	Work with NTG on long-term plan for ASTC to take on an increased role in planning discussions within the municipality	Municipality Planning Working Group	Yes	2022/23	Draft South of the Gap Area Plan will be available for consultation with Elected Members early 2024.

Governance & Civic

	Pillar	Plan	Commenced	Anticipated Commencement	Comment
G1	Providing opportunities for Elected Member development	Elected Member Development	Yes	2022/23	Professional Development Allowance available plus Council initiated training.
G2	Develop and implement a priority infrastructure plan	Infrastructure Audit and Renewal Plan			Suggest to combine with Liveability Strategic Action L9 (10-year Infrastructure Plan).
G3	Develop and implement a best practice framework for integrated Planning	Integrated Planning Framework	Yes	2022/23	Framework currently in place. Review and further development of the Integrated Planning Framework in 2024/25.
G4	Finalise and implement an Asset Management Plan for Council assets, including a review of all Council land holdings	Asset Management Plan	No	2023/24	Council has budgeted for an Asset Management System and works underway to start cataloguing assets. Funding provided in budget 2023/24 for condition assessment of three major facilities, which is now underway and will commence with key properties
G5	Increasing utilisation and maintenance of ASTC assets	Asset Management Plan, 10-year Infrastructure Plan	Yes	2023/24	Allocated budget to capital renewals. Business case on ASALC operations. Parks Consolidation and Divestment. Review utilisation of sporting facilities.

REPORT

Report No. 224 / 23 cncl

TO: ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

AUTHOR: DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – NICOLE BATTLE

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report provides a summary of recent key activities and achievements within the Community Development Directorate, as well as a detailed quarterly report from each business unit for the period 01 September to 30 November 2023.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

That this report be received and noted.

REPORT

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Not applicable

2. PREVIOUS APPLICABLE RESOLUTIONS

Not applicable

3. DISCUSSION

Overall it has been a successful quarter for the Community Development Directorate, with key achievements including:

- Successful delivery of inaugural Halloween Pop Up, with approximately 1,000 people in attendance;
- Successful delivery of inaugural Diwali Night Market, with approximately 2,000 people in attendance;
- Removal of 26 Abandoned Vehicles;
- Increased focus by Rangers on ensuring compliance with the Alice Springs (Management of Public Places) By-Laws, with a particular emphasis on litter and illegal dumping;
- 261 Events and programs at the library including the successful delivery of 2023 Annual Library Booksale;
- Increased attendance compared to this quarter last year at the pool and commencement of works at the Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre for construction of the new Adventure Playground; &
- Successful delivery of the 2023 Mayoral Awards as part of International Day for People with Disability.

4. **ALIGNMENT WITH ALICE SPRINGS LIVEABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY 2030 STRATEGIC PLAN**

This item pertains to relevant components of the *Alice Springs Town Council Liveability and Sustainability Strategic Plan 2030* as follows:

Pillar 1 – Liveability

5. **FUNDING, WHOLE OF LIFE COSTS & RESOURCING REQUIREMENTS**

As per approved budgets. Major expenditure for the quarter most notably included:

Item	Amount Expended
Halloween Pop-Up Event	\$6,700
Diwali Night Market	\$8,300
New Study Pod at Alice Springs Public Library	\$15,890

6. **RISK MANAGEMENT**

As per individual projects and plans.

7. **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

As per individual projects and plans.

8. **STATUTORY MATTERS / DELEGATIONS**

All work undertaken as per Alice Springs Town Council Register of Delegations Policy.

9. **COUNCIL POLICIES**

- Alice Springs Town Council Municipal Plan 2022/203
- Alice Springs Town Council Four-Year Business Plan 2022/23 – 2025/26

10. **STAKEHOLDER MANAGEMENT / PUBLIC RELATIONS**

As per individual projects and plans

11. **CONCLUSION**

This report and its associated attachments have sought to provide Elected Members and residents of Alice Springs with an overview of work undertaken by the Community Development Directorate between 01 September and 30 November 2023.

12. ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment A:** *Manager Rangers Unit Report*
Attachment B: *Manager Library Unit Report*
Attachment C: *Manager ASALC Unit Report*
Attachment D: *Manager Community & Cultural Development Unit Report*



Nicole Battle

DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

ATTACHMENT A

TO: DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – NICOLE BATTLE

AUTHOR: MANAGER RANGERS – LUKE ALLEN

SUBJECT: RANGER UNIT REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 SEPTEMBER 2023 TO 30 NOVEMBER 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides a quarterly update of the Ranger Unit within the Community Development Directorate.

1. HIGHLIGHTS

- In late November, the Ranger Unit begun an operation with the goal of reducing litter in certain identified hotspots. Running alongside these efforts, patrols seeking to identify abandoned vehicles have been increased for the summer period.
- The Ranger Unit has taken part in many Council events during this reporting period, including our Pop-Up Park and the Halloween Street Party.
- The Ranger Unit has welcomed a new vehicle, which has replaced the aging van that we've had for over 7-years. With an emphasis on four-wheel drive capability, this vehicle will ensure that Rangers can get to anywhere they are needed.
- Working closely with our Technical Services team, the afterhours drop-off cages at the Alice Springs Animal Shelter have been repaired and are operational again, providing a secure option for residents who come across stray animals outside of business hours.
- Rangers provided a dedicated presence at the Diwali Night Market, working closely with Council staff, stall holders and the public to make the night as safe and enjoyable as possible.

2. OPERATIONS

Starting in late November and running until the end of the year, the Ranger Unit is conducting an operation targeting public littering, with a secondary objective to proactively identify potentially abandoned vehicles.

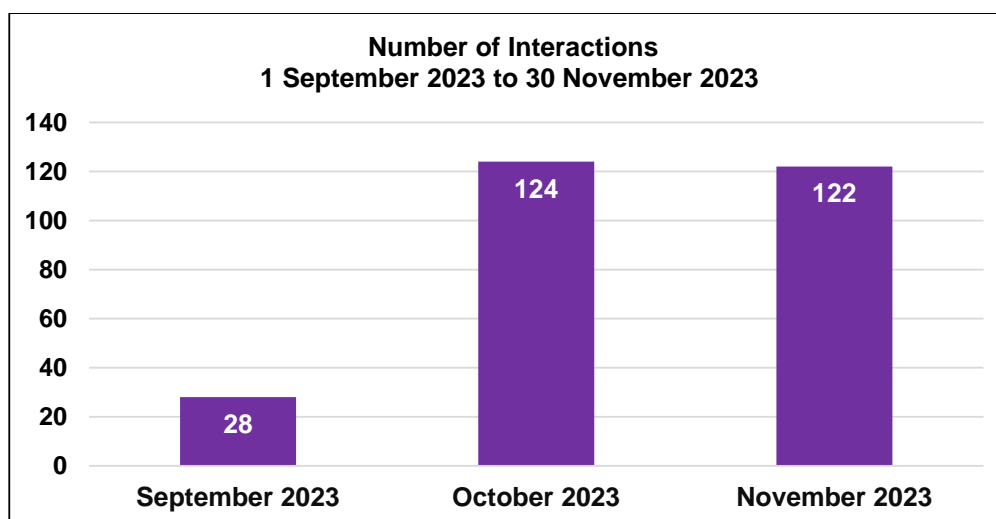
This operation will see daily, high-visibility patrols in key areas for public littering, and will look to provide an active deterrent for such behaviour, as well as providing education on the impacts of public littering. The secondary objective to this operation will see work to identify abandoned vehicles as early as possible. This will allow for timely removal where required, but will still give vehicle owners the chance to address concerns about their vehicle(s).

A detailed breakdown of this operation will be provided as part of the next quarterly update.

3. STATS**PERMITS ISSUED BY RANGER ADMINISTRATION**

Permit Type	September 2023	October 2023	November 2023
Public Places Permits for Events/Activities other areas E.G. Civic Centre Lawns, Snow Kenna Park, Todd Mall & Flynn Church Lawns	5	15	12
Traffic Management Plan (TMP) Permits for Events	0	5	0
Key Request	1	6	0
Banners	10	1	5
Busking	0	2	1
Vehicle in the Mall	0	2	0
Painting Sellers	4	4	7
Alfresco Dining	0	0	0
Food Vans	0	1	0
Filming/Drone	1	3	0
Shipping Containers/Skip Bins	0	1	0
Disability Parking Permits	45	86	45
Hartley Street Car Park	12	1	0
Kennel Licence	0	6	2
TOTAL	78	127	72

Total Permits Issued 1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023 = 277

COMMUNITY PATROL OF PUBLIC PLACES

Total Number of Interactions 1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023 = 353

NUMBER OF CALLS FOR SERVICE

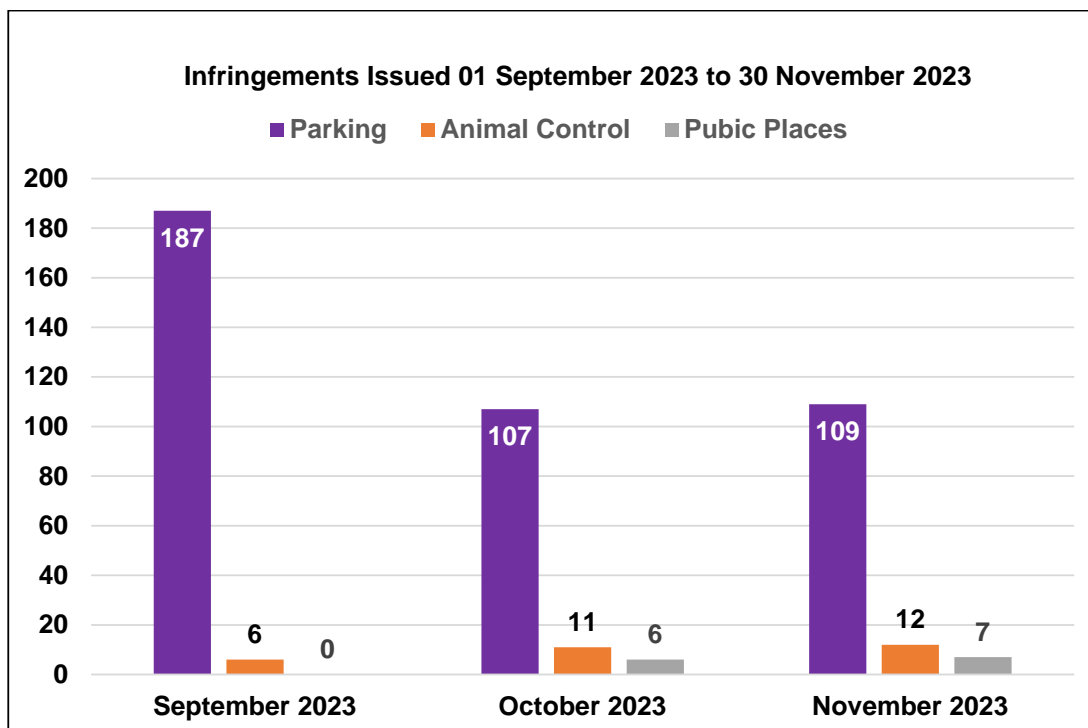
Total Number of Calls to Service 1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023 = 330

CALLS FOR SERVICE RECEIVED BY TYPE

Calls for Service Type	September 2023	October 2023	November 2023
Abandoned Vehicle	14	21	31
Cat At Large	3	2	0
Cat Injured/Deceased	0	2	2
Cat Surrendered/Not Wanted	0	0	0
Cat Nuisance	0	0	0
Cat Trap Own	1	0	3
Cat Trap Ranger	22	14	18
Dog At Large	17	14	24
Dog Attack Animal	3	3	4
Dog Attack Human	0	3	4
Dog Injured/Deceased	0	0	0
Dog Menace	3	4	3
Dog Not Contained	3	1	4
Dog Nuisance	7	11	8
Dog Welfare/Cruelty	0	2	2
Dog Surrender/Not Wanted	4	1	4
Dog Unregistered	11	3	12
Dog Trap	0	1	0
Kennel Licence	0	0	0
Other Animal	2	5	2
Overdue Proof of Sterilisation	0	0	8
Dumped Rubbish/Litter	0	3	1
Graffiti	0	0	1

Calls for Service Type	September 2023	October 2023	November 2023
Public Places	5	6	3
Parking/Traffic	2	0	3
TOTAL	97	96	137

INFRINGEMENT NOTICES ISSUED

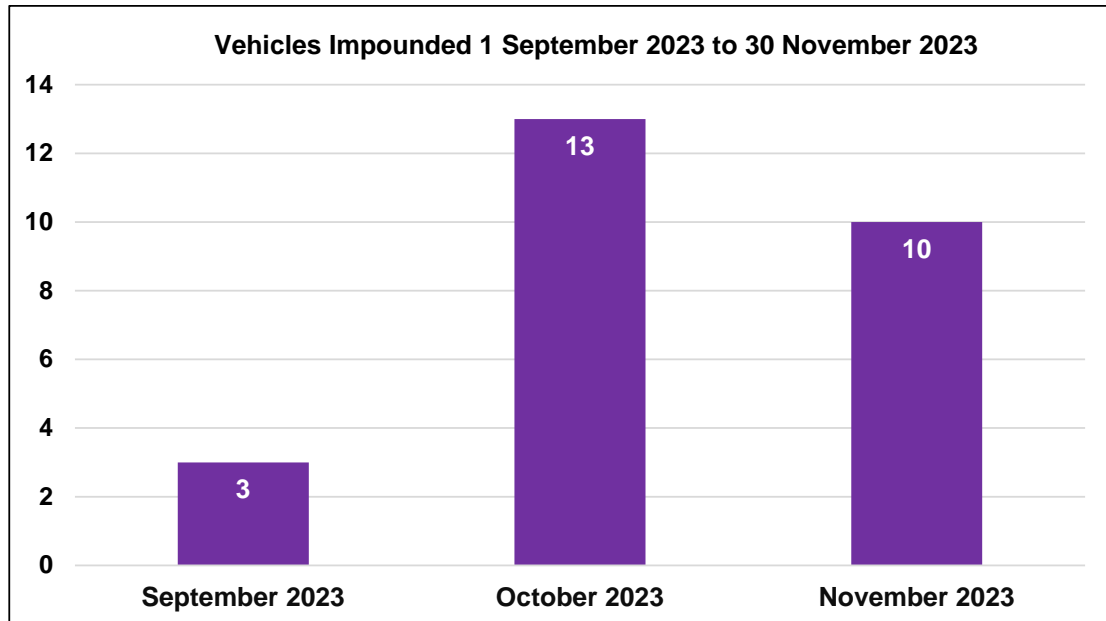


Total Infringements Issued 1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023 = 445

PAYMENTS MADE BY FINES RECOVERY FOR MONIES RECOVERED

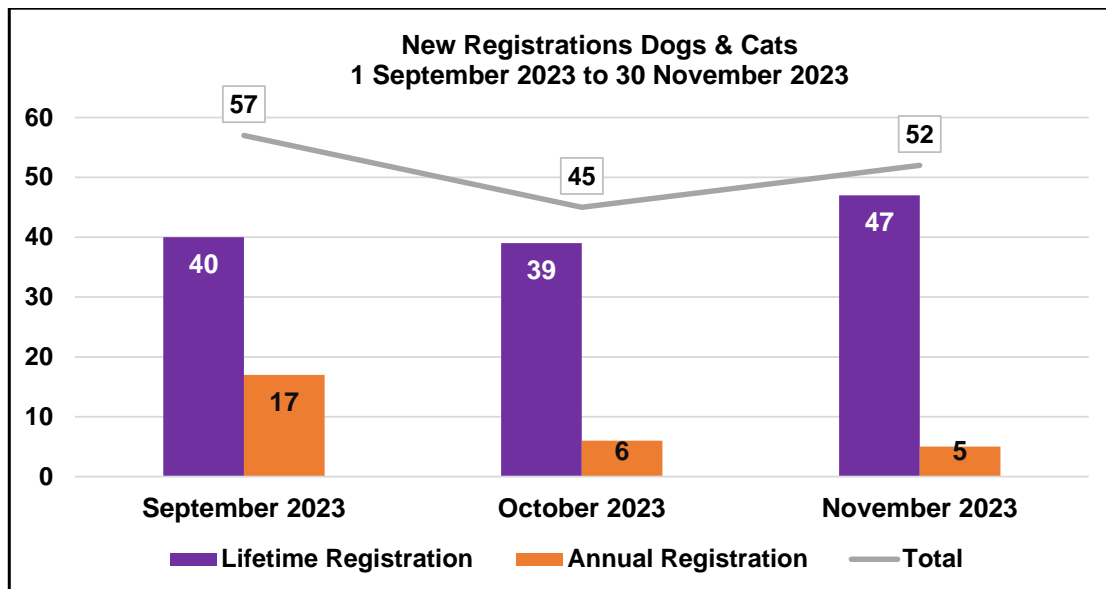
	Recovered
September 2023	\$2,038.12
October 2023	\$4,188.82
November 2023	\$3,936.12
TOTAL	\$10,163.06

ABANDONED VEHICLES REMOVED FROM COUNCIL ROADS



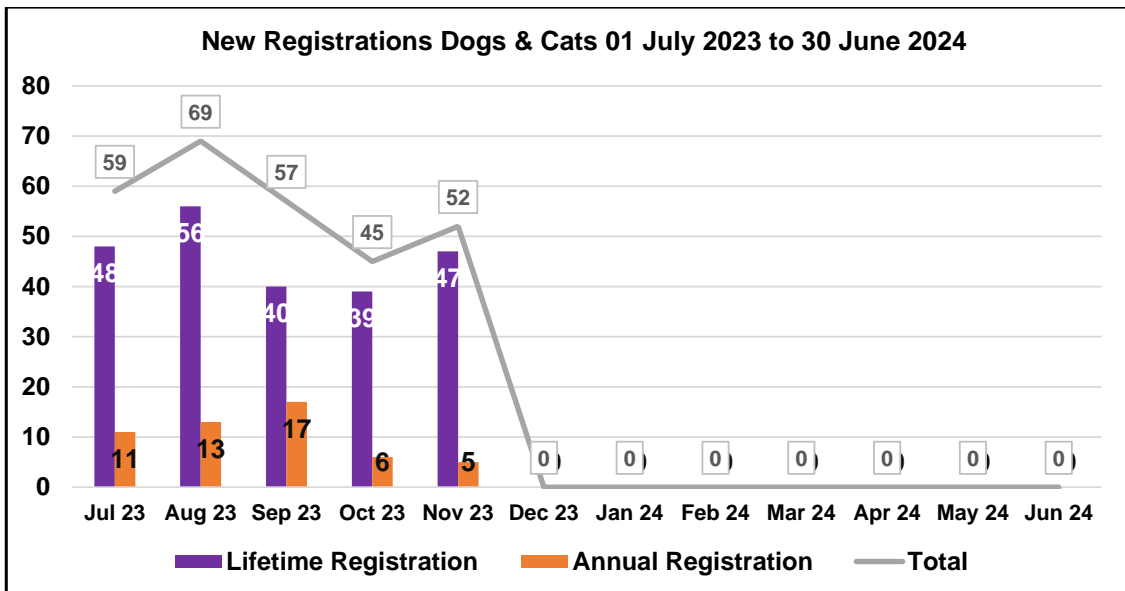
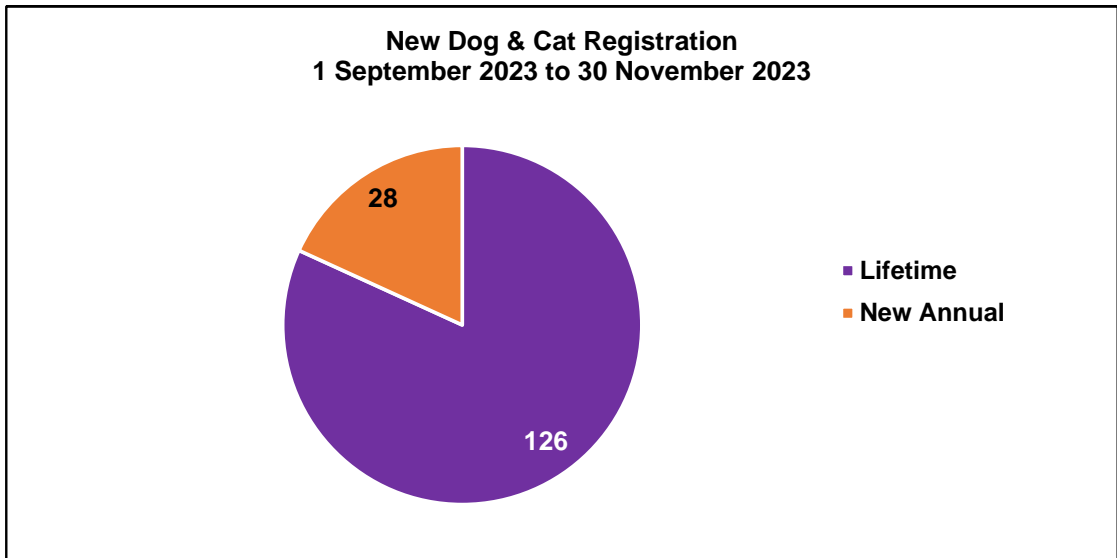
Total Number of Abandoned Vehicles 1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023 = 26

DOG & CAT REGISTRATIONS PROCESSED BY RANGER ADMINISTRATION

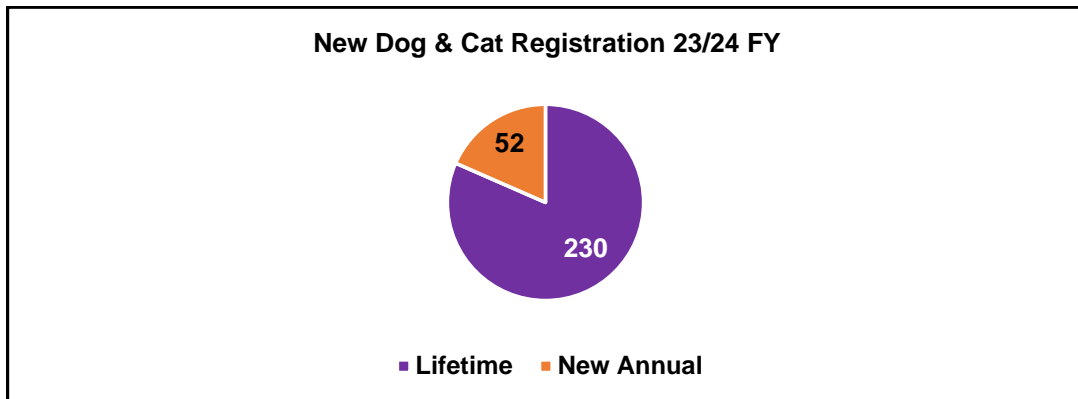


Lifetime Registration 1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023 = 126
 New Annual Registration 1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023 = 28

**Ratio Lifetime Registration to New Annual Registration is 4.5:1
for 1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023**



Ratio Lifetime Registration to New Annual Registration is currently 4.4:1



ANIMALS TAKEN TO THE ASAS

	Dogs	Cats
September 2023	25	24
October 2023	15	21
November 2023	66	29
TOTAL	106	74

Total Dogs and Cats taken to ASAS 1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023 = 180

Luke Allen
MANAGER RANGERS

ATTACHMENT B

TO: DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – NICOLE BATTLE

AUTHOR: MANAGER LIBRARY SERVICES – DUNJA GANAMA

SUBJECT: ALICE SPRINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 SEPTEMBER 2023 – 30 NOVEMBER 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides an update of the Alice Springs Public Library within the Community Development Directorate. The parts covered within this report provide a high-level analysis covering progress against the Alice Springs Public Library Business Plan and compliance requirements.

1. STRATEGIC PLAN

This report provides a progress update of work that occurred from Sep to Nov 2023 in relation to the **Alice Springs Town Council Strategic Plan – 2030**. The below KPIs and measures have been developed as part of the Alice Springs Public Library Business Plan to address and meet the objectives of the strategic plan.

OBJECTIVE 1: DYNAMIC COMMUNITY

A dynamic, prosperous community where everyone is included, underpinned by safe, reliable infrastructure and social investment.

1.1 Inclusiveness and support

1.1.1 Develop and enhance programs, as well as services

KPI - Library services delivered to a high standard and aligned to community needs	
Measures	Progress
Develop and maintain relevant library collections for lending and information services to the public	<p>Over the past year, our efforts to align library services with community needs involved numerous informal discussions with library volunteers and patrons, specifically focused on Collection Development. These conversations proved instrumental in shaping the expansion of our three Graphic Novel collections, particularly emphasizing growth in the Junior and Youth sections.</p> <p>In addition to these discussions, we actively sought feedback from library volunteers engaged in delivering materials to aged care services. This input was invaluable in understanding collection trends among senior residents. Our aim was to ensure that our Large Print and Spoken Word Collections are thoughtfully curated to reflect and cater to the diverse interests within the community.</p>

KPI - Library services delivered to a high standard and aligned to community needs	
Measures	Progress
Support positive growth in the community with Library Programs and Partnerships	<p>The Library (ASPL) collaborated with author Emma Stuart to host illustrating workshops coinciding with the launch of her book 'Peewie and the Tree,' written on Arrernte country. The workshops celebrated 'Lifelong Learning' by embracing all ages, highlighting the picture book as an art form transcending generational boundaries.</p> <p>By engaging participants in the art of illustration and storytelling, the workshops connected attendees with the cultural richness of the book's setting. This inclusive initiative encouraged creativity and cross-generational interaction, aligning with ASPL's commitment to community growth through diverse and educational programs.</p>
Up to date collection and service delivery	<p>Between 1 SEP 23 – 30 NOV 23:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 261 events/programs held to promote literacy and lifelong learning, to inform and connect citizens, and to create stronger and more creative communities. • 17,616 hard copies loaned out with collection maintained to Library & Archive NT standards. • 4,041 PC bookings made. • 7,002 e-loans serviced. • 598 opening hours providing a space to meet, keep, learn & read.
Ongoing analysis of customer feedback to ensure programs deliver to community needs	<p>Feedback is primarily received via Social Media & feedback forms.</p> <p>In September ASPL ran multiple lantern weaving workshops with local artist Kirrily Jordan. The lanterns will form part of a collective installation for public exhibition in Canberra early next year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"Thank you so much. How wonderful that a collective project from Alice Springs will be shared in Canberra. A wonderful, generous community event"</i> • <i>"Venue was comfortable and space was appropriate. The staff are great. Learning new skills and very sociable. Thanks"</i>

KPI - Library services delivered to a high standard and aligned to community needs	
Measures	Progress
Ongoing analysis of collection and customer feedback	<p>ASPL conducted our annual collection review and set our collection development plan for 2024. Overall, there are just under 40,000 items in the General Collection, which are loanable. ALIA Standards and Guidelines state that the age of the collection for a library service that serves a population size of less than 50, 000 should be 40 % (target) – 45% (enhanced target) within the last five years.</p> <p>40% of the Alice Springs Public Library's collection has been purchased within the last five years and we are actively working towards the enhanced target of 45% with a targeted weeding schedule, planned stocktake for early 2024 and continued purchasing of new items.</p>
To be an integral part of the community and fill service gaps within the municipality	<p>The Library aims to act as an intermediary in assisting and formalising a structured approach to individuals that have no common point of contact.</p> <p>As a result, the Library has played an integral part in this year's RoboCup Junior Competition. After running multiple teachers workshops and supplying our robots, another competition has come to an end. Over 40 students from years 3 to 9 gathered to showcase their coding, robotics, teamwork and sportsmanship skills; forming 14 teams to compete in three events. ASPL is instrumental in bringing this event to life along with the dedication of fantastic teachers and volunteers.</p>

KPI - Library services delivered to a high standard and aligned to community needs	
To be an integral part of the community and fill service gaps within the municipality	<p>The Library enthusiastically welcomed our new Chess Club Coordinator, a dedicated volunteer filling a much-desired role within our community. The establishment of the Chess Club has generated substantial interest among residents seeking a structured environment for chess matches and skill development.</p> <p>Since its inception, the club has received numerous inquiries from individuals eager to connect with fellow enthusiasts. As of October, the Chess Club convenes every Sunday at the Library, providing a welcoming space for chess aficionados. The club is fully equipped with multiple chess sets, clocks, and an array of literature and learning materials, fostering an environment conducive to learning and friendly competition.</p> <p>We extend a friendly invitation to all Elected Members to join us for a game! The Chess Club stands as a testament to our commitment to bridging community gaps by offering engaging programs that cater to diverse interests and encourage social interaction.</p>

KPI - Library services delivered to a high standard and aligned to community needs	
Provide the community with space to conduct meetings for social and informative purposes	<p>In September the Library had the pleasure of hosting an author talk with Gary Baxter, a remarkable individual who is a stunt car driver and racing champion as well as being an author. Gary's unique background promised an entertaining blend of literary expertise and thrilling adventure for the audience.</p> <p>The event was expertly hosted by our very own Director of Community Development, who brought delightful finesse and a curious spirit to the discussion. Gary Baxter's books, set in the backdrop of Alice Springs, added a local touch to the event and are now available for loan.</p>

KPI - Library services delivered to a high standard and aligned to community needs	
Provide the community with space to conduct meetings for social and informative purposes	<p>In October we hosted another author talk with Tony Liddle. This highly respected and well-known man introduced the audience to his book "From Two Wheel Tracks to Bitumen Highways".</p> <p>It is an account of Tony Liddle's life in the Territory. His humbleness, humour and dedication to friends, family and the Centre made sure that there was not a dry eye in the room. We feel honoured to have included his memoir in the Alice Springs Collection.</p>

1.1.2 Promote community engagement, cohesion and safety

KPI - Alice Springs Public Library effectively engages with the community	
Measures	Progress
Participate in external outreach community events	<p>The Library takes immense pride in its designation as a 'Learning Destination' for the Children's University, an innovative program that actively involves children and young individuals in stimulating out-of-school learning experiences. This initiative is geared towards enhancing educational outcomes and recognizing the proactive pursuit of knowledge among participants.</p> <p>This November, we had the honor of participating in the graduation ceremony held at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College. The event witnessed the graduation of over 100 students from Ross Park Primary, Yipirinya, Living Waters, and Bradshaw Primary. As guests of honor, the Library celebrated alongside these enthusiastic graduates, acknowledging their passion for learning and the Library's pivotal role in facilitating this rewarding program.</p>

KPI - Alice Springs Public Library effectively engages with the community	
Measures	Progress
Participate in external outreach community events	<p>The Children's University graduation underscores the Library's commitment to nurturing a love for learning within our younger community members. By providing diverse and engaging opportunities for educational enrichment, we aim to inspire and empower young minds, fostering a culture that values continuous learning beyond traditional classroom settings.</p> <p>Our active involvement in this successful program signifies the Library's dedication to fostering educational achievement and supporting the holistic development of our youth.</p>

KPI - Alice Springs Public Library effectively engages with the community	
Measures	Progress
Coordinate volunteers to assist and inform the community	<p>ASPL continues to engage Council's largest volunteer cohort, a testament to the profound value the community places on our services and our unique role as connectors within the community.</p> <p>The dedication and unwavering support of our volunteers have been instrumental in the success of several key services:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 'Books on Wheels' initiative, where the library extends its reach to individuals facing immobility challenges of a permanent or temporary nature. 2. Book and audiobook deliveries to the Old Timers Village, ensuring our senior citizens remain connected to the community through access to literature. 3. Assistance with the continuous weeding of the General Collection and getting new purchases shelf ready. 4. 'Read, Write, and Chat,' our outstanding literacy program catering to international newcomers and individuals whose first language is not English, aiding language skills and community integration. <p>Presently our 'Read, Write, Chat' program supports 49 active students.</p> <p>And 13 dedicated volunteers contribute to the Library's exceptional outreach services.</p>

ATTACHMENT B – LIBRARY REPORT

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KPI - Alice Springs Public Library effectively engages with the community	
Measures	Progress
Community engagement and collaboration with multiple stakeholders	<p>The Library played a significant role in championing the 'Chief Minister's Reading Challenge', a campaign that encouraged every student from transition to year 6 across the Northern Territory to read 12 books within 24 weeks. To actively support and facilitate access for all participating students, we added all the recommended books from the Chief's booklist to our collection, aiming to promote literacy and lifelong learning.</p> <p>As a representative for Library & Archives NT (LANT), the Library was honored to inaugurate the campaign earlier this year alongside the Chief Minister.</p> <p>The conclusion of the challenge was celebrated with a closing event hosted at the Library. This gathering celebrated the achievements of students from multiple schools in Alice Springs, alongside their principals.</p>

KPI - Alice Springs Public Library effectively engages with the community	
Measures	Progress
Provide regular school holiday activities	<p>The successful delivery of the Spring School Holiday Program showcased the Library's emphasis on programs centered around Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM). We were delighted to collaborate once more with Red Dirt Robotics, offering coding and robotics workshops that garnered high demand. Additionally, our 3D printing workshops were fully booked and immensely successful.</p> <p>One notable aspect of the Library's efforts during this holiday was the spirit of collaboration. Both external and internal partners played a key role in making these programs a success.</p> <p>Additionally, we ventured into the water at ASALC for a delightful "Splish Splash Storytime at the Pool," adding a unique and enjoyable twist to our offerings.</p>

1.1.3 Proactively embrace diversity, ensuring equitable participation opportunities

KPI - Provide equitable access to learning opportunities and resources	
Measures	Progress
Appropriate resources provided for customers with disabilities	<p>The Library collaborated with Speech Pathology Australia to present workshops and information sessions tailored for young families and caregivers. As the national peak body for the speech pathology profession in Australia, Speech Pathology Australia's health professionals specialize in assessing and treating communication and swallowing difficulties.</p> <p>ASPL is committed to ensuring equitable access to learning opportunities and resources for our community. In line with this commitment, we continually strive to offer diverse programs that cater to the needs of all ages, fostering regular learning, communication, and social connection activities.</p> <p>The 'Speechy Talks' received a positive response, demonstrated by the keen interest and uptake of these sessions within our community. These workshops provided valuable insights and support for young families and caregivers, addressing crucial aspects of communication and offering expertise in the assessment and treatment of speech-related challenges.</p>
Provide events and learning opportunities promoting multicultural diversity	<p>During the reporting period, ASPL organised three Multilingual Storytime sessions conducted in French, Spanish, and Punjabi. These sessions aim to celebrate diversity by offering storytelling experiences in different languages.</p> <p>The open invitation extended to facilitate these sessions has been warmly embraced by the multicultural community of Alice Springs. This inclusivity and outreach effort has resulted in a notable increase in the turnover of our Language Other Than English (LOTE) collection. The growing popularity of these Multilingual Storytime sessions has prompted plans to expand our LOTE collection further to meet the increasing demand.</p> <p>ASPL remains dedicated to fostering an environment that celebrates multiculturalism and continues to explore innovative ways to engage and serve our diverse community.</p>

KPI - Provide equitable access to learning opportunities and resources	
Measures	Progress
Maintain an up-to-date Alice Springs Special Collection (ASCOLL) & Akaltje Antheme Collection of Central Australian Indigenous resource	<p>Throughout October, ASPL dedicated efforts to the restoration and maintenance of the Alice Springs Special Collection (ASCOLL), particularly focusing on repairing damaged items classified as valuable 'grey literature'. Grey literature encompasses publications and documents originating from diverse entities such as government agencies, research institutions, or individuals. These materials, including reports, working papers, theses, conference proceedings, technical documents and newsletters, among others, are not conventionally published through commercial or academic channels.</p> <p>The ASCOLL repository houses these invaluable grey literature materials, recognised for their significant contributions to research, education, and information dissemination. These documents often contain crucial information, research findings, and data that might not be widely available through mainstream publishing avenues.</p>

OBJECTIVE 2: A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE

A great place to live that attracts and retains residents because of our unmatched leisure and healthy living opportunities and embrace of our unique landscape and culture.

2.1 Community life, promoting a healthy, vibrant culture**2.1.1 Provide sport, recreation and leisure opportunities, which maximise social capital**

KPI - Promote Alice Springs Public Library Nationally and within Central Australia	
Measures	Progress
Implement Library Media and Marketing plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular meeting with Council's marketing team LANT is currently exploring opportunities for a shared marketing platform to jointly advocate our Information Services amongst all Public Libraries in the NT
Library staff to submit presentations, papers and articles for local and national governing bodies, conferences and symposiums	The Library Manager is part of the 'Libraries Connected Communities' working group. LANT's Strategic Vision for 2023-2028 is a collaborative effort between LANT and the managers of NT's Public Libraries. Pending ministerial approval, it is expected to be published by the next reporting period.

2.2 Enhance life-long learning, library and technology services**2.2.1 Protect and promote local history and heritage**

KPI - Maintain, develop and promote a collection of resources relevant to Central Australia's local history	
Measures	Progress
Local literacy information sessions / events	<p>In November ASPL hosted "The Young Territory Author Awards". This is an annual writing competition where entrants write and produce their own book. It is organised in association with other public libraries and schools throughout the NT.</p> <p>The competition is in its 33rd year of production and showcases the incredible imagination and creativity of young people in the community, providing them with an opportunity to develop their writing skills and have their work nationally recognised. Their works are now available in the General Collection.</p>
Literary / Cultural events	During September the Hispanic Community of Alice Springs celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month. Many members are also frequent Library users. We took the opportunity to deliver workshops, craft sessions and Storytime in Spanish to support the showcasing of the Spanish-speaking countries, especially those of Central and South America.

KPI - Maintain, develop and promote a collection of resources relevant to Central Australia's local history	
Measures	Progress
Media promotion	<p>ASPL has a regular spot on 8CCC, Community radio. Once a month we update listeners on all things Library. This is a 30-minute spot and gives us a great opportunity to connect to community.</p> <p>ABC has live broadcasted from our annual book sale, which created a real buzz around the event and prompted many listeners to make their way to the Library carpark.</p>
Work with Library and Archive Northern Territory (LANT) and all relevant Library Services to ensure collections reflect community needs	<p>ASPL has reviewed the entire loanable collection within the General Collection. There are twenty-two distinct locations within the General Collection, that all remain relevant and well burrowed. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult paperback fiction • Biography • CDs • DVDs • Fiction • Graphic novels • Junior beginner books • Junior board books • Junior CDs • Junior DVDs • Junior fiction • Junior graphic novels • Junior non-fiction • Junior picture books • Junior spoken word • Large print • Literacy • Non-fiction (including folio) • Spoken word (including youth spoken word) • Youth fiction • Youth graphic novels • World languages

2.3 Enhance life-long learning, library and technology services**2.3.2 Diversify information resources and mediums**

KPI 1 - Provide access to the collection through a range of mediums and appropriate information via online resources	
Measures	Progress
Constantly changing community needs evaluated through monthly Collection reports, monitoring customer usage and trends	<p>The Library is buzzing with excitement as we introduce our new study pod. With up to a staggering 10,000 visitors in some month, our patrons often faced challenges in locating a quiet spot for studying or conducting online interviews. Up until now, our Multi-Purpose Room was the sole option for such activities, but it was frequently booked, leaving many without suitable alternatives.</p> <p>The addition of the new study pod is a fantastic solution that optimizes our existing space and meets the demand for quiet study areas. We warmly invite all Elected Members to experience this valuable addition firsthand.</p>
Access to online collections through Borrow Box & Overdrive	LANT currently in discussion with all NT Public Libraries about redirecting some funding for physical loans to eResource loans in order to adjust to future borrowing trends.

KPI 1 - Provide access to the collection through a range of mediums and appropriate information via online resources	
Measures	Progress
Library Collections Coordinator to attend quarterly Collection Development Committee meetings with Library and Archives Northern Territory	Library Collection Coordinator and Library Manager attended quarterly meeting November 23.

KPI 2 - Provide access to up-to-date technology, WiFi, printing and copying facilities	
Measures	Progress
Innovative technology	<p>The Library and IT teams have been diligently working for approximately 12 months on a ground-breaking enhancement to our printing system. The result is a game-changer that benefits both patrons and visitors.</p> <p>Now, individuals can easily print from their own devices, including smartphones, tablets, and laptops and scan papers directly to their email. In the past, printing was limited to our public computers and required Library staff assistance at the front desk. This transformation empowers users to independently manage their printing jobs by simply scanning a QR code at their convenience.</p> <p>This remarkable technological upgrade serves to liberate our public computers and allows our Library team to allocate their time more productively. By offering this new printing and scanning solution, we are proudly positioning ourselves at the forefront of innovative printing solutions within the Northern Territory public library system.</p>
Educating library users on how to use the latest self-serve provision	ASPL along with Darwin City and Palmerston Library are in the pilot group for a Library app for smartphones. Currently still in the testing phase.

2.3.3 Offer STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) training, education and support to establish a local digital culture

KPI - Science Technology Education Mathematics (STEM) related programs provided for all demographics	
Measures	Progress
STEAM, digital literacy and engagement sessions	During the spring school holidays, the Library was incredibly active, offering a total of 17 programs over two weeks. These programs were marked by a strong emphasis on STEAM and were consistently fully booked, demonstrating their popularity among the community.

KPI - Science Technology Education Mathematics (STEM) related programs provided for all demographics	
Increase STEAM and digital engagement event participants	The appointment of a Library Programs Officer has brought the Programs Team back to full strength at ASPL. The team eagerly anticipates an upcoming Summer School Holiday program packed with STEAM activities. Additionally, preparations are underway to conduct a series of workshops aimed at enhancing digital engagement among our senior citizens.

KPI - Science Technology Education Mathematics (STEM) related programs provided for all demographics	
Continue working with external partners to support the community with upskilling in the delivery of STEM workshops	<p>The Library renewed its collaboration with Robocup Junior to present STEM workshops, aiming to ignite the scientific curiosity of young individuals. Acknowledging the inherent curiosity and natural inclination of children towards science, our commitment lies in nurturing their curiosity about the world.</p> <p>Apart from the highly appreciated coding sessions, we partnered again with Red Dirt Robotics to organize multiple engaging 3D workshops. These workshops enabled students to delve into essential learning experiences involving 3D modeling software and diverse design principles. Simultaneously, participants had the opportunity to unleash their creativity, translating their ideas into tangible creations, thus fostering imagination and practical skill development.</p>

OBJECTIVE 4: A DYNAMIC COUNCIL

A well governed Council that leads by example, advocates for our community, innovates and delivers excellent services, and works with others collaboratively to help create the community we want to live in.

4.2 People & workplace excellence

4.2.1 Attract a capable, skilled workforce

KPI - Alice Springs Public Library adequately promoted within the Library Industry	
Measures	Progress
Keep relevant memberships up to date and foster relationships with other Public Libraries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASPL is a Standing Member of the Australian Library Information Association. Library Manager members of NT Libraries working group to deliver a Strategic Vision for NT Public Libraries 143 intra-library loans (loan requests from other libraries located in the NT) serviced. 48 inter-library loans (loan requests from libraries located outside the NT) serviced.
Library Manager to conduct regular meetings with LANT	On track – meetings held monthly.

4.2.2 Retain a suitably qualified and motivated workforce

KPI - Alice Springs Public Library team adequately trained and supported to succeed in their roles	
Measures	Progress
Staff supported to attend internal and external training, workshops and networking opportunities	On track: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted staff training for entire Library staff involved in report writing. Internal training by for the Library team to operate new printing system MindStreet Cultural and Leadership Workshop
Encourage staff to access Study Support to attain higher education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All staff aware of Council's 'Training and Study' opportunities, as outlined in ASTC Enterprise Agreement. ALIA will conduct its advanced cataloguing training. Cataloguing remains one of the best tools we have to guarantee that information, irrespective of its format or content, can be accessed and understood. Collections Coordinator to be signed up
Timely feedback provided and all Performance Appraisals ongoing	On track –new team members onboard, ongoing meetings with all Library team members

4.2.4 Ensure a safe work environment

KPI - Ensure the library is a safe work environment	
Measures	Progress
Library Manager and Library HSR to collaboratively on delivering a safe working environment	The Library HSR delivers updates to the team as a standing item on Library Staff meetings and works closely with Library Manager to ensure all WHS matters are addressed effectively and immediately.
Semi-annual Safety Plan Checklist to adhere to and maintenance schedule kept up to date	Completed – and ongoing. Internal WHS audit in process

4.3 Service excellence

4.3.2 Adopt and encourage innovative digital technology

KPI - Utilise digital platforms to evaluate current library services	
Measures	Progress
Collection analysis conducted in collaboration with LANT	<p>General Collection analysis has been finalised. We have produced an annual ASPL Collection Development Plan for FY24. As a result, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct a stocktake to ensure records are accurate • Expand the children's and youth area, including floor space and collection <p>The 2022-2023 Annual Review showed that the collections with the top turnover rates are all within the junior and youth collections. The turnover rates of junior board books, junior graphic novels and junior picture books are all well above the ALIA Standards and Guidelines recommendation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior items account for 30% of total loans yet makes up only 23% of the loanable collection. • Both the 2022-2023 Annual Review and community engagement shows that junior and youth graphic novels are popular genres. ASPL aims to reflect and meet the needs and interests of the community by expanding these collections. • Adult non-fiction accounts for 14% of total loans even though it makes up 24% of the loanable collection.

4.4 Governance excellence

4.4.1 Responsible fiscal and asset management

KPI 1 - Alice Springs Public Library operates within allocated 2023/24 Budget	
Measures	Progress
Monthly review of Alice Springs Public Library Budget carried out	Completed monthly with all Senior Library Staff members.
Quarterly budgeting for programs	On track – Library Manager in regular meetings with Senior Library Team to evaluate project & collections budget.
Implement an asset maintenance program	Completed – all Library assets added to an automated maintenance schedule program to ensure adequate budget is allocated for ongoing, regular works.

KPI 2 - Identify alternative funding streams	
Measures	Progress
External funding and grant opportunities identified, actioned and acquitted within timeframes set by funding bodies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Library successful in obtaining Youth Activities Grant for programs during Summer School Holidays Community Heritage Grant for Significance Assessment acquitted Seniors Month Grant acquitted

2. PROJECT PLANNER

FUTURE PROJECTS

PROJECT	PROPOSED DATES	PROJECT DETAILS & STATUS
Christmas Carnival	Dec 2023	Christmas Craft & Light the Christmas Tree Competition
Summer Reading Club	Dec 2023	Research has identified a phenomenon known as the 'summer slide', which refers to the loss of literacy skills over the summer holidays when children do not read
"Living in Alice" Competition Launch	Dec 2023	Four age groups to create artwork. Winners to be printed on Library tote bags
Summer School Holidays	Dec/Jan 2024	The Library will deliver daily programs during school holidays.
Compassionate Connection workshops	Jan 2024	Launch of volunteer driven helpline
Library in the Park	Jan 2024	Introducing Disc Golf
Stock take	Jan 2024	Ensuring LMS reflects accurate data of approx. 60 000 items
Writers in Residence Project	Feb 2024	A collaboration with NT Writers Centre

ASPL is inviting our Elected Members to join up as members and visit us for some great programs.

3. HUMAN RESOURCES

All positions filled

4. GOVERNANCE, RISK AND COMPLIANCE

The Alice Springs Public Library has the following procedures in place:

Work, Health and Safety

- Current team member engaged as an HSR and attends relevant meetings.
- Adhere to Occupational Health and Safety PSD requirements.
- Incidents reported correctly within allocated timeframes.

Legislation Compliance

- Council policies and procedures – continually reviewed and updated
- Adhere to current Local Government Act
- Copyright Act 1968
- Council by-laws

Risks

- Current low-level staffing.
- Risk assessments developed for all projects, programs and events.
- All events have run sheets developed and team members briefed.
- Ensure all Council's policies and procedures are followed and any updates communicated with team members.



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MANAGER LIBRARY SERVICES

APPENDIX 1**1.1 Visitors****1.2 Highest Circulation Activity****Titles With Most Circulation Activity**

Item Title	Item OCLC Number	Circulation Count
One piece /	953214660	96
Dragon ball Z.	50414294	62
New scientist.	2378350	56
Wheels.	37166588	29
HELLO magazine.	751663564	26
Country style.	248624194	24
The Australian women's weekly.	22443064	24

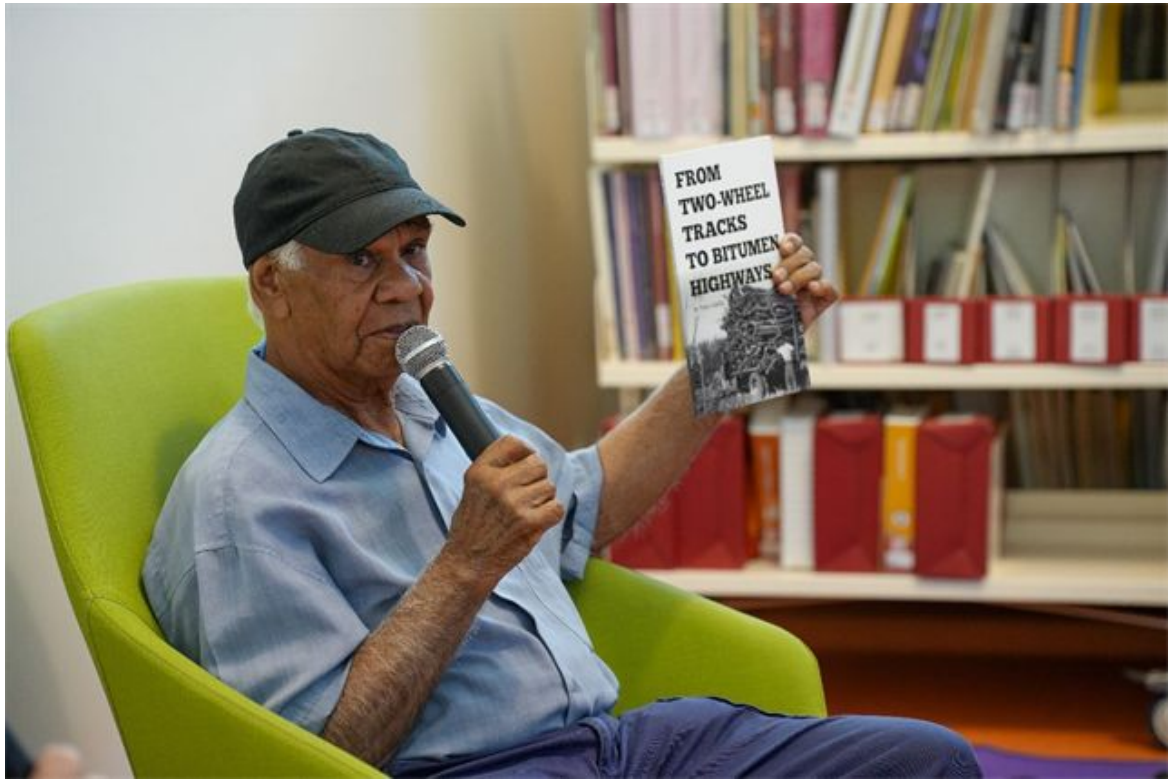
1.3 New Members



1.4 Closing event for Chief Minister's Reading Challenge



1.5 Author Talk Tony Liddle



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1.7 Annual Library Book Sale



1.8 Spooky Storytime



1.8 Springs School Holiday Program



**SPRING
SCHOOL
HOLIDAY
PROGRAM
@THE LIBRARY**

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY 24

- > PEEWEE AND THE TREE WORKSHOP 1 @Library 10.30-11.30am (Ages 3-6)
- > PEEWEE AND THE TREE WORKSHOP 1 @Library 12-1pm (Ages 7-12)

Bookings via Eventbrite



MONDAY 25

- > BUILD YOUR OWN BOARDGAME @Library 10am-12pm (Ages 8+)

Bookings via Eventbrite

TUESDAY 26

- > CHESS AT THE MALL @ArtShip 9-11am (Ages 5+)
- > SPLISH SPLASH STORYTIME @ASALC 10.15-10.45am (Ages 4-10)

No bookings required

WEDNESDAY 27

- > 3D PRINTING WORKSHOP @Library 10-11.30pm (Ages 10+)
- > 3D PRINTING WORKSHOP @Library 2-3.30pm (Ages 10+)

Bookings via Eventbrite

THURSDAY 28

- > REPTILE CENTRE @Function Room 10.30-11.30am (Ages 5+)

Bookings via Eventbrite

FRIDAY 29

- > CHESS AT THE MALL @ArtShip 9-11am (Ages 5+)

No bookings required

MONDAY 2

- > LITTLE BUILDERS @Library 10.30-11.30am (Ages 2-5)

Bookings via Eventbrite

TUESDAY 3

- > CHESS AT THE MALL @ArtShip 9-11am (Ages 5+)

No bookings required

WEDNESDAY 4

- > ROBOTICS WORKSHOP @Library 10am-12pm (Ages 10+)
- > ROBOTICS WORKSHOP @Library 2-4pm (Ages 10+)

Bookings via Eventbrite

THURSDAY 5

- > LEGO CLUB @Andy McNeil Room 10.15-11.15am (Ages 4+)

No bookings required

FRIDAY 6

- > CHESS AT THE MALL @ArtShip 9-11am (Ages 5+)

No bookings required

OCTOBER

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE






Adults to accompany kids under the age of 11 years.
Activities subject to change, please refer to:
FB @ASPLibrary & @AliceSpringsTC to stay up to date.

Where to go:
LIBRARY: Corner Gregory & Leichhardt Tce.
ASALC: 10 Speed St.
ARTSHIP: Todd Mall Reflection Pond (between Alice Plaza and Intersport)
CENTRAL CRAFT: Corner Larapinta Drive and Memorial Av.

Bookings
EVENTBRITE: astc.eventbrite.com

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AQUATIC &
LEISURE
CENTRE**

ATTACHMENT C

TO: DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – NICOLE BATTLE

AUTHOR: MANAGER ALICE SPRINGS AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE - PETINA FRANKLIN

SUBJECT: ALICE SPRINGS AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 SEPTEMBER 2023 TO 27 NOVEMBER 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides a quarterly update of the Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre Unit within the Community Development Directorate. It provides analysis of progress against the ASALC business plan and compliance requirements.

1. STRATEGIC PLAN

Alice Springs Liveability and Sustainability 2030

KPIs and measures outlined in this report have been developed as part of the Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre (ASALC) Business Plan 2020-21 to reflect and meet the objectives of the Alice Springs Town Strategic Plan 2030.



Arrow tag proves to be popular team game during the Wet Wednesday school holiday calendar

PILLAR 1: LIVEABILITY

KPI - ASALC Programs delivered to a high standard and aligned to community needs	
Target	Progress
Quarterly reviews carried out internally by ASALC staff and recommendations implemented	Achieved – ASALC team continue to identify staff training needs and meet to discuss upcoming events and supervision & management strategies
Programs Coordinator to attend AUSTSWIM conference	Achieved - AUSTSWIM conference reinstated July 2023. Programs Coordinator to attend 2024 conference
100% compliances met for Programs on annual RLSSA Safety Audit	Ongoing –continuous improvement. Supervision plan draft completed for final review from RLSSA
Plan developed to grow programs, implement new initiatives and reach a greater number of customer groups	<p>Achieved & ongoing– In collaboration with Community Development team and Get Physical Health & Wellness regular update of timetable to meet customer needs.</p> <p>Grants applied and successful utilising gym and training room to target specific groups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Mental Health. Includes exercise and mental health education

KPI - Ensure opportunities for participation in aquatic activities supported	
Target	Progress
Annual audit of mobility equipment by Keep Moving completed with any maintenance and actions implemented	Achieved – Mobility equipment serviced and maintained. Purchase of new aquatic wheelchair
Community members with special needs are enabled and supported to participate in Learn to Swim, Exercise classes or recreational activities	Achieved – ongoing provision of special needs exercise programs, inclusive aqua sessions, available pool space for private physiotherapy sessions and learn to swim classes for access & inclusion students
Cultural Awareness or other relevant training provided to all ASALC Staff at least once and as required.	Achieved – source relevant training for staff-ongoing
Provide opportunities for remote community groups to participate in water safety education programs.	Achieved – KITES – Kids in Town Engaged in Schools weekly program. levels. Ntaria Faft & Preschool Water Safety Awareness Program
Provide opportunities for multicultural groups to participate in aquatic education programs	Achieved – Diverse and multicultural learn to swim sessions strongly supported. Currently providing three sessions per week for adult swimmers

KPI - Implement ASALC scheduled maintenance as per ASALC Asset Maintenance Register and update as required	
Target	Progress
ASALC scheduled maintenance completed within budget and on time	Achieved – Trisley's Services completed first quarterly service for financial year 23/24 September 2023

KPI - Meet Core Indicator target of 5% increase in primary aged swimmers Level 5	
Target	Progress
Develop Learn to Swim retention strategy	Achieved- numbers re enrolling remained steady with extra classes added to the timetable in Term 4 Links Active carrot training completed with the purpose to streamline enrolment process and improve learn to swim communications.
Increase communications with schools to increase Learn to Swim attendance	Ongoing– Lack of teaching staff has impacted on opportunities to network with schools during this period. Learn to Swim attendance has been stable with extra bush schools attending during November
Liaise with Swim Club to increase swim school numbers.	Achieved – continuous liaison with swim club to increase numbers for both parties

KPI - Scheduled projects for 2022 /2023 in ASALC Business Plan (see appendix 1)	
Target	Progress
Additional facilities design/layout in precinct scoped, costed and determined	In Progress – Tender for works on 50m plant room upgrade published

KPI - Offer new Programs/Events to enhance community participation & engagement	
Target	Progress
Incorporate new activities at Splash Parties and ASALC	Achieved – In partnership with youth team to offer new activities in school holidays free events.
Offer new activities/programs for community. Goal to grow programs by implementing new initiatives and reach a greater number of customer groups.	Achieved – Council working with NTG to offer free entry to all community members over Christmas holiday period.



Wet Wednesday November 27, 2023. Total attendance 1155



ASALC provided a safe “charging area” for the winner of the 2023 solar challenge before the last leg to Adelaide

PILLAR 3: ENVIRONMENT

KPI - Energy Efficient technologies implemented at ASALC with year on year reduction in electricity use.	
Target	Progress
Replace 50m gas pool heating with alternative heating system to increase efficiency 2024	In Progress – works to begin April 2024.
Solar systems under investigation to check performance	Achieved – 2 x 27.6kW inverters were replaced in the 99kW solar array. Broken panels on order.
Purchase/Use battery operated grounds equipment to reduce maintenance, fuel usage and greenhouse emissions where possible.	Achieved – equipment purchased based on demand.

KPI - Safe systems of work and operation maintained and developed	
Target	Progress
All Incident Reports lodged within 24 hours and Form actions completed	Achieved – weekend reports are lodged on following Monday where possible.
95% compliances met in Annual RLSSA Safety Audit	In progress – 79% currently compliant. Signage, tiling issues, deck surrounds and original design contributors.
ASALC Operations Manual reviewed and updated annually prior to RLSSA Audit	Ongoing – new draft will be finalised by February 2024 prior to audit
ASALC Emergency Action Plan reviewed and updated quarterly	Achieved – Evacuation map finalised – ready for printing
At least 5% reduction in incidents and accidents compared to previous year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child slipped on pool mats - Nil Injuries • Member of public injured toes on pool surface • Vehicles unlawfully entered in carpark • Yirara College students graffiti bench • Children without guardian • Abusive Member of Public • Members of public arguing • Suspected inhalation of water • Child fell off bench in change room • 30 persons fighting in carpark • Staff Car broken into - staff carpark • Security attended for Alarm/Evacuated • Member of public slipped on flooring hit head <p>There has been a reduction in accidents but an increase in anti-social behaviour incidents during this period.</p>
4 hourly pool tests within range at least 95% of the time Centre is open	Achieved
Kiosk food service areas 100% compliant with Health Department requirements	Achieved

PILLAR 5: GOVERNANCE AND CIVIC

KPI - ASALC Team adequately trained and supported to succeed in their roles	
Target	Progress
All ASALC staff inducted through internal induction process within four weeks of start date	Achieved - Ongoing as new staff recruited.
Regular in-service training sessions and team nights (3 per annum) held	Achieved - Team nights and regular training on schedule.
Staff training and qualifications register maintained	Achieved- Lifeguard team attended meeting regarding future event planning and operational practices Nov 15 2023
Timely feedback provided and all Performance Appraisals completed by due dates set by Human Resources	Ongoing – on schedule

ASALC have employed 7 new lifeguards who completed above training “Take the Plunge” – an initiative from RLSSA NT

TRAINING COURSES completed

21 October 23	First Aid
22 October 23	Bronze Medallion
23/24 October 23	Pool Lifeguard
29 October 23	Pool Lifeguard Update
27 November 23	Pool Operations



KPI - ASALC operates within allocated 22/23 Budget	
Target	Progress
Monthly review of ASALC Budget carried out	Ongoing

2. PROJECT PLANNER**FUTURE PROJECTS**

PROJECT	Proposed Dates
Purchase Inflatable add on (under review)	February 2024
Indoor pump x 2 replacement	June 2024
AHU x 3 repair	December 2023
New Heating system for 50m pool	April – May 2024
ASALC Entry egress and security	March 2024
FUNDED/GRANTS	
shade sails replacement – storm damage	January 2024
Design/Install Adventure Playground	June 2024
Security fencing skatepark/Speed Street	December 2023

COMPLETED PROJECTS September 2023 – November 2023

Capital
No completed capital project this quarter
Operational
Trisleys quarterly Plantroom service
Fire Extinguisher & Emergency lighting six monthly service

3. DIRECTORATE UPDATE**DETAILED ANALYSIS**

The reporting period commencing September 2023 included two Wet Wednesday Splash party events held during the September/October holidays which were very well patronised by the community. Programs worked to maximum capacity with Learn to Swim, school lessons, bush school visits and increasing number of participants in Aqua sessions. HAWC sessions held throughout the reporting period showing steady participation and have made use of the outdoor gym as part of their program.

Tour groups continue to utilise our facilities after camping in the Red Centre before returning interstate. The Community Development team have also been running a mental health program for men in the gym and training room and plan to host similar programs in the future.

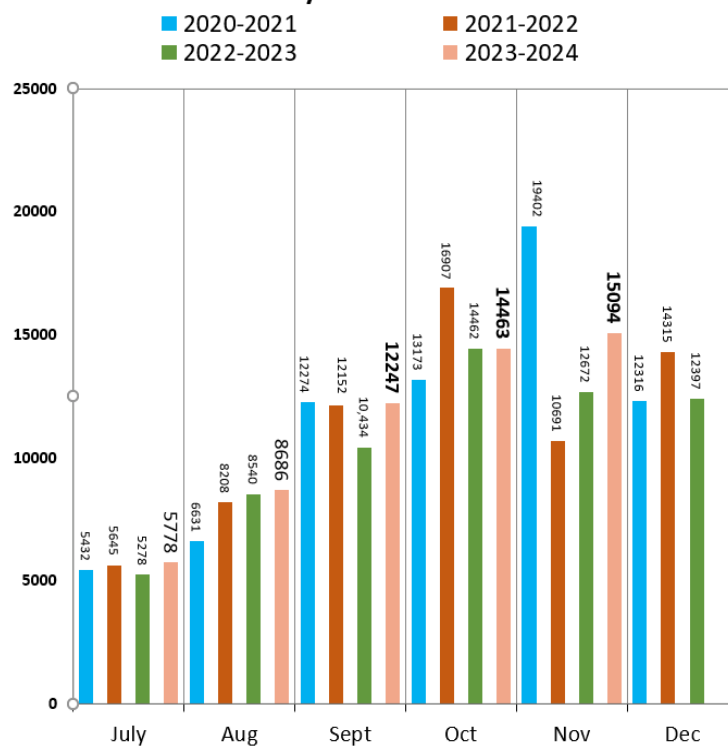
ASALC MEMBERSHIPS SEPTEMBER – NOVEMBER 2023

Month	Membership	% Difference same Month 2022
September 2023	252	9% increase
October 2023	263	8.2% increase
November 2023	273	8.8% increase

TOTAL MONTHLY ATTENDANCE BREAKDOWN

Month	Attendance	%Difference same month 2022
September 2023	10,434	19.4 % increase
October 2023	14,463	0.38 % increase
November 2023	15,094	16.5 % increase

Attendance numbers show increases in all the months of September, October and November 2023. September had the largest increase in comparison to the same month last year and this can be attributed to the Wet Wednesday attendance. November has had more memberships and Health and Wellbeing participation over this reporting period

ASALC Monthly Patronage 2021 - 2024**July - December****Current Pool Users**

- Alice Springs Swimming Club
- Aussi Masters
- Royal Lifesaving NT
- Central Australia Institute of Sports (CAIS)
- University of the Third Age
- Canoe Polo

PROGRAMS UPDATE – Term 3

Schools Program

- Larapinta Primary
- Steiner School
- Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
- Ross Park Primary
- Sadadeen Primary
- Gillen Primary

Bush Schools

- KITES: students from NT, WA and SA communities attend weekly program - ongoing.
- M'Bunghara School
- Alcoota School
- Amoonguna School
- Ntaria FaFT & Preschool attending Water Safety Awareness Program





Ntaria FaFT & Preschool attending Water Safety Awareness Program

Aqua

Aqua is continuing to be popular with our community with 1,103 attendances recorded over the 6 weekly sessions from September to November. The aqua program is very inclusive and supports all fitness and ability levels.

4. GOVERNANCE, RISK AND COMPLIANCE

The Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre have the following procedures in place:

Work, Health and Safety

- Current team member engaged as an HSR and attends relevant meetings.
- Adhere to Occupational Health and Safety PSD requirements.
- Incidents reported correctly within allocated timeframes.

Legislation Compliance

- Council policies and procedures – continually reviewed and updated
- Risk assessments developed for all projects, programs and events.
- Council by-laws
- Royal Life Saving Society Guidelines for Safe Pool Operations
- Council policies and procedures
- Local Government Act
- Food Act 2001
- NT Health
- NT Guidelines for Aquatic facilities
- NT Fire Service guidelines
- Schedule 7: Authorisation for the use of Chlorine Gas

Risks

- Outlined in detail in the 2022/23 ASALC Operational Manual
- Current low-level staffing
- All events have run sheets developed and team members briefed.
- Ensure all Council's policies and procedures are followed and any updates communicated with team members.



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MANAGER ALICE SPRINGS AQUATIC & LEISURE CENTRE

ATTACHMENT D

TO: DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – NICOLE BATTLE

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SUBJECT: COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT UNIT REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 SEPTEMBER 2023 TO 30 NOVEMBER 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides a quarterly update on the activities delivered by the Community and Cultural Development Unit (CCDU) within the Community Development Directorate.

1. ALICE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN - 2030

A range of KPIs and actions were developed as part of the Community and Cultural Development Business Plan 2022/23 aligned with the *Alice Springs Town Council Strategic Plan – 2030*. This quarterly report details the progress for the period from 1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023.



Image: Fringe Festival Pop Up in partnership with Red Centre Nats

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KPI – Successful engagement and support of under-represented groups	
Measures	Progress
Seniors	
Implement yearly actions from Council's Multicultural Action Plan	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>Executed Big Day Out In Harmony and continue to circulate the booklet for newly arrived residents alongside MCSCA. Working collaboratively with MCSCA to create a cross cultural communication training. In investigation stages of Sister City relationships and translation options for Council website. Will roll-out diversity of council employees survey early 2024.</p> <p>Grant and Sponsorship updates emailed to all CALD associations and MCSCA.</p> <p>Had excellent engagement with over 70 CALD community members to hold the Diwali Night Market with continuing positive feedback from public.</p>
Increase recruitment of volunteers including volunteers from diverse backgrounds	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>Nominations opened for Volunteer of the Year awards in August and were circulated to Volunteer involving managers for nominations.</p> <p>ASTC officers held a breakfast for ASTC volunteers on 20 October to which six volunteers attended and were very appreciative. ASTC volunteers have also been invited to ASTC Staff Christmas party. This is part of a drive to show appreciation of our volunteers and improve engagement and retention.</p>
Develop and implement a Reconciliation Action Plan	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>The Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan has been approved by Reconciliation Australia and is waiting to enter the design phase. Will be published in January 2024.</p>

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KPI – Successful engagement and support of under-represented groups	
Measures	Progress
Seniors	
Support events and observances such as Big Day Out in Harmony (BDOIH), NAIDOC Week, Seniors Month, International Day of People with a Disability, International Women's Day, Pride Month, International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia (IDAHOBIT) Day, Reconciliation Week, 16 Days of Activism Against Violence.	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>BDOIH received excellent engagement with approximately 1000 attendees and 10 stallholders.</p> <p>CCDU staff assisted NAIDOC Committee with logistics on the Community Day.</p> <p>Seniors Still Got Rhythm was a great success with high foot traffic, 200 people consistently at the event at any one time and a line up with talented senior community members.</p> <p>Mayoral Awards received 9 nominations and preparation for International Day of People with a Disability Celebrations will take place on the 30th of November with over 10 interactive stalls held by local organisations.</p>
Advocate for increased accommodation that supports vulnerable community members and build relationships with stakeholders.	<p>To be progressed</p> <p>CD Director and staff met with the Tangentyere Women's Safety Group on the 7th of November to discuss their concerns and preferred engagement method to strengthen the relationship between organisations.</p>
Update and implement relevant social policies which support under-represented groups in the Alice Springs community	<p>To be progressed</p> <p>Two AllAbilities Network meetings have taken place to strengthen the connection between stakeholders in the disability sector. Updates to the accessibility map and statistics on engagement are in progress.</p>

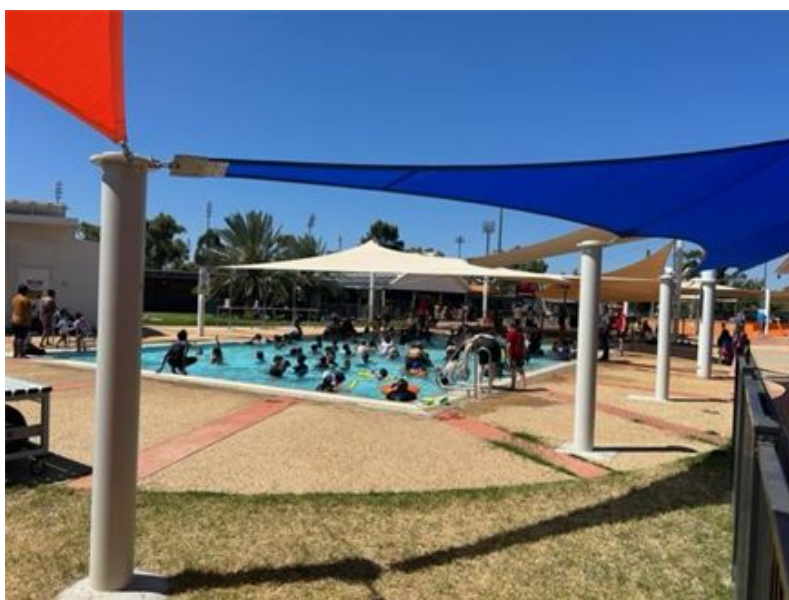


Image: Wet Wednesday at ASALC in September School Holidays

KPI – Ensure Council services are accessible to all	
Measures	Progress
Update Council's Access Policy to an Access and Inclusion Policy and Plan	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>Sourcing funds for the creation of a new Access and Inclusion Action Plan are in progress. The AllAbilities Network will assist the consultation process for a future Access and Inclusion Plan.</p>
Deliver weekly exercise sessions to the community including sessions focused on seniors, people with a disability and new parents	<p>Achieved/Ongoing.</p> <p>A new Health and Wellness timetable commenced on 21st August with 7 weekly senior exercise sessions, 2 sessions for people with a disability and 1 session for new parents.</p> <p>All exercise programs are tracking well. Zumba GOLD was trialled in place of Movers and Groovers with 20 regular participants each week.</p> <p>Throughout November a Men's wellbeing program is being delivered at ASALC gym once weekly. This session includes 30-minutes of exercise, 30-minutes of mental wellbeing education and lunch. 10-12 Men have been attending each week.</p>

KPI – Ensure Council services are accessible to all	
Measures	Progress
Develop strategies to ensure sports and sporting facilities are inclusive for all	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>In November 2023, Council employed a Sports Inclusion Officer to work with people with a disability and increase access and participation in sports.</p> <p>Sports Development Officer providing content from sporting associations to Centralian Today to increase awareness and participation.</p> <p>Both Sports Inclusion Officer and Sports Development Officer attended The All Abilities Expo at the Basketball Stadium in November.</p>
Management of permits for sporting facilities and associated governance, including facility inspections	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>Sporting facilities were managed and permits assessed and delivered as per requests by Sports Development Officer.</p>



Image: Presentation to the PALM Community on Council's available services.

KPI – Activation of Todd Mall through engagement of local traders and visitation initiatives	
Measures	Progress
Provide support to Todd Mall Traders (TMT) through regular communication and meeting support	<p>Complete</p> <p>CBD Engagement Officer working on an updated mailing list to liaise with directly with Todd Mall and CBD stakeholders. This will be an ongoing subscription option for new businesses who wish to be a part of the bulletin and communications from ASTC.</p> <p>Feedback received from the Todd Mall Traders Chair has been positive in terms of the Small Business resource page on the ASTC Website. Launch of the hub expected to be in Q1 2024, with CCDU liaising with Comms. Investigation into a Grants finder also in place which will assist businesses with searching for relevant grants available to them</p> <p>New: CBD Engagement Officer working with the Todd Mall Trader group to establish an Association and assist with applying for incorporation. This is expected to be achieved through Q1 of 2024.</p>
Support the night time economy with delivery of four (4) Night Markets and Christmas Carnival	<p>The FINKE Night Market and Street Party had approximately 6,000 attendees, interstate and local entertainment and 44 stalls.</p> <p>September Desert Festival Night Market was a great family friendly event with Desert Festival very appreciative for the collaboration. The 30 stallholder's overall feedback were positive and pleased with the amount of sales.</p> <p>The first Diwali Night Market had outstanding engagement with 35 stalls attending, over 70 CALD community members involved in the event itself and approximately 2,000 attendees. The theme of the event invited people who may not have engaged in the Night Markets previously and attendees were extremely thankful to Council employees for having an inclusive event for their community.</p>

KPI – Activation of Todd Mall through engagement of local traders and visitation initiatives	
Measures	Progress
Hold at least one (1) pop up activation event in Todd Mall	<p>Achieved.</p> <p>The World Cup Screening attracted an audience of over 250 people to gather on the Todd Mall. This provided increased foot traffic to local businesses who were open late. Epilogue were engaged to provide free hot drinks to the community and ASTC provided menus for Bella Alice and Dessert 52 so the community could see what was on offer. Confucius Palace Dumpling House was frequented by many. Feedback was positive and improvements to take include advising all surrounding businesses earlier so they can prepare and/or take advantage of the increase in traffic.</p> <p>Fringe Festival: A jumping castle, face painting and a fundraising mullet stall were amongst the offerings to event goers at the Thursday night Fringe Festival in partnership with NT Major Events. An audience of around 2000 gathered to admire vehicles and participate in the event. Food and beverage retailers in the Todd Mall benefited from the increased foot traffic which included many tourists.</p> <p>Pop Up Party: Halloween in the CBD: This new event was met with great success, being held on Friday 27 October from 4 – 7pm. This date was fantastic as it did not collide with other Halloween events, and ensured a fantastic turnout with over 1,000 children and their families dressed to impress. The feedback from the event has been overwhelming and a chance to include businesses in the mall was very well received.</p> <p>Yoga in the Mall: On Saturday 28th October a Yoga In The Mall session was delivered in support of the McGrath Foundation as a part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The session was delivered by experienced yoga teacher Fiona Gordon on the Church Lawns. The session was attended by 38 community members.</p>

KPI – Activation of Todd Mall through engagement of local traders and visitation initiatives	
Measures	Progress
Support and develop initiatives for the development and growth of small businesses	 <p>Ongoing.</p> <p>Town Teams and placemaking principles are currently being investigated and will be encouraged via communications as ways that traders can help to activate the CBD.</p> <p>Incorporating small businesses in September and November Night Markets with a proposed special discount trail to offer patrons</p> <p>Street Art Fest: Roller Shutter Art</p> <p>18 Businesses have applied for their shutters to be beautified with the project garnering community attention. Artists have been selected and they are currently being matched with businesses. Extra funding has been secured through Activate Alice to allow for all 18 businesses to be beautified rather than the initial 6 planned. Selection of Proponent to install artwork currently taking place, with Installation expected to take place from December 2023 through to February 2024.</p> <p>2023 Christmas Business Competitions</p> <p>After receiving feedback about the previous Christmas Window Competition and the decline in registration, a new idea has been trialled this year with Elf on the Shelf. 30 businesses from all over the Alice Springs municipality have entered, which will provide us with fantastic social media content, an opportunity for us to showcase businesses to our established audience and to involve businesses in the Christmas Spirit! Children from Ross Park Primary and Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College will take part in the judging competition.</p>



Image: Hopscotch in Arrente - Public art activation in Todd Mall at the Diwali Night Market.

KPI – Enhance liveability through successful activation and utilisation of key spaces across the municipality	
Measures	Progress
Deliver four (4) Pop Up Parks at various locations within the municipality	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>FIFA Semi Final and Final Women's World Cup viewing at Ross Park on Wednesday 16 and Sunday 27 August – Attendance of approximately 400 and 100. Positive feedback received in person and online.</p> <p>The Pop Up Park in collaboration with Desert Festival was held at Lyndavale Park, Larapinta had great engagement with First Nation families living in the area. Approximately 300 attendees with entertainment involving young people emerging in the music scene.</p> <p>Planning for Lunar New Year Pop Up Park (Feb) and Youth Week Pop Up Park (April) commenced.</p>
Develop content and increase promotion to boost the young people's interest in utilising Councils' facilities and services	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>Regular Skate Workshops occurring every Tuesday and wellbeing programs at ASALC gym Thursday afternoons.</p> <p>Liaising with Media team to develop Council's Instagram page into a Youth promotion channel.</p> <p>During October 70 young people from Living Waters School and Centralian Middle School attended council to visit various Council departments including presentations from Community Development and Ranger Services. These young people also had the opportunity to attend an Ordinary Council Meeting and ask questions.</p>

KPI – Enhance liveability through successful activation and utilisation of key spaces across the municipality	
Measures	Progress
Plan and deliver projects and events to meet the needs of young people in Alice Springs	<p>A comprehensive school holiday program including art, gaming and skating workshops was delivered in the Todd Mall September/October 2023 with over 350 young people attending the Artship over the two-week period.</p> <p>The ASTC Youth Team are providing 3 x weekly youth programs in the afternoons throughout Term 4:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skate workshops regularly attended by 50-60 young people each Tuesday afternoon • Art and craft sessions held at Central Craft including activities such as screen printing and youth fashion attended by 20 young people each week • Commencement of wellbeing program for young men at the ASALC Gym. <p>Clontarf Partnership: ASTC officers have supported students of Clontarf Academy to attend worksite visits x 2 at the Regional Waste Management Facilities as well as attending Clontarf events and awards nights. Additional worksite visits are scheduled for 24th and 28th November.</p> <p>Heads Up Youth Expo: The ASTC Youth team attended and supported the implementation of the Heads Up Youth Expo organised by MHACA on 13th November. Over 600 young people attended.</p> <p>Democracy Dash: On 16th November ASTC Officers participating in the NT Electoral Commission Democracy Dash alongside the ASTC Mayor. This was performed as an incursion at Centralian Middle School where 60 students discussed and learnt about services that ASTC perform.</p> <p>Summer School Holiday Program: Planning is underway for the delivery of a large-scale Summer Holiday program running from 1-8pm each day of the 6-week break (see draft calendar below).</p>
Facilitate a Youth Summit to increase engagement of young people in Alice Springs	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>Officers met with No One Left Behind in August to discuss a partnership for the 2024 Youth Summit to be held on 2nd April 2024. Discussions have also occurred with MHACA on the expansion of the Heads Up Expo in 2024.</p>

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KPI – Enhance liveability through successful activation and utilisation of key spaces across the municipality	
Measures	Progress
Advocate for investment in a Regional Sports Centre that promotes Alice Springs as a sporting tourism destination	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>TIO Traeger park hosted a televised AFL match between GWS Giants and Melbourne Demons on Sunday 2nd July with 3,413 people in attendance.</p> <p>September sees local finals of Alice Springs' most popular sports. ICTV are recording the AFL Community Finals which will be streamed live.</p> <p>Promotion and assistance to NTG for the 2024 Masters games.</p> <p>Promotion and assistance in organisation of the 2024 Imparja Cup and the National indigenous Cricket Competition.</p> <p>Assistance and organisation of the 2023 Bridgestone World Solar Challenge whist in Alice springs, event successful and provided worldwide exposure to Alice Springs</p> <p>Funding provided to Alice Springs Tennis Association to have courts resurfaced and up to standard to allow master games to be played and a return international tournament.</p>
Advocate for and assist in the delivery of national sporting matches and events	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Sports Development Officer and Director Community Development meeting with representatives of NT Cricket around the 2024 Imparja Cup and National Indigenous Cricket Championships.</p> <p>Council are assisting Major events NT in increasing participation and awareness of the 2024 Masters Games. Discussions regarding an event/festival to open the games with a local sporting body. Masters Games is a long-time nationwide event run by the NTG who have requested assistance from Council in regards ensuring the success of this event.</p> <p>Council is also investigating hosting a Masters Rugby/ Rugby League event (teams from Darwin/SA) to precede the Masters games to create awareness in the sports and increase participation both locally and for the 2024 Masters games.</p> <p>Discussions with AS Hockey Association & NT Hockey in regards improvements required to current facility to see a return of A1 televised national league hockey matches to Alice Springs.</p>

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KPI - Increased community support, including organisations and individuals	
Measures	Progress
Manage Councils in-kind support program	Ongoing. In-Kind Support Program currently undergoing end-to-end process review. Administrative Process has been reviewed and completed, with a true cost exercise now currently being conducted. Outcomes delivered will expect to reduce operational costs and identify gaps. In kind approved in this reporting period (1 Sep – 31 October) cost of \$65,105. With Administrative costs for the period amounting to an estimated additional \$10,703.90
Execute the Community Grants and Events Partnership Program support including the administration of grants and sponsorship	Ongoing. New Community Grants and Event Sponsorship format opened on 1 August and closed on 1 September with \$78,524.50 endorsed at the September Ordinary Council meeting for Community Grants and Event Sponsorship.
Provide support to volunteer involving organisations in Alice Springs	Ongoing. Throughout June to August Council has supported a number of organisations such as Tangentyere Council, Pickleball and Bikes Mwerre.
Provide internal and external opportunities for volunteers including events to acknowledge Councils volunteers.	Ongoing Council promoted to both Volunteers, internal staff and external organisations the nomination process for NT Volunteer of The Year Awards 2023. Nominations to close 5pm, Monday 4 th September. A volunteer breakfast was held on October 20 th at Epilogue Lounge to which six ASTC volunteers attended. ASTC volunteers have also been invited to the ASTC staff Christmas party.
Establishment of a Central Australian Youth Voice Advisory to increase youth participation in the decision-making process	Ongoing. Officers met with No One Left Behind to discuss a partnership for the 2024 Youth Summit. Aim to build a stronger Youth Voice off the back of this initiative. Ongoing discussions are also occurring with organisations such as Headspace regarding the development of a Youth Advisory Group.
Co-facilitate five (5) Youth Services Alice Springs meetings to support and connect organisations servicing young people in Alice Springs	Ongoing. Meetings facilitated in October and November 2023.

KPI – Investment in Public Art	
Measures	Progress
Complete yearly projects in the Public Art Action Plan, as determined by the Public Art Masterplan 2023.	<p>In Progress</p> <p>Yeperenye Roundabout Art: Caterpillars and Moths sculptors are currently being created by successful Proponent Plazart. Work in progress pictures as below.</p>  <p>In Progress</p> <p>Two Expressions of Interest received for Statues dedicated to Commemorating Aboriginal People which have progressed onto Phase 2. Concepts are expected to be received by early 2024.</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>QR Codes are being incorporated into future signage for Public Art to allow a digital component for viewers. This will be linked to the Public Art Map online where viewers can listen to interviews with the artist. Interpretive signage is scheduled to be installed for the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Satour Mosque Tiles on Gregory Terrace - Living Water Mural at ASALC - Many Hands Art Panels on Hartley street <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Roller Shutter Beautification Artwork Project in conjunction with Red Hot Arts Central Australia is moving along. Installations expected to take place from December 2023 depending on contractor availability. Artists are being notified of their successful placement now.</p>

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KPI – Investment in Public Art	
Measures	Progress
Complete yearly projects in the Public Art Action Plan, as determined by the Public Art Masterplan 2023.	<p>Complete</p> <p>Two Hopscotch Stencils were installed in the Todd mall in October 2023:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One on the Pathway between Adelaide House and the Uniting Church Op Shop • One out the front of Sugar and Spice Childrens Boutique <p>This has been well received by the community and stencils are available for further installations in 2024 if desired.</p> 
Create a Public Art Maintenance schedule	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>All existing artworks have been uploaded to online database to schedule regular maintenance. Maintenance budget has been expended and Public Art budget being utilised as needed.</p>



Image: The crowd enjoying the flash mob dance at the Halloween Pop Up Park in Todd Mall.

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KPI – Continuous improvement of initiatives through upskilling of CCDU	
Measures	Progress
Community Development Team participate in internal and external training opportunities	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>3 team members completed Cultural Awareness training in October 2023.</p> <p>2 team members completed Essentials of Engagement online Training in October.</p> <p>5 team members attending Report Writing Training in November.</p>



Image: Yoga in the Mall, raising funds during Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

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2. **PROJECT PLANNER**

Youth Summer School Holiday Calendar 23-24

2023/24 SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE THIS

THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE THIS HOLIDAY! CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO

MONDAY

18 DEC

Christmas Craft
(Sunderland) Ages 11-15 @ the Library

Cultural Workshop
Young men @ Desert Knowledge, 475 Stuart Highway Young women @ Alayalene Healing Centre, 40 South Tce, The Gap

Arrentre Boxing
@ Alice Springs Youth Centre, Lat 7811 WIS Tce

Artship Gaming & Pizza
@ Artship, Todd Mall

25 DEC

CHRISTMAS DAY

1 JAN

NEW YEAR'S DAY

8 JAN

Little Builders
Ages 7-9 @ Alice Springs Youth Centre

Cultural Workshop
Young men @ Desert Knowledge, 475 Stuart Highway Young women @ Alayalene Healing Centre, 40 South Tce, The Gap

All-Abilities Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

Upcycle Craft: Hedgehog
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

Arrentre Boxing
@ Alice Springs Youth Centre, Lat 7811 WIS Tce

Artship Gaming & Pizza
@ Artship, Todd Mall

15 JAN

Cultural Workshop
Young men @ Desert Knowledge, 475 Stuart Highway Young women @ Alayalene Healing Centre, 40 South Tce, The Gap

Reptile Centre @ the Library
Ages 2-10 @ the Library

All-Abilities Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

Build your own board game
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

Arrentre Boxing
@ Alice Springs Youth Centre, Lat 7811 WIS Tce

Artship Gaming & Pizza
@ Artship, Todd Mall

22 JAN

Little Builders
Ages 7-9 @ Alice Springs Youth Centre

Cultural Workshop
Young men @ Desert Knowledge, 475 Stuart Highway Young women @ Alayalene Healing Centre, 40 South Tce, The Gap

All-Abilities Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

Robotics Workshop
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

Arrentre Boxing
@ Alice Springs Youth Centre, Lat 7811 WIS Tce

Artship Gaming & Pizza
@ Artship, Todd Mall

TUESDAY

19 DEC

Christmas Craft
(Sunderland) Ages 11-15 @ the Library

Artship Movie
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Skate Workshop
@ Alice Springs Skate Park, 14 Speed St, The Gap

26 DEC

BOXING DAY

2 JAN

Music & Movement
Ages 7-10 @ the Library

Artship Movie
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Library in the Park: Frisbee Golf
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

Skate Workshop
@ Alice Springs Skate Park, 14 Speed St, The Gap

9 JAN

Music & Movement
Ages 7-10 @ the Library

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

Artship Movie
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Library in the Park: Frisbee Golf
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

Skate Workshop
@ Alice Springs Skate Park, 14 Speed St, The Gap

16 JAN

Music & Movement
Ages 7-10 @ the Library

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

Artship Movie
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Library in the Park: Frisbee Golf
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

Skate Workshop
@ Alice Springs Skate Park, 14 Speed St, The Gap

23 JAN

Music & Movement
Ages 7-10 @ the Library

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

Artship Movie
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Library in the Park: Frisbee Golf
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

Skate Workshop
@ Alice Springs Skate Park, 14 Speed St, The Gap

30 JAN

Music & Movement
Ages 7-10 @ the Library

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

Artship Movie
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Library in the Park: Frisbee Golf
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

Skate Workshop
@ Alice Springs Skate Park, 14 Speed St, The Gap

WEDNESDAY

20 DEC

Christmas Craft
(Sunderland) Ages 11-15 @ the Library

Wet Wednesday
@ ASAC, 10 Speed St, The Gap

3x3 Basketball
@ Springs School, Lat 7799 Longview Dr, Arnhem

27 DEC

Wet Wednesday
@ ASAC, 10 Speed St, The Gap

3x3 Basketball
@ Springs School, Lat 7799 Longview Dr, Arnhem

8 JAN

Wet Wednesday
@ ASAC, 10 Speed St, The Gap

Leathercraft Workshop
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

3x3 Basketball
@ Springs School, Lat 7799 Longview Dr, Arnhem

10 JAN

All-Abilities Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

Wet Wednesday
@ ASAC, 10 Speed St, The Gap

Upcycle Craft: Speedbump
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

3x3 Basketball
@ Springs School, Lat 7799 Longview Dr, Arnhem

17 JAN

All-Abilities Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

Wet Wednesday
@ ASAC, 10 Speed St, The Gap

Build your own board game
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

3x3 Basketball
@ Springs School, Lat 7799 Longview Dr, Arnhem

24 JAN

All-Abilities Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

CAAMA Radio Live from The Artship
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Arrentre Boxing
@ Alice Springs Youth Centre, Lat 7811 WIS Tce

3x3 Basketball
@ Springs School, Lat 7799 Longview Dr, Arnhem

THURSDAY

21 DEC

Christmas Craft
(Sunderland) Ages 11-15 @ the Library

Youth Art with Central Craft
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Youth Organisations Cinema Screening
@ Alice Springs Cinema, 11 Todd Street, Alice Springs

Blackdoli Sports & Fitness Mob
@ Alice Oval, 7 Wills Tce

28 DEC

Youth Art with Central Craft
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Youth Organisations Cinema Screening
@ Alice Springs Cinema, 11 Todd Street, Alice Springs

Blackdoli Sports & Fitness Mob
@ Alice Oval, 7 Wills Tce

4 JAN

Bike Clinic
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

Youth Art with Central Craft
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Youth Organisations Cinema Screening
@ Alice Springs Cinema, 11 Todd Street, Alice Springs

Blackdoli Sports & Fitness Mob
@ Alice Oval, 7 Wills Tce

11 JAN

Bike Clinic
Ages 10-12 @ the Library

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

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Blackdoli Sports & Fitness Mob
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25 JAN

Family Ice Skating
@ Alice Springs Convention Centre, Timings 4 & 1 for skate sessions

Youth Art with Central Craft
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Youth Organisations Cinema Screening
@ Alice Springs Cinema, 11 Todd Street, Alice Springs

Blackdoli Sports & Fitness Mob
@ Alice Oval, 7 Wills Tce

FRIDAY

22 DEC

Baby Rhyme Time
Ages 0-2 @ the Library

Cultural Workshop
Young men @ Desert Knowledge, 475 Stuart Highway Young women @ Alayalene Healing Centre, 40 South Tce, The Gap

CAAMA Radio Live from The Artship
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Arrentre Boxing
@ Alice Springs Youth Centre, Lat 7811 WIS Tce

Ten Pin Lock In
@ The Durr Road, 29 Gap Road

29 DEC

Cultural Workshop
Young men @ Desert Knowledge, 475 Stuart Highway Young women @ Alayalene Healing Centre, 40 South Tce, The Gap

CAAMA Radio Live from The Artship
@ Artship, Todd Mall

Arrentre Boxing
@ Alice Springs Youth Centre, Lat 7811 WIS Tce

Ten Pin Lock In
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5 JAN

Cultural Workshop
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Leathercraft Workshop
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Ten Pin Lock In
@ The Durr Road, 29 Gap Road

12 JAN

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@ Artship, Todd Mall

26 JAN

Summer Spaah Party
@ ASAC, 10 Speed St, The Gap

PROJECT	PROPOSED DATES	PROJECT DETAILS & STATUS
ALLABILITIES NETWORK	05/09/2023	Free All-Abilities Network for providers in the disability sector to strengthen the community.
SKATE WORKSHOPS	08/10/2023 – 15/12/2023	Weekly skate workshops for young people to attend and develop skills riding skateboards, scooters and BMX.
ART / CRAFT WORKSHOPS	08/10/2023 – 15/12/2023	Weekly Art workshops for young people to attend and develop skills.
YOUNG MEN'S WELLBEING WORKSHOPS	08/10/2023 – 15/12/2023	Weekly wellbeing sessions for young men to attend and develop skills.
SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	15/12/2023 – 26/12/2024	See above draft calendar
IDPwD MAYORAL AWARDS	30/11/2023	Free community event to present the Mayoral Awards during a morning tea to celebrate IDPwD
CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL	08/12/2023	Free community event involving numerous local organisations, associations, performers, stallholders and service providers.

3. **GOVERNANCE, RISK AND COMPLIANCE**

The Community and Cultural Development Unit has the following procedures in place:

Work, Health and Safety

- Current team member engaged as an HSR and attends relevant meetings.
- Adhere to Occupational Health and Safety PSD requirements.
- Incidents reported correctly within allocated timeframes.

Legislation Compliance

- Council policies and procedures – continually reviewed and updated
- Adhere to current Local Government Act
- Copyright Act 1968
- Council by-laws

Risks

- Risk assessments developed for all projects, programs and events.
- All events have run sheets developed and team members briefed.
- Ensure all Council's policies and procedures are followed and any updates communicated with team members.



Kate Walsh

MANAGER COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Agenda Item 28.4.1

REPORT

Report No. 228 / 23 cncl

TO: ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023

SUBJECT: CBD REVITALISATION – DIPL – DESIGN AMENDMENTS

AUTHOR: OPERATIONS MANAGER TECHNICAL SERVICES – PETER WALSH

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to update Council of design amendments including relocation or removal of a number of designed elements (mainly tree plantings and their location) for the CBD Revitalisation project. These modifications stem from existing Council and Power and Water Corporation (PWC) services infrastructure or appeals from local businesses. This information is for noting only.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

That this report be received and noted.

REPORT

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Not Applicable

2. PREVIOUS APPLICABLE RESOLUTIONS

Not Applicable

3. DISCUSSION

The Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (DIPL), through the construction process for the Alice Springs CBD Revitalisation project have located several existing Council and PWC services infrastructure within the designed work zones which are inhibiting construction. They have also encountered objections from local business regarding elements of the design. The amendments are primarily for the re-location or removal of a number of planned tree plantings and associated tree pits/infrastructure.

DIPL representatives remain diligent in consulting ASTC Technical Services Officers and providing opportunity for investigation and involvement in alternative design solutions. ASTC Technical Services Officers have reviewed the design changes including all relevant information provided to date and have accepted the amendments. (*refer Appendix A*)

4. **ALIGNMENT WITH ALICE SPRINGS LIVEABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY 2030 STRATEGIC PLAN**

This item pertains to relevant components of the *Alice Springs Town Council Liveability and Sustainability Strategic Plan 2030* as follows:

Pillar 1 – Liveability

Continue to develop, maintain and renew Council-owned assets that encourage active lifestyles.

Pillar 2 – Safety

Increase infrastructure that improves the level of safety within the Alice Springs community, by undertaking regular Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) audits.

Pillar 3 – Environment

Develop and implement a greening strategy for Alice Springs.

5. **FUNDING, WHOLE OF LIFE COSTS & RESOURCING REQUIREMENTS**

Not Applicable

6. **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The removal of several trees from the design may result in public scrutiny of Council for which the Media Unit will manage.

7. **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

Not Applicable

8. **STATUTORY MATTERS / DELEGATIONS**

Not Applicable

9. **COUNCIL POLICIES**

Media Policy applies

10. **STAKEHOLDER MANAGEMENT / PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Key Stakeholders for the Alice Springs CBD Revitalisation project:

- NTG - Department of Infrastructure Planning and Logistics
- Alice Springs Town Council
- Public Consultation is not required

11. **CONCLUSION**

The design amendments highlighted by DIPL are primarily due to unforeseen latent site conditions. The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the design amendments to date and recommend acceptance of such.

12. **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A: *Amended Design*



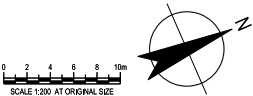
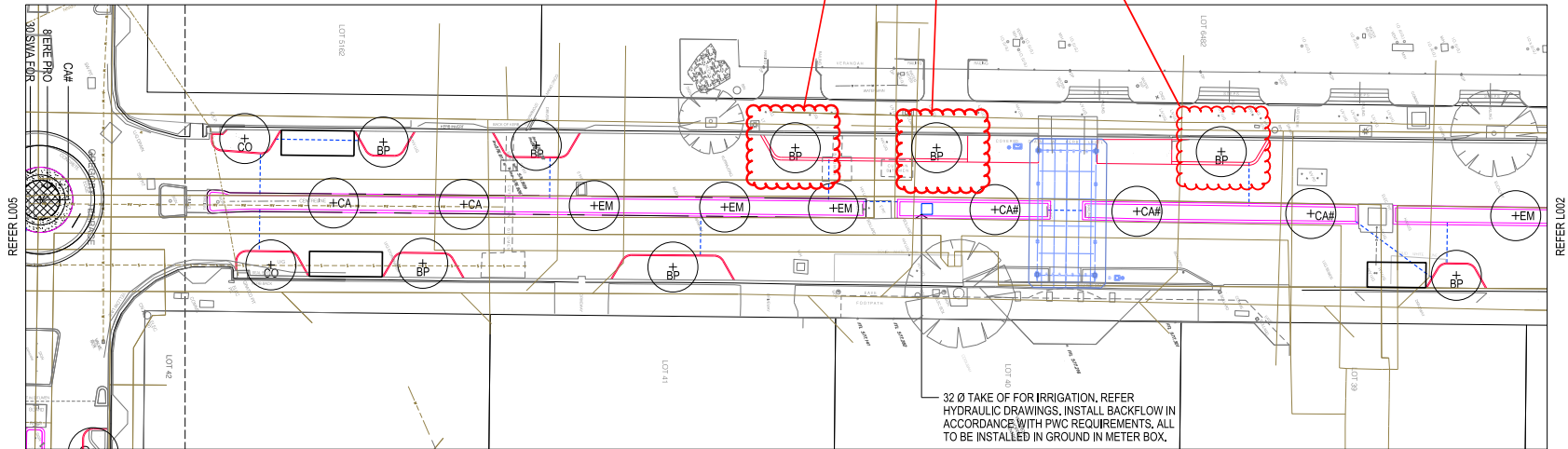
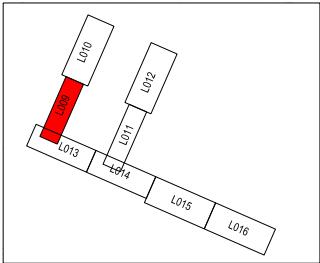
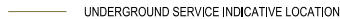
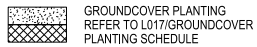
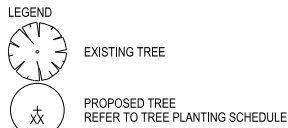
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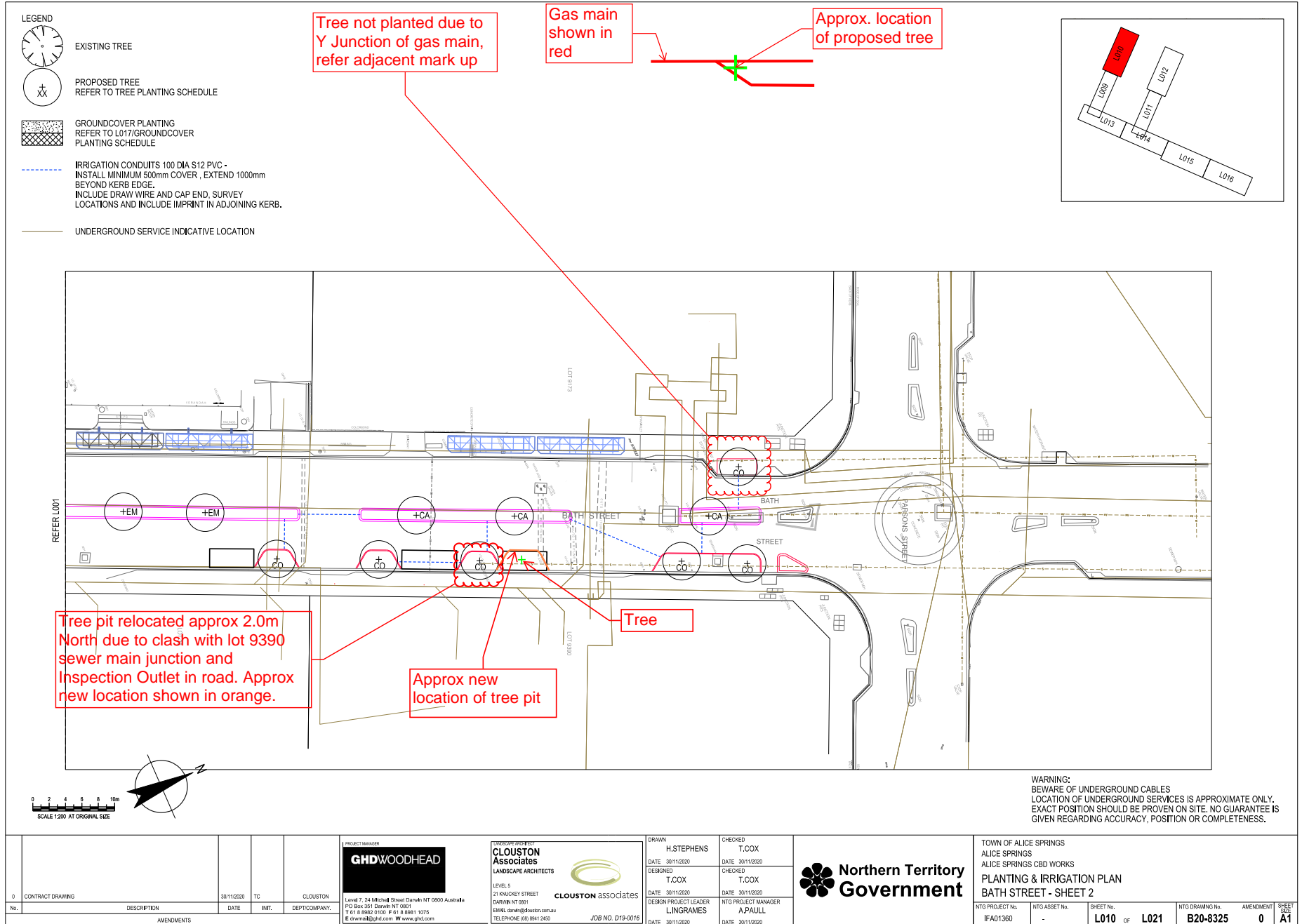
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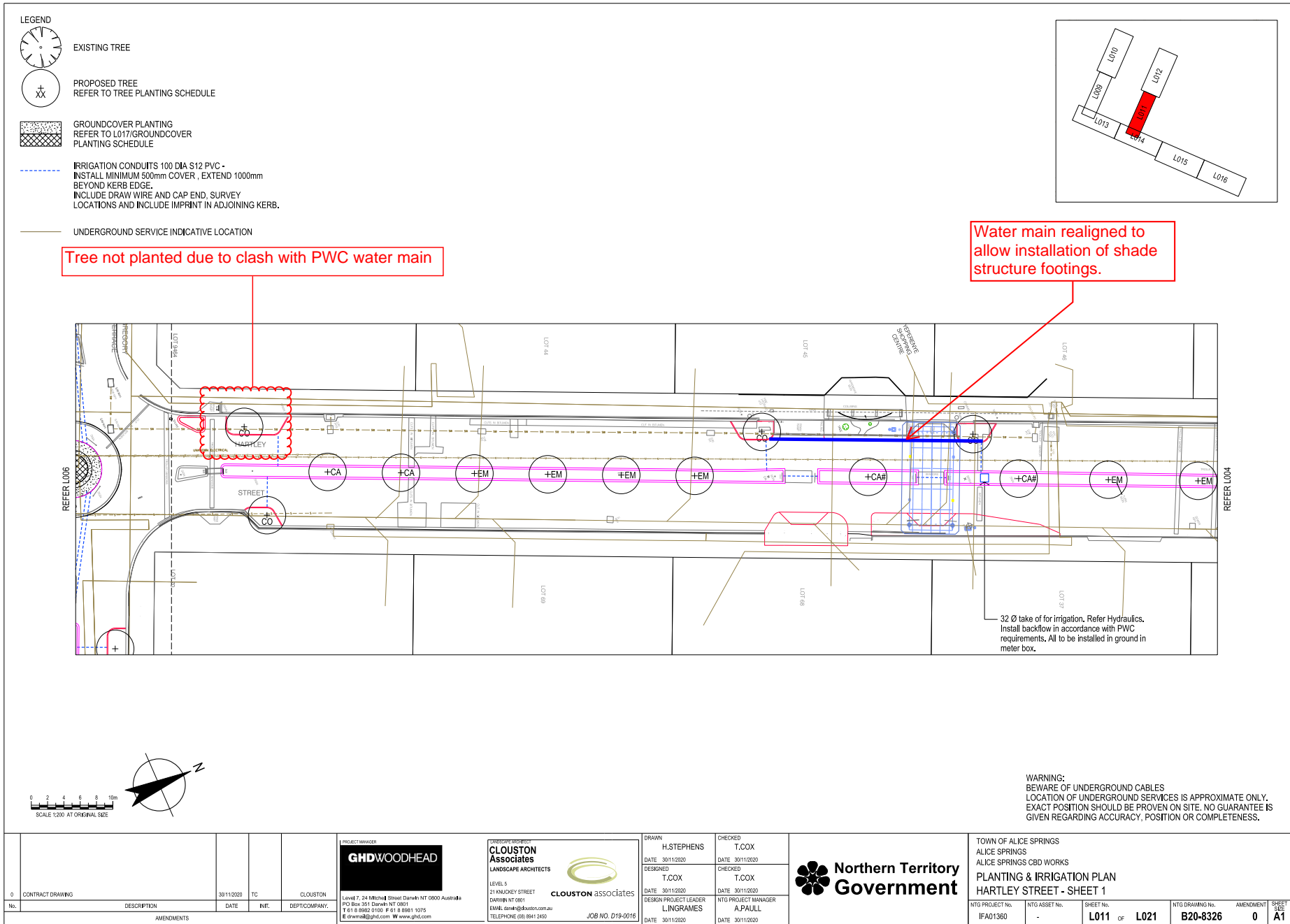
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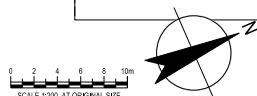
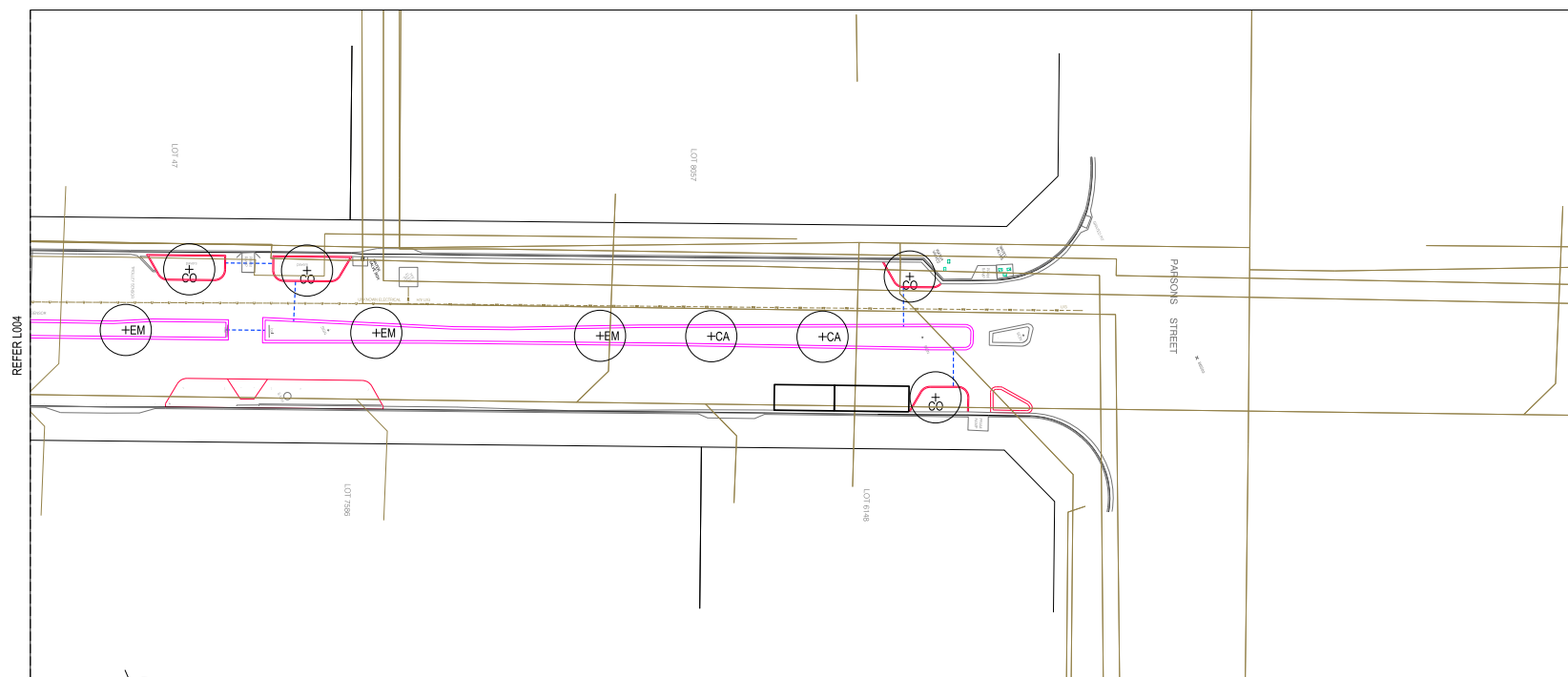
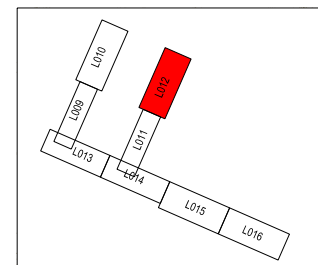


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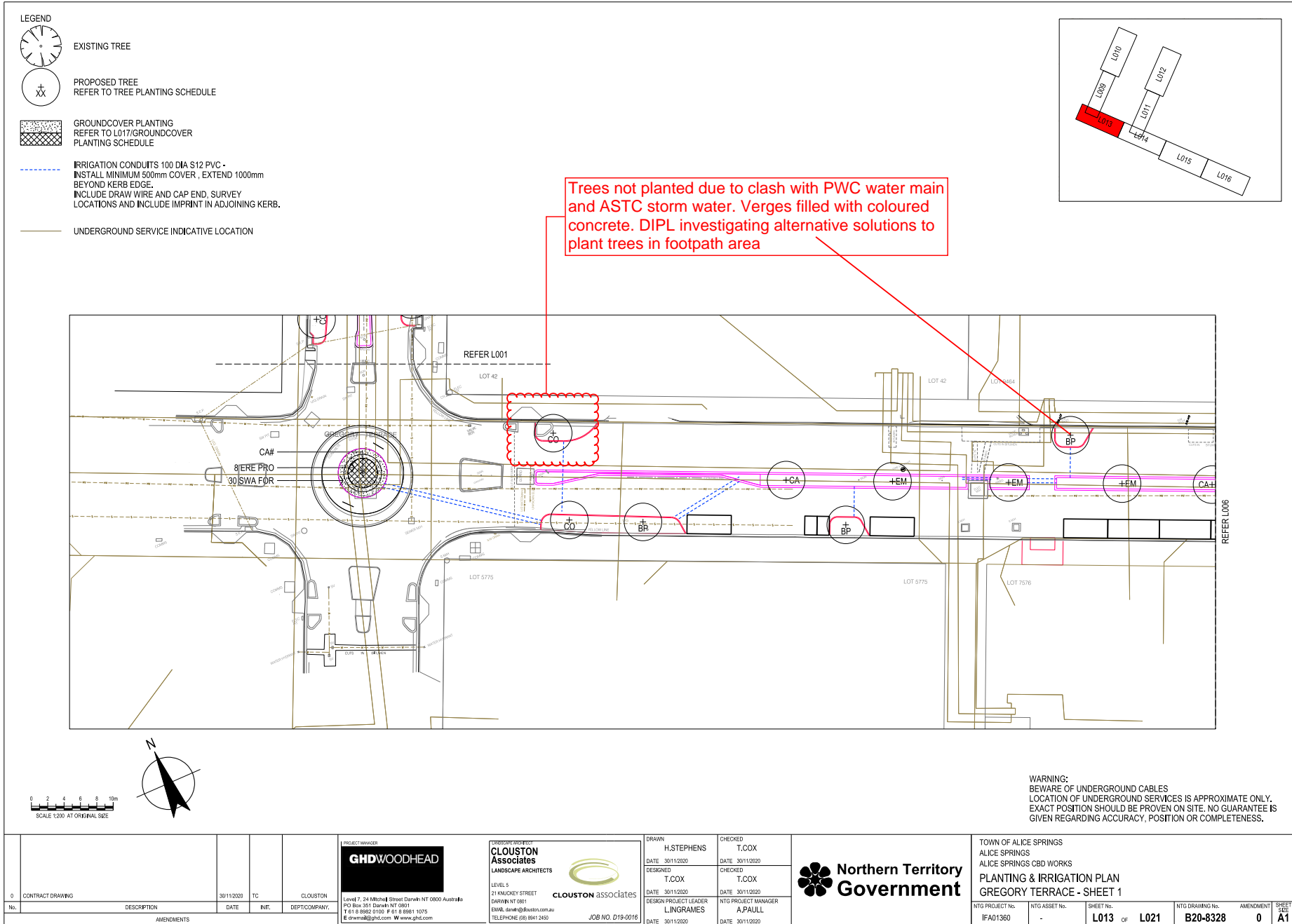


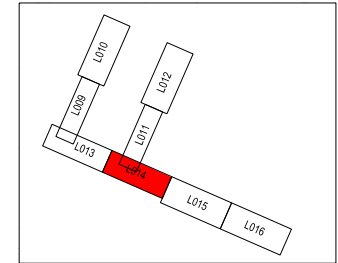




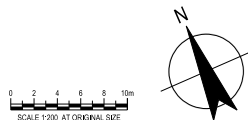
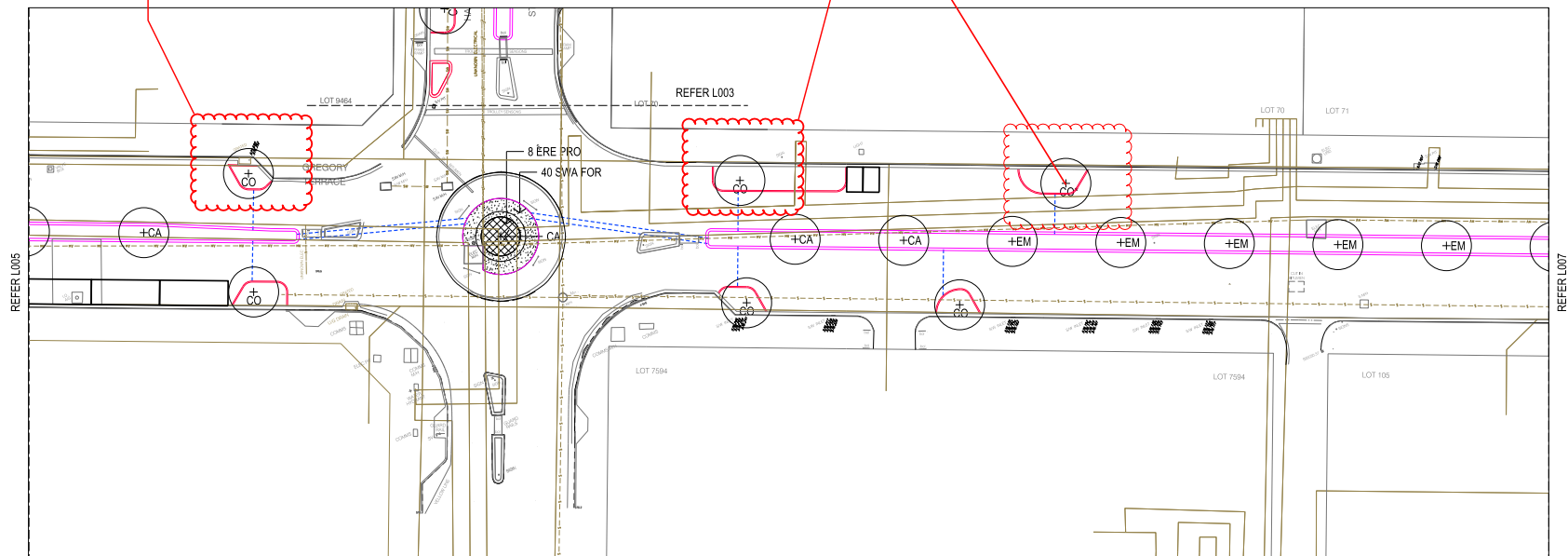
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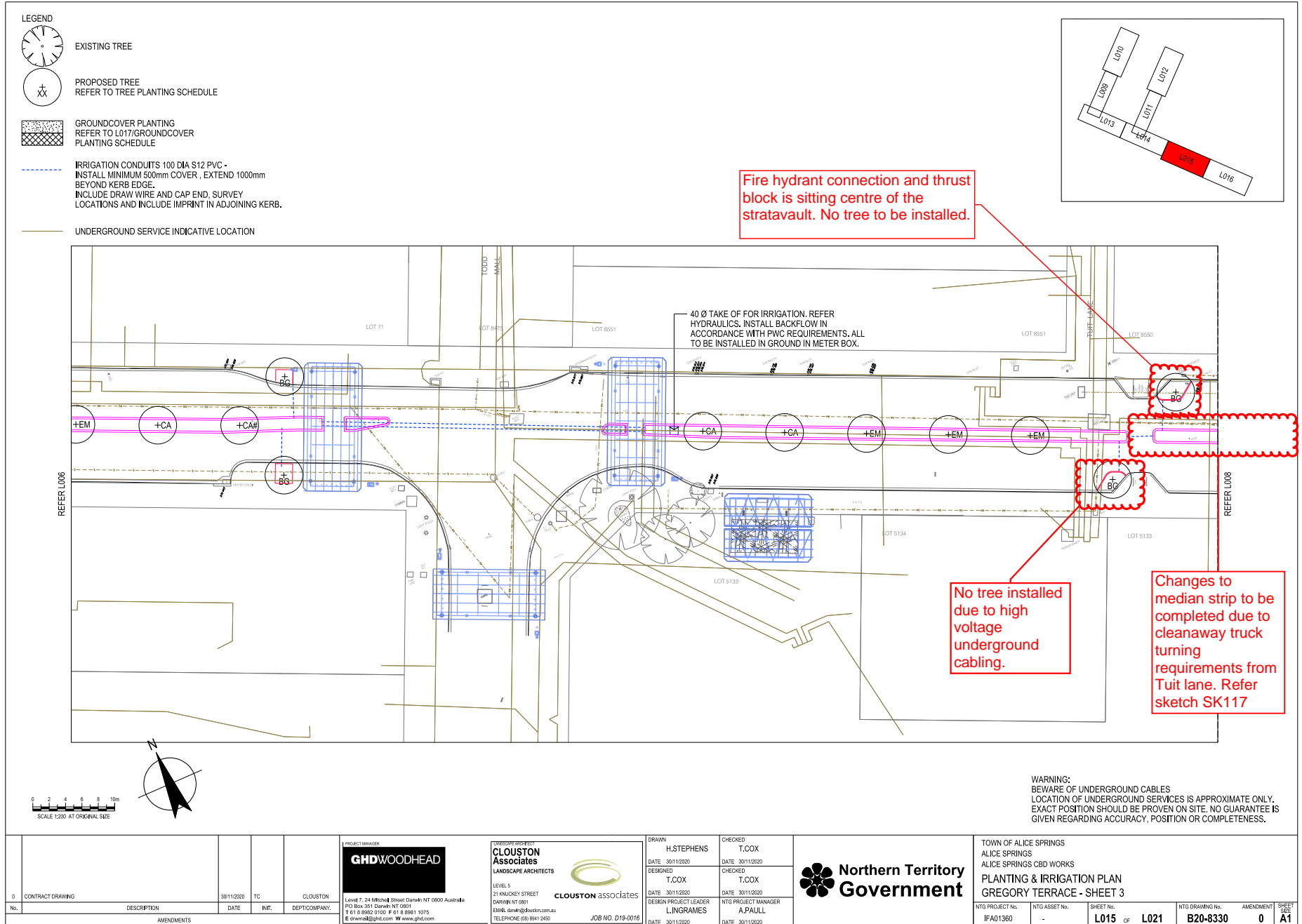


Tree not being planted due to clash with PWC water main and ASTC storm water. Verges filled with coloured concrete. DIPL investigating alternative solutions to plant trees in footpath area



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Agenda Item 28.4.3

REPORT

Report No. 227 / 23 cncI

TO: ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023

SUBJECT: ROSS PARK DOG FENCING – COMMUNITY CONSULTATION SUMMARY

AUTHOR: PROJECT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER – KRISTINE CAPANGPANGAN

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report is to provide Council with a summary of the community consultation conducted on 2 November 2023, at Ross Park, with regard to the proposed dog fence.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. That Council approve the installation of low dog fencing at Ross Park.
2. That the designated fenced-off area becomes a 24-hour off-leash dog zone.
3. The areas of Ross Park outside the fenced areas are designated on-leash only.

REPORT

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Not Applicable.

2. PREVIOUS APPLICABLE RESOLUTIONS

At the 28 February 2023 Ordinary Council meeting, a report was presented with details obtained from the initial consultation, held on the 5 December 2022. Council Officers tabled four fencing options for consideration that would be presented at the next consultation. The following resolution was endorsed.

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28.4.7 Dog Off-Leash Fence Installation

Report No. 30 / 23 cncI

(Item transferred from Confidential Agenda Item 9.4.13)

Moved – Councillor Coffey

Seconded – Councillor Morris

1. Installation of a low fence between Netball Courts and Ross Park Primary School (refer to Attachment A and Attachment B); and
2. Adjust the off-leash hours at Ross Park.

CARRIED (22512)

3. DISCUSSION

Council Officers conducted a community consultation session on the 2 November 2023 at Ross Park as per Council Resolution no. 22512. The consultation was promoted through advertising in the local paper, Councils Facebook page, website and letters delivered to around 25 residents surrounding Ross Park. Overall, there were 19 people that attended the consultation.

The consultation aimed to gather feedback on the installation of fencing to separate the sporting field and create a proposed dedicated off-leash dog area within the park.

A number of people expressed support for the fencing proposal, emphasising the benefits of clear boundaries between the sporting field and the intended off-leash dog area. Advocates highlighted safety concerns, citing the need to safeguard children playing in the sports area from potential interactions with dogs. There were some views that opposed the fencing plan, voicing concerns about the division of the park space. Their primary argument centred around the park's unity, emphasising that separation contradicted the parks communal essence. There was also sentiment expressed by the group regarding the absence of a specifically designated dog park accessible in Alice Springs.

The table below summarises the comments received during the proposal:

Comments gathered from the Ross Park community consultation
<i>No forethought given to park being dedicated to soccer – congestion on Sat Mornings</i>
<i>Options proposed short-sighted</i>
<i>Desire for dedicated dog park</i>
<i>Opposition to separating park</i>
<i>No benefit to community</i>
<i>Proposed fence too far into park (too far east)</i>
<i>Concern around children bitten</i>
<i>Confirmation that proposal is in line with last meeting</i>
<i>Views expressed that the dog walking group did ask for the fence</i>
<i>Concerns about dog park in Northside</i>
<i>Fence should be higher 1800mm</i>
<i>Need for disability access</i>
<i>Sealing of carpark needed</i>
<i>People travelling through park will need to go through dog area</i>
<i>Change soccer training time/location to other side of park</i>
<i>Can the fence be landscaped</i>
<i>There are many incidents with dogs at soccer.</i>
<i>Children afraid of dogs and don't like them around during sports.</i>
<i>Fence just around soccer</i>
<i>Needs water bubblers</i>
<i>Number of comments in support</i>
<i>Rangers are never out patrolling</i>
<i>Fencing off carpark either end need too</i>
<i>Investigate access from all sides especially those needing access from the shops</i>
<i>Will the dog area be off-leash for 24hours if fencing proposal proceeds</i>

To address some of the concerns regarding access, the Technical Services Department is proposing a fencing plan (refer to image below). There will be a thoroughfare adjacent to netballs north-end fencing to ensure park users and local residents retain access to the shops via the park and vice versa. Pedestrian gates will also be provided from all corners for ease of access.



Despite the mixed reactions received during the consultation regarding the proposed fencing with some expressing opposition, the Technical Services Department recognises the importance of prioritising safety of children utilising the sporting field and is seeking Council's support to proceed with the fencing proposal.

4. **ALIGNMENT WITH ALICE SPRINGS LIVEABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY 2030 STRATEGIC PLAN**

This item pertains to relevant components of the *Alice Springs Town Council Liveability and Sustainability Strategic Plan 2030* as follows:

Pillar 1 – Liveability

Continue to develop, maintain and renew Council-owned assets that encourage active lifestyles

5. FUNDING, WHOLE OF LIFE COSTS & RESOURCING REQUIREMENTS

Funding will be taken from the 227 Parks Development budget line.

Estimated supply and installation cost for approximately 146.5 lineal metres of chainmesh and associated materials and works for the fencing is shown below:

Supply & Install approx. 146.5 lineal meters of 1200h Chainmesh fencing with Top & Bottom Rail	
3 x 32nb Airlock style P.A. entry gateways	
1 x 32nb double gates for maintenance access	
32nb top & bottom rail	
40nb line posts	
50nb corner & gate posts	
Black PVC coated lacing wire	
powder coating of all fittings	
Digging with vacuum excavation truck where required	
Estimated total cost Ex GST	\$44,460.00

Maintenance of the fencing will be covered in the Ross Park budget.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

Provision of a designated off-leash area will ensure the well-being and safety of the children utilising the sporting field for games and trainings.

People who traditionally would have transverse the dog park area will now need to walk further to the roadway.

7. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Not Applicable.

8. STATUTORY MATTERS / DELEGATIONS

Not Applicable.

9. COUNCIL POLICIES

Policy No. 106 – Community Consultation applies

Alice Springs (Animal Management) By-Laws 2008 applies

10. STAKEHOLDER MANAGEMENT / PUBLIC RELATIONS

Council has held two community consultations at Ross Park to ensure all stakeholders are informed of proposed developments in the park. Provision of a designated off-leash area at Ross Park will appease most stakeholders, both sporting organisations and members of the public in terms of the parks purpose and usability. It will significantly increase the number of pet owners visiting the park and will encourage sporting groups organising sports practices and events.

11. CONCLUSION

The consultation gave residents and park users a chance to voice differing opinions regarding the proposed fencing and while there were some objections received, majority advocated for the installation of the fencing to enhance safety, preventing potential conflicts between children and off-leash dogs in the future.

12. ATTACHMENTS

Nil



Kristine Capangpangan

PROJECT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER



Joel Andrew

DIRECTOR TECHNICAL SERVICES

REPORT

Report No. 230 / 23 cncd

TO: ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023

SUBJECT: LANEWAY CLOSURE – OLEANDER / COOLIBAH CRESCENT LANEWAY

AUTHOR: PROJECT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER – KRISTINE CAPANGPANGAN

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report is submitted to Council for consideration in accordance with the *Local Government Act (2019) – Part 12.3 (272) Closing of Roads*, and *Local Government (Administration) Regulations (2008) – Part 7 (19) Permanent Closure of Roads*.

Approval is sought to commence the laneway closure process between Oleander Crescent and Coolibah Crescent in Eastside.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

That Council provides approval to proceed with the Laneway Closure process to permanently close the laneway between Oleander Crescent and Coolibah Crescent by way of advertising the proposed closure and allowing the public 28 days to comment.

REPORT

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Not Applicable

2. PREVIOUS APPLICABLE RESOLUTIONS

Not Applicable

3. DISCUSSION

A laneway closure application (*Attachment A*) was received on the 5 October 2023, from the owners of (Lot 3717) 35 Coolibah Crescent and (Lot 3750) 22 Oleander Crescent Eastside, Alice Springs, with regard to the laneway located between four lots, Lot 3749 - 20 Oleander Crescent, Lot 3750 - 22 Oleander Crescent, Lot 3717 - 35 Coolibah Crescent and Lot 3716 37 Coolibah Crescent. Out of the four adjoining properties, only three have agreed to close the laneway with the fourth property owner (Lot 3716) not supporting the laneway closure. The laneway will be acquired by the applicants on Lots 3750 and 3717 as per image below.

Please note that in accordance with Council's *Conflicts of Interest CEO and Employees Policy*, it is a requirement to disclose that one of the applicant's is a current employee of Council and therefore a conflict of interest is declared. With that regard, no further action is required due to the employee not having any direct influence in the decision making of the laneway closure.



The applicants have expressed concerns regarding break-ins, anti-social behaviour and vandalism occurring on the laneway (Refer to Attachment B) and are worried about their safety and security due to these recurring incidents. In response to the ongoing antisocial behaviour, the applicants have sought support from surrounding residents (20 signatories) and have petitioned Council for the permanent closure of the laneway. They believe this will enhance safety, reduce disturbances and alleviate concerns related to criminal activities and property damage. Officers also received an objection from a resident opposing the laneway closure. The resident was advised that they would be given the opportunity to submit their objection should Council proceed with the closure process.

Employing the *Methodology for Determining Laneway Categorisation*, the Technical Services Department has classified the laneway as a Category C – Non-Essential (Refer to Attachment C). Consequently, the Technical Services Department seeks Council approval to initiate the laneway closure process by publishing an advertisement in the *Centralian Today*. This advertisement will allow a 28-day period for public feedback on the proposed closure, as mandated by the *Local Government Act*.

Part of the acquisition process includes approvals from the Minister in control of the NT Roads Acts and the Minister in charge of the Local Government Act. Once approvals are obtained, Council Officers will then continue with the laneway closure process. This involves land surveys, rezoning, transfer of titles and consolidation of lots. The process of closing the laneway may span up to two years due to the extensive regulatory requirements, making it a lengthy procedure.

4. ALIGNMENT WITH ALICE SPRINGS LIVEABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY 2030 STRATEGIC PLAN

This item pertains to relevant components of the *Alice Springs Town Council Liveability and Sustainability Strategic Plan 2030* as follows:

Pillar 2 – Safety

- *Undertake a road regulation audit that will increase safety for traffic including bike and pedestrian traffic*
- *Develop and implement a safety plan that incorporates Council and Stakeholders that facilitates the needs and services of the Community*

5. FUNDING, WHOLE OF LIFE COSTS & RESOURCING REQUIREMENTS

The applicants have paid the \$4,000.00 deposit and have agreed to pay all legal and surveying costs for the laneway to be subdivided/consolidated and closed.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

Property damage and ongoing antisocial behaviour may continue impacting the quality of life for those living nearby and posing potential risks to residents.

With regard to the conflict of interest declared in this report, measures will need to be taken into consideration in the evaluation and decision-making process regarding this application. It must be conducted with transparency and with fairness taking into account Council's policies concerning conflicts of interest.

7. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Not Applicable

8. STATUTORY MATTERS / DELEGATIONS

Laneways can only be closed by the Minister for local governments and the Minister in control of the NT Roads Act. Permission is done through the *NT Local Government (Road Opening and Closing) Regulations*.

Northern Territory Roads Act applies.

9. COUNCIL POLICIES

Conflicts of Interest – CEO and Employees

Laneway Disposal or Retention Policy No. 147

Procedural Statement and Directives No: TSD 002

10. STAKEHOLDER MANAGEMENT / PUBLIC RELATIONS

If Council proceeds with the closure of the laneway process, a notice will be placed in the local newspaper for a period of at least 28 days allowing the public and any person an invitation to object to the proposed closure through a written objection as per the *Local Government Act in force as at 8 November 2013*. A letter drop will also be conducted by Council Officers in the surrounding area advising of the proposed laneway closure.

11. CONCLUSION

Considering the residents concerns, there is rationale for the closure of the laneway. Closing the laneway could potentially address the recurrent antisocial behaviour and alleviate concerns expressed by the affected residents.

12. ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment A:** *Laneway Application form*
Attachment B: *Evidence of Anti-social and Property Damage*
Attachment C: *Laneway Categorisation*
Attachment D: *Details of Property Owners adjoining the Laneway (Confidential Document)*



Kristine Capangpangan
PROJECT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER



Joel Andrew
DIRECTOR TECHNICAL SERVICES



Attachment A
**Alice Springs Town Council
Laneway Closure Application Form**

To close a Laneway under control of the Alice Springs Town Council you must :

1. Comply with the Alice Springs Town Council Laneway Closure Policy No 147.
A copy of the Policy No. 147 can be obtained from

Alice Springs Town Council office
93 Todd Street
Alice Springs
Monday to Friday
8.30am to 5pm
phone 89500500

2. All Roads that are under the control of Alice Springs Town Council can only be closed with the Minister
for Local Governments permission this is done through the Northern Territory Local Government (Road Opening and Closing) Regulations.

A copy of this can be obtained from Northern Territory Government website.

Guidelines & Requirements

1. A petition signed by all residents abutting this laneway must agree to the proposed closure of the laneway. The petition should address the reasons why residents propose that the laneway be closed.

2. A sketched plan showing the location and subdivision of laneway after closure.

3. Signed agreement to share all surveying and legal costs involved with the rezoning and transfer of titles, as part of the acquisition process.

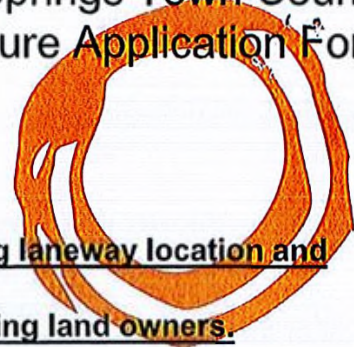
4. An application fee of \$4000/Laneway will be required before Council will start the closure process.

This amount will be used to pay for Government Fees, Ads, Surveying, and Legal cost etc. The application fee of \$4000.00 will be deducted from the final cost to you after the Laneway is closed and Titles are issued. (See attached Summary of the Laneway Closure Procedure)

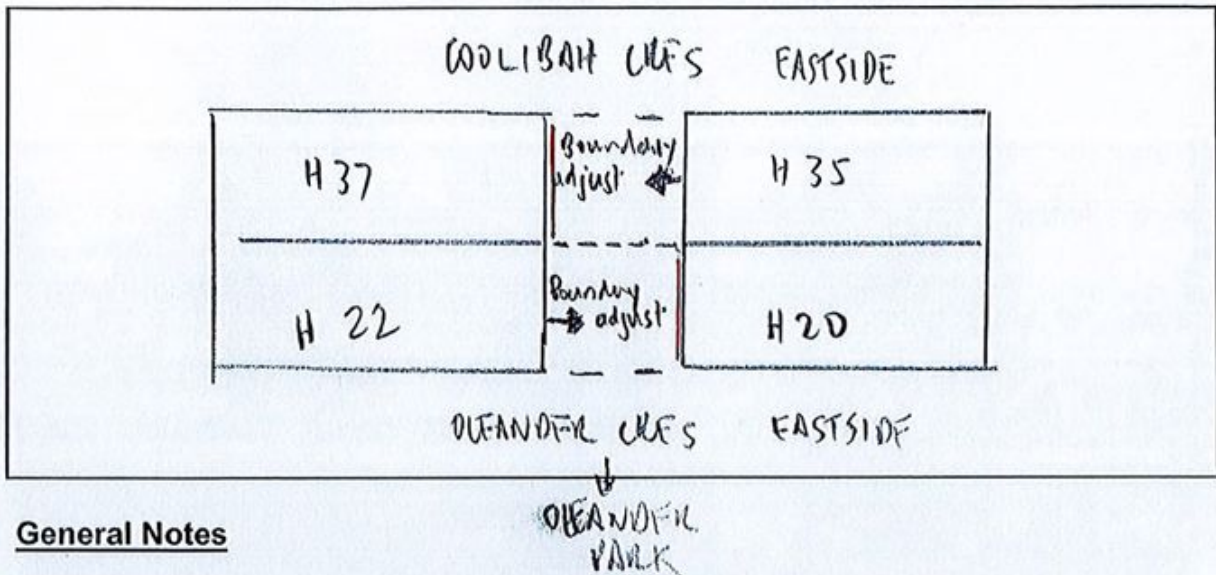
5. If the Laneway closure does not proceed Council will refund you an amount less costs that Council has incurred.



Alice Springs Town Council Laneway Closure Application Form



Sketch here or attach a sketch/drawing showing laneway location and proposed Laneway subdivision to adjoining land owners.



General Notes

This Guide & Requirements only apply to Laneways that are Gazetted as a Road under the control of the Alice Springs Town Council.

A Laneway closure will only be considered upon receipt by Council of agreements in writing from adjoining owners of the lane that will result in the whole of the lane being acquired.

Subject to the above and Council agreeing that there is merit in the lane closure the process of permanent road closure required under the Local Government Act and the Local Government (Road Opening and Closing) Regulations will be implemented.

Council will transfer title of the portions of the lane to the adjoining owners upon the successful completion of the permanent road closure process

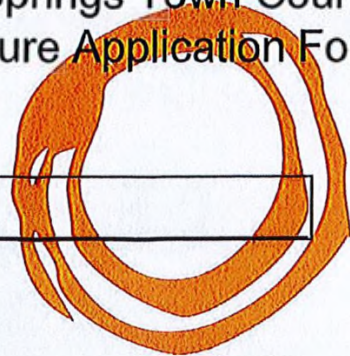
Justification

Council will consider a lane closure in accordance with ASTC Laneway Closure policy if it can be established by the local community surrounding the lane that the lane attracts anti-social behavior on a regular basis that results in a nuisance and possible safety concerns to that community. Council will need to consider the anti-social aspects along with the effect that closing the lane will have on the access needs of that community.



Alice Springs Town Council Laneway Closure Application Form

We agree to the proposed closure of
Laneway in Alice Springs.



Print Name Here

Your Address Here

Signature

Alice Springs Town Council
Laneway Closure Application

The information provided contains personal information
that remains confidential.

Please submit your reason for the Lane Closure here or
you can attach your submission separately.



Alice Springs Town Council Laneway Closure Application Form

We agree to pay an application fee of \$4000 to Council to start the Laneway Closure Process and all surveying and legal costs involved with the rezoning and transfer of titles, as part of the acquisition process.

1. We agree to consolidate the portions of the Laneway within six months of Titles being issued.
2. We agree that if, as a result of the acquisition new boundary fences are required, fences will be installed within six months of the transfer of Title. Neighbours to common new boundary lines are to take into account the Fencing Act in agreeing to the type and construction of the fence.
3. Attach Application FEE

Print Name Here

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To:

Date: 5th October 2023

Mr Stephen Baloban
Manager Technical Services
Alice Springs Town Council
NT 0870

Re: Residents request permanent closure and purchase of Oleander /Coolibah crescent laneway.

Dear Stephen,

The increase in social disorder and ongoing property damage in Alice Springs is well documented by social media and broadcast media outlets both locally and nationally.

Eastside unfortunately is not immune to these issues. In fact we have seen an escalation in recent times which is extremely concerning and stressful for residents. Homes in the vicinity of the laneway route to and from Oleander Park between Oleander and Coolabah Crescents in particular have been targeted several times.

The homes adjacent to the laneway have been regularly broken into and illegally trespassed. Laneway fences have been damaged, graffitied and rubbished. Residents vehicles regularly opportunistically damaged, ransacked, had windscreens and side windows broken by persons seen using the laneway as an avenue to cause issues and exit making very challenging for law enforcement when calls for assistance are made.

The laneway has very poor lighting and as stated is being used as an escape route. Offending Youth have been tracked to and from the Saddadeen suburb by people witnessing causing ongoing disturbance 'on foot' and on devices stolen.

Suspicious bags and vehicles have also been reported to police by the laneway locals say for illegal substance trafficking activity.

Please see photo evidence provided of anti-social activity in this laneway.

Residents are 'fed up' and do not feel safe.

Reimbursement of funds through NT Victims of Crime barely cover the costs of damage to vehicles. Stolen items are rarely recovered by police.

Residents bordering the laneway would like to negotiate shared purchase of this laneway as a community solution to the issues we are continually experiencing.

This request has been supported by NT Police who have documented their full support following the recent incident reported

People are entitled to feel safe in their homes!

Mitigating pedestrian traffic flow to more visible well maintained alternate arterial routes away from identified troublesome 'hot spots' in the community may be strategy to stem antisocial activity in residential areas and may help people feel just a bit more safe.

❖ *See attached:* signatures by local residents supporting laneway closure ASAP.

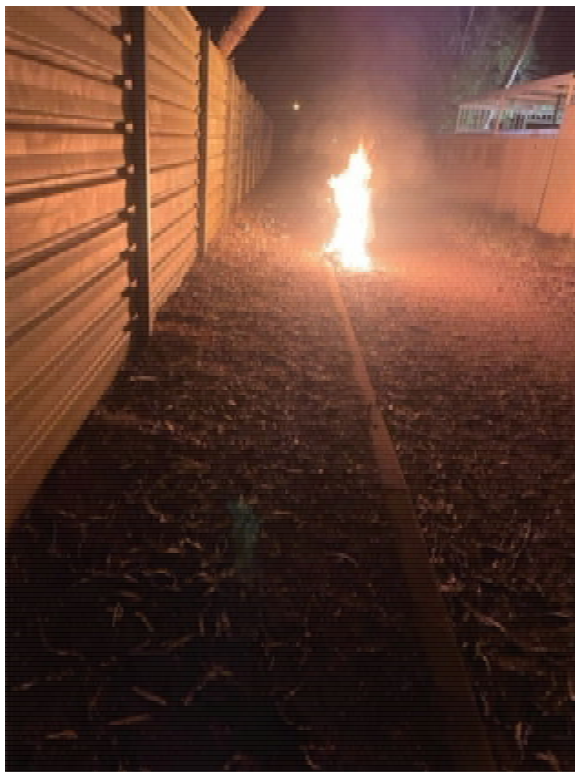
We recommend this request be supported by the Alice Springs Town Council as one real community solution to the antisocial issues experienced.

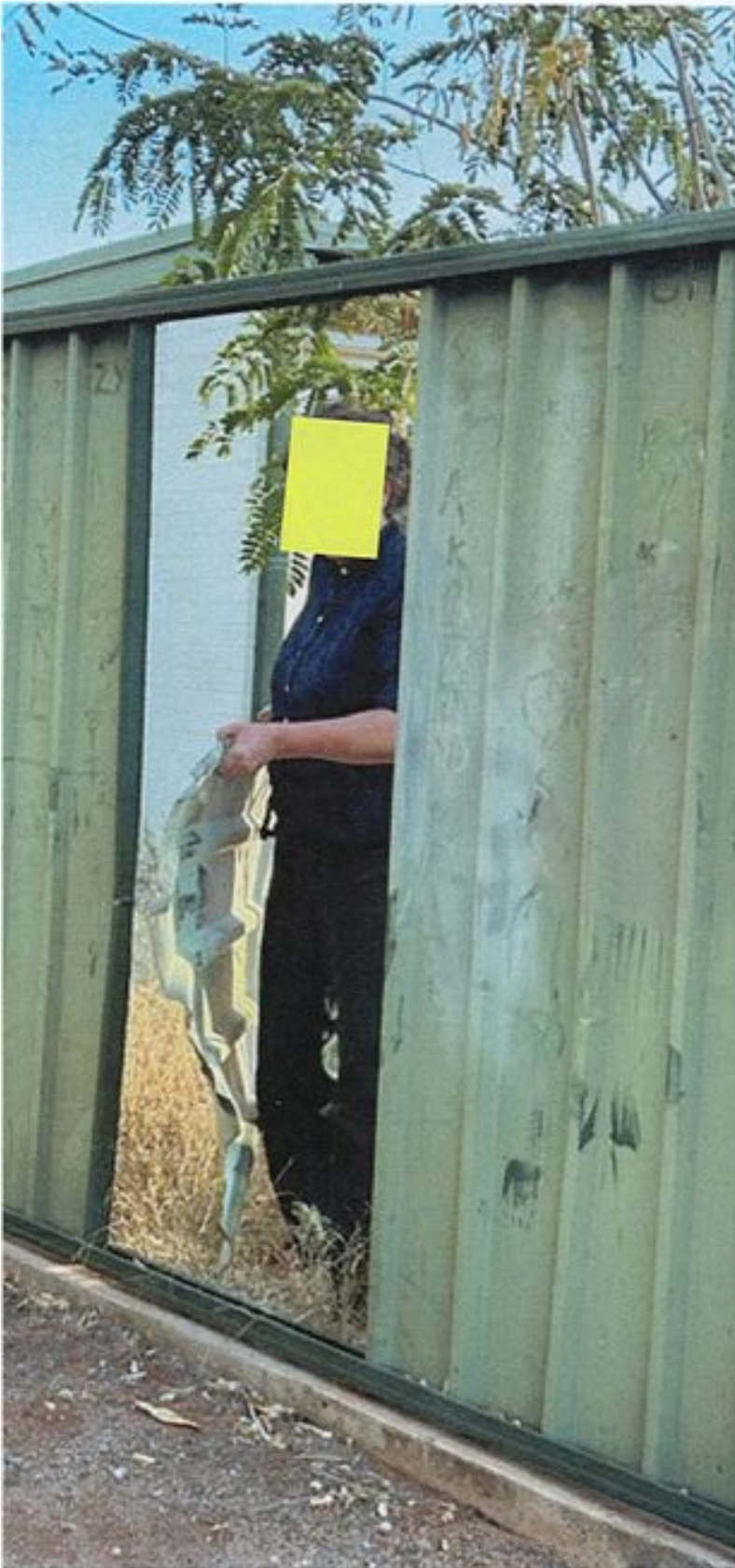
Regards,

On behalf of Oleander/ Coolibah laneway residents
Residents happy to meet costs associated with boundary readjustments to expedite this community safety action.

We can be contacted as below:

ATTACHMENT B









Oleander Crescent Laneway

DATE1.11.2023

BYK Capangpangan

METHODOLOGY FOR DETERMINING LANEWAY CATEGORISATION

The score for an individual Laneway is determined by the following formula:

[HSF + 0.25(AOF)] x PVF = SCORE

where: HSF is the highest single factor
AOF is the total of all other factors
PVF is the pedestrian volume factor

The factors applied for the extra distance walked to educational facilities, bus stops, shops, parks and other facilities are contained within Table 1.

The estimation of potential pedestrian usage (the Pedestrian Volume Factor, PVF) is contained in Table 2.

The subsequent Category derived from the score is shown in Table 3.

The following is an example of the evaluation:

150m from a school	Educ. Factor	2
250m from a bus stop	Bus Stop Factor	4
280m from a shop	Shop Factor	3
500m from a park	Park Factor	8 HSF
350m from the hospital	Other factor	4
and services 35 houses	PVF	1.67

The score would be [8 + 0.25 (13)] x 1.67 = 18.8.

This is less than 20 and would be deemed a Category B walkway that would require a good reason to warrant permanent closure.

TABLE 1					
FACTORS APPLIED FOR DISTANCE WALKED					
Distance (m)	Education Factor	Bus Stop Factor	Shop Factor	Park Factor	Other Factor
1 TO 99	1	1	1	1	1
100 TO 199	2	2	2	2	2
200 TO 299	3	4	3	3	3
300 TO 399	5	8	5	4	4
400 TO 900	10	16	10	8	8

TABLE 2			
PEDESTRIAN VOLUME FACTOR			
CRITERIA	PDF		
Serving less than 10 R1 blocks (Low)	1		
Serving between 10 and 50 R1 blocks (Medium)	1.67		
Serving greater than 50 R1 blocks (High)	2.5		
Note:	Adjustments are made for R2 and R3 Properties		

TABLE 3		
CATEGORY TABLE		
CATEGORY	SCORE	
A.	Essential	20+
B.	Less Essential	10 - 19.9
C.	Non Essential	0 - 9.9

ENTER INFO HERE

Educ. Factor

0

Bus Stop Factor

1

Shop Factor

0

Park Factor

2

Other factor

0

PVF

1.67

[HSF + 0.25(AOF)] x PVF = SCORE

HSF

2

0.25

AOF

1

PVF

1.67

SCORE

3.7575

2.25

Rating

Category C