MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting of Council
Held on Tuesday 22 September 2026

Top Didj Aboriginal Art Gallery, Exhibition Room
363 Gorge Road, Lansdowne, Katherine NT 0850

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the first nations people of the Katherine township and surrounding council communities. We recognise the first nations culture as one of the longest surviving cultures in the world and we pay our respects to Elders both past, present and future.

2 OPENING PRAYER

Grant O God to this Council wisdom, understanding and sincerity of purpose in the Governance of this Municipality. Amen

3 OPENING OF THE MEETING

Mayor Holden declared the Ordinary Meeting of Council - 22 September 2026 open at 6:00 pm.

4 ATTENDANCE

4.1 PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS
- Mayor Joanna Holden (Chair)
- Deputy Mayor Mel Doyle
- Councillor Jim King
- Councillor Kathryn Whitehouse
- Councillor Kathy Glass
- Councillor Anjali Palmer - Via Video Conferencing
- Councillor Toni Tapp Coutts

OFFICERS
- Casey Anderson – Acting Chief Executive Officer
- Yeshika Kandanaarachchi – Governance Officer - Minute Taker
- Rebecca Baguley - Chief Financial Officer - Via Video Conferencing
- Matt Arnott - Manager Projects Portfolio
- Brett Kimpton – Manager Environment and Municipal
- Shena Damayanti - Executive Assistant

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4.2 APOLOGIES

Nil

4.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-221
Moved: Councillor King; **Seconded**: Councillor Tapp Coutts

1. That Council note the leave of absence form received from Councillor Glass from 12 October to 16 October, from 5 November to 9 November, from 9 November to 17 November, and from 23 November to 30 November 2026.

2. That Council note the leave of absence form received from Councillor Palmer from 20 October to 29 October 2026.
3. Council note the Mayor Holden is on leave of absence from 30 September to 9 October, from 28 October to 20 November 2026, and approve the Deputy Mayor to serve as Mayor in the Mayor's Absence for those periods.

CARRIED 7|0

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Chair reminded members of their responsibility to declare any conflicts of interest.

Nil conflicts declared.

6 PRESENTATIONS FROM EXTERNAL AGENCIES

Nil

7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

7.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL 25 AUGUST 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-222
Moved: Deputy Mayor Doyle; **Seconded**: Councillor Whitehouse

That Council confirm the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 25 August 2026 as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED 7|0

7.2 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL 8 SEPTEMBER 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

That Council confirm the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 8 September 2026 as a true and accurate record.

AMENDMENT RESOLUTION OMC-2026-223
Moved: Councillor Tapp Coutts; **Seconded**: Councillor Whitehouse

That Council confirm the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 8 September 2026 as a true and accurate record subject to the amendment of the apologies 4.2 to include Councillor Glass.

CARRIED 7|0

8 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

8.1 ACTION UPDATE SEPTEMBER 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-224
Moved: Councillor King; **Seconded**: Councillor Tapp Coutts

That Council receive and note the Action update.

CARRIED 7|0

Discussion
Clarification was sought regarding the use of word "us" on page 27 of 145, under action item 14.5 - Petition - Eloise Simudvara - Community Information Session Territory Energy Link, was clarified that "us" refers to Territory Energy Link.

It was noted that Council had previously resolved to advocate for Katherine Hospital as opportunities arose and that this advocacy was being undertaken. It was agreed that the Katherine Hospital and Territory Energy Link action items be removed from the outstanding action items list.

Council noted that the report on Waste Management Operating hours will be presented at the next council meeting, and action item 6.3 - Youth Offender Activities Report on page 28 is to be updated to reflect the work undertaken to date, with the updated information to be provided at the next meeting.

9 MAYORAL BUSINESS

9.1 MAYOR ACTIVITIES JULY & AUGUST 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-225
Moved: Deputy Mayor Doyle; **Seconded**: Councillor Glass

1. That Council receive and note the amended Mayoral activities for July 2026.
2. That Council receive and note the Mayoral activities for August 2026.

CARRIED 7|0

9.2 COUNCILLOR GOALS FIRST 6 TO 12 MONTHS UPDATE

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-226
Moved: Councillor Tapp Coutts; **Seconded**: Councillor King

That Council receive and note the Councillor First 6 to 12 Months Goals update.

CARRIED 7|0

Discussion
It was discussed that the majority of the Councillor goals have either been completed or are being addressed through other Council reporting mechanisms. It was suggested that this report be removed from future agendas, with future priorities to considered as part of the 12-month review.

Discussion was also held regarding roundabout beautification and maintenance. It was clarified that budget for roundabout beautification is included within the Municipal Plan and that progress will be captured through regular Municipal Plan reporting to ensure the matter is not lost.

10 CORRESPONDENCE AND DOCUMENTS

10.1 CORRESPONDENCE OUTGOING

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-227
Moved: Councillor Glass; **Seconded**: Deputy Mayor Doyle

That Council receive and note the Outgoing Correspondence:

Attachments:
1. Media Release - KTC - Freedom of Entry - 24 August 2026 [**10.1.1** - 2 pages]
2. A4 Poster - Media Release - KTC - Freedom of Entry - 24 August 2026 [**10.1.2** - 1 page]
3. Media Release - KTC - Katherine Sportground Masterplan - Community Consultation - 01 September 2026 [**10.1.3** - 1 page]
4. Image 1 - Media Release - KTC - Katherine Sportground Masterplan - Community Consultation - 01 September 2026 [**10.1.4** - 1 page]
5. Image 2 - Media Release - KTC - Katherine Sportground Masterplan - Community Consultation - 01 September 2026 [**10.1.5** - 1 page]
6. Image 3 - Media Release - KTC - Katherine Sportground Masterplan - Community Consultation - 01 September 2026 [**10.1.6** - 1 page]
7. Media Release - KTC - Community Safety Action Group Appointed - 3 September 2026 [**10.1.7** - 1 page]

CARRIED 7|0

10.2 CORRESPONDENCE INCOMING

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-228
Moved: Councillor King; **Seconded**: Councillor Glass

That Council receive and note the Incoming Correspondence:

Attachments: 1. Letter - Mary Watson - Local Government Representation Review Now Open - KTC - 23 July 2026 - ID 262824 [**10.2.1** - 2 pages]

CARRIED 7|0

Discussion
Council considered the timing of incoming correspondence and its inclusion in Council agendas. It was suggested that incoming correspondence be date-stamped or otherwise recorded with the actual date of receipt to provide transparency and clarity regarding when it was received by Council.

It was clarified that the correspondence relating to the review was received via email and had previously been circulated to the elected members. It was also noted that Council has not made a submission to date, and no feedback had been received from elected members following circulation of the correspondence. Relevant information and supporting materials are available through the links provided in the correspondence, and the review committee will provide a presentation to elected members with a suitable date and time currently being arranged.

11 PETITIONS

Nil

12 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

13 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

13.1 DISCONTINUATION OF PARTICULATES MONITORING IN KATHERINE

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-229
Moved: Deputy Mayor Doyle; **Seconded**: Councillor Whitehouse

That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to formally engage with the NT EPA to undertake the required review and seek approval to cease operation of the Katherine Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Station.

CARRIED 7|0

Discussion
Discussion took place regarding the ongoing monitoring requirements following the tyre fire and Council's obligations under the relevant agreement. It was noted that Council had undertaken monitoring for several

years and had exceeded its obligations under the agreement.

Clarification was sought as to whether monitoring was still required and whether an alternative monitoring arrangement should be considered if there was an ongoing need. It was noted that the monitoring equipment was old, had experienced equipment faults and power outages, and required staff attendance for troubleshooting and resetting.

It was confirmed that the monitoring was originally undertaken as a regulatory requirement following the tyre fire and that Council had fulfilled and exceeded its obligations. It was suggested to consider that alternative arrangements should monitoring be required in the future.

Clarification was also sought regarding references to the Chief Executive Officer position in Council reports while the position is being filled in an acting capacity. It was confirmed that delegations and authorisations are attached to the position of Chief Executive Officer, and the person appointed to act in the position exercises those delegations and authorisations.

13.2 DISPOSAL AND WRITE OFFS OF VARIOUS COUNCILS ASSETS

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-230
Moved: Councillor King; **Seconded**: Deputy Mayor Doyle

That Council:

1. That Council approves and authorises the disposal of 55 assets as detailed in Table 1. Assets to be Disposed, ensuring all disposal actions comply with Ministerial Guideline 4: Assets and Katherine Town Council's Asset Management Policy.
2. That Council directs that all write-offs and disposals be recorded in the Council's asset register to maintain compliance with legislative requirements and audit standards.

CARRIED 7|0

Discussion
Clarification was sought regarding whether information on asset valuations, reserve prices and condition assessments would be available prior to the auction. It was advised that assessments and book values had been undertaken and relevant information would be made available through the tender and bidding process.

It was confirmed that the disposal would be conducted through a public auction, facilitated by a local auction provider, with the auction to be conducted online.

Clarification was also sought regarding the auction provider's commission. It was advised that this information may be commercial-in-confidence and would not be discussed in the public meeting. It was further informed that the appropriate procurement process had been undertaken in engaging the auction provider.

13.3 LGANT BOARD DIRECTOR NOMINATION

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

That Council

1. Note the resignation of the Mayor Joanna Holden from the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) Board Director Position.
2. Nominates [Name of Elected Member] as Katherine Town Council's representative for the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) Board Director election.

Discussion
Clarification was sought regarding the role and benefits of director on the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory, it was noted that representation provides Council with an opportunity to participate in discussions on local government matters across the Northern Territory, provide a voice for municipal Councils, and remain informed of potential opportunities and relevant matters affecting the sector.

A matter was raised regarding a member of the public filming the meeting using a mobile phone. It was clarified that such recording was not permitted. It was further noted that Council's recording of the meeting is undertaken only for the minute taking purposes and then destroyed. As the public recording was not being undertaken for the same purpose, filming was not permitted.

The discussion then moved again to nominate a representative from the Council to the director position for the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory. Deputy Mayor Doyle and Councillor Palmer were nominated for the positions. As two nominations had been received, a ballot was proposed to determine Council's representative. Councillor Palmer subsequently withdrew her nomination and expressed support for the Deputy Mayor to take up the position.

AMENDMENT RESOLUTION OMC-2026-231
Moved: Councillor Tapp Coutts; **Seconded**: Councillor Whitehouse

That Council

1. Note the resignation of the Mayor Joanna Holden from the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) Board Director Position.
2. Nominate Deputy Mayor Mel Doyle as Katherine Town Council's representative for the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) Board Director election.

CARRIED 7|0

13.4 FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 31 AUGUST 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

That Council endorses the financial report for the month of 31 August 2026.

Discussion
Clarification was sought regarding several figures contained within the Financial report. Discrepancies were identified between figure presented in the summary, balance sheet and supporting tables. It was clarified that some of the discrepancies were due to a syncing issue within the reporting system, where updated figures had not flowed through consistently across all sections and tables of the report. The identified figures were reviewed during the discussion, and it was agreed that the relevant changes could be recorded in the minutes.

A query was raised regarding the monthly balance sheet and the reporting of year-to-date actuals, noting that comparative information from previous reporting periods was not included. It was suggested that comparative figures would provide greater context and assist Council in assessing financial performance. It was clarified that the prior year financial statements had not yet been finalised and, therefore, final comparative figures were not currently available. These would be available following completion and approval of the audited financial statements. It was also noted that the current reporting template is statutory. The possibility of providing additional comparative information in future financial reports was raised, with further discussion to occur regarding its inclusion.

Clarification was also sought regarding the level of outstanding rated debtors and whether this was associated with delays in the distribution of rates notices. It was explained that the reported amount represented the full rates levied for the 2026/27 financial year and would reduce as ratepayers made their quarterly installments. As Council was only two months into the financial year and rates notices had been issued at the end of July, the higher outstanding balance was considered reflective of the timing of the reporting period.

It was requested that the balance sheet be discussed further in future, and this was noted.

AMENDMENT RESOLUTION OMC-2026-232
Moved: Deputy Mayor Doyle; **Seconded**: Councillor Whitehouse

That Council endorses the financial report for the month of 31 August 2026 subject to the following changes.

1. Page 68 summary, Untied Funds at August $11,258,283 to be corrected to the amount shown on page 79 on the balance sheet, $11,528,283.

2. Page 74 Table 2.1, YTD Actual $ Improvements and Total Capital Expenditure of $114,430 to be corrected to the amount on page 68 in the summary of Capital Expenditure, $148,035.

3. On page 68, 71 and 72, the Operating Position surplus reported as $9,880,279 to be corrected to $9,935,575 .

4. On page 81, Tables Council's Debtor Summary and Statement on Trade Creditors, totals do not reconcile the reported amounts, tables to be amended accordingly.

CARRIED 7|0

13.5 COMMUNITY RELATIONS QUARTERLY REPORT AS AT 31 AUGUST 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-233
Moved: Councillor King; **Seconded**: Councillor Glass

That Council receive and note the Community Relations Department Quarterly Report for the period 1 June 2026 to 31 August 2026.

CARRIED 7|0

Discussion
Council congratulated and acknowledged the Visitor Information Centre team on their performance. A query was raised regarding Visitor Information Centre sales, and it was confirmed that the reported sales figures represented wholesale amounts. It was advised that the Council would have the opportunity to review the Library Forward Plan before any programs for young children were reduced and redirected.

13.6 STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS AND EVENTS QUARTERLY REPORT AS AT 31 AUGUST 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-234
Moved: Deputy Mayor Doyle; **Seconded**: Councillor Glass

That Council receives and notes the Strategic Communications report for June – August 2026.

CARRIED 7|0

Discussion
A request was made for the tables in the report to be enlarged to improve readability.

Discussion was held regarding opportunities to obtain broader feedback from the community, including from first nations residents, young people, seniors and community members who may not use online platforms. It was noted that the upcoming Service Level Delivery Assessment review and review of strategic plan would provide further opportunities for community engagement.

Accessibility concerns at community events, particularly for people using wheelchairs or with mobility issues, were also raised. It was advised that this feedback be provided to Council's event team for consideration in planning future events.

14 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

14.1 MINUTES FROM COMMITTEES

Nil

15 ELECTED MEMBER ACTIVITIES

15.1 ELECTED MEMBER ACTIVITIES AUGUST 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-235
Moved: Councillor Tapp Coutts; **Seconded**: Deputy Mayor Doyle

That Council receive and note the Elected Member activities for August 2026.

CARRIED 7|0

16 LATE AGENDA

17 GENERAL BUSINESS

Mayor Holden acknowledged the first anniversary of the current Council, noting that Councillors were sworn in on 23 September 2025. Congratulations and thanks were extended to Councillors and Council staff for their support, teamwork and commitment in addressing the challenges experienced over the past year. Mayor Holden expressed appreciation for the work undertaken and looked forward to the year ahead.

Rebecca Baguley left the meeting at 7:01 pm.

Councillor Glass raised a query regarding access to Council's risk register and was advised that it is regularly considered by the Audit and Risk Management Committee and is available to Elected Members through the portal. It was further advised that any identified risks could be raised with the Chair of the Audit and Risk Management committee for appropriate consideration. It was also confirmed that the correspondence regarding that Binjari funding surplus would be tabled, noting that no further response had been received at this stage.

Councillor Palmer raised a query regarding a motion presented at the July Ordinary Meeting of Council, noting concern that the minutes recorded the motion as defeated. It was confirmed that the motion has been defeated 3 to 4, and that later in the meeting, under a separate agenda item, Council agreed to lay the relevant policy on the table for further consideration, and was noted that the policy had been distributed for feedback and would return to Council.

18 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

The open meeting was declared closed to the public at 7:07 pm.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-236
Moved: Mayor Holden; **Seconded**: Deputy Mayor Doyle

Members, pursuant with Section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* gives power to the council to close a meeting to the public to discuss the following confidential items, in relation to matters referred to in regulations 51 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*. This means that all members of the public are now asked to leave the Council Chambers.

I now move a motion to close the meeting to public.

Your Worship, I wish to second that the meeting be closed to public.

19 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

19.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES 25 AUGUST 2026

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(a) information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(c)(i) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(c)(ii) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law.

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(c)(iv) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: Subject to subregulation (3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(d) information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(e) subject to subregulation (3) – information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(f) subject to subregulation (2) – information in relation to a complaint of a contravention of the code of conduct.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-237
Moved: Councillor King; **Seconded**: Deputy Mayor Doyle

2. That Council move item 19.6 Katherine Community Safety Action Group - Appoint Memberships resolution OMC-2026-219 to the open minutes:
Moved: Councillor King; Seconded: Councillor Palmer
That Council approves of the Katherine Community Safety Action Group (CSAG) membership as follows:

1. Freya Bartle – Membership Type: Resident
2. Anne Hesse – Membership Type: Resident
3. Christine Butler – Membership Type: Resident
4. Samantha Phelan - Membership Type: Resident
5. Dennis Hannah - Membership Type: Business Owner
6. Lesley Pitt – Membership Type: First Nation
7. Jennifer Duggan – Membership Type: Senior
8. Natalie Ellis – Membership Type: Youth Representative

CARRIED 7|0

19.2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES CONFIDENTIAL SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL 8 SEPTEMBER 2026

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(a) information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.

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Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(c)(iv) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: Subject to subregulation (3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-238
Moved: Councillor Tapp Coutts; **Seconded**: Councillor King

2. That Council release item 8.1 Fair Work Remuneration resolution 1 (a) to the public minutes:

COUNCIL RESOLUTION SMC-2026-22
Moved: Councillor King; Seconded: Councillor Whitehouse
1. That Council:
(a) Endorses the remuneration remediation calculations prepared in response to the Fair Work Commission decision C2025/5542 United Workers' Union v's Katherine Town Council dated 3 November 2025, relating to eligible employees who did not receive the applicable annual pay step increment from 1 July 2022.

CARRIED 7|0

19.3 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(a) information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(c)(i) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

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Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(d) information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(e) subject to subregulation (3) – information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest

19.4 ANTI-DISCRIMINATION COMMISSION

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(a) information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.

19.5 CIVIC CENTRE REFURBISHMENT - UPDATE

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(c)(i) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-241
Moved: Councillor Whitehouse; **Seconded**: Councillor Glass

That the Council elects to:

1. Note this status report regarding the Civic Centre Refurbishment
2. Council releases the resolution to the public minutes.

CARRIED 7|0

19.6 KATHERINE COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTION GROUP - APPOINT MEMBERSHIPS

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-242
Moved: Deputy Mayor Doyle; **Seconded**: Councillor Glass

1. That Council approves Antony King's appointment to the Katherine Community Safety Action Group (KCSAG).
2. Release resolution 1 to the public minutes.

CARRIED 7|0

19.7 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) - DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(c)(ii) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law.

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(d) information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OMC-2026-243
Moved: Councillor King; **Seconded**: Councillor Glass

1. That Council endorses the Memorandum of Understanding for Prisoner Community Service Work between Department of Corrections and Katherine Town Council for a period commencing from the date of execution and;
2. That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to execute the Memorandum on behalf of Council and;
3. That Council approve moving the resolutions to the public minutes.

CARRIED 7|0

19.8 PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT - KATHERINE REGIONAL CULTURE PRECINCT LIMITED FOR GYRACC

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*

Sub-regulation and Reason:	Regulation 51(1)(d) information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

AMENDMENT RESOLUTION OMC-2026-244
Moved: Deputy Mayor Doyle; **Seconded**: Councillor Whitehouse

1. That Council approve option 2, reduced contribution with three complimentary venue hires for the continuation of the Partnership Agreement between Katherine Town Council and Katherine Regional Cultural Precinct Limited for a period of one (1) year commencing on the 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027.
2. Authorise the Acting Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute the 2026/27 Partnership Agreement with GYRACC in accordance with the existing agreement.
3. Release resolution 1 and 2 into the public minutes.

CARRIED 7|0

20 RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING

The open meeting resumed at 8:00 pm.

21 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

The Ordinary Meeting of Council - 22 September 2026 was declared closed at 8:00 pm.

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on 27 October 2026.