# **Thamarrurr**

## **Development Corporation**

#### **Our Mission**

"To develop all commercial opportunities on behalf of the clanmembers throughout the Region to advance our key aims of providing local jobs for local people and, in the long term, ensuring every child has a chance of a full life".

#### **Love & Respect to Melpi Family**



TDC extends its love and respect to the Melpi family , who said goodbye to their much loved wife, mother and grandmother at her funeral this week.



The Wulthirri dance group led the procession to the service, and lots of families and people attended the celebration of this strong woman's life.

Our love and prayers go to the Melpi Family at this time.



#### **Town Planning Meeting**

TDC were invited to a town planning meeting, hosted by KDC, with the Fulcrum Agency facilitating the consultation and town planning process.





The meeting included digital presentations of proposed new buildings includthe ing new Shopping Comand plex the . Aged Care facility. A scaled modél of Wadeye , Nillinh and Manthathpe has been

developed so people can visualise what the town might look like, and they can physically move things around to map out new buildings and facilities on the model. Awesome job Fulrcum!

John Larkin gave a presentation on the Aged Care facility and TDC will be meeting with KDC on the new facility next week.

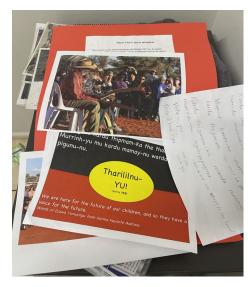


#### The Voice Explained

Following the Town Planning meeting, Fr Brian McCoy came and presented some information about the upcoming referendum and how the Voice could help the Government make good decisions for indigenous people. He did a fantastic job of explaining what the Constitution is , and what it would mean to have an indigenous Voice written into the Constitution.



Lea Brady has been working hard with OLSH to get some information about the Uluru Statement and the Voice translated into Murrinh-patha.



This referendum is very important and people need to be on the electoral roll to vote. Every vote counts! People can easily enrol online on the AEC website.

Visit https://www.aec.gov.au/enrol/

### **TDC NEWS**

#### **Women's Project Support Team**



The National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) staff from Darwin visited Wadeye this week. Caroline Olsen (left) and Danielle Bennet (right) are working on a project to support women. NIAA will be back in community in a couple of weeks. If you see Danielle and Caroline out and about, please come to say hello.

#### Students Visit AKA Jacks Leather



The PWAC Women's Centre welcomed a group of Year 9,10 & 11 students from OLSH into the Centre this week, for them to have a look at the Leatherwork going on. They are very excited that Aka Jack Leatherwork will be spending Thursday with them at school, learning leatherwork skills and making a range of great items.



#### **AIMS Water Sampling Training**



The Rangers attended water sampling training to support efforts to monitor waste water out flow out the front of the beach at the ENI sampling point.



AIMS are working with the Rangers to finalise a Water Sampling Protocol, to ensure there is a consistent approach to sampling. #Awesome Work Rangers#

#### CDP Working Hard Behind the **Scenes**

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CDP This can be a thankless task that always lead to very exciting outcomes but our team work hard to

keep people engaged.

CDP aims to support job seekers to build skills, address barriers to employment and contribute to their communities through activities and training. Janet and Lynne both work very hard in this space, often under very difficult circumstances.

#### **Working to Keep Our Team Safe**

The escalation in violence that is now targeting staff and the recent spate of repetitive property damage and theft, has resulted in TDC ramping up security services. TDC has experienced over \$300 k loss in recent weeks due to people leaving the village feeling unsafe, and vehicles and property being damaged, stolen and destroyed. We have also had some direct assaults on staff.



TDC is engaging Neptune Security Services to work with our existing team, to provide much needed additional resources and skills. The new service will provide access to K9 resources and staff will have direct access to security. Neptune guards will be placed at the Aged Care facility in the day, a roaming patrol will be deployed around key assets at night, as well as additional support for our team at the Village. Neptune will also be engaged to deliver De-escalation Training for Staff and Security Courses to build our local security capacity. For more information on Neptune Security click here.

#### **PWAC Community Markets**



**PWAC** have decided to continue the Community Market the first Saturday of each month instead of fortnightly.

The next market dates will be: Sat 7th OCTOBER, Sat 4th NOVEMBER. Sat 2nd DECEMBER

9-11 am at the T-House

There are new stall holders for the next market and plenty of space for more. If you are interested in being a stall holder / seller, please email <u>bren-</u> da.richards@thamarrurr.org.au or pop into the women's centre on any week. day.