

## 3 2016 -2017 Annual Plan

### 3.1 Consultation

A draft 20 Year Plan for the MRM Community Benefits Trust was created in 2008 to guide immediate and long term funding priorities. Consultation is undertaken each year to ensure the priorities outlined in this Plan are in line with community expectations and evolving needs.

### 3.2 Materiality Assessment

One of the biggest concerns is how to manage and adequately prioritise the diversity of needs in Borrooloola. One of the few ways to adequately assess diverse needs and aspirations is to undertake an assessment that looks at the material value or impact of any given project based on its importance relative to the different stakeholders.

In 2016, the Project Officers and the MRM ex-officio Board member undertook a materiality assessment to establish an order of priority:

- Community needs and aspirations based on information gathered through informal community consultation
- An understanding of the level of actual commitment stakeholders could bring to the table

Key stakeholders were grouped by the function or role they played in the community:

- NT Government – all departments and political parties
- Australian Government – all departments and political parties
- Registered Training Organisations
- General population – all people in the Borrooloola region, regardless of time spent in the area or ethnicity
- Language Groups – all Indigenous people belonging to the Mara, Yanyuwa, Gurdanji or Garawa peoples
- Roper Gulf Regional Council
- Mabunji/ MAWA – local organisations whose sole focus is to improve the lives of local people
- Non-profit organisations in Borrooloola – non-profit organisations that provide benefits to Borrooloola
- For-profit organisations in Borrooloola – local businesses
- GSNT – local workforce provider under PM&C requirements

The below concerns and aspirations - raised by local people over the previous 12 months - were evaluated against each of the stakeholders, basing the rating on their actual ability to effect change in each field, rather than their possible desire to do so:

#### Education & job creation –Infrastructure projects

- Museum
- old trade training centre (upgrade for men)
- school shade areas
- R&M general housing

- crèche R&M
- health centre expansion
- school hostel
- Tourism
- Business Incubator

#### Health

- Mental Health visiting specialists
- Dialysis
- Doctor
- Health Centre expansion
- Mental Health (secure) facility
- Dental care
- Pool

\*Activities

\*Voice

- Youth Support Coordination thru agencies: Clontarf/ YMCA/ Flinders
- CBD Management Plan
- Housing
- Drop-in Centre

### **Environment**

- Nursery project
- Ranger groups
- Regional Environmental coordination

### **Social & Community development**

- Youth programs
  - \* Well-being
  - \* Diversion

### **Arts & Culture**

- Cultural Centre
- Historical Site records
- Language preservation
- Streetscape (town beautification)
- Walking trail (men's program)
- Cemetery Management Plan

### 3.3 Materiality Assessment Results and Interpretation

<b>Materiality Assessment</b>		
<b>Education &amp; Job Creation</b>	<b>Section rating for individual focus areas</b>	<b>Overall rating across all focus areas</b>
<b>Infrastructure projects</b>		
* museum	9	30
*old trade training centre (upgrade for men)	7	27
* school shade areas	8	28
* R&M general housing	1	10
* creche R&M	6	25
* health centre expansion	2	12
* school hostel	5	24
<b>Tourism</b>	4	21
<b>Business Incubator</b>	3	14
<b>Environment</b>		
Nursery project	3	6
Ranger groups	2	3
Regional Environmental Management Coordination	1	1
<b>Social &amp; Community Development</b>		
<b>Youth programs</b>		
* Well-being		
* Diversion		
*Activities		
*Voice	2	4
<b>Youth Support Coordination thru agencies</b>		
Clontarf/ YMCA/ Flinders	3	5
CBD Management Plan	4	7
Housing	1	2
Drop-in Centre	5	8
<b>Health</b>		
Mental Health visiting specialists	5	22
Dialysis	7	26
Doctor	4	18
Health Centre expansion	3	17
Mental Health (secure) facility	1	15

Dental care	6	23
Pool	2	16
<b>Art &amp; Culture</b>		
Cultural Centre	1	9
Historical Site records	5	20
Language preservation	4	19
Streetscape	3	13
Walking trail (men's program)	6	28
Cemetery Mgt Plan	2	11

As is shown in the above (overall rating across all focus areas column), the Top 10 Material Assessment Rankings indicate that community concern centers on the environment, housing and youth engagement:

1. Regional Environmental Management Coordination
2. Housing
3. Ranger Groups
4. Youth Programs: wellbeing; diversion; activities; voice
5. Youth Support coordination through agencies (Clontarf/ YMCA/ Flinders)
6. Nursery project
7. CBD Management Plan
8. Drop-in Centre
9. Cultural Centre
10. R&M general housing

### 3.4 2016 – 2017 Action Plan

The Action Plan sets out the top 5 findings of the materiality assessment, as set out in the individual rating for the focus areas.

#### Education and Job Creation

<b>Objectives under the 20 Year Plan:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the diversification of the local economic base to build new business and employment opportunities</li> <li>• Above national average employment levels</li> <li>• Increase local procurement</li> <li>• Ensure access for the region to a comprehensive education system including Primary, Secondary Adult and Tertiary education and training</li> <li>• Above national average literacy scores</li> </ul>	
<b>Identified Needs</b>	<b>2016- 17 Priorities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access to business support services to assist local people to establish new businesses and generate employment</li> </ul>	#3 Business Incubator
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support a broader diversity of jobs within the region</li> </ul>	#2 Health Centre expansion #4 Tourism
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access to training and employment on regional economic development projects</li> </ul>	#1 R&M general housing

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support programs that engage with families and parents and encourage them to support their children's education</li> </ul>	# 5 School hostel
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved learning outcomes in schools in the region</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Links to projects funded by the Trust to create local employment and raise the standard of school participation and behaviour</li> </ul>	

## Culture and Art

<p><b>Objective under 20 Year Plan:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Borroloola to be a centre for Indigenous arts and culture for the Roper Gulf region</li> </ul>	
<b>Identified Needs</b>	<b>2016 -17 Priorities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• support for cultural preservation initiatives</li> </ul>	#1 Cultural centre #5 Historical site records
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the development of a long term vision for art and culture in the gulf region</li> </ul>	#4 Language preservation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adolescent re-engagement in education and cultural heritage</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Off plan</li> </ul>	#2 Cemetery Management Plan #3 Streetscape

## Environment

<p><b>Objective under 20 Year Plan:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sustainable environment preserved and celebrated</li> </ul>	
<b>Identified Needs</b>	<b>2016 -17 Priorities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On-going support for Caring for Country initiatives</li> </ul>	#2 Ranger groups
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data on the health of wildlife in the Region</li> </ul>	#1 Regional Environmental Management coordination
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Off Plan</li> </ul>	#3 Nursery project

## Social and Community Development

<p><b>Objective under 20 Year Plan:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safe community that offers a standard of living and lifestyle equivalent to recognised major regional centres.</li> </ul>	
<b>Identified Needs</b>	<b>2016-17 Priorities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• diversionary solutions for youth who are at a high-risk for violence, crime and substance abuse</li> </ul>	#2 Youth programs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rehabilitation initiatives to support individuals</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• accessibility to essential services, particularly for the elderly and immobilized</li> </ul>	#5 Drop-in centre #4 CBD Management plan

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support for housing developments to address the housing crisis in Borroloola</li> </ul>	#1 Housing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support community needs for improved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public transport</li> <li>- Youth and recreation programs and facilities</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	\$3 Youth support coordination

## Health

<b>Objective under 20 Year Plan:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Above national average key health indicators</li> </ul>	
<b>Identified Needs</b>	<b>2016-17 Priorities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• assist to implement the alcohol management plan as a foundation to address social issues in Borroloola.</li> </ul>	#1 Mental Health (secure) facility
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transitional support to prisoners returning to community: connect to employment/ training; assisting with rehabilitation and addressing recidivism</li> </ul>	#5 Mental health visiting specialists
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved health services</li> </ul>	#3 Health centre expansion #4 Doctor
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the development of a men's health facility.</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A range of allied health and wellbeing programs for the region including; Men's and Women's Health; Alcohol and other drugs and Youth counselling, mental health and suicide prevention</li> </ul>	#2 Pool