



MINUTES

**Centenary of Katherine Advisory Committee
Held on Monday 9 October 2023**

Civic Centre, Council Chambers
24 Stuart Highway, Katherine NT 0850

1 ATTENDANCE

1.1 PRESENT

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Mayor Elisabeth Clark (Chair)
- Councillor Peter McDougall
- WGCDR Fiona Pearce , SADFO RAAF Base Tindal
- WOFF Jason Pyke, RAAF Base Tindal
- Toni Tapp Coutts
- Jenny Duggan
- Christine Butler
- Eric Vaughn Holowacz
- Laureen Reed
- Trent de With
- Ushani Loku Arumage

OFFICERS

- Ms Rosemary Jennings – Director Community Services
- Sinead Te Wake – Events Coordinator
- Ingrid Stonhill - Chief Executive Officer

OBSERVER

- Councillor Amanda Kingdon

1.2 APOLOGIES

Eric Vaughn Holowacz, Lauren Reed, Trent de With

2 OPENING OF THE MEETING

Mayor Clark declared the Centenary of Katherine Advisory Committee 9 October 2023 open at 5:02 pm.

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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

Nil conflicts declared.

4 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

4.1 CENTENARY OF KATHERINE TERMS OF REFERENCE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION CKAC-2023-1

Moved: Toni Tapp Coutts; **Seconded:** Councillor McDougall

That the Committee endorses the draft Centenary of Katherine Advisory Committee Terms of Reference.

CARRIED 8|0

FOR: Mayor Clark, Councillor McDougall, Toni Tapp Coutts, Jenny Duggan, Christine Bulter, Fiona Pearce,
Jason Pike and Ushani Loku Arumage
AGAINST: Nil

4.2 CENTENARY OF KATHERINE MEETING DATES 2024

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION CKAC-2023-2

Moved: Councillor McDougall; **Seconded:** Ushani Loku Arumage

That the Committee endorses the proposed 2024 Centenary of Katherine Advisory Committee meetings dates, specifically:

- Monday 5 February 2024
- Monday 13 May 2024
- Monday 12 August 2024
- Monday 4 November 2024

CARRIED 6|0

FOR: Mayor Clark, Jenny Duggan, Christine Bulter, Fiona Pearce, Jason Pike and Ushani Loku Arumage
AGAINST: Nil

4.3 CENTENARY OF KATHERINE 2026 - PROMOTIONAL SIGNAGE INITIATIVE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION CKAC-2023-3

Moved: Councillor McDougall; **Seconded:** Jason Pike

That advisory committee notes the Centenary of Katherine promotional signage initiative.

CARRIED 8|0

FOR: Mayor Clark, Councillor McDougall, Toni Tapp Coutts, Jenny Duggan, Christine Bulter, Fiona Pearce, Jason Pike and Ushani Loku Arumage
AGAINST: Nil

5 COMMITTEE MEMBER BUSINESS

5.1 COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Discussions

Fiona Pearce:

- Happy to provide a strong military presence and support where needed.
- Can liaise with Navy/Army to support events.
- Possibility of collaboration/event support for Bombing of Katherine 2026.
- Can engage the Army Band to support events.
- Possibility of re-doing 'Welcome to Katherine' signs with military history included.
- Possibility of a Military Memorial/Gate Guards

Toni Tap Coutts:

- Botanical gardens (along Railway Terrace)
(would like planting to commence in 2024)
- Statue of Katherine family.
- The story of Katherine on Kirby's wall mural concept

Jenny Duggan:

- Possibility of re-locating the planting tree plaques currently located down the main strip of town on the Stuart Highway.

Jason Pyke:

- Walk with the names of local/significant family names.

Christine Butler:

- Expressed the importance of having another Indigenous representative on committee, and ideally someone who is local to Katherine.
- Centenary of Katherine | Katherine's 100 Years 2026 logo concept.
- Art Competition (possibly involving schools).

Ushani Loku Arumage:

- Looks forward to the wider multicultural population learning more about Katherine.
- Happy to support where possible.

Councillor McDougall:

- Citizenship Ceremony on 1st July 2026.
- Loves the idea of events throughout the year of 2026.

Eric Vaughn Holowacz (Presented by Rosemary Jennings):

- Photo documentation Project, capturing 2024-2025 images.
- Bush medicine and native plant garden.

Group Discussions:

- Playing Katherine history videos on the CBD Town Square screen at night.
- NAIDOC week 2026.
- Possible collaboration with the Katherine Show Society in 2026 for show theme.
- Council to draft a rough schedule of events/concept and commence preliminary branding concept for event to aid in promotion initiatives – to be presented to next meeting of committee

6 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

The Centenary of Katherine Advisory Committee 9 October 2023 was declared closed at 5:55 pm.

The next Centenary of Katherine Advisory Committee will be held on Monday 5 February 2024.