

Executive Summary

Barkly is confronted with the following issues:

1. Management;
2. Service Obligations;
3. Human Resources;
4. Data collection, management and dissemination; and
5. Financial Management

This report highlights the deficiencies in these areas and makes certain recommendations.

Given the state of Barkly's financial management information system we would strongly suggest an immediate implementation of our recommendations.

Disclaimer

Our review was conducted over an intensive period of two days and two nights. Whilst due skill and care was taken in preparing this report as a result of the limited time and nature of our review there may be some errors, omissions or adjustments which would not otherwise result in the case of a more detailed review.

Appointment

We have been retained by the Attorney-General's Department, Indigenous Policy and Service Delivery Branch in the Social Inclusion Division to undertake a review of financial administration for funding of the night patrol program in the Barkly Shire Council ('Barkly').