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Working Together for Better Futures in Ntaria

The Australian and Northern Territory Governments, the Macdonnell Shire Council and the local Reference Group of Ntaria, today signed a Local Implementation Plan which sets out priority actions in the areas of early childhood education, schooling, housing, community safety and governance.

Member for Stuart Karl Hampton said the plan will drive future development in Ntaria.

“The LIP was developed in partnership with the local community and outlines the aims and aspirations of the people in Ntaria and surrounding communities,” Mr Hampton said.

“Local Implementation Plans are a major step towards progressing the Territory Government’s Working Future policy.

"Local Implementation Plans are being developed for each of the Territory Growth Towns. “We are focused on getting government and local people to work together to make our towns and communities better places to live.

"The Ntaria implementation plan outlines the future direction and growth for the town and its residents which they will continually adapt to suit their needs.

“It has a strong focus on education and includes an agreement by the community that parents and other adults will encourage children and young people to regularly attend school.”

Other highlights include plans to:
- Construct a 40-place child and family centre to support young children and parents;
- Upgrade Ntaria School to enhance secondary school facilities;
- Construct a VET trade training centre;
- Enhance job opportunities for local people, including an examination of the feasibility of commercial visitor accommodation, and a government business centre.

The Ntaria Local Implementation Plan will be available online at: www.workingfuture.nt.gov.au

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