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Subject: notes from Pukatja meeting [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi all, notes from last Thursday's meeting in Pukatja. Let me know if missed anything or got anything wrong.

Meeting was held in outdoor church area and was not that well attended by community, with about 40 people visible, but did have lengthy participation running from around 1045am-2pm.

Government reps assisting with meeting: Nerida Saunders, DPC-AARD; Mark Jackman (Jacko), Service Coordinator West; Bob Smith, Service coordinator East; Dave Wirken, GBM Amata; Chris Moon, GBM Mimili; Matt Keene, FaHCSIA Canberra; James Armitage, FaHCSIA SA. Community reps assisting with meeting including providing interpreting services were: s47F - personal privacy

The facilitator was asked not to participate.

Service providers present: RASAC, PY Media and Outback Stores. PY Media audio and video recorded the meeting.

The meeting produced more of the same in terms of feedback: need real jobs, need support for homelands and need support for community councils. Many more elders (Tjilpis) spoke at this meeting and spoke passionately about their past strength including their struggle for land rights in the 1980s and how the government had promised improvements in the past and not delivered and needs to take this opportunity to be honest with Anangu.

Government committed to considering the feedback from consultations and coming back with a response and continuing the conversation. James also committed to returning to discuss homelands.

Summary of notes:

- Meeting began in with a summary of the process so far by community and then government.
- MUNS needs to come back to community.
- Anangu need to be involved in service delivery decisions. People don't want to work, no funding given to community for jobs, not enough training.\
- People want to live on homelands but there is no support for them.
- There is no night patrol here.
- Not many Anangu working in store or clinic.
- We need to put our voice forward and try the RPA.
- Work and training is important for young people. We are getting older and we can't help the young people the same way we used to.
- Old people are caretakers for the land. We are not happy with the law and culture maintenance by younger people.
- Need money back to community councils.
- Government comes in like buffel grass (introduced species) and talk but does nothing. [Plea to community] Don't just say 'uwa' think about what government is proposing and then respond (it may not be in your best interest). You have to fight for your rights like we did with land rights. Anangu need to be part of this and take it seriously. We need our own meeting separate to government to discuss.
- White people taking Anangu jobs.
- Local initiative with Anangu working building houses as contractors. There is work now and more coming. Government should look at this one and do more of it.
- RPA a good idea. Anangu need to stand together with one voice. We want real jobs and more training.
- There should be work experience for young people in the store.

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