



Northern Land Council

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New leadership team for NLC

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The Northern Land Council has a new Chairman.

East Arnhem Land traditional owner, Mr Wali Wunungmurra, has been elected to the position at the NLC's Full Council meeting currently taking place at Lake Bennett Resort, 80km south of Darwin.

Mr Wunungmurra has a long association with the NLC, and was an interpreter during the Gove Land Rights case. He is also the last surviving signatory to the Bark Petition presented to the federal government in 1963.

With a significant background in community affairs, Mr Wunungmurra brings a wealth of traditional knowledge and experience to the Chairman's position. He will be ably supported by Mr Sammy Bush-Blanasi, who has been returned as deputy Chair.

With their combined depth of knowledge and experience, Messrs Wunungmurra and Bush-Blanasi represent a solid leadership group for the NLC.

** *"Wunungmurra" – pronounced... 'Wun-ung-murra'*