



TIWI LAND COUNCIL

INFORMATION FOR TIWI LAND OWNERS



Community Flyer

Tiwi Enterprises Grows Local Business and Jobs

Tiwi Enterprises Pty Ltd was formed by the eight Tiwi Land Owning Groups to develop economic opportunities and create jobs for Tiwi people.

It was incorporated in October 2007 initially to contract to the forest industry, and has since expanded its operation to include labour hire services, project management, vehicle hire and accommodation management.

Tiwi Enterprises is now returning a profit and has commenced repaying the three Land Owning Groups who invested \$50,000 each in the establishment of the company.

Tiwi Enterprises is responsible for a range of activities and programs appropriate to the land and the culture, providing a financial return for the land owners and creating jobs. It is an excellent example of the Tiwi people managing businesses which are most suitable to their environment.

Tourism

Tiwi Enterprises is helping manage tourism so that it is respectful of the Tiwi land, employs local people and makes a financial return.

Amongst this activity is the management and business planning of Tiwi Tours, including developing cabins for tourists to stay in, researching an Information Centre and exploring tourism options which are friendly to the environment

Tiwi Enterprises also has a small fleet of cars that are available for hire.

Business support

Tiwi Enterprises is supporting new businesses and helping develop entrepreneurial ideas through business advice and investment coordination programs with existing businesses owned by the Tiwi people.

It has also conducted surveys, business planning and consultation for a motel and conference centre in Nguui and manages several accommodation complexes on behalf of the Mantiyupwi Family Trust which are often fully **booked**.

It also supports small businesses such as a takeaway restaurant, cleaning and yard maintenance service.

Retail

Tiwi Enterprises has tendered to manage the fit out of new houses and have conducted the consultation of the establishment of a hardware shop in Nguui to supply the goods. The site selection and sub-leasing of an office and shopping centre was also conducted by Tiwi Enterprises.

Environmental

Tiwi Enterprises has conducted planning and consultation activity for a range of activity with environmental impacts including eco-tourism, coastal zone management, and Port utilisation including working with Marine Produce Australia Limited for the establishment of Sea-cage farming at Snake Bay.

Infrastructure

Tiwi Enterprises is helping support programs which provide strong infrastructure including:

- Coordinating costing models for various transportation systems on the Islands
- Coordinating advice and support to the Top End Aboriginal Broadcast service
- Central Darwin Airport terminal negotiations to accommodate regular passenger services to the Tiwi islands



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