

The rent for social housing is too high. It is difficult for families to pay the rent and buy food. The rent is getting higher while the houses are old and deteriorating.

The community needs resources to help those that are incarcerated in prisons and, on their release, to re-integrate into their communities.

When court sittings are postponed, individuals are being required to repeatedly pay the \$500 lawyer fees. Why can't the system be adapted to accommodate community concerns.

Through our hunter support program, we are able to send country food to the detention centre. Detainees need to receive calling cards to be able to stay in touch with families.

The Northern Village of Aupaluk would like to be able to deliver the same municipal services that are delivered in other Nunavik communities.

Inuit working at the Raglan mine should have opportunities to advance and be promoted to positions with more responsibilities.

There are only a few jobs available in Aupaluk. And alcohol and drug abuse is a problem that keeps some people from being effective employees.

Are we sure that there will be enough country food to feed future generations.

Our Region

(Tourism • Mining • Energy • Transportation • Telecommunications)

Kangiqsujuaq and Salluit have not been affected from mining development as we will be here in Aupaluk. Residents in those communities do not see and hear mining activities from their homes. Aupalummiut will.

What will happen to our community if we say no to the proposed mine project? What will our community be like in 20 years if we say yes to it. We will not know what to do after our environment, our land and our wildlife have been damaged. We will probably have to relocate with the money we receive from the mine.

If people were healthy in their personal life, they could benefit from development and this growth would be positive. The government should live up to its responsibilities and force developers to address the wellness of the people of Aupaluk, by contributing to wellness activities, cultural centres, etc.

Here in Aupaluk, we are faced with a mining project that will impact on the whole region. Yet, we have no young people with diplomas to work at the mine.

Our Vision of Development

We need self-government before mining development starts.

We should know more about our options. We need funding to help solve our problems. Oceanic Iron Ore knows what it will gain from the proposed mine project. Québec knows as well for itself. But we don't, and we want our lands to be protected.

We have to have one voice.



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