



## NOTICE OF ABORIGINAL LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING

Notice is hereby given that an Aboriginal Liaison Committee Meeting of Snowy Valleys Council will be held in the Tumut Room located on the 1st Floor of the Riverina Highlands Building, 76 Capper Street, Tumut on, **Wednesday, 17 April, 2019**, commencing at **10:00 AM**.

<b>Distribution: 22</b>	<b>Present:</b>	<b>Apology:</b>	<b>Absent:</b>
Clr G Pritchard (Council Delegate)			
Community Development Rep. (Delegate)			
Sue Bulger – Elder (Chairperson)			
Shirley Marlowe – Community Transport (Deputy Chairperson)			
Margaret Berg – Elder			
Coral Bulger – AECG			
Winnie Bulger – Tumut High School			
Meegan Cameron – Board Member Brungle/Tumut LALC			
Lenard Connolly – Community Health			
Pat Connolly – Elder			
Mary Greenhalgh – Brungle/Tumut LALC			
Sonia Piper – Elder			
Stan Russell – Coo-ee Cottage			
Cathy Williams – Community Rep.			
Mary Williams – Community Rep.			
Bernadette Radford – Director of TKNIC			
Rhonda Casey – Director of TKNIC			
John Casey – Director of TKNIC			
Lorna Casey – Director of TKNIC			
Sandra Casey – Director of TKNIC			
Craig Wilesmith – Director of TKNIC			
Public			

### **Business**

1. Apologies
2. Confirmation of Minutes
3. Business arising from Minutes
4. Committee Reports
5. Correspondence
6. General Business

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**General Manager**



## **ABORIGINAL LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING – AGENDA**

Wednesday, 17 April, 2019, commencing at 10:00 AM.

### **APOLOGIES**

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING/S-**

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### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REPORTABLE POLITICAL DONATIONS**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting date is scheduled to be held Wednesday 19 June 2019.

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MEETING COMMENCEMENT: 10.00am

**PRESENT:**

<b>Participants:</b>	<b>Present:</b>	<b>Apology:</b>	<b>Absent:</b>
Clr G Pritchard (Council Delegate)	X		
Community Development Rep. (Delegate)	X		
Sue Bulger – Elder (Chairperson)	X		
Shirley Marlowe – Community Transport (Deputy Chairperson)	X		
Margaret Berg – Elder			X
Coral Bulger – AECG	X		
Winnie Bulger – Tumut High School		X	
Meegan Cameron	X		
Lenard Connolly – Community Health			X
Pat Connolly – Elder			X
Mary Greenhalgh – Brungle/Tumut LALC	X		
Sonia Piper – Elder			X
Stan Russell – Coo-ee Cottage			X
Cathy Williams – Community Rep.			X
Mary Williams – Community Rep.			X
Public – Rhonda Casey	X		
Public – John Casey	X		
Public – Lorna Casey	X		
Public – Sandra Casey	X		
Public – Mark Small	X		
Public – Bernadette Radford	X		

Council staff in attendance were Trudy Crawford.

**APOLOGIES:**

**AL01. RESOLVED** that the apologies from Winnie Bulger be received.

Mary Greenhalgh / Sue Bulger

Sue Bulger provided Welcome to Country.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

**AL02. RESOLVED** that the minutes of the **Aboriginal Liaison Committee** held on **21-November-2018** be accepted as read.

Mary Greenhalgh / Sue Bulger

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

- Council is to resubmit for Elsa Dixon funding when it reopens. There will be new guidelines and a greater amount of funding available. Council has been advised to monitor the website for when the funding round opens up.  
[https://www.training.nsw.gov.au/programs\\_services/funded\\_other/acp/edaep.html](https://www.training.nsw.gov.au/programs_services/funded_other/acp/edaep.html)

- No information has been provided back regarding the two trees in the Cooee Cottage carpark that are lifting up the roadway. To be followed up with Andrew Burke.
- The installation of a school bus stop on the corner of Adam and Bray Street Brungle is to be referred to the traffic committee.
- The pedestrian crossing installation in the main street of Tumbarumba and the removal of stoppers in front of where cars park in the main street of Tumbarumba are to be referred to the Traffic Committee.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council consider a heavy vehicle detour taking heavy vehicles out of the main street of Tumbarumba.**

Mary Greenhalgh / John Casey

- Infrastructure Works Department have advised that the need for mowing at Brungle cemetery is regularly monitored.
- Advice has been received that more information needs to be provided to Council regarding the seating. Sue Bulger confirmed that new seats need to be installed in the cemetery. These seats were to be made with the timber that was to be provided through funding that Kayne Webber was seeking. Unfortunately this funding fell through.
- The new seating has been installed at the playground.
- All flags need replacing in Brungle. The pole in front of the Hall appears to be damaged.

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND REPORTABLE POLITICAL DONATIONS:**

Nil

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Aboriginal Liaison Committee - February 2019 (.)**

MOU between the Aboriginal Community and Snowy Valleys Council

The MOU between the Aboriginal Community and Snowy Valleys Council was finalised at the Aboriginal Council meeting held 21<sup>st</sup> November 2018 and endorsed by Council in 11<sup>th</sup> December 2018. The MOU was signed today by nominated delegates in Council and the Aboriginal Community.

Application for membership of Aboriginal Liaison Committee

There have been five applications for membership of the Aboriginal Liaison Committee.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council endorse the membership of Bernadette Radford, Rhonda Casey, John Casey, Lorna Casey, and Sandra Casey to the Aboriginal Liaison Committee of Snowy Valleys Council.**

Shirley Marlowe / Meegan Cameron

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- Clr Pritchard raised the location of meetings and should they be shared between Tumut and Tumbarumba. Decision made to hold next meeting at Tumut and to discuss further.
- Clr Pritchard believes Bila Park requires information signage. One to be located at the Merivale Street entrance and one to be located at the Wynyard Street entrance.
- Sue Bulger requested that the Mosaic be cleaned and a coat of Wet and Set be applied to reseal it.
- Clr Pritchard raised the utilisation of the Boys Club Hall for a PCYC or a youth drop in centre.
- Sue Bulger advised that the PCYC have been in the past and run programs and are returning again to run another program.
- Sue Bulger advised that Clontarf foundation is currently being established at Tumut High School which will engage youth that were previously not engaged.
- The skatepark at Tumbarumba needs a shade sail or a shelter.
- Rhonda Casey advised that Cooma has "The Hub" where young people can hang out. Wagga runs a similar program out of the Ashmont Centre. Tumbarumba Community Church have an outreach program on Friday nights.
- Rhonda Casey presented the "5 Ways Proposal" (attached) which is to establish an Interpretive Indigenous Cultural Walk along the Murrays Crossing Travelling Stock Reserve.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council support the application to establish an Interpretive Indigenous Cultural Walk along the Murrays Crossing Travelling Stock Reserve.**

Rhonda Casey / John Casey

- Rhonda Casey presented the "Cultural Information Centre Proposal" (attached) which is to utilise Pioneer Hall at Tumbarumba Showground to establish a Cultural Information Centre.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council support the application to utilise Pioneer Hall at Tumbarumba Showground to establish a Cultural Information Centre.**

Rhonda Casey / John Casey

- Rhonda Casey presented the "Dual Naming of Mount Kosciuszko Proposal" (attached) which is to apply to the Geographical Naming Board for the dual naming of Mount Kosciuszko to Kunama Namadgi.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council provide a letter of support for the application of dual naming of Mount Kosciuszko to Kunama Namadgi.**

Rhonda Casey / John Casey

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2019, 10am, Tumut.

**CLOSED:**

The meeting closed at 11.00am.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 5 Ways Proposal
- Cultural Information Centre Proposal
- Dual Naming of Mount Kosciuszko Proposal

### 5 Ways Proposal

#### Location

Murrays Crossing Travelling Stock Reserve, cnr. Murrays Crossing Road and Ramsay Road, Tumbarumba

Managed by Upper Murray Local Land Services

#### History

##### Indigenous

The 5 Ways is an area of significant Indigenous culture. It is the intersection of 5 major Songlines. These Indigenous pathways cross countries and were used for trade, travel and social interaction. As such there are numerous Coolamon and Nulla Nulla scar trees within the current reserve. Bush tucker was gathered in this area, supporting the Corroboree grounds that were located next to the wetlands that were used as a gathering and resting place. Sadly, the Knowledge and Message Stick Tree that was located at the intersection of the pathways has been destroyed. The tree was used to pass messages on between bordering Nations.

##### Colonial

The area was named after a goldminer called Murray. Prospectors used to follow this pathway from Albury through to the Kiandra Goldfield.

#### Currently

Although managed there are emerging issues with the reserve. Numerous tracks have assisted the dispersal of weeds. Patches of Blackberry and Thistle are evident though-out the area. Compaction and ground exposure from vehicles has reduced the area of wetland and restricted native plant growth.

#### Proposal

Toomaroombah Kunama Namadgi Indigenous Corporation would like to forward a proposal for Council's consideration. We propose that the above Reserve be developed as an interpretative Indigenous Cultural Walk. The walk would begin at the 5 Ways and traverse the Reserve ending at the Heritage Rail Trail, a distance of approximately 2km's return or 30 minutes each way. The walk due to the nature of terrain would be accessible to many in the community and has no geographical hazards.

Interpretative and interactive signage along with simple seating would encourage the walker to slow down and immerse in the surrounding landscape. The signage would tell the story and explain the significance of the site and the knowledge and message stick tree.

#### Benefits for the Community

Preservation and sharing of local Indigenous culture and history.

An educational interactive walk for all.

Development of a low-cost tourism attraction, with a significant flow on benefit to the community. Indigenous tourism is on the increase across Australia.

The Walk would become an extension of the proposed Heritage Rail Trail, inviting the public to experience an accessible and informative introduction to local Indigenous knowledge.

A free family orientated facility for the community.

The Walk would develop a working collaboration between the local Indigenous Ngarigo people and Snowy Valley Council.

Toomaroombah Kunama Namadgi Indigenous Corporation would be very happy to discuss this proposal in detail if required.

Thank you for your time



Cultural Information Centre

Location

Pioneer Hall at Tumbarumba Showground, Batlow Road Tumbarumba

Owned by Snowy Valley Council

Introduction

Toomarombah Kunama Namadgi Indigenous Corporation are based in Ngarigo country in Tumbarumba NSW.

The Corporation has been operational for approx. 3years. We have a current membership of 80 members with a large proportion of our mob residing on country. The Community Church Hall is no longer able to cater for our growing mob and we are currently using the RSL Memorial Hall for our meetings. We are seeking to secure a space that we may be able to develop as a permanent meeting place.

AIM

To develop a meeting place that provides cultural knowledge to the local Indigenous people and the broader community.

To develop a showcase of local Indigenous Culture.

A place to gather for meetings and to hold workshops.

A community resource hub.

A commercial outlet for local Indigenous artists.

A major tourism benefit for the area.

The Pioneer Hall has the ability to more than adequately supply Toomarombah Kunama Namadgi Indigenous Corporation with a solid foundation on which to preserve and share culture and our country.

We propose that the current Kiosk/storage area of the Pioneer Hall area be considered for the development of a Cultural Information Centre. Our Corporation is not for profit and is self-funding with no other form of financial support.

We feel the Pioneer Hall to be perfectly located with main road frontage, parking and toilet facilities already provided. The Show ground setting is perfect for outdoor activities i.e.; workshops and gatherings.

The location would facilitate a public face for Indigenous people and promote interaction within the community.

We believe that by developing a Cultural Information Centre, a recognisable presence within the Snowy Valley area, would be a significant and highly achievable advancement in the progress of awareness, recognition and therefore preservation of Ngarigo culture.

Toomaroombah Kunama Namadgi Indigenous Corporation would be very happy to discuss this development in detail should Council wish to explore this proposal.

Thank you for your time.

TKNIC Chairperson

Rhonda Casey



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**20<sup>th</sup> February, 2019**

**Dual naming of Mount Kosciuszko**

Toomaroombah Kunama Namadgi Indigenous Corporation ICN 8520 is submitting an application to the Geographical Naming Board for the dual naming of Mount Kosciuszko. We are requesting a letter of support from your Council for this application.

The traditional Ngarigo Indigenous name for this mountain is Kunama Namadgi (snow mountain).

Our Ngarigo dreaming story is that Baba-yin (our father) Biamee sat on this peak and sent the rivers out and across the nation. Biamee has two wives Tar-gan-gil (Mount Townsend) and Kurnai (Ramshead). Biamee returns every year to the Kosciuszko summit when the snow is on the mountain and if you go there during this time you will lose your fingers and toes. It is only when the wildflowers appear that it is respectful to visit this spiritual mountain.

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**REPORT NUMBER:** ALC1  
**SUBJECT:** Aboriginal Liaison Committee - April 2019 (.)  
**REPORT AUTHOR:** Trudy Crawford  
**RESPONSIBLE MANAGER:** Gus Cox

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**PURPOSE OF REPORT:** To present current Aboriginal Liaison Committee matters for discussion

**KEY ISSUES**

1. NAIDOC Week 2019
2. Application for membership of Aboriginal Liaison Committee

**BACKGROUND**

**NAIDOC WEEK 2019**

NAIDOC Week 2019 is being held 7-14 July with the theme "Voice Treaty Truth – Lets Work Together for a Shared Future". Activities for NAIDOC Week are to be presented and discussed.

**Application for membership of Aboriginal Liaison Committee**

There has been one application for membership of the Aboriginal Liaison Committee:

<b>Applicant Name</b>	<b>Applicant Qualifications</b>	<b>Reasons for Membership</b>
Craig Wilesmith	Member of the Toomaroombah Kunama Namadgi Indigenous Corp	To help

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council endorse the membership of Craig Wilesmith to the Aboriginal Liaison Committee of Snowy Valleys Council.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil