

# 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, 21 August, 2019**, commencing at **10:00 AM**.

Distribution: 22	Present:	Apology:	Absent:
Clr G Pritchard (Council Delegate)			
Community Dev. Team 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			
Lenard Connolly – Community Health			
Pat Connolly – Elder			
Mary Greenhalgh – Brungle/Tumut LALC			
Sonia Piper – Elder			
Stan Russell – Coo-ee Cottage			
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			
Shane Herrington			
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# **Business**

- 1. Apologies
- 2. Confirmation of Minutes
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- 4. Committee Reports
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M Hyde General Manager



# ABORIGINAL LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING - AGENDA

Wednesday, 21 August, 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, 16 October 2019.

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**MEETING COMMENCEMENT:** 10.00am

#### PRESENT:

Participants:	Present:	Apology:	Absent:
Clr G Pritchard (Council Delegate)		X	
Clr C Smit (Council Delegate)	X		
Community Development Rep. (Delegates) Evan	X		
Saunders & Mark Mazzini			
Sue Bulger – Elder (Chairperson)	X		
Shirley Marlowe – Community Transport (Deputy	X		
Chairperson)			
Margaret Berg – Elder	X		
Coral Bulger – AECG			Χ
Winnie Bulger – Tumut High School			Χ
Meegan Cameron	X		
Lenard Connolly – Community Health			Χ
Pat Connolly – Elder			Χ
Mary Greenhalgh – Brungle/Tumut LALC	X		
Sonia Piper – Elder			Χ
Stan Russell – Coo-ee Cottage	X		
Mary Williams – Community Rep.			Χ
Bernadette Radford – Director of TKNIC	X		
Rhonda Casey - Director of TKNIC	X		
John Casey - Director of TKNIC	X		
Lorna Casey - Director of TKNIC	X		
Sandra Casey - Director of TKNIC	X		
Craig Wilesmith - Director of TKNIC	X		

Guests in attendance were **Glen McGrath** and **Shane Herrington** Council staff in attendance were **Evan Saunders** and **Mark Mazzini**.

#### **APOLOGIES:**

**AL05. RESOLVED** that the apologies from Trudy Crawford and Clr G Pritchard **be** received.

Meegan Cameron / Sue Bulger

# **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

**AL06. RESOLVED** that the minutes of the **Aboriginal Liaison Committee** held on **17-April-2019** be accepted as read.

Mary Greenhalgh / Craig Wilesmith

#### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

#### Tumbarumba Heavy Vehicle Bypass

Feedback from Glen McGrath, he reported on the recommendation made by the Aboriginal Liaison Committee at the last meeting in April. The road is state owned, RMS are not considering a bypass option at this stage.

#### **Endorsed Memberships to the Committee**

Clr Smit confirmed that Council at their meeting in May endorsed the memberships of Bernadette Radford, Rhonda Casey, John Casey, Lorna Casey and Sandra Casey to the Aboriginal Liaison Committee of Snowy Valleys Council.

# **Dual Naming of Mount Kosciuszko**

Clr Smit said Council discussed this in the meeting in May and that Council sent a letter of support for the dual naming of Mount Kosciuszko.

Rhonda expressed that there has been an application for dual naming rights by another applicant previously.

Shane Herrington commented that the naming rights topic needs to consult all stakeholders from various Aboriginal nations. Rhonda explained that the process did entail a thorough consultation process and will include all stakeholders.

Sue Bulger referred to possible options by the Geographical Naming Board as detailed in the attachment included in the current June business paper. These guidelines must be adhered to.

#### 5 Ways Proposal

Glen McGrath commented that Council is working with members of the ALC to identify stakeholders and other impacts for the proposed 5 ways culture walk and a cultural centre. Further assessments are being undertaken with the TKNIC group to add detail to the proposal and requirements.

#### Other Business

- Glen noted that Min-Eve Drive in Brungle had not yet been sealed by Council works crews yet.
- Sue noted that the Biggest Morning Tea that was planned at the Lands Council during May was postponed and going to be held at a later date in September.
- Glen advised that the two large trees outside Coo-ee Cottage were being preserved by the Council works team. Bitumen around the base of the trees will be removed to improve the health of the trees.
- Glen advised that the bus stop in Brungle did seem to warrant justification for funding. Council's Road Safety Officer is currently working with stakeholders to investigate further.
- Glen advised that the car parking stoppers along The Parade in Tumbarumba had
  to stay due to the safety measures to prevent any cars from potentially mounting
  the sidewalk. This was in response to a comment from the community that the
  stoppers were trip hazard for some pedestrians.
- Glen advised there would be no commitment from Council to seek constructing a
  pedestrian crossing on the main street in Tumbarumba. It is a RMS road and
  subsequently under their management and responsibility.

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

# Application for membership of Aboriginal Liaison Committee

One application was accepted by the Aboriginal Liaison Committee at the meeting in June and recommended to Council for endorsement.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorse the membership of Shane Herrington to the Aboriginal Liaison Committee of Snowy Valleys Council

Margaret Berg / Mary Greenhalgh

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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

#### NAIDOC Week

- Evan advised that invitations were mailed out to some staff including the Council's General Manager, the Mayor and the other local Councillors for Tumut and Tumbarumba ceremonies and morning tea.
- Tumut region ceremony begins 10am Monday 8th of July at the new BTLALC building on 55 Merivale Street.
- Tumbarumba region ceremony begins 10am Saturday 13th of July at the Council Chambers on Bridge Street.
- Invitation lists were provided by Directors of the BTLALC and TKNIC to Council and were also mailed out.
- Evan has organised the run sheets, correspondence and event management of the Flag Raising Ceremonies and Morning Teas as part of Council's contribution for NAIDOC Week.
- Rhonda advised that the Tumbarumba ceremony and Morning Tea will be followed by activities in the Creekscape Park from approximately 11am and all were invited to attend.
- Stan Russell commented that Coo-ee Cottage with Tumut Regional Family services have organised activities for NAIDOC week including a trip to the NAIDOC ball in Gundagai which he invited all to attend and come along to.
- Brungle Tumut Local Aboriginal Land Council and Toomaroombah Kunama
   Namadgi Indigenous Corporation are each organising welcome to country, smoking ceremonies and speeches reflecting on the NAIDOC 2019 theme.
- Shane Herrington advised that he was running a Tag Along trip to Kiley's Run on Tuesday the 9th of July. NPWS usually organise NAIDOC activities and celebrations in the warmer months in spring.
- Craig Wilesmith remarked that they hadn't been officially invited to the Tumut region flag raising or local events.
- Shane Herrington remarked that he hadn't been invited to the Tumbarumba activities and ceremony.
- Craig requested Evan to mail his invitation to official NAIDOC ceremony and activities.
- Sue added that the BTLALC invitation to the ceremony is open to everyone.

#### Aboriginal Constitution Recognition Position Statement

 Sue noted the attached document on page 10 of the business papers "Aboriginal Constitutional Recognition Position Statement" provided by LGNSW. No further feedback given from the Committee.

#### Reconciliation Action Plan

- Mark understands that it's up to Council in consultation with the Aboriginal Liaison Committee and any Indigenous Council employees to develop a RAP.
- CIr Smit asked that a recommendation could be made to Council and could SVC look at other examples of Council RAP's such as Yackandandah.
- Mark reiterated that any Aboriginal or TSI staff members working for Council should also be consulted when a RAP is developed.
- Sue asked Council delegates to find out from Council how many staff members identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait islander under SVC.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council develop a Reconciliation Action Plan in consultation with the Aboriginal Liaison Committee and any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employees of Snowy Valleys Council.

Craig Wilesmith / Shirley Marlowe

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- Craig was approached by the Tumbarumba Hospital to provide input and work into an Indigenous native garden to be designed and planted on the grounds. Craig will liaise with stakeholders regarding the project.
- Committee members mentioned the Snowy 2.0 progress and asked for information regarding consultation. Evan and Mark advised that information sessions were coming up at the end of June in Tumut and Tumbarumba. No definite dates were on hand to share.
- Mark Mazzini had a few meetings with Snowy 2.0 staff regarding Indigenous employment. No news regarding how many if any new jobs were specifically being made available to Indigenous job seekers.
- Mary asked if any jobs for Indigenous people had been committed with the construction of the Rail Trail.
- Mark commented that in any large scale government funded projects all have Aboriginal employment participation rates are embedded in their tender agreements.
- Glen McGrath confirmed that the road to Lobs Hole has begun. An Aboriginal site survey had been done.
- Rhonda outlined the Five Way applications proposal to Council including the Cultural Walk component. Rhonda advised that in her correspondence with Manus Correctional Facility and the signed MOU she thought it was going to be imagined that TKNIC was to coordinate the work for the inmates.
- Sue Bulger clarified that the work undertaken by the Mannus Prison inmates was in conjunction with Council not the Lands Council or TKNIC.
- Stan commented that Coo-ee Cottage was working with the Tumut Hospital in getting art works painted for the hospital. They were also being consulted regarding the Indigenous garden project that would be planted at the Tumut's hospital grounds. Stan asked Craig if Maria Roche had been in contact regarding the mural artwork, Craig confirmed that a meeting with the Tumba Hospital will take place regarding an art workshop.
- Stan commented that sometimes he and other men from Coo-ee Cottage visit
  Mannus Correctional Centre to keep in touch with the inmates, to lift their spirits too.
  Craig offered to support them with any future visits and said the local Corporation
  would be more than willing to help and provide members there.

# **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2019 at the Tumut Snowy Valleys Council Chambers

# CLOSED:

The meeting closed at 11:12am.

REPORT NUMBER: ALC1

SUBJECT: Aboriginal Liaison Committee - August 2019 (.)

REPORT AUTHOR: Trudy Crawford

RESPONSIBLE MANAGER: Gus Cox

PURPOSE OF REPORT: To present current Aboriginal Liaison Committee

matters for discussion

**KEY ISSUES**Reconciliation Action Plan

#### **BACKGROUND**

At the Aboriginal Liaison Committee meeting held June 2019 it was resolved to develop a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP). A RAP is a strategic document that supports an organisation's business plan. It includes practical actions that will drive an organisations contribution to reconciliation both internally and in the communities in which it operates.

The development of the Rap will incorporate two parts:

- Internal (Aboriginal Staff of SVC)
- External (Aboriginal Liaison Committee)

The Aboriginal Liaison Committee is to advise the best methods of engagement to be undertaken for the development of this document.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil