



## Notice of Meeting

# ABORIGINAL LIAISON COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 17 August 2022 at 10:00 AM  
Via Video Link

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**1. COMMENCING AT:**

**2. PRESENT:**

**3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY:**

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*We would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and pay respects to Elders past and present.*

**4. APOLOGIES:**

**5. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:**

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*Pursuant to Section 4 of the Code of Conduct, Members are required to declare any direct or indirect pecuniary interest in any matters being considered by the Committee.*

**6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

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**6.1. Minutes - Aboriginal Liaison Committee - 15 June 2022**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT:**

1. The Minutes of the Aboriginal Liaison Committee meeting held on 15 June 2022 be received.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Attachment - Minutes of the Aboriginal Liaison Committee meeting held on 15 June 2022.

**Attachment 1 - 20220615 - Minutes - Aboriginal Liaison Committee**



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**ABORIGINAL LIAISON COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, 15 June 2022 at 10:00 AM  
Via Video Link

**MINUTES**

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**2. PRESENT:.....2**

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**1. COMMENCING AT:**

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10.10am

**2. PRESENT:**

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**VOTING MEMBERS** - Cllr Sam Hughes - Councillor Delegate - Craig Wilesmith (Chairperson) - TKNIC, Mary Greenhalgh - Brungle/Tumut LALC, Sandra Casey - TKNIC, June Wolter - TKNIC

**IN ATTENDANCE** - Lisa McAuliffe - Community Development Officer - Council Delegate

**BY TELEPHONE/VIDEO LINK** - Meegan Cameron - Brungle/Tumut LALC

**OBSERVER** - Jenna Small - TKNIC, Sophie Gairn - Event Activation Officer

**3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY**

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Welcome to Country was delivered by June Wolter.

*Welcome to the people here today to Ngarigo Country home of the Snow People.*

*I acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land and pay respects to Elders past present and emerging.*

*I acknowledge the importance of the connections to the land water and the culture of the people.*

**4. APOLOGIES:**

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Sue Bulger - Brungle/Tumut LALC, Coral Bulger - Brungle/Tumut LALC, Sonia Piper - Brungle/Tumut LALC, Noelene Williams Brungle/Tumut LALC and Tracy Wiggins - SVC

**5. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:**

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Nil

**6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

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**6.1. Minutes - Aboriginal Liaison Committee - 23 February 2022****AL04/22 RESOLVED:**

THAT:

1. The Minutes of the Aboriginal Liaison Committee meeting held on 23 February 2022 be received.

Sandra Casey / Mary Greenhalgh

**CARRIED**

**7. BUSINESS ARISING:**

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Nil

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**8. AGENDA ITEMS:**

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**8.1. Aboriginal Liaison Committee Matters - June 2022****AL05/22 RESOLVED:**

THAT THE COMMITTEE:

1. Receive the report on Aboriginal Liaison Committee Matters - June 2022
2. Review and discuss the report - Aboriginal Liaison Committee Matters - June 2022

Craig Wilesmith/Mary Greenhalgh

**CARRIED****1. Committee Member Applications**

Fourteen Committee Member Applications were received and included Uncle John Casey, Aunty Lorna Casey, Mary Greenhalgh, June Wolter, Craig Wilesmith, Meegan Cameron, Sandra Casey, Jenna Small, Rhonda Casey, Coral Bulger, Suzanne Bulger, Sonia Piper, Oliva Williams and Margaret Berg.

After much discussion the Committee agreed to elect 10 of the applicants to ensure that a fair and even vote was achievable for the incoming committee. Five representative were elected from the northern end of the Local Government Area (LGA) and five applicants were elected as representatives of the southern end of the LGA.

The five applicants elected as representatives from the northern end of the LGA include Margaret Berg, Mary Greenhalgh, Sue Bulger, Coral Bulger and Sonia Piper.

The five applicants elected as representatives from the southern end of the LGA include Uncle John Casey, June Wolter, Jenna Small, Sandra Casey and Craig Wilesmith.

The incoming committee will elect the Committee Chairperson at the August 17 meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION:****That Council;**

**1. Except Margaret Berg, Mary Greenhalgh, Sue Bulger, Coral Bulger, Sonia Piper, Uncle John Casey, June Wolter, Jenna Small, Sandra Casey and Craig Wilesmith as the voting members for the Aboriginal Liaison Committee.**

**2. Notify applicants of the outcome.**

Craig Wilesmith/Mary Greenhalgh

**CARRIED****2. Review Aboriginal Liaison Committee Terms of Reference****RECOMMENDATION:****That Council;**

**Adopt the reviewed First Nations Liaison Committee Terms of Reference.**

June Wolter/Mary Greenhalgh

**CARRIED****3. M499 - Signed Memorandum of Understanding between Snowy Valleys Council and the Aboriginal Community**

Governance feedback received Wednesday the 2nd February.

After consultation with Governance and Community Services, we will be retiring and not renewing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Since its inception in 2011 the document and more importantly the Council has evolved into demonstrating its commitment via a plan of action, that being the RAP. As the MOU has no clear entity into which SVC can enter an understanding with and doesn't demonstrate inclusivity with all the First Nations of the LGA it is therefore been decided that it is no longer suitable to meet the requirements of the commitment required to bridge the gaps with the First Nations.

The RAP is clearly identifiable as a means of measuring the commitment of building communities in the LGA. It is document that has been ratified by Reconciliation Australia and is used as tool for reporting to them and the community.

Within the RAP a champion will be appointed and their responsibilities will be to report to Council, Committee and Community.

**AL06/22 RESOLVED:**

That the Committee agree the DRAFT *Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan* (RAP) will effectively replace the MOU and that when Council adopt the RAP the MOU should not be renewed.

The Committee recommend on adoption of the DRAFT *Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan* (RAP) the MOU not be renewed.

Mary Greenhalgh/June Wolter

**CARRIED**

**4. Review First Nation Cultural Protocols**

After much discussion the committee agreed that The *First Nation Cultural Protocols* make reference to the MOU and that if the RAP is adopted and therefore the MOU is not renewed the MOU need to be removed from all documents.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council;**

**Adopt the reviewed *First Nation Cultural Protocols*.**

Mary Greenhalgh/June Wolter

**CARRIED**

**5. Discuss 2022 NAIDOC Week celebrations - Event Activation Officer**

Sophie Gairn had discussions with the committee regarding any ideas the committee may have for celebrations during NAIDOC week. The committee will liaise with Sophie regarding the possibility of tree planting and soaking ceremonies.

Council will host flag raising ceremonies at:

- Tumut Council Office on Tuesday the 5th July at 10.00am
- Tumbarumba Council Office Wednesday 6th of July at 10.00am

**6. Note the progress undertaken in relation to the development of the Draft Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan and actively encourage feedback during public exhibition period.**

The committee were advised that the RAP will be presented to Council meeting on the 16th June 2022. The committee were encouraged to submit any more feedback they may have through the public exhibition period.

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**9. GENERAL BUSINESS:**

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Nil

**10. NEXT MEETING**

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17th August 2022 - Tumut Council Chambers - 10.00am - Zoom Link can be provided

**7. BUSINESS ARISING:****8. AGENDA ITEMS:**

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**8.1. Aboriginal Liaison Committee Matters - 17 August 2022****REPORT AUTHOR: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER****RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR: INTERIM DIRECTOR COMMUNITY & CORPORATE**

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Aboriginal Liaison Committees provides a forum for discussion between Council and the Aboriginal Community on key issues. In July 2007 Council and the Aboriginal Community developed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The MoU provides the agreed wording for the Council Acknowledgment of Country and led to the development of the Aboriginal Cultural Protocols and Practices Policy (adopted in 2011).

The MOU between the Aboriginal Community and Snowy Valleys Council was reviewed and readopted on 11th December 2018. The revised Snowy Valleys Council Aboriginal Cultural Protocols and Practices Policy was adopted on 11th December 2018.

**RECOMMENDATION:****THAT THE COMMITTEE:**

- 1. Receive the report on Aboriginal Liaison Committee Matters - August 2022**
- 2. Review and discuss the report - Aboriginal Liaison Committee Matters - August 2022**

**REPORT:**

Items to be discussed by committee:

- 4.1 Chairperson Election
- 4.2 NAIDOC Week Debrief
- 4.3 Update - Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan
- 4.4 Other Business

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Nil

**9. GENERAL BUSINESS:****10. NEXT MEETING**

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