

# MINUTES

## ABORIGINAL REFERENCE GROUP

2.00PM ON WEDNESDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2015



PRESENT	
Aunty Bev Armer	Basilia McGaw
Lord Mayor Cr Gordon Bradbery	Jade Kennedy
Leanne Olive	

IN ATTENDANCE	
Armando Reviglio – Chair	Sue Savage – Manager, Community and Cultural Development
Jody Clark – Community Worker	Kristeen Sandercock – Minutes

### 1 WELCOME

### 2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

### 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Nil

### 4 APOLOGIES – Apologies were received and accepted on behalf of Cr Jill Merrin; Uncle Richard Archibald

### 5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 26 AUGUST 2015 – CONFIRMED

### 6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- i. Amend Minutes to show that Lord Mayor had conveyed his apologies for the meeting.
- ii. Sandon Point Joint Management Committee (JMC) is progressing.
- iii. Hill 60 Management Plan – Consultant has requested information on whom in the Aboriginal Community to contact – Jody and Armando will send contact details through.
- iv. Ngaraba-aan Trail – it is planned that signage on the Trail will detail Aboriginal history, however, the Reference Group requested that the words used for the signage is to be interpreted by an Aboriginal person. This site is very significant to the Aboriginal community and the significance could be lost if the wording on the signage is misinterpreted. Steps to join the levels between the car parking areas will involve some cutting into the soil. Further consultation with the Aboriginal Community will be held and the Reference Group emphasised the importance of appropriate consultation for this Project. Councillors will be briefed at the Council meeting in December 2015.
- v. Employment opportunities, School based trainees – Council based worker Tyla Witney has worked 100 days over a 2 year period whilst in years 10 and 11. ACEG encourage young people to start thinking in years 8 and 9 about cadet/apprenticeships.

### 7 COMMUNITY TRANSPORT INFORMATION UPDATE

Aboriginal Transport Officer Amy Dallen addressed the group on a number of items:

- i. Christmas Morning Tea for the Aboriginal Community will be held at Council on Wednesday 9 December in the Function Room. There'll be entertainment, games and morning tea will be served.
- ii. The Op Shop bus will run this month. Due to its popularity the Op Shop bus will run once a month in 2016.
- iii. 26 January 2016 is Yabun Day and a bus has been organised. Please contact Amy if you require a seat on the bus.

- iv. Taxi Voucher eligibility – the criteria to receive Taxi Vouchers is involved. Please contact Amy for more information and guidelines on who is eligible.
- v. Fuel Vouchers – these are available to the Aboriginal community when they need to attend a funeral held outside of the area. Buses can also be made available for attendance at funerals in the local area.

#### 8 COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN 2016-2020

Community Safety Officer Radda Jordan updated the group about the Community Safety Plan and handed out copies of the 'Perceptions of Safety' survey asking members to participate by answering the questions in the survey. Feedback from the survey will be given over time and an online survey will be conducted in February.

#### 9 INFORMATION ONLY RE:

##### i. STABILISATION WORKS – CORBETT AVENUE THIRROUL

The area of significance for the Aboriginal community is not going to be affected by the stabilisation work, however, it was felt the information be passed on so we were aware of the work being carried out.

##### ii. ILLAWARRA 200 COMMEMORATIVE MEETING

Meeting planned for 7 December 2015 has been cancelled. Illawarra 200 history to be included in the Council meeting set down for 14 December 2015.

#### 10 NOMINATIONS FOR A SUB GROUP TO ASSESS EOI ABORIGINAL ARTWORKS FOR BALD HILL

EOI for 3 Projects will be available for Local Aboriginal Artists	\$ 5,000	Floor artwork
	\$15,000	Seats artwork
	\$42,000	Larger seats

Members expressed concern around the decision making process re "local" artists. A Statutory Declaration form could be signed by proposed artist, but not necessarily an "honest" form of decision making. Aboriginal artist could partner with another artist to keep the work on time as per contractual arrangements. Cultural component needs to be flagged to the panel members making the decision. Other concerns raised:

- i. Confirmation of "local artist" from Lands Council is essential – this was a unanimous concern from all members.
- ii. "Integrity" of the project and the process needs to be outlined.
- iii. Confirmation can be difficult in a short time period offered under the EOI.
- iv. Contractual arrangement with Council needs to be looked at.
- v. Decision was not conclusive – will be going to the Landscape team

Decision should be made about a Local Aboriginal person who is capable of work and a resume of previous works undertaken must be presented as part of the EOI.

#### 11 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER UPDATE

Reconciliation Week – 27 May to 4 June 2016. Events to include:

- \* Lillian Pang from IPAC has been working with me and we will be holding 2 days in Reconciliation week which will involve dreamtime stories for Elders as well as School groups/Uni groups. Entry fee will be at a minimum or possibly free.
- \* Bangarra Dance group is the only other planned event for next year at this stage

NAIDOC Week – a Lord Mayoral dinner to be held

NAIDOC Week Regional Dinner 2016 will be hosted by Shellharbour City Council but will be held at the WIN Stadium, minimum of 500 people is required to hold it there. It's the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary year for the Dinner.

Family Fun day plans are in place and Jody will update the Group at the next meeting due to time constraints.

The meeting concluded at 4.05pm.

Minutes to be confirmed at the next meeting to be held at 2.00pm on Wednesday 24 February 2016.

2016 – Future Meeting Schedule		
Wednesday 24 February	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	2pm – 4pm
Wednesday 25 May	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	2pm – 4pm
Wednesday 24 August	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	2pm – 4pm
Wednesday 23 November	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	2pm – 4pm

### ACTION SUMMARY

Item	Action	Officer	Status
	Sandon Point JMC – Clarity regarding role of and authority of JMC Invite Renee Campbell to next meeting	Chair	Ongoing
<b>11/14</b>	Improvement to Process – Hill 60 Management Plan	Jody Clark	Ongoing
<b>11/15</b>	Amy Dallen to provide pamphlet with information for the Minutes	Amy Dallen	Closed

TAXI VOUCHER  
PRIORITISING TOOL

<b>Community Transport: Wollongong - Shellharbour</b>	
<b>Family Name:</b> _____	<b>Date:</b> _____
<b>Given Names:</b> _____	
<b>Date of Birth:</b> _____	<b>Sex:</b> _____

Item	Question	Score	Record Score
1	<b>Are you able to catch a bus?</b>		
	Yes	2	
	With some assistance.	1	
	No	0	
2	<b>Are you able to catch a train?</b>		
	Yes	2	
	With some assistance.	1	
	No	0	
3	<b>Do you have access to a private vehicle? (Family/Friends)</b>		
	Yes	2	
	Sometimes	1	
	No	0	
4	<b>Are you able to drive?</b>		
	Yes	2	
	Sometimes	1	
	No	0	
5	<b>Do you drive outside your local government area?</b>		
	Yes	2	
	No	1	
	N/A	0	
6	<b>Do you have a diagnosed functional disability?</b>		
	Yes	1	
	No	2	
7	<b>Can you access any other funded transport service? DVA/TTSS</b>		
	Yes	5	
	No	0	
8	<b>Do you need to travel locally on weekends?</b>		
	Yes	0	
	Sometimes	1	
	No	2	
9	<b>Do you need to travel locally at night or early mornings?</b>		
	Yes	0	
	Sometimes	1	
	No	2	
10	<b>Can you access Community Transport Services?</b>		
	Yes	2	
	Sometimes	1	
	No	0	
		<b>Score</b>	

<b>Ratings:</b>	Priority	Outcome
A maximum score of 20	Very Low	
Score between 15-19	Low	
Score between 10-14	Medium	
Score between 5-9	High	
Score between 0-4	Very High	
<b>Deduct 2 points from final score if client lives in a geographically isolated area</b>		

**Assessor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Outcome:** \_\_\_\_\_