



# MINUTES

## YANDAARRA ABORIGINAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

CITY OF COFFS HARBOUR COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
 10AM WEDNESDAY 03 MAY, 2023

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| ATTENDEES:       | Cr Paul Amos (PA)<br>Toni-Anne Hart (TH) (Chair)<br>Aunty Deb Dootson (DD)<br>Tina Powell (TP)<br>Aunty Narelle Wilson (NW)<br>Deakin Walker (DW)<br>Relle Donovan (RD)<br>Aunty Glenda Perkins (GP)<br>Larissa Bates<br>Coffs Harbour & District Local Aboriginal<br>Land Council (CHDLALC)<br>Richard Widders, Aboriginal Community<br>Planner (RW)<br>Sonia Doohan, Section Leader, Community<br>Planning & Engagement (SD) | Mayor - City of Coffs Harbour<br>Community Member<br>Community Member<br>Community Member<br>Community Member<br>Community Member<br>Community Member<br>Community Member<br>Community Member<br>Community Member<br>Community Member<br>City of Coffs Harbour<br>City of Coffs Harbour |
| GUEST ATTENDEES: | Anthony Donovan  | Coffs Harbour Airport Corporation   |
| APOLOGIES:       | Lloyd Lynwood (LL)<br>Cr Jonathan Cassell (JC)   | Community Member<br>Councillor - City of Coffs Harbour  |
| NON ATTENDANCE:  |  |   |

Item	Discussion	Actioner
	<b>Meeting opened at 10.15 am</b>	
Acknowledgement of Country <i>We acknowledge the Gumbaynggirr People, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we live and work, and pay our respects to their elders, past and present.</i>		DW
<b>Agenda Items</b>		
<b>1. Apologies</b>	Jo Lawrence and Bronwyn Monaghan, Prevention program	Noted
<b>2. Confirmation of minutes</b>	Minutes of the meeting held on minutes 22 February 2023.	Moved by TP, second by TH



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<b>3. Outstanding Item.</b>		
3.1 A/ Chair Nomination		Moved to next meeting
<b>4. Business Arising</b>		
4.1. Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) update	In progress. City to provide update at next meeting.	RW
4.2. Flag poles at Yarrila	Confirmed the three flags have been installed and are positioned at same height.	Noted
4.3. Updates on City's cultural page	Identified the need to update the current webpages to reflect work to date. City to provide update when progress is made.	RW
4.4. Aboriginal Employment strategy	<p>AES will need to align with the City's Delivery Program and Operational Plan.</p> <p>Organisational Development will be including Aboriginal employment as part of the Diversity and Inclusion Framework.</p> <p>It will also be noted in the RAP. City to provide update when progress is made.</p>	RW
4.5. Fitzroy Oval	DW taking lead in moving forward final work to complete. DW to provide update at next meeting	DW
4.6. Lemon tree	Planting to happen shortly. City to advice committee once actioned.	RW
4.7. Karangi artefact repatriation -- onsite meeting	Date to be advised once scheduled.	RW
4.8. Yandaarra Cultural Guide	Currently under review to be updated with key information. City will provide draft to committee for advice.	RW
4.9. Cultural Awareness	Discuss setting up a specific working group to meet with Learning & Development regarding cultural awareness training for the City.	RW



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	RD, TP, DD, NW indicated interest in being part of the working group. RW to convene meeting with City and working group	
4.10. Corporate shirts	Waiting on update to the City's logo	On hold
4.11. Artwork and room naming update	Wiigulga artwork has now been adjusted to be culturally appropriate.	Noted
4.12. Wiigulga Sports Complex Parking	Parking is free	Noted
4.13. Artefacts	Noted further artefacts have been located needing to be returned. City to provide update once more details are available.	RW
<b>5. Yarrila business</b>		
o Language sheet to be given /sent to all members	DD raised concerns regarding language and wants to ensure comfort with language used in the North end of Country.	Noted
o Opening ceremony	Encouraged members to attend the Opening Ceremony	Noted
o Welcoming video	Now referred to as Daalga Nginundi Wajaarr (Singing to Country)	Noted
o Smoking Ceremony space	Location has been identified. Update to be provide when information available.	
o Artefact soil and sand	RW and NW to collect sand from Sawtell.	RW/NW
o Welcoming space at Riding Lane – update	Will provide update when information is available.	RW
o Opening date	Will provide details when date has been set.	RW
<b>6. Cemetery</b>	Unveiling 11 May 2023, 10-11.30am. Morning tea for community will be provided.	Noted
<b>7. Geographical Naming Board</b>	City met with Garby Elders to discuss naming of road to Willgula Sports Centre entry to be called Garby Way.	Noted



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	Request made to Garby Elders and CHDLALC to support.	
<b>8. Site visits</b>	Upcoming proposed site visits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karangi Water Treatment Plant</li> <li>• Jetty community building</li> <li>• Coffs Harbour Airport</li> </ul>	Noted
<b>9. NAIDOC Week update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flags will be raised on the highway</li> <li>• Flag raising, housing forum and morning tea on Monday 3 July</li> <li>• Awards               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Currently received 12 nominations for the awards</li> <li>– Received over 11,000 views on social media</li> <li>– Committee agreed to proposal to change to Monday to follow the morning tea.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Airport               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Looking at morning tea at the airport on Friday.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	RW
<b>10. Guest Speakers</b>		
Anthony Donovan, Coffs Harbour Airport Corporation	Joined at 11.30am. Provided an overview and update on work the airport is doing and that they are starting work on a Reflect RAP. Indicated happy to work with the Committee in the development of the RAP.	Noted
<b>11. Topics coming up for future meetings</b>	None raised	
<b>12. Other Business General</b>	<p>CHDLALC raised previous discussions with the City (2020/21) around the Roads to Home Program being run by Department of Planning and Environment and option for the City to manage assets for Wongala Estate Coffs Harbour and Corindi Camp, Red Rock Road. Would like to see these discussions progressed.</p> <p>Library collection – The City has asked for the Committee to provide recommendations for books to be included in the City’s collection. Suggestions to be provided to RW.</p> <p>CHDLALC raised concerns regarding the planting of non-native species in the Jetty Foreshore area and impact on native food source, particularly Coastal Pigface.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>





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	GP raised concerns regarding clearing of land for development and impact on the environment, habitat and native species.	Noted
13. Meeting closed at 12.12pm		

