Meeting Minutes

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander LDG

Date **8th April 2025**

Place: **Ashfield Civic Centre Level 5 Meeting Room 1**
260 Liverpool Road
ASHFIELD NSW 231
Teams meeting ID: 456894761457 Passcode: vh26EY28

Meeting commenced at 18:00 and concluded at 20:00.

Attendees

Community members	Council officers	Councillors
Uncle Allan Barnes	Deborah Lennis	
Wade Smith		
Dr Tarunna Sebastian - Online		
Derek Wilson		

Chairperson elected: Wade Smith

Acknowledgement of Country: Deborah Lennis

Apologies: Bernadette Hardy

Lachlan Barker Kennedy

Membership changes: Wade Smith joined

Disclosures of conflicts of interest: Nil – statements signed and returned

Endorse previous meeting minutes: First meeting of new selected LDG

Discussion Items

Agenda Item	Discussion summary	Agenda item outcome/action (as required)
Election of Chairperson	Discussion of the Chairperson's responsibility	Wade Smith elected unopposed
TOR	Handed out at the Meet & Greet session (13th March)	Quorum number no longer required
Policy Challenges 2025-2028	1. Advise on the implementation of the current RAP July 2023 – June 2025 2. Support engagement and provide advise on development of the next RAP July 2025-June 2027 3. Delivery of an Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Community Hub	
RAP Update	Spreadsheet of Actions coloured with Traffic Light System Green – done/completed Yellow – started/discussions Red – not started/stand-still	*Plenty of RED throughout the RAP (using the Traffic Light System) *Most is with People & Culture – Simon Watts & Myself to meet with P&C Manager and the Diversity Manger *Can YELLOW & RED continue into next RAP? *How can the committee help make sure Actions/Deliverables are completed by the 2027 deadline of the next RAP?

		*RAP & HUB become standing items on the agenda (unopposed)
Survival Memorials	Place: Illoura Reserve (Balmain East) Artist: Jason Wing (Mili Mili) – Ganya-Jia Site 1 – original spot under the rock face Council Project Manager: Sandra Chin	*Needed to get State & Heritage approval as it is Crown Lands *Crossing the T's and dotting the I's to make sure it gets done *When will it be in? DL to liaise with SC to get an updated timetable for completion *Can we see the latest update of design? DL to send latest design brief to committee
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Community Hub	Address: Old Jets/Bowling Club Tempe Reserve Holbeach Ave Tempe NSW 2044	*Building wasn't worth saving as it is in bad way *Architect (Marni) designed a new building closer to the water and more outdoor space *Council is looking at costing & finance *Will it still be at Tempe if the cost is too high? DL to update next meeting *Will it still be built fit for purpose, or do we (community) must fit the building? DL to update next meeting
Camdenville Park St Peters	Research into the first Koori Knockout comp Blue Plaque Landscaping Official Opening	Research - Heidi Norman & Ng..... Roberts (UNSW) complete *Issue with some material so looking through what can be published

- first Koori Knockout		*How are you going to resolve the issues that arose from the research? DL discussed issue/s and community satisfied with answers Blue Plaque was successful in winning * Minister NSW Heritage & Environment (Penny Sharpe) will be at the opening. Landscaping- been involved since beginning *Garden Bed – Plague & Signage low level native plants *Light Poles – wrapped as pad covers in the colours & designs of the founding Men's Team Jerseys & Colours *Footpaths – founding team names etched into the footpath opposite the light poles with their matching jersey colours Official Opening *Saturday 17th May 2025 *Time 10:00-12:00
General Business	Apology Flags at Petersham Town Hall Inner West Police LAC – Police Volunteer Program	Apology *DL forgot to invite our new Aboriginal Community Wellbeing Officer Samantha Sneddon (Wellbeing Team). DL will include her on the list Flags *No Australian Flag flying at Petersham Town Hall all other flags are flying – DL to report to appropriate person in Council Police Volunteer Program *Mowing lawns – young peoples help DV Victims of the Inner West keep the yards and lawns looking good

*Insurance covered by Police
*Would like our streetscapes guys to have a toolbox safety talk with participants on regular intervals. DL to discuss with SW and see how this could be achieved

Attachments/handouts at meeting

*RAP Spreadsheet Traffic Light System

*Original Hub Design by Kaunitz Yeung Architecture – Marnie Reti

Next meeting: Tuesday 13th May 2025