

Aboriginal Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: Monday, 12 February, 2018
Location: Jervis Bay Rooms, City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra
Time: 4.00pm

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AA18.7 Election of Chairperson

HPERM Ref: D18/3103

Group: Finance Corporate & Community Services Group
Section: Human Resources, Governance & Customer Service

Purpose / Summary

To advise the Committee that according to the Terms of Reference the Committee is required to elect a Chairperson and a Co-Chairperson annually.

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That:

1. (Insert Name) be appointed as Chairperson of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee for 2018.
2. (Insert Name) be appointed as Co-Chairperson of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee for 2018.

Options

1. As Recommended

Background

The Committee is required to elect a Chairperson for the meetings of 2018. The adopted Terms of Reference states the following:

- *Where a Councillor is elected as Chair an Aboriginal Committee member representing the community will be appointed by the Aboriginal Committee members as Co-Chair to liaise, assist and advice the Councillor on cultural matters.*
- *Where a Committee member is elected as Chair a Councillor will be appointed as Co-Chair by the Committee members to liaise, assist and advise the Aboriginal member on the requirements of local government.*

At the time on the agenda when the election of office bearers is listed, the following process will be followed:

- (1) *The chairperson to step down from the chair (unless their position is not up for election). An appropriately Senior Officer of the Council or other official should assume the chair for the nomination process.*
- (2) *Individually, for each position the following is to take place:*
 - a. *Nominations are called for that position and are acknowledged by the chair*
 - i. *They may be received in writing prior to the meeting or provided verbally at the meeting*

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- ii. *The Officer conducting the election shall confirm acceptance of each nominee prior to his or her inclusion in the ballot.*
 - b. *If only one nomination is received, that person is declared as elected*
 - c. *If more than one nomination is received, the Committee will be asked to resolve whether the election is to take place by open voting (i.e. show of hands) or ordinary ballot (ie. written votes recorded and provided to the chairperson in secret).*
 - d. *Where a large number of nominations are received, the Committee may elect to proceed by a preferential ballot, whereby ballots are consecutively taken and the nominee with the least number of votes is excluded from running after each ballot, until there are two preferred candidates remaining and a final ballot is undertaken and declared.*
 - e. *The nominee with the most ballots is declared as elected.*
 - f. *In the event of an equal number of ballots being cast for nominees, the position shall be determined by draw. The name drawn by the chairperson will be appointed to the position.*

At the conclusion of the elections, the Chairperson shall reassume control of the meeting and proceed with other business.

AA18.8 Aboriginal Advisory Committee Action Plan

HPERM Ref: D18/14307

Group: Finance Corporate & Community Services Group
Section: Recreation Community & Culture

Attachments: 1. Progress Action Plan - Aboriginal Advisory Committee - 12/2/18 [↓](#)

Purpose / Summary

To report to the Aboriginal Advisory Committee on the progress and completion of actions from Aboriginal Advisory Committee meetings.

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That

1. The Aboriginal Advisory Committee receives the Progress Action Plan report
2. The Aboriginal Advisory Committee discuss and consider any further actions from the Progress Action Plan report.

Options

1. Adopt the recommendations

Implications: This will allow the finalisation of actions in the plan.

2. Adopt the recommendations with amendment(s)

Implications: Advisory Committee may resolve to remove or add to the recommendations and this may require further considerations or actions.

Background

The Aboriginal Advisory Committee was established in 1997 to advise Council on the needs of Aboriginal people living in the Shoalhaven local government area. This Advisory Committee provides an opportunity for Council to develop both a structure for effective consultation and communication with Aboriginal communities.

The Aboriginal Advisory Committee continue to work towards building stronger collaborative partnerships between Council and Aboriginal communities and plays a vital role in promoting and increasing knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal people's history, cultures and experiences to achieve positive outcomes.

The Advisory Committee identified key issues and actions to work towards achieving improved outcomes for Aboriginal communities of the Shoalhaven and the advancement of reconciliation. Attached is the Progress Action Plan report with the current status actions.

Community Engagement

Shoalhaven City Council values its culturally diverse communities and lifestyles and is deeply committed to building stronger collaborative working partnerships with local Aboriginal communities and to provide opportunities for genuine community engagement.

File No.	Date added to action table	Issue	2017-2018 Actions	Outcome of Actions	Comments
1209E 43400E 30080E	7 March 2011 D11/46450	The Regional NAIDOC Awards provides an opportunity for celebrating NAIDOC Week and for promoting and recognising the significant contributions Aboriginal people and their organisations make to their own and broader communities in the Illawarra & Shoalhaven regions.	Wollongong City Council hosted the 2017 Local Government Regional NAIDOC Awards at the Fraternity Club on the 22 July.	<p>Award recipients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cullunghutti Aboriginal Child & Family Centre - Organisation of the Year • Ivern Ardler - Elder of the Year • Berrima Blakeney - Young Achiever of the Year <p>Shoalhaven Award recipients attended a Mayoral Morning Tea on 19 September to acknowledge their achievements.</p>	<p>Kiama Municipal Council will host the 2018 Local Government Regional NAIDOC Awards.</p> <p>The Aboriginal Advisory Committee (1) Support the 2018 Local Government Regional NAIDOC Awards (2) Nominate an Advisory Committee representative to the 2018 Regional NAIDOC Awards Committee.</p>
1209E 43400E 24224E MIN17.493 D17/187746	20 June 2016 21/8/2017 13/6/2017	The annual Local Government Aboriginal Network Conference provides an opportunity for information exchange and a forum for discussion on Local Government issues relating to Aboriginal communities, business and the wider community.	<p>Recommended to Council to support for AAC representative to attend the Local Government Conference and funded from the General Manager and Councillors budget. AAC Meeting – 15 May 2017 (AA17.12) Resolved: That the cost of attending the conference be funded from the</p>	<p>Noel Wellington attended the LGAN conference held in Albury. Noel presented a verbal report at the meeting on the 6 November. A written report to be included in the Minutes.</p> <p>Narrabri Council will be hosting the 2018 LGAN conference.</p>	Aboriginal Advisory Committee to consider future attendance at the Local Government Aboriginal Network Conference.

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			Conference Budget. MIN17.493		
1209E	24 November 2016	Coralie Bell, Manager Shoalhaven Tourism informed the Advisory Committee that Tourism is keen to consult with the AAC on Tourism projects.	Coralie Bell gave an overview of Tourism projects and consulted with the Committee, at the meeting held on 11 September 2017 with the new Walking Guide and the 2018 Shoalhaven Tourism Guide.	AAC to provide any feedback to Coralie Bell, Manager Shoalhaven Tourism as required.	
1209E D17/378307	24 November 2016	AA17.4. Advisory Committee Action Plan. The Aboriginal Advisory Committee discussed the need to identify five (5) key issues as Action Plan focus areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop held on 20 March for AAC members to identify five key focus areas. • The key focus areas received and tabled at the AAC meeting on 15 May 2017. • AAC to workshop the draft Action Plan on 24 October at the AAC Meeting Room, Shoalhaven Regional Art Gallery. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bonnie Hittmann, SCC Social Planner & ACDO met with AAC representatives to discuss formats for the AAC Action Plan. • Bonnie Hittmann presented to the Advisory Committee on 6 November suggested formats for the Action Plan. <p>AA17.23: The Aboriginal Advisory Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Agreed to develop the AAC Action Plan based on the framework of the Collaborate NSW. 2. Hold a workshop in 2018 to discuss a way forward with the Action Plan framework. 	Bonnie Hittmann to attend AAC meeting on 12 February 2018 to confirm a workshop date to further develop the Action Plan.

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1209E D16/185525	20 June 2016	Resolved at the AAC meeting held on 20 June 2016 that a report on the 2010 SCC Statement of Commitment be considered for review.	AAC reviewed Statement of Commitment in a workshop held on 6 February 2017 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested changes emailed to AAC members for further consultation. • Draft discussed on 21 March 2017. 	Statement of Commitment to be incorporated into the AAC Action Plan as a focus area.	
1209E D17/349502	6 November 2017	<p>Actions from AAC meeting held on 6 November 2017:</p> <p>Action (3) Aboriginal Advisory Committee provide the Wagirra Murray River Experience Walking Trail to the Councillors.</p> <p>Action (4) Council investigate the project that Albury is conducting on the Wagirra Murray River Experience and provide feedback on how the Shoalhaven can utilise the Shoalhaven River for a similar project.</p>	<p>To be discussed at the AAC on 12 February 2018.</p> <p>ACDO liaised with Michael Strachan, Infrastructure/ Project Manager, Assets and Works and provided a copy of the Wagirra Trail CD for his information.</p>	<p>This project would be eligible for funding under Council's community pathway program.</p> <p>Up to \$10,000 could be provided for a project driven and constructed by the local community e.g. Callala Around the Bay project.</p>	

File No.	Date added to action table	Issue	2017-2018 Actions	Outcome of Actions	Comments
1209E D17/327881	6 November	AA17.18 Additional Item – Recognition and Reconciliation Stones	That a report be submitted to the next meeting in relation to options for reflection stones and reconciliation.	To be discussed and considered at AAC meetings in 2018.	