

Reconciliation Action Plan Advisory Committee Minutes | 10th April 2024

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Reconciliation Action Plan Advisory Committee

The Reconciliation Action Plan Committee Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 10th April 2024, commencing at 10.00 am.

ITEM 1 OPENING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 10.13am.

"Before we start our meeting, I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Noongar/Ballardong land. We pay respect to the original custodians of the land...past, present, and future. I welcome you all here today for this meeting."

ITEM 2 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Committee Members

Cr Jo Haythornthwaite Shire President

Miss Edna Winmar Nyoongar Representative – Winmar Family
Mrs Muriel Collard Nyoongar Representative – Collard Family
Mrs Janet Colbung Nyoongar Representative – Colbung Family

Council Officers

Ms Natalie Ness Chief Executive Officer

Cr Trevor Stacey Deputy President / Council Representative

Mrs Sarah Caporn Executive Manager of Works

Mrs Jen Green Acting Executive Manager Economic Development

Miss Cynthia Yarran Youth Engagement & Inclusive Officer

Joshua Thompson Caravan Park Manager

Observers / Invited Guests

Ms Jill Hayes Quairading CRC / Wudjella Representative

Cynthia Dann Advicare Garry Taylor Advicare

Raeleen Taylor
Charlie Colbung
Danielle Hayden
Peter Hayden
Jason Colbung
Nyoongar Observer
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Apologies

Blake O'Halloran QDHS Principal Matt Wilson Ballardong Corp CEO

Mrs Marilyn Reidy Nyoongar Representative – Yarran Family
Ms Margaret Collard Nyoongar Representative – Blurton Family

ITEM 3 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Committee Members are to verbally advise of any conflict of interest with items listed within this agenda and this conflict is to be formally minutes and managed.

ITEM 4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

4.1 Confirmation of Minutes – 14th of February 2024

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

MOVED Edna Winmar SECONDED Danielle Hayden

That the Minutes of the Reconciliation Action Plan Committee Meeting held on 14th February 2024, to be confirmed as a true and correct record of that Meeting.

CARRIED

4.2 Business Arising

As raised by rap participants/ members and to be considered by the meeting

ITEM 5 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

5.1 Groves

- Shire's EMWS researched modular concepts for ablution/showers however not suitable for the area so reverting to original ablution/shower design and Adam May will install.
- BBQ and kitchen area not feasible due to length of cabling that will be required to connect power to the site.
- Jeert Mia CEO investigating funding opportunity with the 2024 Preserve, Promote and Protect our Aboriginal Sites grants.
- Up to \$50,000 available to preserve and protect registered Aboriginal sites.
- The Groves is currently not a registered site with Registrar of Aboriginal Sites within the meaning of Section 5 of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972*.
- Kenneth Kelly, Dept. of Planning, Lands & Heritage has lodged the Reserve but won't be in time before current grant program closes on 29 March 2024.
- Shire 's Manager Works and Services has raised the access gates to The Groves are being left open allowing kangaroos to leave the Reserve and enter the onto the York-Quairading Road.
- Shire's Manager Works and Services has raised the interior fencing is being cut.
- Concerns about the gate. Kangaroo and Rabbits.
- Needed the fence as part of the Groves funding grants
- The Shire had a budget for funding the ablution block.

- Will be starting the project prior to the end of the financial year. Date TBC
- Kangaroo signs have been ordered and are on the way.

5.2 Youth Centre Update- Cynthia Yarran

- Had Nyoongar sport holiday program day on Monday the 8th of April 2024. 12pm-3pm. Was successful 18 children attended.
- Youth Centre will be opening on Monday's and Wednesday's 3pm to 4.30pm.
- Cynthia has changed workdays to Mon, Wed and Fri.
- Charlie Colbung working with the youth to design and paint a Nyoongar Six Seasons Mural on the internal fence to add some vibrancy to the Youth Centre.
- The Shire is working on a Movie Night for local youth and their families date TBC
- Movie night on the 24th April down at the sports ground.

5.3 Reconciliation

- Shire of Quairading Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2024-2026 (RAP) draft available for edit. Edits required by Friday, 3 May 2024.
- Require a local resident to inform the 'History' section of the RAP.
- RAP Workshop held 23 January to inform the draft RAP.
- Charlie Colbung has agreed for three artworks to be incorporated into the design of the RAP

 stories behind each artwork available. Final selection of artworks required by Friday, 3 May

 2024.
- Should have final document ready for July Council Endorsement
- Is there a set budget for RAP?

5.4 Sports Precinct

- Sports & Recreation Working Group have met and finalised the Master Plan for the Sports & Recreation Precinct.
- The Shire is waiting on the 3D Concept Design from Carabiner Architects. This will go to the community for consultation with a 'Have Your Say' page on the Shire website.
- A consultation will be coming out very shorty. Date TBC.
- The upgrade of the Sports and Recreation Precinct will be,2 new multi- purpose netball & basketball courts, electronic score boards, football pavilion, relocation of four Tennis courts.
- Concerns of having a Skate Park behind the CRC. Main concern is having too many accidents.

5.5 Microgrid Synergy Update

- Synergy, in consultation with Western Power and the Shire of Quairading has undertaken a high-level assessment of sites potentially available for the provision of electrical utility services to the town, including the incorporation of battery energy storage system (BESS)
- The aim of the project is to enhance the local community's access to reliable power and bolster the area's resilience in case of power outages, ensuring a more robust system
- The infrastructure proposed to be installed is also expected to serve as a virtual power plant when the grid is functioning normally, thus contributing to the overall efficiency and sustainability of the energy infrastructure in the region
- Preferred site is Crown Reserve 50111, and the current purpose of Reserve 50111 is 'Recycling Centre and Buffer'

- At the December OCM the Shire sought Council approval to request to the Minister for Lands to amend the existing purpose of the Reserve to include 'battery energy storage system and ancillary uses under section 51 of the Land Administration Act 1997 (LAA)
- At the December OCM the Shire sought Council approval to amend the existing Management Order K884662 under section 46 of the LAA to reflect the new Reserve purpose and grant the Shire of Quairading the power to lease or licence for up to 30 years
- Synergy has prepared the Business case to submit to State Treasury for funding for the project.
- Funding outcome expected in May 2024.
- Synergy is on hold now

5.6 Mitigation Works- Siobhan Bishop

No Update

ITEM 6 COMMUNITY AGENCY UPDATES

6.1 Community Resource Centre – Jill Hayes

- Phone book will be getting updated if anyone wants to put their new contact information forward.
- There are a couple art workshops planned with Helen Frasier.
- Someone suggested on having a First Aid Course available for Aboriginals- To see Janet Hall St. John Ambulance.
- There is no date scheduled yet for Nyoongar language lessons- proposed towards the end of 2024.

6.2 Quairading District High School –

No Update

6.3 Medical Practice

- There was a question raised by one of the elders about. Why can't Dr Jack treat at the local hospital? Because he is working at the community surgery, has been employed from the Shire and not the WACHS. His priority is the surgery, as treats over 400 patients monthly.
- Will there be scope for another Dr?
- Dr Jack will be taking appointments for the elderly.
- To have a Nyoongar representing the RAP on the Medical Executive Committee?
- To have a RAP representation at the meetings Moved Garry Taylor Second Edna Winmar.
- All in favour- carried 9/0 people.
- Will be up for discussion at the next Council Meeting on Thursday the 18th of April 24.

WACHS- Needs to have Cultural Awareness training at the QDH.

"1. QMP flu vaccination clinic throughout May 2024.

QMP will be conducting flu vaccination clinic throughout the month of May in the mornings (9-11am) and in the afternoons (2-3pm) of Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 01 May 2024 (Wednesday) to 30 May (Thursday).

Flu:

'<u>Influenza</u>' (also called 'flu') is a very contagious infection of the airways. It affects people of all ages but is especially serious for babies, young children, pregnant women and people with underlying medical conditions. It can require hospitalisation and can cause death.

Vaccination:

- is a safe and effective way to protect yourself and your family from serious disease caused by influenza.
- Yearly influenza vaccination is recommended for all people aged 6 months and over.

The influenza vaccines are free under the National Immunisation Program for:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 6 months and over
- Pregnant women at any stage of pregnancy
- People aged 65 years or over
- People aged 6 months or over who have medical conditions that mean they have a <u>higher</u> risk of getting serious disease:
 - o cardiac disease
 - o chronic respiratory conditions
 - immunocompromising conditions
 - haematological disorders
 - o chronic metabolic disorder
 - chronic kidney disease
 - chronic neurological condition long term aspirin therapy in children aged 5 to 10 years.

2. Visiting Allied Health Services and Women's Health GP in QMP:

Monthly visits by:

- 1) Dietician and Diabetic Educator: For healthy eating habits, and diabetes self-management education by Laura Nairn from Wheatbelt Health Network
- 2) Audiologist Impact of hearing loss is: 'Blindness separates you from objects, hearing loss separate you from people'. Hearing test screening (takes 15 minutes) is free by Michael Segal from Pristine Hearing, Nollamara.
- 3) GP for women health Dr Ellie Brusasco from Rural Health West
- 2 visits per month by:
- 1) Podiatrist Rachel and / or Dr. Deb Schoen from Schoen Podiatry
- 2) Psychologist Carol Deppe

3. New staff to QMP:

- QMP extends appreciation to the Aboriginal community of Quairading and also to all the Quairading community for understanding and patience when QMP was short-staffed in February. Thank you!
- QMP thanks all its past staff for their contribution in QMP.

- Please welcome 3 new staff to the QMP in the past 2 months to help continue to provide health care services to the Quairading community:
- Ms Jessica Richards former QMP Practice Nurse, re-joining QMP as part-time Practice Nurse.
- Ms Amabelle Ayuhan as full-time Medical Receptionist. Dr. Min Ding as full time Nurse Practitioner.

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4. An introduction of 'Nurse Practitioner' in QMP:

- After completing further training with Master of Nursing, an experienced Registered Nurse can then take the role of a Nurse Practitioner.
- Working alongside with a medical specialist or a GP specialist, a Nurse Practitioner is able to provide medical consultations, request investigations, and prescribe medications within her scope of practice/ training experience.
- Nurse Practitioner offers advanced nursing practice and forms a part of multidisciplinary team to help the specialists or GP specialists improve overall health outcome for their patients in the community.
- Min is both an experienced Nurse Practitioner and a Doctorate in Nursing, with over 25
 years of experience in providing nursing care. Besides preventive care and aged care, her
 strength is in heart health (cardiology).
- Over time, QMP aims to position Min to help seeing patients with heart diseases, common infections in GP practices such as throat, lungs, gastro or bladder infections,
- then to broaden scope of practice to see medical conditions in the elderlies and help improve the preventive, early cancer detection ('cancer screening') while a person is still healthy without symptoms, especially amongst Aboriginal community in Quairading."

ITEM 7 NEW AGENDA ITEMS

• Skate Park:

- There was around 18 people that attended the skate park consultation, parents & kids.
- Had a walk outside to see where the skate park is being located.
- There will be another workshop in the future, for everyone to 'Have Their Say" on what items would include in the park.
- The location for skate park will be a problem.
- Youth Centre will be a great location for the kids. There will be further consultation regarding the community's preferred locations.

Traffic Counts:

- 6 weeks for average count of speed
- Must get stats first.
- Traffic is a very big community concern, could there be cross guards on main town roads?
- Road safety is a very big concern, on the main street.
- Police aren't in town that's why there is a lot of speeding around town.
- Would love to see the Police around more.

ITEM 8 OTHER MATTERS RAISED BY THE MEETING

As raised by RAP participants / members and to be considered by the meeting

- Dallas Yarran raised concern at the Annual Electors Meeting, Tuesday 6 February 2024 regarding the speed of road trains going through the Quairading main street and whether speed bumps and a cross walk can be installed
- The road is jurisdiction of Main Roads and so Ministers will need to be lobbied.
- The Shire has now installed traffic counters on Jennaberring Road to monitor speeds of vehicles approaching McLennan Street intersection.
- Shire Officers are investigating 'Smiley/Sad Face' road signage to deter drivers from speeding through the main street of town.
- Road-wise has confirmed that the Shire can lobby State Government to reduce the speed limit through town from 50km/ph to 40km/ph.
- Police are looking to implement speed camera patrols in the area between 8am and 9am in the lead up to children walking Jennaberring Road/McLennan Street to attend school.
- Is there an external or internal facilitator to put issues towards, when being employed with SOQ?
- LGIS will be working in partnership with Shire Staff to work through issues.
- If you have any Police matters to contact "000" if it's an Emergency.
- Otherwise, if you need to make a complained or report an issue, please contact 13 14 44.
- Training for school students.

ITEM 9 NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Reconciliation Action Plan Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 12th June 2024, commencing at 10.00am in the Community Resource Centre.

ITEM 10 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairperson closed the meeting at 11:47am.