



# Reconciliation Action Plan Advisory Committee

## Minutes | 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023

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The Reconciliation Action Plan Committee Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023, commencing at 10.30 am.

## ITEM 1 OPENING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The Chairperson opened the meeting at 10.03am.

“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

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### Committee Members

Cr Peter Smith	Shire President
Mrs Marilyn Reidy	Nyoongar Representative – Yarran Family
Mrs Margaret Collard	Nyoongar Representative – Blurton Family
Mrs Janet Colbung	Nyoongar Representative – Colbung Family

### Council Officers

Mrs Nicole Gibbs	Chief Executive Officer
Mrs Sarah Caporn	Executive Manager Works & Services
Miss Britt Hadlow	Executive Officer
Miss Cynthia Yarran	Youth Engagement & Inclusive Officer
Mrs Chloe Nella	Special Projects Officer

### Observers

Ms Pauline Wray	Principal QDHS
Mrs Mandeep Dhillon	Deputy Principal QDHS
Mrs Karla Wyatt	QDHS AIEO
Mrs Cynthia Dann	Family Observer
Miss Edna Winmar	Family Observer
Garry Taylor	Noongar Observer
Raeleen Taylor	Noongar Observer
Judith Yarran	Noongar Observer

### Apologies

Cr Trevor Stacey	Council Representative
Mrs Muriel Collard	Nyoongar Representative – Collard Family
Ms Lynette Winmar	Nyoongar Representative – Winmar Family
Jill Hayes	CRC Coordinator/ Wudjella observer
Kye McGuire	Medical Surgery nurse



## ITEM 5 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

### 5.1 Community Park- Chloe Nella

- On the final stages of the park.
- Additional signage to be implemented
- Grass will be finished as of today.
- Finally, the plant will be put in and the power connected.
- Official opening confirmed for Friday, 25th August 2023 @ 3.00pm-5pm.

### 5.2 Youth Centre Update- Cynthia Yarran

- Planning to organise a Blue Light Disco, hadn't been told that both Police have left town, so event on hold
- YC opening days Monday and Wednesday 3:00pm -4.30pm.

### 5.3 The Groves

- Fenceline boundary is 3 metres into the track.
- The rabbit proof fence through the middle was an issue for the animals, which is why that has been removed.
- Brian is doing what needs to be done for bush fire prevention to make sure the community and local people are safe (if or when camping).

### 5.4 Old School

- The old school site is opening tomorrow the 20th of July 2023 @ 10am. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- Celebrating John Kickett, we will have the students from the school do a presentation based on the award they won for the Digital Classroom for the Australia National Museum.
- One thing that we need to talk about is who was the best person to do the Welcome to Country. Have asked Marilyn Reidy to do it, however she didn't feel comfortable doing it, due to having family members from the Kickett family that would be willing to.
- Have approached Muriel Collard but will not be there on the day.
- Margaret Collard has put her hand up.
- Winnie, Marie and Margaret will be cutting the ribbon with President Smith
- Will also have some students from the school that are descendants from John Kickett to be standing at the ribbon cutting.

### 5.5 NAIDOC

- NAIDOC will be held at the Town Hall on the 31<sup>st</sup> of July 10am-2pm.
- Would like to know if it would be a good idea to have NAIDOC Week Awards.
- A majority of people said it would be a good idea to have the awards.

## 5.6 Reconciliation

- The Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) has expired.
- The Shire of Quairading RAP 2024-2026 is being drafted and will be presented at the September RAP Meeting for comment.

## 5.7 Toapin Weir

- Signs have been upgraded.
- Fire pits are done.
- Fencing has come down.
- Chain rails and posts have been removed as damaged and a safety hazard. They will be repaired and reinstalled prior to Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2023. The pump building has no asbestos- retaining the building and repurposing to a mini museum
- Pump has been replaced to preserve the machinery.

## 5.8 Housing

- Invite Department of Communities (Housing) to a RAP meeting.
- 55+ years of age could apply for housing at Parker House.
- If there is a waiting list, it's always the first person on top of that list that would be put into housing first.
- For anyone that knows of a vacant Department of Communities building to let the Shire know.
- Housing shortage is a State-wide issue.
- Organise a housing workshop separate to the RAP meeting.

## ITEM 6 COMMUNITY AGENCY UPDATES

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### 6.1 Community Resource Centre – Jill Hayes

N/A

### 6.2 Quairading District High School – Pauline Wray

- School was awarded for our Elders' Program.
- Held NAIDOC at the school on the last week on Term 2.
- Emma Wilson will be working as Art& HAAS teacher
- Mrs Bond is back and will be doing art classes with the Primary School.

### 6.3 Medical Practice

- Dr has had over 40 patients' day per day.
- From August the Dr will be at the Medical Practice in Quairading 5 days per week.
- Surgery has had a lot of positive feedback from the local Noongar community.

## ITEM 7 NEW AGENDA ITEMS

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Nil.

## ITEM 8 OTHER MATTERS RAISED BY THE MEETING

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

- CEO Nicole has handed in her resignation due to family illness. Nicole will be here for the next 3 months, finishing on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023.
- BP has 4 weeks to achieve the set rules and regulations.
- BP is under new management.

## ITEM 9 NEXT MEETING DATE

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The next Reconciliation Action Plan Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> of September 2023, commencing at 10.00am in the Community Resource Centre.

## ITEM 10 CLOSURE

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There being no further business, the Chairperson closed the meeting at 11:02am.