

Reconciliation Action Plan Advisory Committee

Minutes | 12th March 2025

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The Reconciliation Action Plan Committee Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday the 12th of March 2025, commencing at 10.00 am.

ITEM 1 OPENING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 10.08 am.

“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 Trevor Stacey	Shire President
Mrs. Marilyn Reidy	Nyoongar Representative – Yarran Family
Mrs. Muriel Collard	Nyoongar Representative – Collard Family
Mrs. Janet Colbung	Nyoongar Representative – Colbung Family

Council Officers

Ms. Natalie Ness	Chief Executive Officer
Mrs. Marion Hausler	Executive Officer
Mrs. Jen Green	Executive Manager, Economic Development
Mrs. Sarah Caporn	Executive Manager of Works & Services
Miss Cynthia Yarran	Youth Engagement & Inclusive Officer

Observers / Invited Guests

Ms. Jill Hayes	Quairading CRC / Wudjella Representative
Ms. Ming Yap	Quairading Medical Practice
Mrs. Cynthia Dann	Anglicare
Ms. Wendy Hayward	Jeert Mia CEO
Mr. Philip Winmar	Nyoongar Observer
Mrs. Annette Bennell	Nyoongar Observer

Apologies

Cr John Hippisley	Deputy President / Council Representative
Ms. Margaret Collard	Nyoongar Representative – Blurton Family
Miss Edna Winmar	Nyoongar Representative – Winmar Family
Ms. Marg Harris	Quairading Medical Practice

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.

Nil.

ITEM 4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

4.1 Confirmation of Minutes – 12th March 2025

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

MOVED Mr. Phillip Winmar **SECONDED** Mrs. Muriel Collard

That the Minutes of the Reconciliation Action Plan Committee Meeting held on 12th March 2025, to be confirmed as a true and correct record of that Meeting.

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Janet Colbung, Marilyn Ready, Muriel Collard and Annette Bennell

4.2 Business Arising

Nil.

ITEM 5 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

5.1 Sports, Recreation & Cultural Precinct Update

- Construction of two new netball/basketball courts to commence this weekend. The project is expected to take 8 weeks.
- The two western courts will still be available throughout the season.
- There will be no access on the east side of the courts near the change rooms during construction.
- The Shire is waiting for an outcome of a Federal grant application for Stages 2 and 3 of the Sports, Recreation and Cultural Precinct.

5.2 Groves Update

- The Shire is currently waiting for an outcome of a funding application to support this.
- Sarah Caporn is preparing a project plan for delivery during 2025/26 Budget.
- It is likely that the shire will purchase an ablution block kit and then have a local contractor install it.
- The location of the water meter needs to be determined, to provide a connection via trenching.
- Jeert Mia Corporation is waiting for a letter of support from the Ballardong Aboriginal Corporation, to support a Department of Planning, Lands & Heritage funding application, which will be used to fund the ablution block kit.

ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY	DUE DATE
Sarah Caporn to meet P. Winmar on site at The Groves to locate water connection.	EMWS	12 April 2025

5.3 Youth Program/Centre Update – Cynthia Yarran

- The Youth Centre is open Mondays and Wednesdays from 3pm to 4.30pm during School Term.
- There will be four events in the School Holidays for Youth Week, including an Art Workshop and Kite Making Workshop. This has been funded through a successful grant through the Department of Communities. The events will be advertised within the community shortly.
- The January School Holiday Program was a success, with around 20 children at the Noongar Sports event held at the Town Hall.
- A grant application for NAIDOC Week has been submitted to run an event during NAIDOC Week 2025.

ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY	DUE DATE
Youth Centre Program advertising	Cynthia Yarran	12 April 2025

5.4 Reconciliation Plan

- The draft of Innovate RAP 2025-2027 has been sent to Reconciliation Australia, who have provided feedback. A second draft has been sent back for their endorsement. Current turnaround time for feedback is 4 weeks.
- The Draft will go through to the May Council OCM.
- RAP Members have again been encouraged to provide feedback to the draft RAP and Terms of Reference.
- Shire Officers will hand deliver copies of both documents after the meeting, for feedback to be given to Cynthia Yarran.

ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY	DUE DATE
RAP and TOR to be delivered to members for feedback	Cynthia Yarran	14 March 2025
RAP members to provide feedback for the above documents	RAP members	12 April, 2025

ITEM 6 COMMUNITY AGENCY UPDATES

6.1 Community Resource Centre – Jill Hayes

- No update provided.

6.2 Quairading District High School

- No update provided.

6.3 Medical Practice – Ming Yap

- Ms. Ming Yap provided an update to the group regarding the cardiovascular health program currently being offered, encouraging all members of the Noongar community to make an appointment for a cardiovascular screening.

ITEM 7 NEW AGENDA ITEMS

- The matter of street naming was raised, with 'Yarran' suggested to be a suitable option for the naming of a new street in the local area when it becomes available. The group were advised that 'Yarran' was on the current list provided by the Shire of Quairading Geographical Naming Committee to be considered when a new street required a name.

ITEM 8 OTHER MATTERS RAISED BY THE MEETING

- Concerns about the Badjaling- Yoting Rd closure were raised.
- Concerns about fire breaks at the Badjaling community were raised.
- Concerns about rubbish being dumped by the Shire at the Badjaling community were raised.

ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY	DUE DATE
Sarah and Cynthia to meet Elders on site to discuss and visualise issues	YEIO & AEMAWS	11 April 2025
Sarah to prepare a report for the April RAP Committee Meeting	EMWS	12 April, 2025

ITEM 9 NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Reconciliation Action Plan Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 16th of April 2025, commencing at 10.00am at the Quairading Community Resource Centre.

ITEM 10 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairperson closed the meeting at 11:03am.