# GURAKI ABORIGINAL STANDING COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE



# GOVERNING BODY / APPROVED BY FUNCTIONAL ALIGNMENT

Council Corporate Services

## SHORT DESCRIPTION

To provide advice and guidance in relation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues, giving life to Council's commitment to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of the City of Newcastle and engaging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Local Government.

#### Our commitments:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and culture

## **NEWCASTLE 2040 COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT**

#### Creative

- 3.3 Celebrating culture
  - 3.3.1 Nurture cultural and creative practitioners
  - 3.3.3 Culture in everyday life

## Achieving together

- 4.2 Trust and Transparency
  - 4.2.1 Genuine engagement
- 4.3 Collaborative and innovative approach
  - 4.3.1 Collaborative organisation

## PURPOSE

- 1. To give life to Council's 1998 Commitment to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples of the City of Newcastle;
- 2. To provide advice and guidance in relation to Aboriginal matters of cultural and heritage significance;
- 3. To engage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in Local Government;
- 4. To raise the broad community awareness of Aboriginal culture and themes;
- 5. To provide a united voice for Aboriginal peoples of the City of Newcastle.

## MEETING SCHEDULE

To be determined.

## MEMBERSHIP

- 1. Up to three Councillors;
- 2. Representatives from Stakeholder Organisations, determined by the Committee (Chairperson and Co-Chairperson with the assistance Facilitator); and
- 3. Up to three Community Representatives.

## **CHAIRPERSON**

This committee operates using a co-chairperson model. One Councillor appointed by the Council from among the Councillor members, and one member elected at the first meeting of the committee.



## MEMBERS

Councillor Member (Co-Chairperson) – Councillor Deahnna Richardson Councillor Member (Deputy Chairperson) – Councillor Charlotte McCabe Councillor Member – Councillor Mark Brooker Stakeholder Member (Co-Chairperson) - xxx Stakeholder Member - TBD Stakeholder Member - TBD Stakeholder Member - TBD Stakeholder Member - TBD Community Member - TBD Community Member - TBD