



Mindeera Advisory Group Agenda – 8 December 2021



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## 1 Opening

## **Acknowledgement of country**

Ngany kaaditj Noongar moort keny kaadak nidja Wadjak Noongar boodja. Ngany kaaditj nidja Noongar birdiya – koora, ye-ye, boorda, baalapiny moorditj Noongar kaadijtin, moort, wer boodja ye-ye.

I acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and respect past, present and emerging leaders, their continuing cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land, which continues to be important today.

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### 2 Attendance

Mindeera Group Representatives	Kelsi Forrest (Chair)
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Murray Masters (Deputy Chair)

Flavia Pardini Roni Forrest Wanjie Song Xanthe Shaw

CouncillorPeter DevereuxCouncillorJesvin KarimiCouncillorVicki Potter

Manager CommunityPaul GravettCoordinator Community DevelopmentKatie Schubert

Meeting secretary Megan Jaceglav

**Presenters** Nil

**Observers** 

**Apologies** 

# **3 Presentations**

#### 4 Items for discussion

#### 4.1 Reconciliation Action Plan

Reporting officer	Megan Jaceglav
Origin of request	Ongoing Agenda Item
Attachments	Nil.

## **Purpose of the item**

To update the group on the progress and future direction of actions and deliverables in the plan.

#### **Outcome**

To provide the group with an update of the recent review of the RAP and seek feedback on the review and the RAP progress thus far.

## **Discussion points**

- Review of the Reflect RAP implementation and progress
- Feedback activity review of RAP
- Development of Innovate RAP

## **Strategic outcomes**

Civic Leadership	
Strategic outcome	Intended public value outcome or impact
CL02 - A community that is authentically engaged and informed in a timely manner.	To encourage and enable the community to actively take part in reconciliation initiatives.

Social	
Strategic outcome	Intended public value outcome or impact
S02 - An informed and knowledgeable community.	To enable the community to be informed and engaged in the Town's reconciliation process.
S04 - A place where all people have an awareness and appreciation of arts, culture, education and heritage.	Implementation of the RAP to have a positive influence on the community's awareness and appreciation of Indigenous culture and the reconciliation journey.

#### **Next steps**

Regular updates on progress to be provided to the advisory group at bi-monthly meetings and via email.

#### **Further information**

## **4.2 26 January**

Reporting officer	Megan Jaceglav
Origin of request	Actions from previous meeting
Attachments	Nil.

# **Purpose of the item**

Continue discussion from previous meetings.

#### **Outcome**

Future considerations for community engagement/consultation in 2022.

## **Discussion points**

- Vic Park Collective
- Next steps from here

## **Strategic outcomes**

Social	
Strategic outcome	Intended public value outcome or impact
S02 - An informed and knowledgeable community.	To ensure the community are kept informed and engaged on key stakeholder issues.
S04 - A place where all people have an awareness and appreciation of arts, culture, education and heritage.	To ensure opportunities are provided for the community to deepen their understanding of matters of shared cultural heritage.

## **Next steps**

Nil.

#### **Further information**

### 4.3 Consultation of Noongar Language

Reporting officer	Megan Jaceglav
Origin of request	Ongoing Agenda Item
Attachments	Nil.

## **Purpose of the item**

Continue discussion on significant renaming projects in the Town.

#### **Outcome**

- Update the group on progress of renaming projects
- Seek feedback on forthcoming initiatives

## **Discussion points**

- Koolbardi Park signage and launch
- Signage and Launch of Bidi Walk
- Work instruction

## **Strategic outcomes**

Social	
Strategic outcome	Intended public value outcome or impact
S02 - An informed and knowledgeable community.	Providing spaces for community education and the development of cultural literacies.
S04 - A place where all people have an awareness and appreciate of arts, culture, education and heritage.	Providing opportunities for residents to engage with, promote, and learn Noongar language, whilst ensuring that the language is preserved and appropriately honored.

### **Next steps**

Update group on progress of discussion items.

#### **Further information**

### 4.4 Planning National Days

Reporting officer	Megan Jaceglav
Origin of request	Ongoing Agenda Item
Attachments	Nil.

## **Purpose of the item**

Planning and reflection on events and celebrations for national days in the Town.

#### **Outcome**

Seeking thoughts and feedback from the group around planning and celebrations in the Town.

## **Discussion points**

- Twilight Trio concert update and review
- Remembrance Day review
- NAIDOC and NRW 2022 planning

### **Strategic outcomes**

Social	
Strategic outcome	Intended public value outcome or impact
S02 - An informed and knowledgeable community.	Providing opportunities for residents to engage in events that promote cultural heritage and knowledge.
S04 - A place where all people have an awareness and appreciation of arts, culture, education and heritage.	Ensuring that the Town continues to be a place that promotes awareness, understanding and appreciation of diverse cultures.

### **Next steps**

- Planning celebrations and events for these national days.
- For the group to be engaged, consulted, and informed around the progress and planning of these days.

#### **Further information**

# **5 General business**

Update on Town Projects

**6 Actions from previous meetings** 

Action	Responsible Action Officer	Status	Comment	Close Date
Town officers to coordinate Mindeera Advisory Group and community members visit to Jirdarup bushland.	Megan Jaceglav	Completed	Community and Mindeera members, visited the site with Town Officers on October 4, 17 and 25.	
Officers to identify and contact Aboriginal food vendors/suppliers for November Twilight Trio concert.	Megan Jaceglav	Completed	Unable to secure Aboriginal food vendors for the event due to timing, costing and supply limitations.	20-11- 21
Town officer to reach out to relevant organisations to assist with historical records of Aboriginal soldiers.	Megan Jaceglav	In progress	Town officers has commenced research in this space.	
Town Reconciliation officer to invite Noongar Elders to NAIDOC themed Twilight Trio concert.	Megan Jaceglav	Completed	Noongar elders invited via email, in October and again in November. Local elders also contacted in person.	20-11- 2021
Town officers to send a draft of Innovate RAP timeline to Mindeera group members.	Megan Jaceglav	In progress	A draft of the Innovate timeline will be shared with the group as part of the agenda item.	01-12- 21
Town officer to progress work instruction and present to Mindeera Advisory group for consideration.	Megan Jaceglav	In progress	Draft document has been completed and has been circulated to Chair and Vice-Chair of the Mindeera group, for consideration and feedback. Town officers are progressing internally and awaiting feedback before progressing further.	
Town officer to work with Mindeera group members to identify and make contact and recognising Noongar Elders for guidance regarding Noongar language, culture.	Megan Jaceglav	In progress	Officer has spoken with group members, and is awaiting advice on Elder networks.	

Reconciliation officer to work with Town staff to facilitate development of artwork/signage for Bidi Lane.	Megan Jaceglav	In progress	Draft artwork to be circulated via email to the group once designs have been provided by the artist.
Reconciliation officer to work with Town staff and Mindeera group to coordinate the opening of Bidi Lane and Koolbardi Park.	Megan Jaceglav	In progress	Town officers have worked with artist to finalise the timeline for completion of artwork, that will thus enable the opening ceremony of Bidi Lane to be scheduled. Town officers have met with Chair, Vice-Chair of Mindeera group and Noongar Elder, to plan for opening ceremony of Koolbardi Park.
Mindeera group member to consult with Noongar community and report back to the Mindeera Advisory Group, on preferred opportunities and processes for recognition of Noongar Elders in the Town.	Megan Jaceglav	In progress	
Town officers to liaise with Town library staff regarding research directives in identifying Town Noongar history.	Megan Jaceglav	In progress	Officer has spoken with library staff (November). Additional work in the space needs to occur based on current priorities deliverables.
Town Reconciliation officer to consult with Mindeera group members on list of Noongar Elders and to circulate working list of Elders and service providers to the Mindeera Advisory Group.	Megan Jaceglav	In progress	This list has been circulated. Further updates are beneficial to the development of a comprehensive archive.
Mindeera Advisory Group member to consult with the DLGSC regarding the Mili Mili Gnarla Boodja project and opportunities to continue this project to include Noongar country situated within the Town of Victoria Park.	Kelsi Forrest	In progress	
Town officers to continue progress for inclusion of item of historical/cultural significance in new citizen gifts.	Megan Jaceglav	In progress	New citizen gifts have been presented and selected (message

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			sticks reflecting the six Noongar seasons). Finalisation of this process will take place in the December meeting.
Mindeera Advisory Group members to provide Town officers of details of potential local suppliers for Message Sticks, and or other items for potential consideration for inclusion as citizenship ceremony gifts.	Megan Jaceglav	Completed	Details provided to Town officers, supplier has been identified and message sticks have been selected.
Town officer to work with group members and Elders to adapt Acknowledgment of Country templates.	Megan Jaceglav	In progress	Additional considerations to be discussed:  1. Use of the word 'emerging' 2. Notion of doing a Welcome to Country, before, anyone is introduced, and/or before proceedings have commenced.

## 7 Close