



Minutes

Reconciliation Committee

Meeting held on Wednesday, 6 May 2026 in the Colonel Light Room, Adelaide
Town Hall at 2.33 pm

Committee Members Present:

Dual Chairpersons:

City of Adelaide Council Member:

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Dr Jane Lomax-Smith

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representative:

Deanne Hanchant-Nichols (Deputy Co-Chair for Yvonne Agius)

City of Adelaide Council Members:

Councillor Eleanor Freeman and Councillor Janet Giles

Strategic Agency Representatives:

Nil

Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation Representative:

Tim Agius

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representatives:

Ivan-Tiwu Copley and Kveta Vlotman

Proxies:

Lynette Crocker (proxy Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representatives)

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies -

Yvonne Agius
Councillor Dr Siebentritt
Ian Liddy

2. Acknowledgement of Country

Deputy Co-Chair, Deanne Hanchant-Nichols read the Kurna Acknowledgement.

'The City of Adelaide acknowledges the Kurna People of the Adelaide Plains as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today.

We acknowledge and honour their spiritual and cultural stewardship of this country and recognise their deep and enduring relationship with its lands, waters, the sky, and all living things.

We pay our respects to Kurna Elders past and present and recognise the important role of emerging leaders in sustaining and strengthening culture.'

3. Moment Silence in Remembrance of Departed Community Members

The reading was followed by a minute of silence for departed community members.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Janet Giles,
Seconded by Councillor Eleanor Freeman -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee held on 25 February 2026, be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

Carried

5. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Nil

6. Reports

6.1 NAIDOC and National Reconciliation Week Activity for 2026

Discussion ensued

It was then –

Moved by Ivan Tiwu-Copley,
Seconded by Tim Agius -

THAT THE RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

THAT COUNCIL

- 1 Notes the proposed activities to celebrate the 2026 National Reconciliation Week, between 27 May 2026 and 3 June 2026, and National NAIDOC Week, between 5 July 2026 and 12 July 2026.
- 2 Notes that the NAIDOC Week 2026 celebrations will include a social media campaign to highlight and recognise Kurna Elders who were instrumental in our history.

Carried

6.2 Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2024-2027- Quarter 3 (2025/2026) Progress Update

Discussion ensued

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Eleanor Freeman,
Seconded by Ivan Tiwu-Copley –

THAT THE RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2024-2027 Quarter 3 Progress Update for the period 1 January 2026 to 31 March 2026 as contained in **Attachment A** to item 6.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Reconciliation Committee held on 6 May 2026.

Carried

6.3 Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget 2026/27 - Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2024-2027 Alignment

Discussion ensued

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Eleanor Freeman,
Seconded by Tim Agius -

THAT THE RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE

1. Notes the City of Adelaide will continue to invest in reconciliation initiatives in 2026/27 aligned with the implementation of actions contained in its Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2024-2027.

Carried

6.4 KYAC Quarterly Pipeline Meeting - April 2026

Discussion ensued

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Janet Giles,
Seconded by Tim Agius -

THAT THE RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE

1. Notes the update on the City of Adelaide and Kurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation Pipeline discussions at the meeting held on 13 April 2026.

Carried

6.5 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Workforce Action Plan 2026-2028

Discussion ensued

It was then –

Moved by Ivan Tiwu-Copley,
Seconded by Councillor Eleanor Freeman -

THAT THE RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE

1. Notes the presentation to Panpapanpalya on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Workforce Action Plan 2026-2028 as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.5 on the agenda for the Reconciliation Committee held on 6 May 2026.
2. Notes the work undertaken to develop the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Workforce Action Plan 2026-2028 and provides the following feedback:
 - 2.1. That the definition of cultural safety be brought back to the Reconciliation Committee for consideration and endorsement.
 - 2.2. That the cultural safety objective is considered as a year 1 action in the Workforce Action Plan 2026-2028.

Carried

Kveta Vlotman left the Colonel Light Room at 3.44 pm

7. Presentations

7.1 Local Government Elections Update

Precis of Item:

The purpose of this presentation is to provide the Reconciliation Committee with an update regarding the 2026 Local Government Elections, including key election dates and an overview of significant legislative amendments to the *City of Adelaide Act 1998* (SA), resulting from amendments introduced through the *Amendment Review Act 2021* (SA) and the Election Review Bill 2025.

Lynette Crocker left the Colonel Light Room at 4.01pm.

8. Any Other Business

Nil

9. Next Meeting

Wednesday 9 September 2026, 2.30pm – 4.30pm

Closure

The meeting closed at 4.13 pm

The Lord Mayor Dr Jane Lomax-Smith / (Deputy Co-Chair) Deanne Hanchant-Nichols

Dual Chair
City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee