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## Reconciliation Committee

Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 29 November 2023, at 2.30 pm  
in the Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall

### Committee Members:

Dual Chairpersons:

City of Adelaide Council Member:

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Dr Jane Lomax-Smith (Ex-Officio)

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representative:

Yvonne Agius

City of Adelaide Council Members:

Councillor David Elliott, Councillor Janet Giles and Councillor Dr Mark Siebentritt

Strategic Agency Representatives:

Jason Downs

Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation Representative:

Tim Agius

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representatives:

Ivan-Tiwu Copley and Deanne Hanchant-Nichols

Proxies:

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

Allan Sumner (proxy Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation Representative)



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### Agenda

**1. Welcome and Apologies**

Nil

**2. Acknowledgement of Country**

*'The City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee acknowledges that we are meeting on traditional Country of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging.*

*City of Adelaiderlu ngadlu Kurna Yartangka tampinhi.*

*Kurna miyurna yaitya mathanya Wama Tarntanyaku.*

*Ngadlurlu Kurna Miyurna, puki-unangku, yalaka, tarrkarrila tampinhi.*

*We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land.*

*We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kurna people living today.*

*And we also extend that respect to other Aboriginal Language Groups and other First Nations who are present today.'*

**3. Moment Silence in Remembrance of Departed Community Members**

**4. Confirmation of Minutes**

That the Minutes of the meeting of the City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee held on 6 September 2023, be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

View public 6 September 2023 Minutes [here](#).

**5. Reports**

5.1 Reconciliation Committee Terms of Reference Review

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Presenter: Talisha King

Purpose: To provide clarity to all Committee Members about each members role and responsibilities

5.2	Reconciliation Action Plan 2021-2024 Review	10 - 14
	Presenter: Talisha King	
	Purpose: To update the Committee Members about the implementation progress over the 3 years of the plan.	
5.3	Pioneer Women's Memorial Garden	15 - 18
	Presenter: Merilyn D Kuchel OAM	
	Purpose: To discuss the renaming of the garden to include Kurna Language or an inclusive Aboriginal term	
5.4	Standing Item: KYAC Pipeline meeting	19 - 23
	Presenter: Talisha King	
	Purpose: To inform Committee Members about ongoing engagement with KYAC	

**6. Presentations**

Nil

**7. Any Other Business**

**8. Next Meeting**

Wednesday 28 February 2024, 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm

**9. Closure**

## Reconciliation Committee Terms of Reference Review

Strategic Alignment - Enabling Priorities

Public

**Program Contact:**

Sarah Gilmour Associate Director  
Park Lands, Policy &  
Sustainability

**Approving Officer:**

Ilia Houridis - Director City  
Shaping

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek Reconciliation Committee endorsement of revised Terms of Reference for the Reconciliation Committee (the Committee) contained in **Attachment A**.

The revisions respond to a request from the Reconciliation Committee for greater clarity on roles and responsibilities of Committee Members.

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## RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

THAT COUNCIL

1. Endorses the revised Terms of Reference for the Reconciliation Committee contained in Attachment A to Item 5.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Reconciliation Committee held on 29 November 2023.
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## IMPLICATIONS AND FINANCIALS

City of Adelaide 2020-2024 Strategic Plan	<b>Strategic Alignment – Enabling Priorities</b> Demonstrate bold governance leadership in the Local Government Sector
Policy	Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2021-2024 – Governance arrangements
Consultation	Reconciliation Members sought clarification of the proxy arrangements for the Committee at the 6 September 2023 Committee meeting. If endorsed the revised Terms of Reference will be presented to Council on 12 December 2023 requesting that amendments be made.
Resource	Not as a result of this report
Risk / Legal / Legislative	As a Section 41 Committee under the <i>Local Government Act 1999</i> amendments to the Terms of Reference must be made by Council.
Opportunities	Revisions to the Reconciliation Committee's Terms of Reference seek to provide clarification for Reconciliation Committee Members to understand their attendance at meetings and roles in implementing reconciliation priorities.
23/24 Budget Allocation	There is allowance in the operating budget for 2023/24 for \$10,000 to support advice for the Committee.
Proposed 24/25 Budget Allocation	Not as a result of this report
Life of Project, Service, Initiative or (Expectancy of) Asset	The Reconciliation Committee was established by Council on 13 December 2022 for the 2022-2026 Council term.
23/24 Budget Reconsideration (if applicable)	Not as a result of this report
Ongoing Costs (eg maintenance cost)	Not as a result of this report
Other Funding Sources	Not as a result of this report

## DISCUSSION

1. At the 6 September 2023 meeting of the Reconciliation Committee there was a discussion about the roles and responsibilities of Committee Members and proxies.
2. Committee Members requested clarification in the Terms of Reference as it relates to when proxies should attend a meeting, noting a long-standing practice of proxies being invited to attend all meetings.
3. To enable greater clarification on roles and responsibilities the proposed amendments to the Terms of Reference are:
  - 3.1. The addition of a section on the roles and responsibilities of Dual Chairs. This section clarifies the processes for appointing a Community Representative Dual Chair and the roles and responsibilities of the Dual Chairs.
  - 3.2. The addition of a section outlining the roles and responsibilities of each of the Strategic Agency Representatives, Kurna Representative, Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representatives and Proxies. The key points added are the:
    - 3.2.1. voting and speaking rights of each membership type, and
    - 3.2.2. clarification on payment for attendance.
  - 3.3. Inclusion of references to the City of Adelaide Code of Practice for Meeting Procedures that apply to the Reconciliation Committee.
  - 3.4. The amendments to the Terms of Reference are highlighted in **Attachment A**.

### Next Steps

4. Community Members of the Reconciliation Committee met at Panpanpalya on 8 November 2023 and provided general support for the draft revisions to the Terms of Reference. Options to include a Member with a Torres Strait Island background was also raised and will be presented to a future meeting of the Reconciliation Committee for consideration.
5. As a Section 41 Committee under the *Local Government Act 1999* the revised Terms of Reference must be decided by Council.
6. If supported by the Reconciliation Committee the revised Terms of Reference will be submitted to Council on 12 December 2023.

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## ATTACHMENTS

**Attachment A** – Draft Revised Terms of Reference – Reconciliation Committee

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- END OF REPORT -

**City of Adelaide**  
**Reconciliation Committee Terms of Reference**  
**2022 – 2026 Council Term**

**1. PROCESS**

- 1.1. The City of Adelaide (CoA) Reconciliation Committee (the Committee) will engage collaboratively with peak Government and non-Government reconciliation groups to advance reconciliation in the city and encourage and seek broad Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation in Council activities and events.
- 1.2. The Committee may from time to time, seek input and advice from Aboriginal community members and organisations when examining specific matters.

**2. THE ROLE OF THE RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE IS TO**

- 2.1. Make recommendations to City of Adelaide Reconciliation Action Plans (schedule of reconciliation initiatives) that demonstrates Council's commitment to reconciliation.
- 2.2. Provide input to policy development and strategic advice to Council across areas likely to impact on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as requested by Council or resolved by the Committee.
- 2.3. Promote and advocate a positive representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, facilitate reconciliation between the city's diverse communities and contribute to the education and awareness of the city's communities about the diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.
- 2.4. Monitor the implementation of the guiding principles of Council's Reconciliation Vision Statement across CoA.

**3. FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS**

- 3.1. The Reconciliation Committee will meet quarterly with special meetings called as required.
- 3.2. As per the Council decision on 13 December 2022, the City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee has delegated authority to determine the time and place of its quarterly meetings.
- 3.3. The meeting schedule was set at the 22 March 2023 Reconciliation Committee meeting with all members approving the schedule from January 2023 to December 2026.

**4. REPORTING REQUIREMENT**

- 4.1. The Reconciliation Committee reports to Council on its activities annually through a Committee and Council Report.

**5. PROCESS FOR SELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS**

- 5.1. Council Members
  - 5.1.1 Council will appoint the Lord Mayor (Ex Officio) and will nominate and appoint three Council Members onto the City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee.
- 5.2. Strategic Agency Representatives
  - 5.2.1 Three agencies identified as strategic representatives will be invited to nominate a representative to the City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee.

These nominations are managed through Council's Administration, by writing directly to Strategic Agencies that align with outcomes sought through CoA's Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2021-2024 and amending from time to time.

### 5.3. Kurna Representative

- 5.3.1 Correspondence will be forwarded to the Chairperson of the Kurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation (KYAC) inviting the Committee to nominate one representative and one proxy on to the City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee.

### 5.4. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representatives

- 5.4.1 Three Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community positions will be promoted on City of Adelaide's employment pages, Social Media channels, in the Koori Mail and through Aboriginal information networks.
- 5.4.2 Nominees will be required to provide a 500-word summary of skills and experience relating to the *Terms of Reference* and address the following points in their response:
- 5.4.2.1. Recognised as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.
  - 5.4.2.2. Experience as an ambassador and in advancing reconciliation.
  - 5.4.2.3. Demonstrate the value and extent of their networks with Aboriginal communities.
  - 5.4.2.4. Demonstrate a history of positive involvement with Aboriginal communities and the reconciliation process.

### 5.5. Proxies

- 5.5.1 Two Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander proxies will be selected from the pool of community applicants.

### 5.6. Selection and Appointment

- 5.6.1 Administration will undertake initial assessment of nominations received from all proposed representatives and provide recommendations to Council for endorsement and appointment to the City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee.
- 5.6.2 Kurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation and Strategic Agency representatives will be appointed to the City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee by the Chief Executive Officer following liaison with each entity.

## 6. DUAL CHAIR APPOINTMENT, ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 6.1. The Committee will have dual Chairs, one of whom will be the Lord Mayor (ex Officio).
- 6.2. The Committee will select the second person for the dual Chair role from the Community representative members on the Committee, as well as a Deputy Chair, from the remaining Committee members.
- 6.3. The Community representative dual Chair and the Deputy Chair of the Reconciliation Committee are appointed by Council for a period of a year.
- 6.4. The role of the Chair is to:
- Oversee the orderly conduct of meetings in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1999 Act*;
  - Ensure that all Committee members have an opportunity to participate in discussions in an open and responsible manner; and
  - Ensure when a matter has been debated significantly and no information is being discussed to call the meeting to order and move the debate towards finalisation.



6.5. The Community Representative dual Chair:

- Has full voting and speaking rights.

## 7. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

7.1. Strategic Agency Representatives

The role of Strategic Agency Representatives includes:

- Full voting and speaking rights.
- Stakeholder to allocate a proxy which will be outlined on the agenda front sheet.
- Proxy will be invited when member notifies about an absence.

7.2. Kaurua Representative

The role of Kaurua Representative includes:

- Full voting and speaking rights.
- KYAC to allocate a proxy which will be outlined on the agenda front sheet.
- Proxy will be invited when member notifies about an absence.

7.3. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representatives

The role of Community Representative nominees includes:

- Full voting and speaking rights.
- KYAC to allocate a proxy which will be outlined on the agenda front sheet.
- Proxy will be invited when member notifies about an absence.

7.4. Proxies

The role of proxies includes:

- Full speaking rights but no voting rights unless they are a designated proxy in the absence of a full member, this will be outlined at the beginning of meeting.
- Proxies will be notified of their role as soon as an absence is advised and will be stated to all members prior to the start of the meeting.
- Being paid for their attendance regardless of any absences.

## 8. MEETING PROCEDURES

8.1. For the purpose of meeting procedures, the following part of the [Code of Practice for Meeting Procedures](#) do apply.

- 3.1 Frequency and times of meetings and locations
- 3.2 Publication of the Council Agenda
- 3.3 Developing the agenda
- 3.6 Confidential reports
- 3.7 Late items and reports
- 4.5 Minutes of a meeting
- 4.6 Declaration of interest
- 4.8 Quorum
- 4.9 Adjournment of meetings and meeting cancellation
- 4.10 Managing confidential matters
- 4.12 Adjourned business
- 4.16 Voting
- 5.1 Finalising the minutes of a meeting
- 6.1 Special meetings of Council Committee

## Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2021-2024 Review

Strategic Alignment - Dynamic City Culture

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**Wednesday, 29 November 2023**  
**Reconciliation Committee**

**Program Contact:**  
Associate Director Park Lands,  
Policy & Sustainability

**Approving Officer:**  
Ilia Houridis - Director City  
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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide information to the Reconciliation Committee about implementation progress against the Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2021-2024 (RAP), including key highlights.

The report also details a review of the RAP for the period 1 June 2021 to 31 October 2023 to inform development of the RAP for 2024-2027. In summary the RAP is 47% complete with 26% of actions for consideration as part of the next RAP development, and 5% of actions identified for further assessment by the Committee as to whether they remain a priority for implementation.

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## RECOMMENDATION

### THAT THE RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE

1. Receives the Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2021-2024 implementation progress update including review of existing action items to inform development of the Reconciliation Action Plan 2024-2028.
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## IMPLICATIONS AND FINANCIALS

City of Adelaide 2020-2024 Strategic Plan	<b>Strategic Alignment – Dynamic City Culture</b> Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and cultures strongly represented in city life. Support, promote and share Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and pay homage to the Kaurna people as traditional owners
Policy	The Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2021-2024 (RAP) is the organisation's commitment to Reconciliation. Oversight of the RAP is the remit of the Reconciliation Committee.
Consultation	Significant input has been received from the Reconciliation Leads across the organisation to develop a progress report for the three-year period.  To date, City of Adelaide has 18 employees currently identified as a Reconciliation Lead across a range of teams including Marketing and Communications, Creative City, Culture and Leadership, People, Community Lifestyle, Customer and Marketing, City Events, Governance, Information Management, City Experience, Social Planning and Reconciliation, Park Lands and Sustainability, and Adelaide Economic Development Agency including Rundle Mall Management.
Resource	Not as a result of this report
Risk / Legal / Legislative	Not as a result of this report
Opportunities	Not as a result of this report
23/24 Budget Allocation	The reconciliation budget for 2023/24 covers Reconciliation Committee sitting fees. Individual actions in the RAP are funded from the budgets of teams with functional responsibility for delivering the action items.
Proposed 24/25 Budget Allocation	A budget proposal for the 2024/25 financial year will be prepared for delivery of a new RAP and priority initiatives in the current RAP.
Life of Project, Service, Initiative or (Expectancy of) Asset	The Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2021-2024 is scheduled for completion on 30 June 2024.
23/24 Budget Reconsideration (if applicable)	Not as a result of this report
Ongoing Costs (eg maintenance cost)	Not as a result of this report
Other Funding Sources	Not as a result of this report

## DISCUSSION

1. The Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) 2021-2024 is a four-year plan developed by the City of Adelaide (CoA) Reconciliation Committee with quarterly implementation reporting to the Committee.
2. The RAP is separated into four pillars: Relationships, Respect, Opportunities and Reporting.
3. The RAP concludes on 30 June 2024 and the current review has been completed to assess progress with delivery and priority actions to be delivered over the next 6 months.
4. The CoA committed to implementing 106 actions over the 2021-2024 period. Of the 106 actions, 49 are complete (47% of actions), 22 are on track for delivery on timeframe (22% of actions), 28 are being considered for extension into the next RAP (26% of actions), and 5 identified for further assessment by the Committee as to whether they remain a priority for implementation (5% of actions).
  - 4.1. Relationship pillar contains 28 actions, of which:
    - 4.1.1. 18 actions are complete
    - 4.1.2. 3 actions are on track
    - 4.1.3. 5 actions for consideration in the next RAP
    - 4.1.4. 2 actions for further consideration as to whether they remain a priority.
  - 4.2. Respect pillar contains 47 actions, of which:
    - 4.2.1. 18 actions are complete
    - 4.2.2. 10 actions are on track
    - 4.2.3. 17 actions for consideration in the next RAP
    - 4.2.4. 2 actions for further consideration as to whether they remain a priority.
  - 4.3. Opportunities pillar contains 31 actions, of which:
    - 4.3.1. 13 actions are complete
    - 4.3.2. 11 actions are on track
    - 4.3.3. 6 actions for consideration in the next RAP
    - 4.3.4. 1 action for further consideration as to whether it remain a priority.
5. Highlights delivered under the RAP 2021-2024 to date, include:
  - 5.1. Kids on Country hosted annually in the Adelaide Park Lands as a day of Kaurna culture, activity and learning, enabling Aboriginal children to walk on country and share their culture with non-Aboriginal students.
  - 5.2. Puti on Kaurna Yerta as a culturally lead response to supporting remote and regional visitors in the City of Adelaide during Covid-19.
  - 5.3. Kaurna Voices cultural mapping project which was most recently reported to the Reconciliation Committee on 6 September 2023 following a presentation on 3 May 2023 of a web-based interactive map which presents information to encourage greater understanding and awareness of Kaurna Culture and relationship with Country, specifically in the area known as the Adelaide Park Lands.
  - 5.4. City of Adelaide contemporary artwork from local artists and provision of grants to support professional development of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists.
  - 5.5. City of Music Laneways project, No Fixed Address, which named an Adelaide laneway after music identities and the first Aboriginal reggae rock group in Australia and the first Aboriginal band to tour overseas.
  - 5.6. NAIDOC week activities and celebrations held annually in the City of Adelaide including cultural activities, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Exhibitions, Lord Mayor NAIDOC Awar and function, and NAIDOC in the (Rundle) Mall.
  - 5.7. City of Adelaide's NAIDOC language snake has been incorporated into the Acknowledgment of Country entry signage installed at the Adequate Aquatic Centre as an Acknowledgment of Country.

- 5.8. Place of Reflection artwork led by respected Elder and artist Aunty Yvonne Koolmatrie, who created the artwork in collaboration with artist / designer Karl Meyer, supported by Exhibition Studios and officially unveiled on 14 September 2023 as an opportunity for the community to heal, reflect and acknowledge the strength and resilience of the Stolen Generations.
- 5.9. Placement of the Uluru Statement from the Heart in the Adelaide Town Hall.
- 5.10. Official portrait of Ngarrindjeri, Boandik Elder, Aunty Shirley Peisley AM completed by leading Aboriginal artist Dr. Ali Gumillya Baker including formal portrait unveiling event and display of the portrait in the City of Adelaide Council Chamber.
- 5.11. Celebration of First Nations culture at the Adelaide Central Market including mural by Aboriginal artist Shane Cook at Gouger Street entrance, programs and showcases of local Aboriginal food products, and Aboriginal people featured in marketing materials, photography, social media.
- 5.12. First Nations representatives on City of Adelaide Committees, Panels and Subsidiary Boards including membership of Reconciliation Committee, Access and Inclusion Panel, Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority.
- 5.13. 294 City of Adelaide employees have attended face-to-face cultural awareness and learning opportunities through mandatory induction training.
- 5.14. Update of the City of Adelaide website to include specific content on City of Adelaide's Reconciliation Committee, RAP, commitments and initiatives.
- 5.15. Advice to Council on important corporate governance matters and external submissions including Local Government Elections, Riverbank Code Amendment, Voice to Parliament, and Adelaide Park Land Dry Area Regulations
- 5.16. Engagement with Kurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation on major City of Adelaide projects and key strategic documents including Community Land Management Plan for the Adelaide Park Lands, Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy, National Heritage Management Plan for the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout, City of Adelaide - City Plan, Botanic Creek restoration, North Adelaide Gold course.
6. At Panpanpalya held on 8 November 2023, Committee Members requested detailed information about items contained in the current RAP which could be considered for inclusion in the RAP 2024-2028. This information is provided in an assessment table – [Link 1](#).
7. The five actions for further consideration by the Committee as to their priority, follows:
  - 7.1. Action 8.1 Enable partnership opportunities with the Indigenous Marathon Foundation (IMF) that encourages and supports wider Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation in the CBD.
  - 7.2. Action 9.3 – Build Kurna capacity to support young people and develop emerging leaders by engaging Kurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation to develop and facilitate an 'Elder in Residence' program at a City of Adelaide facility (e.g. Libraries or Community Centres).
  - 7.3. Action 12.4 - Determine funding opportunities to install a memorial to Sir Douglas Nicholls, in the vicinity of the Adelaide Oval.
  - 7.4. Action 14.1 - Support 2 opportunities for other SA Language Groups to maintain, develop and teach their cultures in the CBD.
  - 7.5. Action 26.1 - Engage with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander musicians and music businesses in the review of the Live Music Action Plan.

### **Next Steps**

8. The development of the 2024-2028 RAP will be informed by the review of actions contained in this report and feedback from Committee Members.
9. In addition to the review an employee and key stakeholder survey is scheduled to determine the success of, and engagement with the RAP.
10. At its meeting on 6 September 2023, the Reconciliation Committee considered a report on the approach and timeframe for development of the 2024-2027 RAP with the new version to be developed and implemented from 1 July 2024.
11. Phase 1 of the RAP Development includes focused engagement with community and developing a new artwork for the RAP. These outcomes were to be presented to the Reconciliation Committee in December 2023 but as the Committee meeting in December has been cancelled, will be a key focus for the first meeting of the Committee in 2024 (28 February 2024).

12. A preliminary meeting between Council's Reconciliation Officer and Chief Executive of Reconciliation SA (Reconciliation Committee Member) has been held regarding development of the next RAP.
13. An annual RAP impact measurement questionnaire is the external reporting mechanism to Reconciliation Australia. Internal reporting via the completion of the review is scheduled for June of 2024.

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## DATA AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

**Link 1** – Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Items for Consideration in the Next RAP (ACC2023/165248)

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## ATTACHMENTS

Nil

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## Pioneer Women's Memorial Garden

Wednesday, 29 November 2023  
Reconciliation Committee

Strategic Alignment - Thriving Communities

**Program Contact:**  
Jennifer Kalionis - Associate  
Director, City Culture

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**Approving Officer:**  
Iliia Houridis - Director City  
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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Pioneer Women's Memorial Trust (the Trust) is seeking support and guidance from the Reconciliation Committee about the approaches for Kaurna language dual naming or alternatives for the Pioneer Women's Memorial Garden (the garden), which is located in Karrawirra / Red Gum Park (Park 12).

The Trust seeks guidance from the Reconciliation Committee in relation to the naming of the Garden itself, recognising opportunities for Truth Telling and healing and for the growth of a relationship with the Kaurna community and strong engagement into the future. Following Kaurna consultation and advice, as with other naming proposals, this would be subject to Council approval.

The Pioneer Women's Memorial Garden was officially opened on 19 April 1941. The origin of the garden was in South Australia's centenary celebrations, held in 1936, when the women of South Australia raised £6250 to create a befitting memorial to the pioneering women of the State. Its name is linked to an acknowledgement of South Australia's colonial past.

This item will be tabled for discussion with a Trust representative in attendance to answer any inquiries from Committee Members.

This report also seeks guidance on Kaurna-led engagement, and ways that City of Adelaide may respectfully and ethically support and empower the sharing of Kaurna knowledge about Country through place-making activities, signage and promotion on Country, and throughout the Park Lands in particular.

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## RECOMMENDATION

### THAT THE RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE

1. Notes the intent of the Pioneer Women's Memorial Garden Trust to seek advice about approaches and opportunities the potential inclusion of Kaurna language in the title of the Pioneer Women's Memorial Garden.
  2. Authorises Administration in consultation with the Chair, to formalise feedback in writing from the Reconciliation Committee to inform the Pioneer Women's Memorial Trust on options and processes for naming approaches and any other opportunities for the Pioneer Women's Memorial Garden.
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## IMPLICATIONS AND FINANCIALS

City of Adelaide 2020-2024 Strategic Plan	<b>Strategic Alignment – Dynamic City Culture</b> 3.1 Support, promote and share Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and pay homage to the Kaurna people as traditional owners
Policy	The City of Adelaide's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) 2021-2024 includes reviewing physical landscape to enhance Kaurna visibility as a key action.
Consultation	Consultation with Kaurna Elders and community stakeholders.
Resource	Not as a result of this report.
Risk / Legal / Legislative	Not as a result of this report.
Opportunities	Increased use of Kaurna language across city monuments. Dual naming referenced in the RAP.
23/24 Budget Allocation	Not as a result of this report.
Proposed 24/25 Budget Allocation	Not as a result of this report.
Life of Project, Service, Initiative or (Expectancy of) Asset	Not as a result of this report.
23/24 Budget Reconsideration (if applicable)	Not as a result of this report.
Ongoing Costs (eg maintenance cost)	Not as a result of this report.
Other Funding Sources	Not as a result of this report.

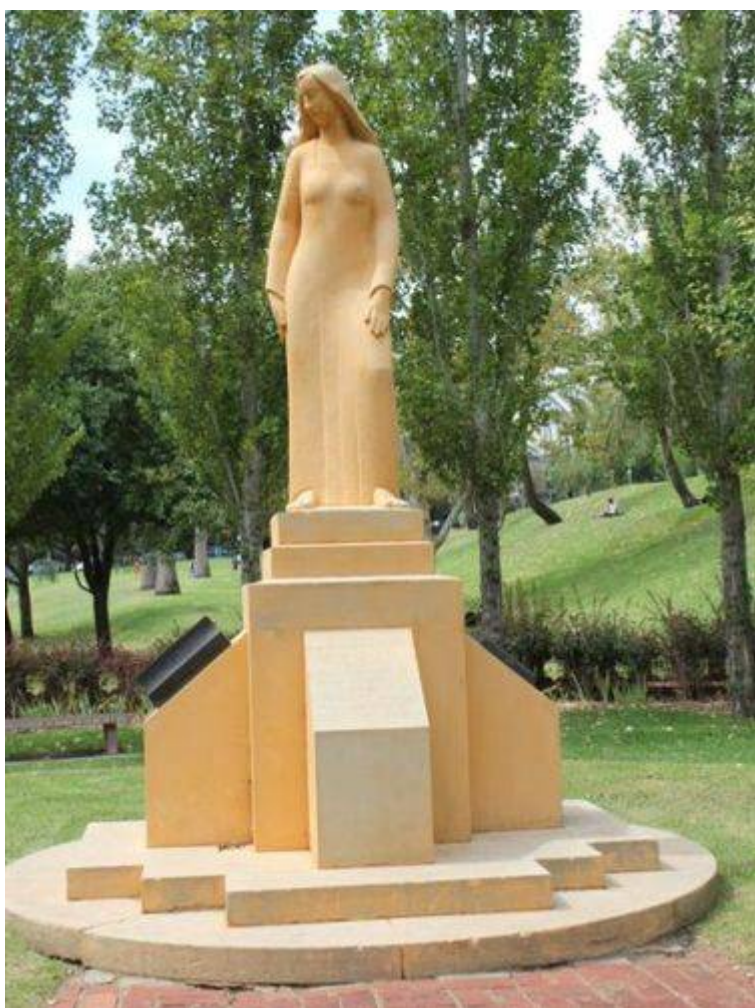


# DISCUSSION

1. The Pioneer Women’s Memorial Trust (the Trust) is seeking the opportunity to consult with the Reconciliation Committee about the potential to change the name of the garden. The Trust has stated that they are looking for advice about the use of Kaurna language in the title of the Pioneer Women’s Memorial Garden (the Garden), to replace the use of the word ‘Pioneer’.
  - 1.1. A Trust representative is scheduled to attend the meeting to answer any questions from Committee Members.
2. The Garden originated from South Australia’s centenary celebrations, held in 1936, when the women of South Australia raised £6250 to create a befitting memorial to the pioneering women of the State.
  - 2.1. It was the responsibility of the Pioneer Women’s Memorial Trust to determine how to spend the sum raised and the Trustees ultimately decided to donate £5000 to build the Royal Flying Doctor Base at Alice Springs. The remainder of the money was used to create the Garden to remember the pioneering spirit of South Australia’s women.
  - 2.2. In 1938 the Pioneer Women’s Memorial Trust commissioned Adelaide-based garden designer Elsie Cornish (1870-1946) to design and build the garden. Melbourne sculptor Ola Cohn (1892-1964) was also engaged to carve the sculpture of the timeless woman from a three tonne pillar of Waikerie limestone. Set into the base of the sculpture is a sundial designed by George Dodwell (1879-1963), the South Australian Government Astronomer, to accurately reflect Central Standard Time.
  - 2.3. Elsie also represented the five original trustees of the Pioneer Women’s Memorial Trust in the Garden by planting a Lombardy poplar for each of them. The row of poplars, replanted in 2002, stands tall behind the sculpture of the timeless woman and represents Adelaide Miethke OBE, Phebe Watson, Gisela Sibert OBE, Dorothy Dolling OBE and Margaret McQuire OAM.
3. Noting previous feedback from the Reconciliation Committee, there may also be opportunity to incorporate truth telling, and education for the community in relation to the historic activities undertaken by the Kaurna people at the location of the Garden, including if relevant cultural mapping.
4. Location of the garden:



5. Images of the garden:



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## ATTACHMENTS

Nil

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## Standing Item: KYAC Pipeline Discussions

Strategic Alignment - Dynamic City Culture

Public

**Program Contact:**

Associate Director Park Lands,  
Policy & Sustainability

**Approving Officer:**

Iliia Houridis - Director City  
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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to update the Reconciliation Committee on discussions with the Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation (KYAC) on Council projects in the City of Adelaide.

KYAC and the City of Adelaide (CoA) have a cooperative working relationship based on ongoing engagement about projects and their relationship to Kaurna Native Title.

Meetings of the KYAC Directors and CoA Administration are held quarterly, or more frequently if required, to discuss projects and seek advice.

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## RECOMMENDATION

### THAT THE RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

#### THAT COUNCIL

1. Receives the update on the Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation project pipeline discussions to the period ending 2 November 2023 and notes the Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation Pipeline Discussions 2023/24 contained in Attachment A to Item 5.4 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Reconciliation Committee held on 29 November 2023.
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## IMPLICATIONS AND FINANCIALS

City of Adelaide 2020-2024 Strategic Plan	<b>Strategic Alignment – Dynamic City Culture</b> 3.1 Support, promote and share Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and pay homage to the Kaurna people as traditional owners.
Policy	The KYAC pipeline discussions align with the 'Relationships' pillar in the City of Adelaide's Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2021-2024 (RAP) and Council's enduring commitment that: <i>'Consultations with Kaurna community Members are carried out regularly to ensure Council responds meaningfully to the advice and concerns of the Traditional Owners'.</i>
Consultation	KYAC pipeline discussions are held quarterly, or more frequently as required, to inform Council projects. The most recent meeting was held on 2 November 2023.
Resource	No as a result of this report
Risk / Legal / Legislative	No as a result of this report
Opportunities	The pipeline discussions recognise the significant work of KYAC across Kaurna Native Title and provide regular opportunities for City of Adelaide and KYAC to engage.
23/24 Budget Allocation	City of Adelaide has a 2023/24 budget allocation of \$30,000 for engagement with KYAC.
Proposed 24/25 Budget Allocation	No as a result of this report
Life of Project, Service, Initiative or (Expectancy of) Asset	The pipeline meetings will be held throughout 2023/2024.
23/24 Budget Reconsideration (if applicable)	No as a result of this report
Ongoing Costs (eg maintenance cost)	No as a result of this report
Other Funding Sources	No as a result of this report

## DISCUSSION

1. Kurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation (KYAC) and the City of Adelaide (CoA) have a cooperative working relationship based on ongoing engagement about projects and their relationship to Kurna Native Title.
2. Meetings of the KYAC Directors and CoA Administration are held quarterly, or more frequently, to discuss projects and seek advice.
3. This report outlines the projects discussed at the KYAC pipeline meeting held on the 2 November 2023.
4. A summary of KYAC Pipeline Discussions held and scheduled for the remainder of 2023/24 are contained in **Attachment A**. The attachment reflects activity for the current financial year but has previously included the North Adelaide Golf Course and will continue to include infrastructure projects.
5. Since the inception of the KYAC and CoA Pipeline Discussions, KYAC has commenced a stakeholder meeting held two-days prior to meetings of the KYAC Board to discuss projects on Kurna land.
6. It should be noted that projects on the Adelaide Park Lands led by the State Government consult with KYAC and the Administration in its meetings with State Government recommends engagement with KYAC when particular matters arise.
7. City of Adelaide will review its processes in 2024/25 in consultation with KYAC to follow the stakeholder methods put in place by KYAC.

### **KYAC Promotion**

8. This item aligns with Action 17 of the CoA Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) which commits to increasing the profile of the Kurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation, and state:
  - 8.1. Promote the City of Adelaide website and profile of board members of the Kurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation
  - 8.2. Support with providing professional images of Kurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation board members
  - 8.3. Include information online for educative purposes on the significant Kurna Native Title Determination.
9. The actions were discussed with KYAC Directors with a plan in place to ensure these actions are completed by June 2024.

### **Wauwi/Light Square Master Plan**

10. CoA outlined the scope of works for the Wauwi/Light Square Master Plan and sought feedback from KYAC about how the Board would like to be involved and kept informed.
11. CoA will host a workshop with KYAC and the consultant team to inform the start of the master planning process.

### **KYAC Engagement protocol workshop**

12. This item aligns with Action 7.1 and 7.4 of the CoA RAP which states:
  - 12.1. Develop an agreed process between Kurna and the CoA that determines when, in the project design phase, Kurna will be consulted in decisions about land use in the Adelaide Park Lands
  - 12.2. Work with Kurna to build their capacity to feed into the CoA project design process and build employee capacity to utilise Kurna advice.
13. The following questions were discussed at the workshop to spark discussion:
  - 13.1. What is the role of KYAC for the Kurna community?
  - 13.2. How Kurna community are engaged/mechanism (mailing list?)
  - 13.3. How would you describe the current strategic partnership with CoA?
  - 13.4. What does the ideal relationship look like?
  - 13.5. How does the Reconciliation Committee factor for KYAC?
  - 13.6. Does KYAC have a Terms of Reference stating areas of influence?
  - 13.7. Engaging outside of KYAC with Kurna community
14. The result of discussions provided direction to the Reconciliation Officer about how to progress an engagement protocol document.

## DATA AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

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## ATTACHMENTS

**Attachment A** – Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation Pipeline Discussions 2023/24

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