

11<sup>th</sup> May, 2018

**MAYOR  
COUNCILLORS  
CITY OF MOUNT GAMBIER**

**NOTICE** is given that the Community Engagement & Social Inclusion Sub-Committee will meet in the following Meeting Room on the day, date and time as follows:

**Community Engagement & Social Inclusion Sub-Committee**  
*(Committee Room - Level 4):*

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 at 6:00 pm

An agenda for the meeting is enclosed.



**Mark McSHANE**  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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**AGENDA OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & SOCIAL INCLUSION  
SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING**

Meeting to be held in the Committee Room, Civic Centre, 10 Watson Terrace, Mount Gambier on  
Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT**

Mayor Andrew Lee  
Cr Hanna Persello (Presiding Member)  
Cr Penny Richardson  
Cr Mark Lovett  
Judy McKay  
Sue Mutton  
Mel Stephenson  
Kate Amoroso

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

General Manager Community Wellbeing - Ms B Cernovskis  
Library Manager - Mrs G Davison  
Community Development and Engagement Officer - Mr B Kilsby

**WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE BOANDIK PEOPLES AS THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS OF THE LAND WHERE WE MEET TODAY. WE RESPECT THEIR SPIRITUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LAND AND RECOGNISE THE DEEP FEELINGS OF ATTACHMENT OUR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES HAVE WITH THIS LAND.**

**1. APOLOGY(IES)**

Apology(ies) received from Cr

That the apology from Cr be received.

Moved:

Seconded:

**2. CONFIRMATION OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & SOCIAL INCLUSION SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

That the minutes of the Community Engagement & Social Inclusion Sub-Committee meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018 be confirmed as an accurate record of the proceedings of that meeting.

Moved:

Seconded:

**3. QUESTIONS**

**3.1. With Notice**

Nil submitted.

**3.2. Without Notice**

**4. DEPUTATIONS**

Fleur Roachock, Principal Grant High School

**5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & SOCIAL INCLUSION SUB-COMMITTEE ITEMS**

Community Engagement & Social Inclusion Sub-Committee Items commence on the following page.



5.1. **Yerkalapata – Leading the Way: City of Mount Gambier Reconciliation Action Plan Update – Report No. AR18/18631**

<b>SUB-COMMITTEE</b>	Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	16 May 2018
<b>REPORT NO.</b>	AR18/18631
<b>RM8 REFERENCE</b>	AF17/432
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Ben Kilsby
<b>SUMMARY</b>	Update on the activities of the City of Mount Gambier Reconciliation Action Plan focus group.
<b>COMMUNITY PLAN REFERENCE</b>	Goal 1: Our People
	Goal 4: Our Climate, Natural Resources, Arts, Culture and Heritage

**REPORT RECOMMENDATION**

- (a) That Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee Report No. AR18/18631 titled '*Yerkalapata – Leading the Way: City of Mount Gambier Reconciliation Action Plan*' as presented to the Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee on 16 May 2018 be noted.
- (b) To be determined at the meeting.

Moved:

Seconded:

## Background

This report provides an update on the progress of the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) focus group, including the key points discussed at a meeting of the group held at Council on Monday 7 May 2018.

## Discussion

### Mapping of Boandik Country

Findings from further investigation into the development of a map outlining Boandik Country were presented to the focus group for discussion. Whilst the findings reiterated the uncontested positioning of Mount Gambier well within Boandik Country, it also identified limitations of the map as a tool of informing clear boundaries to where Boandik Country starts and finishes.

It was identified that more work was required to develop a map that would be useful in interpretive and educational activities locally.

### Signage

It was endorsed at the 19 December 2017 meeting of Council that the proposed signage strategy include Bunganditj, the language of the Boandik, for sites of cultural significance as recommended by the Elders of the Reconciliation Action Plan focus group.

The two stage approach in report AR17/49103 (Attachment 1) was discussed. The focus group agreed to prioritise work with Burrandies and the Boandik Language group to confirm correct language and appropriate design elements to be presented for consideration. This work is to be a collaborative approach that aligns with Councils endorsed concepts for the signage strategy and are to include:

- Welcome/entrance signage
- Locational signage for the Blue Lake, Leg of Mutton Lake and the entrance/grounds of the Valley Lakes.

The focus group further discussed options for the second, interpretative stage of the strategy that Council work with Burrandies and the Boandik Language group to scope a project that may attract funding for the engagement of a consultant or anthropology student to conduct research to assist with collection, curation of and content development for the interpretive signage.

### Observation of key dates

Council will acknowledge the following important dates with programmed activity at both the Library and Main Corner/Riddoch Art Gallery:

- National Sorry Day (26 May) – Display of part of National Sorry Day speech, educational materials and collection.
- Reconciliation Week (27 May to 3 June) *“Don’t Keep History a Mystery”*
  - ‘Ted Talks and Soup’ event and themed Bookwell program and Story Time Sessions
  - Exhibition of the Gooch Collection curated to explore the theme.

### Membership

It was agreed that a simple communication tool be developed for Elders to approach new members for the RAP working group, with a particular emphasis on young people and representatives from the education sector.



## Conclusion

The RAP Focus Group will continue to meet regularly to progress the development of the plan and implement targeted initiatives that are strategically aligned with the direction of Council.

## Attachments

[Attachment 1 \(AR17/49103\) - Signage Strategy - Inclusion of Boandik Language - Report No. AR17/49103](#)



**Ben KILSBY**  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ENGAGEMENT OFFICER



**Barbara CERNOVSKIS**  
GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY WELLBEING

11 May 2018  
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**5.2. GOVERNANCE - Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee - Vulnerable Families - Ref. AF17/432**

*The Presiding Member sought the approval of at least two-thirds of the members present at the meeting to suspend meeting procedures:*

*Purpose of the Suspension:*

*To discuss the following:*

- *Action aligned with key focus area 3 – Vulnerable Families*
  - *Community Day*

*To be carried by more than two-thirds of the members present at the meeting.*

*Meeting Procedures were suspended at      p.m.*

*The Presiding Member determined that the period of suspension should be brought to an end.*

*To be carried by more than two-thirds of the members present at the meeting.*

*The Period of Suspension came to an end and Meeting Procedures resumed at      p.m.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

(a) To be determined at the meeting

Moved:

Seconded:

**6. MOTION(S)**

**6.1. With Notice**

Nil Submitted

**6.2. Without Notice**

Meeting closed at      p.m.

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**COUNCIL RESOLUTION – 19<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2017**

**12.26. Signage Strategy - Inclusion of Boandik Language - Report No. AR17/49103**

- (a) That Operational Standing Committee Report No. AR17/49103 titled '*Signage Strategy - Inclusion of Boandik Language*' as presented to the Operational Standing Committee on 12 December 2017 be noted.
- (b) That the proposed signage strategy include Bunganditj, the language of the Boandik, for sites of cultural significance as recommended by the Elders of the Reconciliation Action Plan focus group.
- (c) That an overlay map be produced recognising the territories and boundaries of Boandik Country.

Moved: Cr Greco

Seconded: Cr Lynagh

Carried



**REPORT TITLE**

**Signage Strategy - Inclusion of Boandik Language**

<b>COMMITTEE</b>	Operational Standing Committee
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	12 December 2017
<b>REPORT NO.</b>	AR17/49103
<b>RM8 REFERENCE</b>	AF17/521
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Barbara Cernovskis
<b>SUMMARY</b>	That the proposed signage strategy include Bunganditj, the language of the Boandik, for sites of cultural significance as recommended by the Elders of the Reconciliation Action Plan focus group.
<b>COMMUNITY PLAN REFERENCE</b>	Goal 1: Our People
	Goal 2: Our Location
	Goal 4: Our Climate, Natural Resources, Arts, Culture and Heritage

**REPORT RECOMMENDATION**

- (a) That Operational Standing Committee Report No. AR17/49103 titled '*Signage Strategy – Inclusion of Boandik Language*' as presented to the Operational Standing Committee on 12 December 2017 be noted.
- (b) That the proposed signage strategy include Bunganditj, the language of the Boandik, for sites of cultural significance as recommended by the Elders of the Reconciliation Action Plan focus group.
- (c) That an overlay map be produced recognising the territories and boundaries of Boandik Country.

## Background

Yerkalalpata - Leading the Way. Progressive development of a Reconciliation Action Plan for the City of Mount Gambier has been underway since 2015 with actions and recommendations regularly reported and endorsed by Council via the minutes of the Community Engagement and Social Inclusion subcommittee.

A significant action item identified in the Reconciliation Action Plan is the introduction of Bunganditj, the Language of the Boandik, to public signage when acknowledging and/or referencing sites of cultural significance. Mapping of Boandik country is also an identified action item.

Discussion leading to these actions have included:

- That cultural consideration be given to naming on future City Welcome signage that includes Boandik acknowledgement at the City's key entry points and includes use of the name Berrin (Mount Gambier)
- Boandik recognition signage at key Civic locations and at identified sites of cultural significance
- Opportunities for the extended railway passage between Pick and White Avenues to include a Boandik *cultural* information trail
- Create a Boandik map for use as an education and community reference tool

## Discussion

Council have now commenced implementation of a Signage Strategy with the next stage recommended to be the creation of full size concepts for tourist regulatory road signs, pedestrian directional signage and pedestrian interpretive signs.

Concurrent to developing the implementation plan for the Signage Strategy, further consultation was undertaken with the Elders of the Reconciliation Action Plan focus group to seek confirmation of the sites to be recognised as culturally significant, the appropriate naming in Bunganditj language, dreaming story incorporation and the boundaries of Boandik country.

The suggestion from that consultation was for a 3-stage approach as follows:

Stage 1 - Signage for Gateway and Crater Lakes Precinct

Gateway signage to acknowledge that Berrin (Mount Gambier) is on Boandik Country. There are many examples of good recognition signage now available, and new signage has recently gone up in the Coorong.

There was further discussion regarding Bunganditj (the language of the Boandik) incorporation in signage. The Elders identified we should seek clarification from the dictionary and the language reference group at Burrandies for dual naming to occur when referencing key areas of the Craitbul story:

### *Regionally*

- Mount Gambier - Berrin
- Mount Muirhead - Beleter
- Mount Schank - Parreen



*Crater Lakes Precinct*

- Leg of Mutton - Yatton Loo
- The Blue Lake - Warwar
- Valley Lake - Yart Lambo
- Valley Lake (South) Palon
- Browns Lake - Krawerat-wari

*Other Sites*

- Umpherston's Cave - Balambul

Stage 2 - Stories/Content for interpretative signage

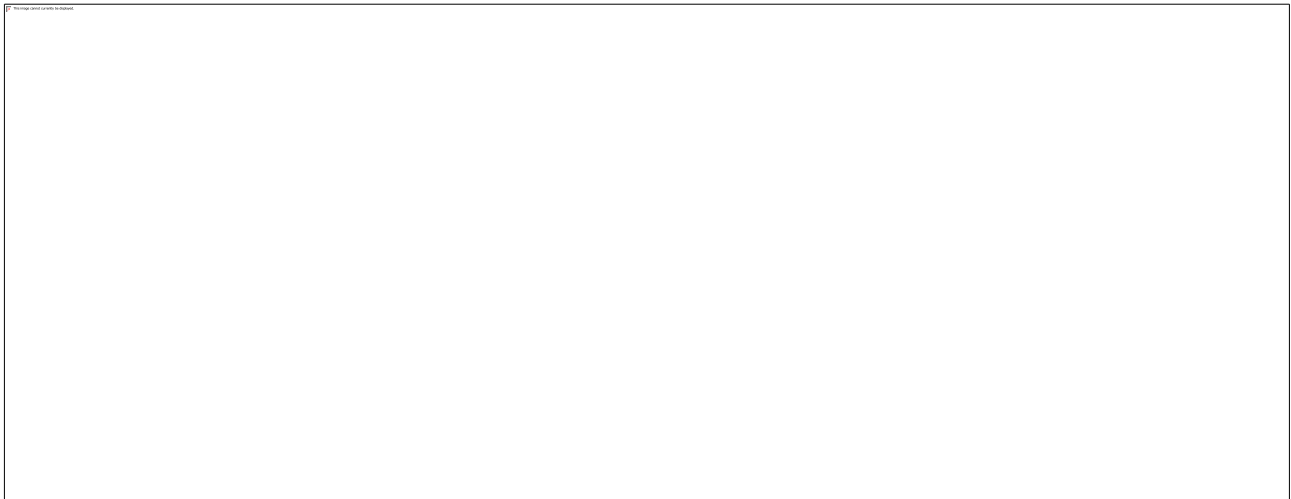
Crater Lakes precinct, the Elders recommend Council start with signage detailing the Craitbul dreaming story, explaining how the craters came to be. Develop a signage trail detailing the unfolding story. A version of the story was written many years ago and it is recommended that this be used as the base.

Following on from the Craitbul story, recommend that there be a focus on Mar the cockatoo and how the swamp country came about.

Stage 3 - Boandik Area Map

Commence work to produce an overlay map recognising the territories and boundaries of Boandik Country. This will be helpful to identify other local Government areas incorporating Boandik country and placement for Welcome to Boandik Country signage in the region.

Following is a high level scheme of key milestones of the proposed Signage Strategy implementation:



**Conclusion**

Aligned with Council's commitment to the Reconciliation Action Plan, integration of the Bunganditj (the language of the Boandik), in the tourist signage implementation strategy proposed in this



report be undertaken in the Gateways and tourist precincts of the Valley Lakes and Umpherston Sinkhole with other City attractions to be proposed following this implementation.

**Attachments**

Nil

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**Barbara CERNOVSKIS**  
GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY WELLBEING

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**Mark McSHANE**  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

7 December 2017  
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