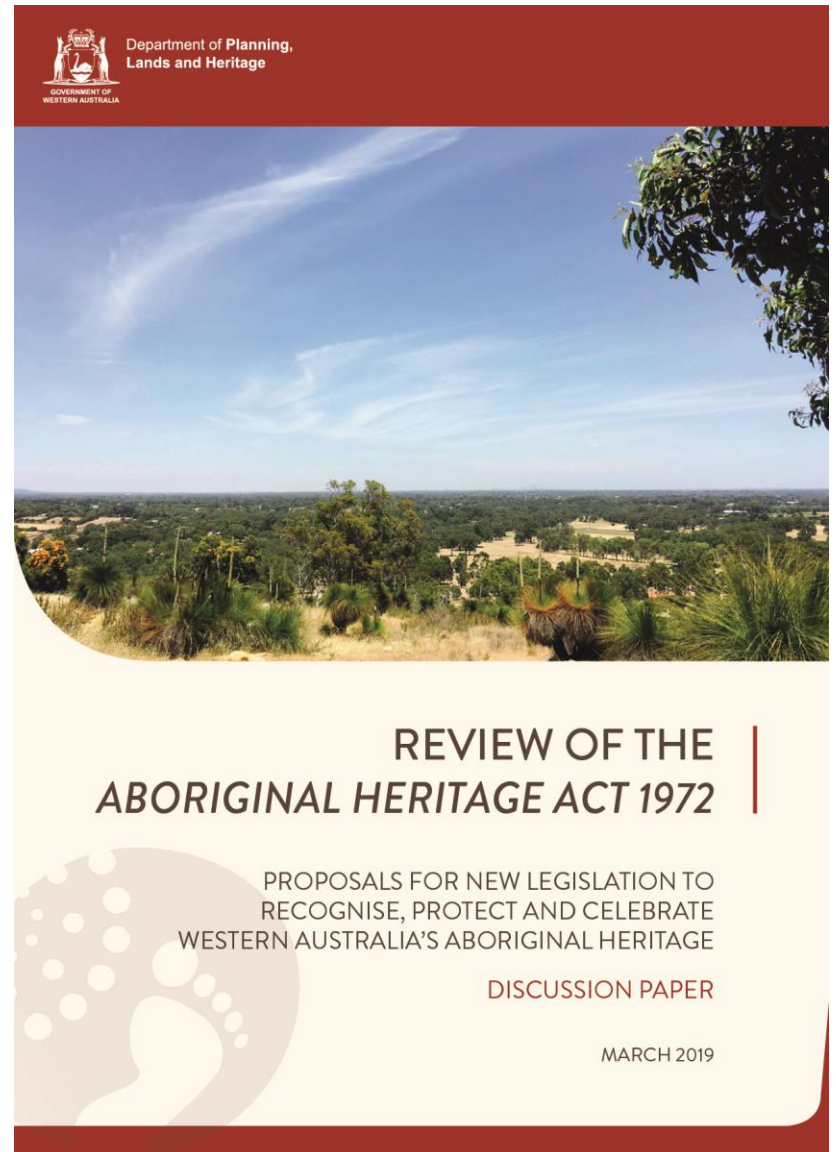


*PROPOSALS FOR NEW
ABORIGINAL HERITAGE
LEGISLATION*

*NORTHAM
COMMUNITY WORKSHOP
1 May 2019*

MEETING RECORD



DISCUSSION PAPER PROPOSALS

1. A New Aboriginal Heritage Act

PROPOSAL 1: *Repeal the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 and deliver new Aboriginal heritage legislation*

2. What new legislation will cover: Aboriginal heritage places, objects, ancestral remains

PROPOSAL 2: *Update definitions and scope of new Aboriginal heritage legislation*

3. Key roles in Aboriginal heritage: Proposed local and central bodies – Functions and selection

PROPOSAL 3(a): *Local Aboriginal Heritage Services*

PROPOSAL 3(b): *The Aboriginal Heritage Council*

PROPOSAL 3(c): *The Minister's role*

PROPOSAL 3(d): *The role of the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage*

PROPOSAL 3(e): *Heritage professionals – aiding selection of those with appropriate qualifications and experience and improving standards*

4. How heritage information will be managed: The Aboriginal heritage register

PROPOSAL 4: *Retain the current form and function of the register of Aboriginal Places and Objects but rename it the Aboriginal Heritage Register*

DISCUSSION PAPER PROPOSALS (cont.)

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PROPOSAL 4: Retain the current form and function of the Register of Aboriginal Places and Objects but rename it the Aboriginal Heritage Register

5. Managing land use proposals that may impact on Aboriginal heritage

PROPOSAL 5: Introduce a referral mechanism to facilitate tiered assessments and approvals of proposed land uses

6. Agreements between Aboriginal people and land users

PROPOSAL 6: Encourage and recognise agreement making

7. Transparency of decision making

PROPOSAL 7: Transparency and appeals

8. Enforcement: Offences and penalties

PROPOSAL 8: A modernised enforcement regime

9. Protecting places of outstanding importance

PROPOSAL 9: Protected Areas

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Proposal 1+2 New Act + Scope

- Supportive but the test will be related to the workability
- More scope to places related to camping & assoc with travelling
- Recognising past ancestral trails & historical association to places.
- Important to promote Aboriginal history & stories.
- Access to heritage places.

Proposal 3A

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LOCAL ABORIGINAL HERITAGE SERVICE

- Members need to demonstrate connection to country.
- Affinity to the land & knowledge of the area.
- Supportive - Local people = Local solutions
- Must be adequately resourced.
- Must be regionally based.

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Proposal 3B Aboriginal Heritage Council

- Highly skilled as determined by the Aboriginal community.
- Supportive of the concept, but the devil is in the detail.
- Concern that full Aboriginal membership isn't mandated.
- If not full Aboriginal membership there needs to be a development plan
- Must be responsive to the LAHS

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Proposal 5 Land Use Assessment

- Generally supportive.
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PROPOSAL 4 Aboriginal Heritage Register

- Coverage to be as broad as possible.
- Supportive of the proposal.
- Printable forms which are field reportable for use on country.
- LAHS to be supported to take people on country—to improve quality of info on the Register

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Proposal 3E Directory of Heritage Professionals

- Needs to be a way for skilled T/Os to be on the Register
 - ↳ LAHS to support suitably experienced T/Os to nominate for the directory.

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NORTHAM 1/5/19 (7)
Proposal 3C Minister's Role

- Like the transparency.

NORTHAM 1/5/19 (8)
Proposal 6 Agreements

- Must demonstrate open communication
- LAHS has the authority to review/work across boundaries.
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NORTHAM 1/5/19 (9)

Proposal 7 Transparency & Appeals

- Transparency must be demonstrated throughout the entire process, not just ~~at~~ the point of a decision.
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NORTHAM 1/5/19 (10)

Proposal 8 Enforcement

- Compensation to go to LAHS.
- Fines to go to relevant area, not consolidated revenue.

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NORTHAM 1/5/19 (11)

Proposal 3D Role of DPLH

- Needs to be adequately resourced, particularly in support for LAHS
- s50(d) positions or s51

NORTHAM 1/5/19 (12)

Proposal 9 Protected Areas

- Transparency must be applicable throughout the entire process.
- LAHS to have a formal process to nominate areas to be recognised as Protected Areas
- Adequate resources provided to Manage P.A.s.