



# Aboriginal Strategic Advisory Group

## Communique Meeting 01/2023 - 13 & 14 March 2023

The Aboriginal Strategic Advisory Group met in Walyalup to consider information and updates from Communities on the Strategic Priorities identified by the members.

The Minister for Child Protection, Hon Sabine Winton MLA joined members for a roundtable discussion which emphasised their shared priorities to promote the voices of community and create the conditions for change, healing and empowerment.

Key discussion points at the meeting include:

### The 10 Year Roadmap

- Ensuring that Aboriginal communities know of and can navigate services, supports and systems – education and getting the message out to community.
- The need for community development and strengthening families. Complexities of decision-making were discussed.

### The ACCO Strategy and economic empowerment and procurement

- Empowering future generations through skill development and employment gained locally.
- Design of services, procurement and contracting needs to align with place-based needs of communities and ways of working.
- Balancing regulatory requirements with the administrative burden on organisations.

### Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)

- The importance of Communities RAP and its integration with Communities' broader Aboriginal Cultural Capability Reform Program.

### Communities' Aboriginal Workforce

- The Advisory Group's vision for development of the Department of Communities Aboriginal workforce. Creating opportunity and pathways, wealth building and economic empowerment.

The next meeting of the Advisory Group will be held in Kununurra on 12 & 13 June 2023.

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#### Acknowledgment of Country

The Department of Communities acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Western Australia and their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to them and their cultures, and to their Elders past and present.