

# MINUTES OF MEETING



## ARAKWAL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Venue	Arakwal Room, Byron Bay Library
Date	Thursday, 2 March 2017
Time	9.00am



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## **Minutes of the Arakwal Memorandum of Understanding Advisory Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 2 March 2017**

**File No:** I2017/245

**PRESENT:** Cr C Coorey, Cr S Ndiaye

Staff: Mark Arnold (Director Corporate and Community Services)  
Belle Arnold (Aboriginal Projects Officer)  
Andy Erskine (Open Space Technical Services Officer) Report No. 4.2  
Lisa Brennan (Minute Taker)

Community: Gavin Brown, Rita Roberts

Mark Arnold opened the meeting at 9.23am.

*Gavin acknowledged the passing of Bundjalung Elder, Aunty Bertha Kapeen, whose funeral will be held on Friday 3 March at St Mary's in Ballina.*

### **Election of Chairperson**

Nominations were called for the position of Chairperson. Cr Ndiaye was the only nomination received. Cr Ndiaye was elected Chairperson.

*Cr Ndiaye (Chair) in taking the Chair acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Bundjalung Country.*

### **APOLOGIES:**

There were apologies received from Delta Kay and Annette Kelly.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

#### **Committee Recommendation:**

That confirmation of the minutes from the Arakwal Memorandum of Understanding Advisory Committee Meeting held on 24 August 2016 be deferred to the next meeting. (Brown/Coorey)

*The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.*

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

There was no business arising from previous minutes.

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## STAFF REPORTS - CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

**Report No. 4.1**                    **Arakwal Mou Implementation Plan 2017/18**  
**File No:**                            I2017/218

### **Committee Recommendation:**

1. That the Arakwal MoU Advisory Committee recommend that Council note the progress on the implementation of the Arakwal Memorandum of Understanding for the reporting period 2015-16.
2. That the Arakwal MoU Advisory Committee recommend that Council endorse the Arakwal Memorandum of Understanding Implementation Plan 2017-18 and identify the priority projects from the Arakwal MoU for implementation in 2017-18, as being:
  - Emphasis on protecting wetlands and estuaries, including Belongil, Tallow Beach, Clarkes Beach, West Byron, Cumbebin Swamp, and adjacent to the Island Quarry.
3. That a meeting be convened with the Arakwal Corporation and Council to discuss matters relating to Sandhills estate (MoU No. 5.2.3).
4. That the Committee note a meeting is being held next week with the Office of Environment and Heritage, Council and the NCHPT on stormwater issues from Clarkes Beach Holiday Park (MoU No. 4.2.2).
5. That the Manager Utilities be invited to the next meeting to provide an update on works being carried out within the Belongil catchment and Clarkes Beach midden, and to also discuss the appointment of an Arakwal representative on the Waste, Water and Sewer Advisory Committee. (Ndiaye/Coorey)

*The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.*

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**Report No. 4.2**                    **Arakwal Area at the Byron Bay Cemetery Update**  
**File No:**                            I2017/219

### **Committee Recommendation:**

1. That the Arakwal Memorandum of Understanding Advisory Committee recommend that Council note the progress on this project and provide further direction for the next stage of this project.
2. That a working party be formed to determine how the Arakwal section of the Byron Bay Cemetery will operate. (Brown/Roberts)

*The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.*

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**Report No. 4.3**                      **Byron Shire Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Study**  
**File No:**                              I2017/220

**Committee Recommendation:**

That the Arakwal MoU Advisory Committee recommend that Council note the progress of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Study 2017. (Roberts/Brown)

*The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.*

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**Report No. 4.4**                      **Aboriginal Cultural Events in the Byron Shire**  
**File No:**                              I2017/221

**Committee Recommendation:**

That the Arakwal Memorandum of Understanding Advisory Committee recommend that Council note the development and delivery of cultural activities and events for this reporting period.(Ndiaye/B

*The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.*

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## OTHER BUSINESS

1. Future meeting times

Gavin advised that Annette Kelly is only available on Mondays. Both Councillors are unavailable on Mondays, but could attend on Thursdays or Fridays. It was decided to uphold the next meeting date as scheduled (Thursday 1 June), with further discussions to be had between Gavin and Arakwal Board members regarding meeting times.

2. Parking in Byron Bay

Gavin noted that the Arakwal Corporation pay \$800 per year for parking for 10 board members through a business permit, and would encourage Dean Rotumah to apply for the same. Gavin suggested any penalty notices are Dean's responsibility and that he should be paying for parking as the Arakwal do, he should not be exempt.

3. Past Committee members

The Committee acknowledged the work of Councillors Spooner and Richardson on this committee and thanked them for their contribution.

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*There being no further business the meeting concluded at 11.08am.*

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