# MINUTES OF MEETING



# ARAKWAL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Venue Council Chambers

Thursday, 8 October 2020

Time **10.00am** 

#### BYRON SHIRE COUNCIL

ARAKWAL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 8 OCTOBER 2020

Minutes of the Arakwal Memorandum of Understanding Advisory Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 8 October 2020

File No: 12020/1479

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

Staff: Deb Stafford (Acting Manager Social and Cultural Planning)

Rob Appo (Acting Community and Cultural Development Coordinator / Project

Officer (Aboriginal))

Pamela Durkin (Minute Taker)

Community: Sharon Sloane (General Manager, Arakwal Corporation)

Leon Kelly Ashley Moran

Cr Ndiaye (Chair) opened the meeting at 10:34am.

Leon Kelly offered a Welcome to Country and acknowledged Sarah Ford's contribution to the Arakwal MOU over the years.

### **APOLOGIES**:

There were no apologies.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

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

There was no business arising from previous minutes.

#### STAFF REPORTS - CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Report No. 3.1 Arakwal Cemetery - guidelines and fee waivers

**File No:** 12020/808

#### **Committee Recommendation:**

The Arakwal MoU Advisory Committee recommends that:

Council seeks further information on whether an application to NSW State Government may be supported to waive burial fees for Arakwal members in recognition of their Native Title Rights and, if appropriate, pursues the waiver.

Until such time that a permanent pathway is in place, that an application can be submitted by Arakwal Corporation on a case by case basis for fees to be waived for burial costs which can be approved by the General Manager.

(Moran/Ndiaye)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried

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#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

## No. 3.2 Official Recognition of Sarah Ford's Contribution

Sharon proposed that Sarah be formally acknowledged by the MOU Committee

#### **Committee Recommendation:**

The Arakwal MOU Advisory Committee send a card and letter to Sarah Ford thanking her for her empathy and understanding for Arakwal people and for her professionalism and integrity. Her work is greatly appreciated.

(Kelly/Ndiaye)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 11:54am.