



19th November 2008

ABORIGINAL LIAISON COMMITTEE

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SUBJECT TO ADOPTION BY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE DISCUSSION OF THE ABORIGINAL LIAISON COMMITTEE OF KEMPSEY SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 19th NOVEMBER 2008, COMMENCING AT 12.00NOON AT COUNCIL COMMITTEE ROOM, CORNER ELBOW AND TOZER STREETS, WEST KEMPSEY

PRESENT

Councillor Betty Green (Chair), Councillor Liz Campbell, Kathy Oliver (Manager Customer and Community Services), Harold Smith (Dunghutti Elder), Heather McGregor (Djigay Centre TAFE), Tracey Edwards (Community Development Worker), and Shirley Doyle (SWR Community Member)

SPECIAL GUESTS:

Jan Kesby (Coordinator Dunghutti Ngaku Aboriginal Art Gallery VIC Centre) and Terry Flanagan (NSW Dept of National Parks & Wildlife Services)

APOLOGIES:

Judy Bloomfield, Noelene Griffin and Ren Perkins

- 1 Adoption of the report of the Aboriginal Liaison Committee held on the 13th August 2008.**

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Aboriginal Liaison Committee meeting held on 13th August 2008 be confirmed.

- 2 Dunghutti Ngaku Aboriginal Art Gallery**

The name of the new Aboriginal Arts Gallery is now Dunghutti / Ngaku Aboriginal Art Gallery, they have a steering committee and this is how the name was formed.

The art gallery has been placed on the internet, it is set up for people to buy on-line (people are buying from overseas on-line). The gallery is looking for other artworks, and from other areas.

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MAYOR

Launch of the art gallery email and website will happen early next year.

CDEP workers work Mondays and Thursdays at the moment to help Mrs Kesby and other funding is being sourced.

There's not much art work at the moment and works are needed to sell.

South Kempsey, Greenhill and Bellbrook are putting some of their Aboriginal bags etc. into the centre.

People to be approached to put works into the centre;

- Zona Moran – Aboriginal Artist SWR
- Roger Ferguson – Crescent Head Artwork
- and any other artist to contact Jan Kesby

3 Country Women's Association – Burnt Bridge

Tracey to have meeting with Jenny Jones 16th and 17th December 2008, to discuss the Country Women's Association of Burnt Bridge and Greenhill. Tracey will advise members at next meeting of the outcome. Betty mention to contact Rachel Landers regarding as Rachel might have some information on the Country Women's Association.

4 Parndana's People – South West Rocks

Terry Flanagan advises members that Lindsay Noonan Drive - Parndana's People are doing a risk assessment, weed control and the site has been registered with National Parks & Wildlife Services – a 10 metre buffer has been placed around the burial site. Open discussion on how the reserve is going to be used for the SWR People these include.

- Aboriginal area people have a duty of care when working on site
- A Management plan of the area
- Education program – culture and heritage – pamphlet of the area
- Invite - schools and neighbours to help with the site
- Weeds Officer – Greg Egan to come and have some input into the site
- Signs for the site - environmental, culture & heritage etc

5 Bora Ring

Tracey advised that she has forwarded a letter to Kempsey Local Aboriginal Land Council giving all information of the Bora Ring found at East Kempsey Cemetery. Tracey has asked Kempsey Local Aboriginal Land Council to contact National Parks & Wildlife Services to have the Bora Ring recorded on the Culture & Heritage register no response as to date.

1 Australia Day Surveys

Kathy Oliver advised that Australia Day nominations are available on Kempsey Shire Council Web site and are currently open.

7 Restrictor of Council

The future of format the Aboriginal Liaison Committee was discussed this included

- working party or consultative group
- no quorum for these meetings
- nomination for working party
- 6 months to be reviewed

8 EEO Ref Group

- 1 Position was advertised Parks and Garden
- closed Tue last week
- knowledge of C & H

9 TAFE

TAFE advised of the following programs

- Aboriginal Culture & Public Art signage;
- knowledge Dunghutti people
- Sculptor for pray mantis
- Someone on committee
- KSC member on committee
- Copy of minutes
- Business plan – Wigay Park

10 Evaluation

(Although there was no quorum) the meeting was interesting and productive.

11 Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Aboriginal Liaison Committee will be held on a date and time to be advised

12 Conclusion

Their being no further business the discussion concluded at 2pm.