

EME027	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE TRADITIONAL OWNERS		
POLICY OWNER:	Council		
DEPARTMENT:	Office of the CEO		
CREATION DATE:		REVIEW SCHEDULE:	Annually
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RELATED FORMS:			
RELATED DELEGATIONS:			
RELATED POLICIES:			
LEGISLATION:			
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23/08/2022	Council	Nil	FC7/8/22
25/06/2024	Council	Nil	OCM 04/06/24

EME027 Acknowledgement of the Traditional Owners

OBJECTIVES

To ensure appropriate recognition of local indigenous peoples at Shire meetings, functions, and forums.

POLICY STATEMENT/S

A Welcome to Country is to be arranged with a local Traditional Elder to recognise the traditional custodians of the area, for official major Shire of Carnarvon events, including but not limited to:

- events celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and culture such as the official opening of NAIDOC Week,
- Australia Day Citizenship Ceremonies.

An Acknowledgement of the Traditional People is to be read aloud at these events by the official representative of the Shire, and at other events where appropriate.

An Acknowledgment of the Yinggarda People and is to be placed by the Shire of Carnarvon in appropriate written forms, including but not limited to:

- Strategic Community Plan,
- Corporate Business Plan,
- Shire of Carnarvon website.

INSERT STATEMENT AS PER WEBSITE

The Shire of Carnarvon acknowledges and respects the Yinggarda (Carnarvon) and Baiyungu (Coral Bay) as the traditional custodians of the lands where we live and work. We pay our respects to Elders, past, present and emerging. The Shire of Carnarvon is committed to honouring the traditional custodians' unique cultural and spiritual relationships to the land, waters and seas and their rich contribution to society. The Shire's commitment to reconciliation is embedded in our Reconciliation Action Plan.