

10 July 2024

Dear Chief Executive Officer,

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECONCILIATION RESOURCE  
SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE**

In the spirit of celebrating Aboriginal culture during the current NAIDOC week, we are pleased to let you know about an important new project that aims to provide Local Government with an online resource to assist with place-based approaches to supporting and advancing reconciliation across Local Government functions. We recognise the great work currently being done by the sector, and are asking you to share your Local Government's knowledge, processes, stories, and best practice case studies for inclusion.

Reconciliation WA, WALGA, the Department of the Premier and Cabinet, Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage and Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries have partnered to develop this resource that is intended to bring together reconciliation best practices, networks, local stories, case studies and policies in one online resource.

Supported by the five (5) key themes of place making, agreement making, people, planning, approvals and legislation, and reconciliation the website aims to provide Local Governments with:

- Support to build capacity and capability to engage with local Aboriginal communities to support reconciliation and involvement in Local Government decision making processes;
- Best practice examples of reconciliation and Aboriginal engagement;
- Information to assist with understanding and meeting legislative, regulatory and policy requirements with respect to Aboriginal cultural heritage and Native Title; and
- Advice and guidance with respect to the various matters on which they engage with Aboriginal communities, including, but not limited to, reconciliation, cultural protocols, Aboriginal cultural heritage, native title, Aboriginal governance structures and Aboriginal employment and procurement.

The resource will champion peer to peer knowledge sharing through sharing case studies and best practices from Local Governments and partners, modelling examples of partnership, connection and collaboration already occurring within communities.

Local Government's support and engagement are crucial to the success of this resource, building on our collective achievements and enhancing our learning and collaboration across the sector.

We encourage you to get involved in the project and share your Local Government's efforts. This can be done by emailing [francine@recwa.org.au](mailto:francine@recwa.org.au) or completing an [Expression of Interest form](#). You can also find out more about the new website [here](#).

This collaboration will help shape and support reconciliation initiatives and assist Local Governments to drive meaningful action and change within their communities. This project has been made possible by the support of the agencies involved and Lotterywest.

Thank you for your support and for continuing to walk together on the journey to reconciliation.

Yours sincerely

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**Nick Sloan**  
**CEO WALGA**

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**Jody Nunn**  
**CEO Reconciliation WA**