



## ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS COORDINATING COMMITTEE

### JUNE 2023 MEETING

The Aboriginal Affairs Coordinating Committee (AACC) enables whole-of-government coordination on strategic government initiatives and policies that affect the cultural, health and economic outcomes for Aboriginal people in Western Australia.

The AACC met on 29 June 2023. This communique provides an update on matters considered at the meeting.

The AACC welcomed the attendance of the Hon. Dr Tony Buti MLA, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, who shared his priorities for the Aboriginal Affairs portfolio.

#### **Aboriginal Advisory Council Western Australia**

The Aboriginal Advisory Council Western Australia (the Council) emphasised the importance of the Western Australian Aboriginal Empowerment Strategy to working in partnership with Aboriginal people and communities and in guiding work across Aboriginal affairs in Western Australia (WA).

#### **Aboriginal Data Sovereignty and Governance**

The AACC considered Aboriginal Data Sovereignty and Governance mechanisms as part of the WA Government's broader commitment to Privacy and Responsible Information Sharing legislation.

#### **Closing the Gap and Implementation Plan**

The AACC discussed the Closing the Gap activities noting there are several significant pieces of work underway, including developing WA's updated Implementation Plan for Closing the Gap.

The AACC also considered data released by the Productivity Commission on 15 June 2023 which provided new data on four of the socioeconomic targets, eight supporting indicators and disaggregation for six targets and three supporting indicators under Closing the Gap.

#### **Closing the Gap Targets**

The AACC discussed the early years development target (Target 4).

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**CHAIR**

*\*Confidential deliberations are not included.*