

**Aboriginal Heritage Act (1972) Review:
Phase 1 Consultation Workshops:
April – May 2018:
Facilitator Report:**

Workshop Name: My Heritage, My Voice:

Date: Monday 30th April 2018:

Town / Venue: Moora:

Facilitator: Lee Harper Penman:

Number of Attendees: 18:

Any logistical / venue related issues: N/A

Summary of Key Issues raised:

- Lack of community access to quality and credible information
- The impact was evident and hampered development of sustainable community responses.
- The lack of Yued community-driven leadership and succession planning and legacy/ Eldership was thought to be not supported or recognised by Government Departments or external organisations / companies.

Summary of key ideas for amended legislation:

- Establish a multi – platform presence in the formulization of Yued Noongar specific steering group that will increase knowledge and provide leadership and
- Begin to build an asset – based community development and social action approach in relation to policies and practices that damage sites of cultural and spiritual significance / importance.

Points of contention:

- Increased community awareness of the relationship between the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage and the Aboriginal / Noongar, Yued community.
- Much more transparency wanted and needed.
- More recognition, support of local established elders.
- Explore how to build / support Yued Steering Group capacity, leadership and resilience to enable lobbying for change at local, regional and national levels.

Overall effectiveness of workshop:

The overall effectiveness of workshop, may be described as both very productive and engaging, participants were very vocal and eagerly engaged in conversation, thoughts and ideas,

Were very keen to have the team back to discuss in the questions asked and points raised by other participants of the workshop.

Also keen to involve other community members.

Any other observations:

Group does hold some apprehension regarding this process and feel that they on countless occasions have gone through a similar exercise.

They expressed that they hold some faith in this due to both Haley Coyne and Lee Harper Penman's involvement as they have a solid and sound reputation within community.

Any suggestions for next phase of consultation:

Because of the attendance it is anticipated that more numbers will attend, so taking this into account, the suggestion of the following:

- More time on the ground needed for the location.
- Involvement of younger adults.
- Workshops to be run morning to afternoon and then afternoon to evening on the same day.
- Day 1 strategic out reach.
- Day 2 delivery of workshop consultation process.
- Include succession planning and "Legacy" / Eldership initiatives within community leadership projects, actively supported by the local shire and The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage.
- Support the progress made as a result of this consultation process in relation to the development of Yued community leaders and initiatives such as the Ranger Program in order to develop strong and dynamic Yued community perspectives about Planning, Lands and Heritage on their own country.