



MEDIA RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Council moving towards reconciliation

August 13, 2018
COOKTOWN

Cook Shire Council is moving towards meaningful reconciliation with Cape York Traditional Owners, with a draft Reconciliation Action Plan open for community consultation.

The draft Reconciliation Action Plan 2018-20 sets out the Council's commitments to Traditional Owners, and how they will be delivered over the next two years. "Reconciliation is about more than words on paper," Cook Shire Council Chief Executive Officer Linda Cardew said. "This document needs to embody a true partnership effort, with real, meaningful actions which are achievable and aligned with the needs of Cook Shire Bama and aspirations of both Council and the broader community. We encourage all our residents and stakeholders, both Indigenous and non-Indigenous, and our neighbouring shires to read the draft and have their say in this important document."

The draft plan is available to view on Council's website, in Council's office and libraries and at key locations around the Shire. Council staff are also at the CWA Hall on Charlotte Street between 10am and 4pm all this week (August 13 to 17) with copies of the plan and feedback forms. Feedback is requested to be in writing and submitted to Council by Wednesday, September 12.

For more information, to request a copy of the Reconciliation Action Plan or a feedback form, or to provide feedback by phone, contact Council's Acting Risk and Governance Officer via email at mail@cook.qld.gov.au or phone on 4069 5444. Feedback forms may be posted to Council at PO Box 3, Cooktown, 4895.

~ end ~