



**MULTICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, 28 NOVEMBER 2023 AT 10.00AM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**AGENDA**

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**WELCOME BY CHAIRPERSON**

**APOLOGIES**

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**NOTING OF MINUTES**

**Minutes of Multicultural Advisory Committee**

File: S04141  
Meeting held 26 September 2023  
Minutes numbered MCAC03 to MCAC04

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**Mental Health needs and services for CALD communities**

**Feilin Chan – Ku-ring-gai Youth Development Services**

**Lunar New Year 2024**

**Melanie Morson – Manager Visitor Experience & Events, Ku-ring-gai Council**

- Ku-ring-gai Council's plans for Lunar New Year 2024

**Facilitated discussion regarding the contribution the Multicultural Advisory Committee could make on the trends, opportunities, and challenges towards a roadmap for a truly multicultural Ku-ring-gai.**

**Indu Balachandran**

The Council's Community Strategic Plan 2032 identifies several priorities relevant to multicultural engagement:

1. C4 Diversity and inclusiveness: Harmonious communities that understand, value and accept each other, and embrace our evolving cultural identities.
2. C5 Creativity: Our creativity and rich cultural diversity is promoted and celebrated.

The June 2022 CSP Background paper offers several insights in this area, for instance one of the main challenges for the next 10 years included:

1. *Developing a truly diverse (especially ethnically diverse) and inclusive community with representation from a wide range of multicultural backgrounds*
- What trends, opportunities and challenges have the committee and council observed that can assist in developing priorities and building a roadmap for the above aspiration? How can these insights take tangible shape in the next update of the CSP, and in the operational plans for the next 2-3 years?
  - **Christopher Jones, Manager – Governance and Corporate Strategy, Ku-ring-gai Council and Helen Lowndes, Integrated Planning Coordinator are available to present on the State of Ku-ring-gai Report, Council's Community Engagement Strategy and Community Strategic Plan to provide a framework for the discussion.**

**Multicultural Advisory Committee membership vacancy**

**Danny Houseas – Manager Community Development – Ku-ring-gai Council**

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

Proposed meeting dates for the Multicultural Advisory Committee in 2024 are as follows:

- Meeting 1: 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024
- Meeting 2: 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024
- Meeting 3: 6<sup>th</sup> August 2024
- Meeting 4: 26<sup>th</sup> November 2024

All meetings 10am, Council Chambers, level 3, 818 Pacific Hwy Gordon.

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