

 <p>SORELL COUNCIL 1862</p>	<h2>Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners Policy</h2>	<p>POLICY CREATED: 15 DECEMBER 15</p> <p>NEXT REVIEW:</p> <p>MINUTE REF: 195/2015</p>
<p>POLICY STATEMENT:</p>	<p>Council acknowledges that the Traditional Owners of the land within the Sorell Municipality are the Mumirimina people and that it is appropriate that for significant Council functions and events Council pays respect to the Traditional Owners.</p>	
<p>OBJECTIVE:</p>	<p>The objective is to ensure that the Traditional Owners of the land in the Sorell Municipality are acknowledged at Council events and functions through the conducting of an Acknowledgement of Country.</p>	
<p>SCOPE:</p>	<p>The Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners Policy applies to all significant Council sponsored functions and events within the Sorell Municipality.</p>	
<p>DEFINITIONS:</p>	<p><u>Acknowledgement of Country</u> An Acknowledgement of Country recognises that Sorell has a strong and proud Tasmanian Aboriginal history. It pays respect to the Traditional Owners.</p> <p><u>Significant Function or Event</u> A Council conducted or sponsored function or event that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) has a focus on, or significance for, Tasmanian Aboriginal people; or ii) of regional significance; or iii) a state conference conducted within Sorell. 	
<p>PROCEDURE: POLICY DETAIL</p>	<p><u>Acknowledgment of Country</u> For a significant Council sponsored function or event, the Master of Ceremonies shall undertake an Acknowledgement of Country as first part of the proceedings.</p>	

<p>PROCEDURE: POLICY DETAIL (continued)</p>	<p>The following wording or similar is recommended when undertaking an Acknowledgement of Country within the Sorell Municipality.</p> <p>“I would like to pay respect to the traditional and original owners of this land the Mumirimina people, to pay respect to those that have passed before us and to acknowledge today’s Tasmanian Aboriginal community who are custodians of this land.”</p>
<p>COMMUNICATION:</p>	<p>Sorell Councillors Sorell Council Staff Members of the Public</p>
<p>RELATED DOCUMENTS:</p>	<p>Council Meeting Procedures Policy 1.5</p>