


# Aboriginal Recognition and Protocol Policy

As at December 2017



	<h1>POLICY</h1>		
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>ABORIGINAL RECOGNITION AND PROTOCOL POLICY</b>		
<b>DATE ADOPTED</b>	7 November 2006	<b>MINUTE</b>	Minute 219/06
<b>REVISED</b>	December 2017	<b>REVIEW</b>	2018
<b>RESPONSIBILITY</b>	Manager Community Services		
<b>ASSOCIATED POLICIES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flag and Flagpole Policy</li> <li>• Code of Meeting Practice</li> </ul>		

## 1. Introduction

### 1.1 Title and commencement

This policy is titled *Strathfield Council Aboriginal Recognition and Protocol Policy*. This policy was adopted by Council on 7 November 2006. The following amendments have been made:

Date	Type	Minute
1 February 2011	Amendment – change of acknowledgement	06/11
17 August, 2017	Amendment – change to Flag protocol	Administrative

### 1.2 Purpose of the Policy

The purpose of the policy is to recognise Australia's Indigenous people by observance of the protocols and acknowledgements contained in this policy.

## 2. Policy Statement

### 2.1 Public meeting and event acknowledgment

At the commencement of Council meetings, public meetings and events, the following meeting acknowledgment is read:

“Before we start the proceedings let us respectfully acknowledge the Wangal people who are the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we stand”.

### 2.2 Aboriginal Flag

The Aboriginal Flag shall be flown alongside the Australian flag during the hours of business for Council

### **2.3 Council's website**

That Strathfield Council includes a section on Council's website which includes Aboriginal history of Strathfield Local Government Area and links to relevant organisations and government agencies.