

COMMONWEALTH GRANTS COMMISSION

INDIGENOUS FUNDING INQUIRY

FINAL SUBMISSION

From: Kullarri Regional Council (WA)

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Commonwealth Grants Commission: Draft Report Of The Indigenous Funding Inquiry

Response From Kullarri Regional Council

- 1. The lack of draft recommendations in the draft report make it difficult to respond.**
- 2. Main Findings, Scope Of Inquiry, 3 to 6**
We support the suggestion by others for the need to include law and order, social and cultural issues and land management. Further the strategic and operational relationships between building an economic base while providing services to welfare needs is a critical imperative for examination seeking solutions. The inquiry into health, housing, infrastructure, education, training and employment is welcomed.
- 3. Main Findings Measuring Needs, 7 to 15 Kullarri Regional Council supports the spirit of these. We feel that Main Finding number 16 Involving Indigenous people in decision making is pivotal and critical in addressing the way forward. Number 17 that states evidence of a reduction in Indigenous disadvantage does not correspond to our experiences. Agree with 17 to 19.**
- 4. Main Findings Inter-Governmental Relations and possible ways forward, 21 to 36. We agree with Findings 21 to 32. We feel Finding 33 and 34 are critical and require resolution in much stronger terms than stated to date. Finding 35 and 36 are very special to this Council as they embrace the spirit of our movement towards greater Indigenous decision making in the delivery of services to our people. However 35 and 36 must reflect options such as including a regional body focus and not just a state body focus.**
- 5. Main Findings Health Matters, 37 to 58. Council supports the Kimberley Health Plan.**
- 6. Main Findings Housing Matters 59 to 63. Council supports these findings.**
- 7. Main Findings Infrastructure Matters, 65 to 70. Council supports these findings.**
- 8. Main Findings Education Matters & Abstudy, 71 to 81. Council supports these findings.**
- 9. Main Findings Employment Matters, 82 to 87. Council supports these findings, in particular 87 is pivotal and critical needing resolution and much stronger wording.**
- 10. Main Findings Training Matters, 88 to 93. Council supports these findings.**
- 11. Main Findings Other Issues, 94 to 100. Council supports these findings in particular 100 is pivotal and critical needing resolution and much stronger wording.**