

DATE THIS NOTICE IS SENT: 11 MAY 2022

Notice of Meeting of Yinhawangka Common Law Holders to the 2017 Yinhawangka Determination

Date of Meeting: Thursday 9 June 2022
Start time: 9.30am
Venue: Red Earth Arts Precinct, 27 Welcome Road, Karratha

Purpose of Meeting: Yinhawangka Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (YAC) is seeking a decision from the Yinhawangka Common Law Holders (CLHs) to the 2017 Yinhawangka Determination as to whether they agree for YAC to be the prescribed body corporate (PBC) for the proposed determination of native title to be made in favour of the Yinhawangka People in the Yinhawangka Gobawarra (YG) Claim (**Proposed Determination**).

The Yinhawangka CLHs to the 2017 Yinhawangka Determination are those persons who:

- are descended from, in accordance with the traditional laws acknowledged and the traditional customs observed by the Yinhawangka People:
 - Minatangunha;
 - Jarndunha; or
 - the couple Thurantajinha and Wilga; and
- identify themselves as Yinhawangka under traditional law and custom and are so identified by other Yinhawangka People as Yinhawangka; and
- have a connection with the land and waters of the Determination Area, in accordance with the traditional laws acknowledged and the traditional customs observed by the Yinhawangka People.

If the decision of the Yinhawangka CLHs at the meeting is YES WE AGREE, then YAC will inform the Federal Court and the Applicant to the YG Claim of the Yinhawangka CLHs' decision and take steps to implement the necessary changes to the YAC Rule Book.

If the decision of the Yinhawangka CLHs at the meeting is NO WE DO NOT AGREE, then YAC will inform the Federal Court and Applicant to the YG Claim of the Yinhawangka CLHs' decision.

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Agenda

1. Open Meeting

- 1.1 Welcome to Country & Minutes Silence
- 1.2 Confirmation of Chairperson
- 1.3 Code of Conduct
- 1.4 Confirm Apologies and Quorum
- 1.5 Confirm any General Business items and close off Agenda

2. Native Title Decision – Determination of Native Title to be made in favour of the Yinhawangka People in the Yinhawangka Gobawarra Native Title Claim (Proposed Determination)

2.1 Question and Answer Time:

Yinhawangka CLHs will be given the opportunity to ask questions of YAC and YAC's legal advisors (HWL Ebsworth Lawyers) about the Proposed Determination and the request that YAC be the PBC for the Yinhawangka People in the Proposed Determination.

2.2 Decision: *“Do you agree with YAC becoming the PBC for the Yinhawangka People in the Proposed Determination to be made in the Yinhawangka Gobawarra Native Title Claim?”*

- Yinhawangka CLHs to confirm decision-making process
- Decision-making will commence
- Announcement of outcome

3. General Business

4. Meeting close

Further Information

Pre-Reading

- Detailed Information about the Yinhawangka Gobawarra Native Title Claim and the Proposed Determination can be found on the YAC website www.yinhawangka.com.au/yg
- A detailed information booklet with FAQs is enclosed with this notice
- Please take the time to read the FAQ in preparation for the meeting
- Hardcopies of the FAQs will be available at the meeting

Registration

- All Yinhawangka CLHs must register their attendance before entering the meeting and to be eligible to receive meeting payments
- Registration will open at 8am and close at 9.30am
- Yinhawangka CLHs will not be permitted to enter the meeting once registration has closed
- YAC staff will coordinate the registration of CLHs on the day

Decision-Making

- There will be capacity for the decision-making process to be by secret ballot
- There will be capacity for an informal closed Yinhawangka elders only session with the YAC CEO prior to the beginning of the meeting
- Yinhawangka CLHs must be 18 years or over to be eligible to participate in the decision-making process

Payments

- Yinhawangka CLHs will be paid a flat fee of \$65 for attending this meeting
- Meeting fees will be paid by YAC within 10 business days after the meeting
- Yinhawangka CLHs must register their attendance to be eligible to receive the meeting fee
- Please note that YAC has submitted a native title funding application through Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation (YMAC) for costs associated with this meeting. In the event YAC is successful in securing travel assistance funds an announcement will be made to the Yinhawangka CLHs. Unless such announcement is made by YAC no travel assistance is payable for this meeting

Code of Conduct

- YAC is committed to always providing a safe and secure environment for all Yinhawangka People and YAC personnel during YAC business
- All Yinhawangka CLH's attending this meeting agree to abide by the Code of Conduct and YAC's policies and procedures including its Lateral Violence Policy. Please review these prior to the meeting here: www.yinhawangka.com.au/policies
- YAC reserves the right to remove anyone from the meeting in the event there is a breach or suspected breach of its Code of Conduct or Lateral Violence Policy

COVID19

- If you are experiencing flu like symptoms or have tested positive for COVID19 please stay at home and do not attend this meeting

Catering

- Lunch and fruit will be provided at the meeting
- Please confirm any dietary requirements by Monday 30 May 2022 emailing admin@yinhawangka.com.au with your name and instructions

RSVP

Please RSVP by no later than **Monday 30 May 2022** by emailing your full name to **admin@yinhawangka.com.au**

End of Notice