



Strategic Plan Summary

Foreword

With this strategic plan the Council of NSWALC is setting an ambitious agenda to secure our future. It gives effect to our obligations to our forebears and is inspired by the demands for Land Rights made at NSWALC's formation. To those demands we now add our demand for a Treaty that enshrines and enhances them.

Aboriginal peoples are the traditional owners of all land and water; nothing has or will change this. The Council will consolidate our gains of the last forty years. It will use the consolidation to expand the achievement of our Land Rights and to build a better future for the generations that will succeed us.

OUR DESTINATION

Beyond survival to a future for Aboriginal peoples of New South Wales in which our people are culturally rich, politically strong, economically self-reliant and live our lives to our full potential.

OUR PURPOSE

We are the democratically-elected voice to empower all Aboriginal peoples.

We provide strong leadership, support and advocacy for Aboriginal Land Rights and the Aboriginal peoples of New South Wales.

WE VALUE

- All cultures and peoples to guide us in our decisions and actions.
- Culturally-strong leadership.
- Self-determination by Aboriginal peoples.
- The power of Land Rights to unify Aboriginal peoples and to strengthen partnerships.

Our Goals & Strategies

Protect Our Culture & Heritage

Why this is important:

We must ensure that our future generations can draw on the strength of who we are as Aboriginal peoples.

What we will do

- We will continue to support the culture and heritage priorities of our members and Peoples.

Pursue Our Full Land Rights

Why this is important:

We have a responsibility to both our forebears and future generations to ensure that we see the return of our lands.

What we will do:

- We will maximise the amount of land that is in Aboriginal ownership, control and management.
- We will maximise the social, cultural and economic outcomes from our lands.

Pursue Economic Independence & Prosperity for Our People

Why this is important:

We must ensure that our peoples restore their economic independence and become prosperous.

What we will do:

- We will establish a land development and construction capacity.
- We will establish a social housing structure and capacity.
- We will establish an employment brokerage capacity.

Secure Our future

Why this is important:

We have stewardship responsibilities to ensure that a stronger system is handed to the next generation.

What we will do:

- work to achieve a treaty for Aboriginal peoples.
- We will continue to engage our youth and membership.
- We will continue to support and foster a culture and system of good governance and continual improvement.
- We will develop a compliance and regulatory framework which actively recognises and responds to performance.

Support Our People

Why this is important:

We have a responsibility to improve the lives of our peoples.

What we will do:

- We will continue to advocate for the rights of our peoples.
- We will continue to build the capacity of our members and peoples.
- We will continue to provide support for our people in need.