

## Summary of Public Consultation Feedback on the Strategic Community Plan 2025 – 2035 (SCP)

Summary of Feedback	Administration's Response	Change to SCP
A. General Feedback on the Document		
<b>Formatting Issues</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Concerns raised regarding pixelated photos, misaligned buttons, and the overall layout of the printed version.</li></ul>	Layout in final printed version to be fixed for accuracy.	Yes
B. Recommendations for a Revised Vision Statement		
<b>Vision Statement Feedback</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>There was criticism of the term <i>"Powerhouse of the Nation"</i>, with suggestions for a more inclusive and accurate alternative. There was perceived disconnect between the current vision and community priorities, particularly for Aboriginal Peoples.</li></ul>	Vision to reflect community's input. It is agreed draft vision has referred to a bigger economic future for the City of Karratha, and needs to better reflect community vision.	Yes
<b>Proposed Vision</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>One submitter proposed the following as a more appropriate, community-led vision: <i>"City of Karratha: Leading with innovation and sustainable practices to build Australia's most vibrant and liveable regional city."</i></li></ul>	Vision to be changed to "Australia's most liveable regional community. The place we are proud to call home."	
C. Specific community needs raised		
<b>Public Transport</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Requests for accessible and improved public transport between local towns to reduce car dependence and support employment opportunities.</li></ul>	No change needed; this is consistent with priorities in the plan.	No
<b>Housing and Land</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Requests for affordable housing, shaded car parks, and lifestyle blocks tailored for long-term residents.</li></ul>	This is consistent with the priorities in the plan.	No
<b>Social Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Requests for better support for seniors, including aged care facilities and activities for pensioners.</li></ul>	This is consistent with the priorities in the plan.	No
<b>Public Safety and Security</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Calls for enhanced safety measures and soundproofing along highways.</li></ul>	This is consistent with priorities in the plan.	No
<b>International and interstate flight routes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>High priority for developing international and interstate flight routes to serve community and business needs.</li></ul>	Target to be adjusted to more international and interstate flights.	No
<b>Tourism and CBD Development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Suggestions to establish Karratha as a tourism hub and enhance the CBD with creative and engaging spaces.</li></ul>	This is consistent with priorities in the plan.	No
<b>Youth Engagement</b>	This is consistent with priorities in the plan.	No

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Calls for greater youth involvement in community initiatives.</li></ul>		
<b>FIFO and Remote Work</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Concerns about businesses in the City employing fly-in, fly-out (FIFO) and remote workers, which some view as conflicting with strategic goals.</li></ul>	This may not be practical within existing challenges.	No
<b>Aboriginal Engagement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Need for stronger operational support for Aboriginal cultural goals and advisory roles.</li></ul>	Traditional Owners' leadership role at the civic level to be supported by integrating it into the Priority focus areas.	Yes
<b>D. Positive Acknowledgements</b>		
<b>Traditional Owner Place Names</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Commendation for incorporating Traditional Owner place names and encouragement to include common language words.</li></ul>	Acknowledgement received with appreciation	No
<b>Cultural Acknowledgement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Praise for prominently acknowledging Aboriginal cultural authority and connection to Country.</li></ul>		
<b>Focus on Equity and Prosperity</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Support for prioritizing equity and inclusion as community goals.</li></ul>		
<b>Goals and Objectives</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Applause for including objectives like reconciliation, truth-telling, and genuine engagement with Aboriginal communities.</li><li>• Support for recognition of on-Country activities, cultural celebrations, and leadership from Traditional Owners supported.</li><li>• Recognition of the City's progress and encouragement to continue leading in equity and cultural inclusivity.</li></ul>		
<b>Partnerships</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Appreciation for the City's efforts to partner with Traditional Owner organisations.</li></ul>		
<b>Advocacy Role</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Support for the City's advocacy in empowering First Nations communities.</li></ul>		
<b>E. Specific suggestions for Improvement</b>		
<b>Acknowledgement Section</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recommendation to name specific Traditional Owner Nations within acknowledgement</li></ul>	Recommend this be resolved for future documents through the RAP	No
<b>Demographic Accuracy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Suggestion to acknowledge census limitations and seasonal Aboriginal population movements, with a supporting footnote.</li></ul>	A footnote to be added addressing census limitations and population movements.	Yes

<b>Goal Refinement – Goal 1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encourage Goal 1 to go beyond just ‘respect’ but also focus on creating an equitable community.</li> <li>Reconciliation and Truth Telling is strongly supported; Recommend adding self-determination as a key principle.</li> <li>Culture, Art &amp; Heritage: Praised for including heritage. The City plays a vital role in protecting cultural sites and supporting Traditional Owner groups.</li> <li>On-Country Activities: Suggest using local terms like Ngurra and capitalising “Country.” Emphasise why these activities matter—cultural connection and wellbeing benefits.</li> </ul>	a) "Support Aboriginal people's self-determination, prosperity and wellbeing" (or similar) to be included in a new Priority Focus Area.  b) Add “support for Traditional Owners' leadership role at the civic level’ as a new Priority Focus Area.  c) Replace Country with 'Ngurra' (Country in brackets first time - capitalised)  d) Suggest points (a) and (b) is given expression through the RAP.	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Strategies to Inform Implementation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Incorporate environmental management, procurement, and employment strategies to address inequalities.</li> </ul>	These suggestions to be referred to the key projects and actions of the Corporate Business Plan component.	<b>No</b>
<b>Success Measures</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop metrics informed by First Nations leadership, recognizing cultural decision-making frameworks, digital divides, and language barriers.</li> </ul>	Measures to be revised: a) "Successfully deliver Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) actions in partnership with Ngarda-ngarli (Aboriginal people)" b) "Increasing satisfaction by Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal residents with the value and celebration of Aboriginal histories, heritage and culture in the City of Karratha".  Suggestions on cultural frameworks, language and digital divide to be taken on board.  Measures to be added: - Procurement outcomes for Aboriginal businesses (or similar) - Employment outcomes for Aboriginal people (or similar)	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Other</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Replace “Burrup Peninsula” with “Murujuga” and reference its World Heritage Nomination.</li> <li>Include broader representation of Elders (e.g., adding photos of Ngarluma Elders).</li> </ul>	“Murujuga” to be added and “Burrup Peninsula” to be out between brackets. Reference about World Heritage Nomination to be made. The City to provide image to represent Elders.	<b>Yes</b>