

Lithgow City Council Draft Submission

Lithgow City Council are writing this submission to the co-design process in support of the Uluru Statement from the Heart and the three mandates it calls for: Voice, Treaty and Truth. We specifically support the first and most urgent reform, a Voice to Parliament enshrined in the Constitution.

We strongly believe the Government must honour its election commitment to a referendum once a model for the Voice has been established. Further, enabling legislation for the Voice must be passed in the next term of Parliament if the referendum is successful.

The Voice to Parliament, specifically the National Voice, must allow all First Nations voices to be heard, specifically the voices of those who have previously been denied a say.

The Uluru Statement from the Heart is a call from First Nations peoples to all of us, and it is essential they are heard.