

Speech by Mayor Logan K Howlett, JP
City of Cockburn Multicultural Reference Group
Video Recording
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I am delighted to see the City of Cockburn's inaugural Multicultural Reference Group established with a diverse representation of members from across our community; indeed the most multicultural community south of Perth.

The reference group will act in a guiding role and provide a voice for people of cultural and linguistically diverse backgrounds living in our city.

It will provide the city with specialist knowledge on the needs and priorities of local multicultural communities, to ensure residents wellbeing and access to services.

The group will also assist the city with communication and consultation with its multicultural communities and assist in identifying ways to celebrate the benefits of cultural diversity and advise on important dates and celebrations.

The group has 15 members from diverse backgrounds who are residents of the city.

I am pleased to have Councillor Phoebe Corke and Councillor Tarun Dewan with myself as members of the group, together with Liz Vuchocho, the City's Cultural Diversity Officer and other members of staff.

With an established 'Terms of Reference' the group is set to enhance the music, song, dance, and cultural significance of their respective communities and add to the vibrancy to make Cockburn the best place to be.