



Murdi Paaki Services Ltd

(an initiative of Murdi Paaki Regional Assembly)

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Murdi Paaki Regional Assembly

- Retains its role as the peak Aboriginal governance and representative body for the Murdi Paaki Region;
- Retains its status and all its existing functions;
Through creation of MPS, acquires capacity to undertake policy-relevant research, support its constituent Community Working Parties (CWPs) and control an entity with the capacity to enter into contracts and auspice funding, programmes and services.

Community Working Parties

Retains its role as the peak Aboriginal governance and representative body for each Community;
Retains its status and all its existing functions;
MPS Coordinators will provide administrative support to assist CWPs to provide leadership in implementing their local community action plans. **(Currently MPS does not have the funds to provide this support for each CWP due to the lack funding by PM&C)**

Murdi Paaki Service Limited (MPS):

- Is wholly owned by Regional Assembly;
- Is governed by a board comprising Regional Assembly members;
- Forms the operating arm of Regional Assembly;
- Gives MPRA a means of entering into legally binding agreements;
- Gives governments a clear pathway for investment;
- Provides executive support for MPRA and MPRA Chairperson;
- Targets funding as it becomes available and acts as auspice;
- Builds robust, incontestable evidence base on our terms.

MPS's roles and responsibilities include:

- Taking responsibility for driving change at a regional level **(current example is the housing project)**;
- Undertaking strategic activities that underpinning, promote and progress political, cultural, economic and social wellbeing of Aboriginal communities through facilitating development and progressive delivery of the Regional Plan and other strategic plans;
Fostering relationships with all tiers of government to contribute knowledge and guidance in service planning, design, delivery and evaluation;
- Undertaking a secretariat and co-ordination role in major projects; initially, for the Regional Aboriginal Housing Leadership Assembly, then for other major Regional Plan initiatives as they roll out;
- Applying for, negotiating and receiving funding for priority projects of regional significance;
- Liaison and co-ordination with CWPs, including supporting CWPs to put into operation their own plans through the MPS Co-ordinator positions;
Conduct social and economic research and evaluation relevant to the Murdi Paaki Region, prepare regional policy and planning documents, and build the evidence-base;
- Pull together disconnected external projects consistent with the Regional Plan to add value to such projects and enhance prospects of achieving the aspirations of our Region and communities.