

**NOTICE OF WORKSHOP ABOUT PRESCRIBED BODIES CORPORATE
WESTERN YALANJI NATIVE TITLE GROUP
Cape York United # 1 Native Title Claim (QUD673/2014)**

**THURSDAY 23 APRIL 2026
CAIRNS**

This notice is to advise that Cape York Land Council (CYLC) will convene a workshop on behalf of the Cape York United #1 (CYU#1) Claim Applicant on **Thursday 23 April 2026** in **Cairns** for the purpose of providing information about Prescribed Bodies Corporate (PBCs) to the Western Yalanji Native Title Group.

Date: Thursday, 23 April 2026

Time: 9:30am – 3:30pm (Registration from 9am)

Venue: Rydges Esplanade Resort, 209-217 Abbott Street, Cairns

PURPOSE OF PBC WORKSHOP

The purpose of the PBC workshop is to provide information to the Western Yalanji Native Title Group about PBCs to enable the group to make informed decisions at an authorisation meeting.

The *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (NTA) requires a PBC to be appointed by the Federal Court to represent native title holders whenever a native title determination is made. It is a matter for each native title group under the CYU#1 Claim to nominate an eligible corporation to be their PBC.

The Western Yalanji Native Title Group may choose to establish a new corporation or nominate an existing PBC to be the PBC for the proposed Western Yalanji determination area.

For an existing PBC to become the PBC for the proposed Western Yalanji determination, it must amend its rules to accommodate the new determination.

The Western Yalanji Native Title Group will be asked to nominate their PBC at the **Authorisation meeting** which is scheduled to take place on **Friday 15 May 2026**. No decisions are proposed to be made at the PBC workshop.

Representatives of the Western Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC, and the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) have been invited to attend and present. Staff from CYLC's PBC Unit will also be in attendance.

**Map of Proposed Western Yalanji
Determination Area under the CYU#1 Claim**



WHO IS ELEGIBLE TO ATTEND?

All members of the Western Yalanji Native Title Group as described below are invited and eligible to attend the PBC workshop.

The Western Yalanji Native Title Group are the descendants by birth or adoption in accordance with traditional law and custom, of one or more of the following apical ancestors (listed alphabetically):

1. Alena Ida (mother of Bernard Castors)
2. Bidy Mango (aka Bidy Looney)
3. Billy (father of Jimmy Riley and others)
4. Buiku Buiku
5. Bula Burton
6. Charlie Curraghmore
7. Charlie Fox
8. Charlie Jubilee
9. Charlie Lee Cheu
10. Danyulgulga Lizzie
11. Dianna (Dinah) (sister of Mary (Maggie) Anderson)
12. Dolly (mother of Alice Roberts and others)
13. Dolly (mother of Charlotte Palmer and others)
14. George Dodd (aka George Maytown)
15. Hilda (mother of Jessie Pauletta Davis and others)
16. Jack Burton
17. Jangga Dolo (aka George Maytown)
18. Jimmy (father of Jack Lawyer and others)
19. Jimmy Snider
20. Johnnie Cake (aka Johnny Stewart)
21. Jukumu George Pegus
22. Kitty (mother of Jimmy Riley and others)
23. Maggie (mother of Dave Crowley and others)
24. Maggie (mother of James Andrew Mossman and others)
25. Mary (Maggie) Anderson
26. Molly (mother of Annie Green and Dolly Walker)
27. Mother of Rosie Simpson nee Murray
28. Mujilabu Sandy Tippto (aka Deppo King)
29. Nellie (mother of Doris Choikee and others)
30. Ngamu Minkidji
31. Ngamu Yarrkin Mitchell Earl
32. Ngamukaia Billy Carroll
33. Palmer McLean (aka Old Palmer)
34. Railu aka Mary
35. Rob Miller Snr
36. Rosie (Ross) Palmer
37. Ruby Barney Maytown (aka Ruby Meldrum)
38. Sambo (father of Dave Crowley and others)
39. Wautalunggu Maggie
40. Wur'purdam (aka Ngarrabulga)

Agreement by the State of Queensland as to the addition of the proposed apical ancestor *Maggie (mother of George Sibley Snr and others)* is not yet confirmed. Descendants of *Maggie (mother of George Sibley Snr and others)* are invited to attend the PBC workshop and will be advised of the State's decision in advance of the workshop.

To enquire as to whether you are a member of the Western Yalanji Native Title Group as described above and are eligible to attend, please contact CYLC Anthropologist **Hannah Nott** by email HNott@cylc.org.au or on free call number **1800 623 548**.

If you have any queries about the *purpose* of the PBC workshop, please contact CYLC Deputy Principal Legal Officer **Louise Keepa** by email LKeepa@cylc.org.au or on the free call number.

For all other enquiries, please contact CYLC Senior Business Support Officer **Clementine Rushford** by email CRushford@cylc.org.au or on the free call number.

IMPORTANT - Attendance, Travel Assistance & Teleconferencing

For travel assistance, to confirm your attendance or for any general queries about the meeting, please contact **Clementine Rushford** at CYLC on free call number **1800 623 548** or by email CRushford@cylc.org.au. Note that there is limited funding available for travel assistance and requests must be made by **16 April 2026**.

Please note that teleconferencing facilities **will not** be made available at the PBC workshop.