



## GBK providing PBC Support for the Torres Strait

Gur A Baradharaw Kod Torres Strait Sea and Land Council (GBK) has secured a further two years' funding from the National Indigenous Australians Agency to deliver PBC capacity building support in the Torres Strait region. In recognition of the successful GBK program, PBC feedback at the June Forum, and to minimise duplication of services, the TSRA will cease providing day-to-day PBC support on 30 November 2021.

GBK is now your one-stop service provider for all day-to-day PBC support, including CATSI Act compliance (AGMs, General Reports, Rule Book changes, Membership lists etc), financial assistance (banking, fee for service invoicing) and record keeping.

The TSRA will continue to provide Native Title Representative Body functions to PBCs and Native Title Holders, including legal advice, intramural dispute resolution, drafting of ILUAs and licence agreements, funding facilitation and assistance, native title claims, cultural heritage advice etc.

To ensure a smooth transition of PBC support services, GBK and TSRA are working closely together. GBK will draw on the TSRA as required, including any grant funding requests, and the TSRA will refer on any PBC support requests to GBK.

Over the coming weeks, the TSRA will also contact each PBC to discuss transferring any PBC support files (such as reports, membership list, AGM minutes etc).

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Together, we look forward to continuing to support PBCs and Native Title Holders to maintain and protect native title interests in the region.

Please do not hesitate to contact GBK or TSRA if you have any questions.

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