GELLUNG WARL

TREATY FOR VICTORIA

# We are GELLUNG WARL



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# WHO WE ARE

**Gellung Warl is the new First Peoples' representative body established through Treaty. It is made up of Traditional Owners from every region of Victoria.**







# A NEW RELATIONSHIP

**Treaty resets the relationship between First Peoples and the State, because doing things differently is the only way to achieve real change in Victoria.**

**Treaty is about how we do our business. It honours a new path forward to learn and acknowledge our past, heal and to shape better futures for generations.**

# OUR PATHWAY TO TREATY

**First Peoples have long fought for Treaty. After generations of advocacy our call was heard. This new chapter began over a decade ago.**

## 2016
Treaty is formally called for in Victoria

## 2019
The inaugural First Peoples' Assembly of Victoria is elected



## 2021
Yoorrook Justice Commission is established

## 2023
The second Assembly election is held



## 2024
Treaty negotiations begin

## 2025
Yoorrook's final report 'Truth be Told' is delivered to Parliament

## 2025
**Australia's first Treaty passes Parliament and is signed**



## 2026
The third Assembly election is held

## 2026
Gellung Warl is established

# WHAT IS GELLUNG WARL

## Within Gellung Warl will sit:

### The First Peoples' Assembly of Victoria

The democratically-elected group of Traditional Owners representing and making decisions on behalf of First Peoples across the state.





### Nginma Ngainga Wara

*meaning 'you will do' in Wadi Wadi.*

It provides independent oversight and accountability for Government on behalf of First Peoples. Throughout our time talking with community, we've heard a call for further accountability on government to make sure that words are met with action. Statewide Treaty has secured new functions to achieve this.

### Nyerna Yoorrook Telkuna

*meaning 'to sit, to listen, to hear, to remember' in Wamba Wamba/Wemba Wemba.*

Yoorrook began a process of healing and created a public record of our true history. Through Treaty, we will continue the Truth-telling and healing process, so everyone across the state can understand our shared past.



# DECISIONS ABOUT US

If we want to see improvements in areas like health, housing education and employment, the practical solutions need to come from our community. We know what works for us and what doesn't. That's why we've been calling for Treaty for generations.

Under Treaty, Government must speak with Gellung Warl when making laws or rules about us, and Gellung Warl will continue to advocate for our needs, hopes and aspirations.



# WHAT'S NEXT



**Treaty is about real change.**
That means no more band-aids or quick fixes. We have the power through Treaty to deliver change that will benefit generations to come.



**Our job is to be answerable to community.**
We're working with our community on coming up with practical solutions for our people.



**We need to protect Treaty together.**
We know people want to take Treaty away. We want your support for Treaty and self-determination.



**Extending the invitation to all Victorians.**
The journey to Treaty has been led by First Peoples for decades, and allies are invited to walk alongside. It will help us all learn and deepen our understanding and connection to the place we all call home.

**SIGN UP TO TREATY TODAY AND GET INVOLVED!**

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# OUR COLLECTIVE FIGHT

**"Treaty recognises that Aboriginal people are the experts when it comes to our Country, culture and communities. Gellung Warl makes sure we can use our local knowledge to come up with and deliver practical solutions to improve outcomes in areas like health, education, housing and employment."**



**MERIKI ONUS AND DJARAN MURRAY-JACKSON**

**CO-CHAIRS, GELLUNG WARL**

If you're Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and living in Victoria, Treaty is our democracy in action. It's taking pride in our strength and participating in our collective fight.

Join us and make sure Treaty delivers real change for our people.

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