High praise for PPAC's commitment and service

Member for Cook Cynthia Lui's recent visit to Pormpuraaw included a visit to the Maantchangk Women's Shelter and a flight back to Cairns with child care workers Tammy and Elizabeth.

Ms Lui said PPAC staff, board and CEO's dedication and hard work had helped to make Pormpuraaw a brighter place.

"While there I was fortunate enough to visit the great Maantchangk Women's Shelter in Pormpuraaw," she said.

"It was great to see some of the projects the Government has supported in Pormpuraaw and shows our commitment to ending domestic violence.

"It's just one of the critical services the Pormpur Paanthu Aboriginal Corporation provide in Pormpuraaw to help improve the lives of locals in need.

"Pormpuraaw is a brighter place thanks to the dedication of Pormpur Paanthu, its board and especially its CEO Ganthi and the hard work they put into helping their community."

She said she was lucky to have travelled back to Cairns with Tammy and Elizabeth.

"Whenever I travel through my electorate it reminds me what I'm fighting for," she said.

"Tammy has promised to take me fishing next time I'm back in Pormpuraaw, I can't wait to come back!"

Pormpur Paanthu Aboriginal Corporation is a non-government, community-controlled organisation, established in 1991 out of a community need. Our focus is to provide quality, evidence-based services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families in Pormpuraaw. We offer:

- Domestic violence and drug and alcohol preventative education, counselling, advocacy and support for families
- Social & Emotional Wellbeing services;
- Family Wellbeing services;
- Other social services and support;
- Women's Group activities;
- Outside School Hours Care services;
- Men's Group activities (including a lawn mowing and yard maintenance service);
- Youth activities & Student Re-engagement services;
- Playgroup;
- Vacation Care activities;
- NDIS (National Disability Insurance Scheme);
- Child Care services (Long Day Care) including, Child & Family Services (CAFS) and parenting support;
- Night Patrol Services; and,
- Women's Shelter services (Maantchangk Women's Shelter is open 52 weeks a year has a 7-days a week on-call service).

PPAC Contacts

CEO's Office
4060 4211

Healing Services
4060 4260

Long Day Care
4060 4165

Outside School Hours Care
4060 4001

Women's Shelter Admin Office
4060 4082

Bingo! a hit with Women's Group

Friends, mothers and daughters enjoyed the Women's Group's first Bingo session in a while, and the evening was a success, CEO Ganthi Kuppusamy says.

"A few ladies came along with their children and they had a good time," she said. "Shelter Coordinator Deb and her Assistant Janey were well-organised, preparing a really healthy dinner for everyone on the night.

"They had about five games and the women loved their Bingo prizes.

"They are looking forward to their next session."

PPAC WOMEN'S GROUP

NEXT SESSION:
Wednesday 14 October 6-8pm

All women and children are welcome every Wednesday.

If you need transport contact Deb or Janey on 4060 4082 .

BE COVIDSAFE

Don't forget to keep your distance, especially if you go into Cairns or beyond!

QUARANTINE TO
Keep Mob Safe

Quarantine: what does it mean?

QUARANTINE MEANS THAT YOU STAY HOME WITHOUT VISITING FAMILY, ATTENDING GATHERINGS OR GOING OUT IN PUBLIC FOR THAT TIME

Who to call and when...

If the situation is serious and urgent call our local Police on **4060 4004** or **000**.

Community members can remain anonymous when reporting illicit activity by calling the 'sly grog' hotline on **1800 500 815**.

To report other crime anonymously call Crime Stoppers on **1800 333 000**.

For non-urgent incidents, crimes or police inquiries call Police Link on **131 444**.

Coronavirus:
Stop the spread
Visit **health.gov.au/health-topics/novel-coronavirus**

QAIHC
Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council

Feedback forms are available from PPAC, completed forms can be handed into the CEO or emailed to admin@ppac.org.au

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