Building relationships with local communities
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives

Do you know the name of the local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities?

Yes

Does the Indigenous Language Map help?
www.abc.net.au/indigenous/map/default.htm.

No

Do you know how to contact the local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities?

Yes

Are you aware of the protocols to follow when engaging with the local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities?

No

Does your sector have information on protocols for consultation with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities?

No

Consider consultation protocols for Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islander people available from the Queensland Government:

Yes

Seek advice and collaborate prior to contacting the local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities.

Does the Indigenous Education Officer know how to contact the local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities using protocols?

Yes

Is there someone in the school who can help? For example, a librarian, an Indigenous parent or another teacher with cultural knowledge.

No

Yes

Find local organisations that could provide help. See Australian Government Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations:

Does your school or sector have an Indigenous Education Officer?

No

Yes

Yes

No

Yes

• Build relationships with local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities to help embed Indigenous perspectives in the curriculum.
• Use appropriate protocols to help build and maintain these important community relationships.