

Communique

Partnership Priorities Committee

Date: 22 July 2024

The Partnership Priorities Committee met for the fourth time in 2024 to discuss the following matters.

APS Academy place-based partnership capability building

The Committee noted work underway by the APS Academy, together with the Department of Social Services, to develop and pilot foundational place-based partnerships capability offerings in 2024. Members expressed an interest to be involved in the piloting of this project.

Investment Dialogue for Australia's Children (IDAC)

The Committee agreed Treasury and DSS officials would work across the Commonwealth and with philanthropic members of the IDAC to identify opportunities to better coordinate and align place-based investments in communities experiencing disadvantage.

Remote Australia Framework

The Committee endorsed an Interdepartmental Committee to engage and consult on the Remote Australia Framework to develop an action plan, that also leverages and coordinates from existing activities, for the Committee's consideration at the November 2024 meeting.

A stronger more diverse and independent community sector

The Committee noted the importance of continuing to engage with the Department of Social Services as they lead implementation of a whole of government approach to strengthen the community services sector, including through development of a community sector partnership framework, with the Community Services Advisory Group.

Closing the Gap Policy Partnerships

The Committee noted the progress of the Policy Partnerships over the last 12 months. The Policy Partnerships are seeking opportunities to work collaboratively across governments, sectors and programs to maximise the impact of the partnerships and to set the future direction of Policy Partnerships following the Policy Partnerships Co-Chairs Forum held on the 22 May 2024.