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Persuasive Letter to a Council

Imagine your local council is planning work near a sacred site. Write a letter persuading it to consult the right Traditional Owners.

Word bank

Traditional Owners | consultation | self-determination | homogenisation | sacred site | cultural competence | tokenism | ethnicity | Historical Peoples | transparency

Plan your letter

Opening: who you are and why you're writing

Argument 1: Rights Idea: Racial discrimination is condemned under international agreements like ICERD.

Argument 2: Cultural competence Idea: Decisions about sacred sites need people with a real cultural connection.

Argument 3: Genuine consultation Idea: Consulting the wrong people risks tokenism and a lack of transparency.

What you want the council to do

Persuasive checklist. ☐ Clear request ☐ Evidence from the article ☐ Respectful tone ☐ A strong closing sentence

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Yours sincerely,

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