



# About The Organisation

The Ginninderry project aims to create a 596 hectare conservation corridor along the Murrumbidgee River and Ginninderra Creek. In addition to its role in protecting important Aboriginal cultural heritage sites, endangered species and ecological communities, the corridor will be a great asset for nature based recreation for the Belconnen community; pending NSW Planning approval the project will cross the border and include land in both the ACT and NSW.

Local community input to the management of the corridor will be important and to ensure that this happens, the Trust will manage all of the land in the corridor and be run by a board of directors that includes elected representatives from the local community.

The Trust arrangement will enable the community to be represented in decision-making about the corridor, and it will ensure a uniform management structure on both sides of the border. The Trust will be funded from the project and will also be able to benefit from revenue streams associated with recreation, tourism and education within the corridor, and use these funds to secure sound conservation management into the future.

The pre-eminent objectives of the Trust are conservation of cultural and natural values and bushfire fuel management. Other objectives pertaining to education, research, recreation, tourism, and community involvement also inform Trust operations. An interim plan of management for the first stage of the corridor has been approved by the Minister for Environment and can be found [here](#).

The Trust will be administered by a company (the Company) with a skills-based board comprising government, community, and other relevant stakeholder representatives. Advisory committees can be setup pertaining to land management, community engagement, and funds management and audit.

The Ginninderry Urban Development Project would deliver, through a staged approach, the initial capital works within the corridor and those assets are then handed over to the Trust. The Trust can earn annual income for its operations through the contribution of a percentage of sale proceeds from both ACT/NSW lots and an annual contribution from the ACT Government equal to those costs of managing the ACT portion of the corridor.



# The Role

- The Trust seeks to appoint independent non-executive directors.
- The role requires attending approximately 8 board meetings and serving on at least one board committee per year.
- The role may require attendance in monthly conference calls for management/financial reporting and general compliance issues.
- We are seeking applications with capabilities in finance, risk and business modelling, partnership development, community engagement and conservation.

## Selection Criteria

- Knowledge of a director's responsibilities – includes an understanding of the role as well as the legal, ethical, fiduciary and financial
- Strategic expertise – the ability to review the strategy through constructive questioning and suggestions and contribute to the effective decision making of the board
- Accounting and finance – the ability to read and comprehend the company's accounts, financial material presented to the board, financial reporting requirements and some understanding of corporate finance
- Legal – the board's responsibility involves overseeing compliance with numerous laws as well as understanding the individual director's legal duties and responsibilities
- Risk management – experience in managing areas of major risk to the organisation
- Managing people and achieving change – experience in current management thinking on employment and experience in executive remuneration and compensation
- Engagement – experience in communications and digital, branding, engagement, media, customer centricity in the NFP sector and strategic stakeholder management
- Industry knowledge – experience in similar organisations and/or the biodiversity conservation sector

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**Role:** General Board Member

**Area of Expertise Being Sought:** Banking & Financial Services, Government Relations, Community Engagement, Biodiversity Conservation, Partnership Development

**Targeting:** Females, People with Disabilities, LGBTQI, (note that two Aboriginal board members will be nominated by the Ginninderry Aboriginal Advisory Group)

**Payment:** Reimbursement of expenses

Short letter-format applications addressing those selection criteria that are relevant to the applicant's capabilities (including a short professional bio and any previous Board experience), can be sent to [conservation@ginninderry.com](mailto:conservation@ginninderry.com)

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**Applications close on 30 April 2019**