Aboriginal people have a deep and continuous connection to the place now called Victoria, evidenced by the number of statewide cultural heritage places. Warrnambool LGA has 71 registered cultural heritage places including artefact scatters, earth features, object collections and shell middens. Publicly known cultural heritage places include Point Ritchie Midden Complex.

Aboriginal organisations

Key community organisations
- Gunditjmara Aboriginal Co-operative
- Worn Gunditj Aboriginal Co-operative
- Known Traditional Owners
- Eastern Maar Aboriginal Corporation
- Kuuyang Maar Aboriginal Corporation
- Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation

Key community groups
- Warrnambool Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group
- Barwon South West Indigenous Family Violence Regional Action Group
- Barwon South West Regional Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committee
- Warrnambool Local Aboriginal Justice Action Committee
- Barwon South Western Closing the Health Gap Advisory Committee
- Warrnambool Local Indigenous Network

The Victorian Aboriginal Affairs Framework 2013-2018 is the Government’s plan for closing the gap in Victoria by 2031, working in partnership with Aboriginal communities, service providers and the business sector. This document provides a statistical profile of Aboriginal people within the Warrnambool Local Government Area (LGA). It acknowledges Aboriginal community organisations and identifies achievements and challenges relating to the Aboriginal community. The profile is intended to support conversations between communities, service providers, governments and other key stakeholders. The information can help inform approaches and action at the local level to better meet the needs of Aboriginal people and deliver improved health, education, and employment outcomes.

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