The International Women’s Day event held by the Ethnic Communities Council on 08/03/2018 was successful with 150 persons booked for the event. We were also honoured with the attendance of the Consul-general of the Republic of Indonesia, and Janine Freeman MLA.

Feedback from women who attended the event was that it well organised, and that the speakers were very good.

In particular, many were very impressed with our keynote speaker Tandi Kuwana and her journey and others found the panel members and Q&A very helpful.

We also were able to identify some key issues that the Women’s sub-committee will be able to pursue in the next 12 months eg a mentoring program and we have also had women nominate to be part of the sub-committeee. Tandi herself has expressed an interest to join the women’s sub-committee.

We also received a lot of favourable feedback for the awards presented to Eloise Maglizza and Dr Leela de Mel.