



Proposed Amending By-Law

Community Engagement
What We Heard Report

August 2023

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Kaurna Acknowledgement

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Kaurna people, the traditional custodians whose ancestral lands we gather on.

We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationship of the Kaurna people to country. We respect and value their past, present and ongoing connection to the land and cultural beliefs.

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1. Background and objectives

In August 2022, Council reviewed and endorsed its by-laws after community consultation. This review occurs every seven years as per regulations set out in the Local Government Act 1999.

As part of the by-laws review, the State Government's Legislative Review Committee (LRC) requested that Council make some language changes to its by-laws.

According to legislation, to change an endorsed by-law, Council must make a new by-law for the purpose of amending any existing by-laws.

In response, at its Ordinary Council Meeting on Tuesday, 25 July 2023, Council passed the following resolution:

1. That Council proposes to make By-Law 9 – City of Playford (Miscellaneous) Amendment By-Law 2023.
2. That Council endorses the Chief Executive Officer to refer the proposed By-Law 9 – City of Playford (Miscellaneous) Amendment By-Law 2023, to the Dog and Cat Management Board for a period of at least 21 days in accordance with section 90(5) of the Dog and Cat Management Act 1995.
3. That Council endorses the Chief Executive Officer to make any minor amendments required by the Dog and Cat Management Board to the proposed By-Law 9 – City of Playford (Miscellaneous) Amendment By-Law 2023, prior to public notification of the proposed by-laws.
4. That Council endorses the Chief Executive Officer to make copies of the proposed by-laws available to the public in accordance with section 132(1) of the Local Government Act 1999 for a period of at least 28 days.

The proposed Amending By-Law was referred to the Dog and Cat Management Board on 28 July 2023. The Board advised on 7 August 2023 that the amending by-law was broadly consistent with those of other councils with similar by-laws and had no recommendations to make.

2. What we asked

The community was invited to provide feedback to assist Council in finalising the amending by-law over a 28-day period from Wednesday 16 August 2023 – Tuesday 12 September 2023.

Community engagement level

Council recognises the role of community engagement to support decision making, leading to stronger outcomes for our community. Council bases its community engagement on International Association for Public Participation (IAP2) best practice principles with Council's Community

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Engagement Policy & Procedure outlining requirements to determine the level of engagement on any project or decision. Each level (inform, consult, involve or collaborate) depends on scope, complexity, impact and competing values or interests in decisions being made. The level of this engagement was:

Inform: Inform the community of a decision that has been made.

The community engagement objectives:

- Inform and raise awareness of the draft amending by-law and previous consultation history.
- Close the loop with the community about the outcome of the consultation.

3. How we asked it (engagement approach)

An overview of the Community Engagement Plan is provided below.

Activity	Details
Online engagement	Dedicated online engagement listing on Playford Engagement Hub providing a central location for all engagement documents.
* Website article	Information on Council's website with links to Engagement Hub .
Social media	One social media post on Council's social media channel/s communicating commencement of community engagement and feedback options.
Direct email to Connected Community	Direct email to Connected Community database who asked to be kept in the loop on the by-laws engagement.
* Printed copies at Council sites	Folders containing all relevant documents were available from Customer Contact locations at Playford Civic Centre and Stretton Centre.
What We Heard Report	Report containing background information on engagement, what we asked, what we heard and what we will do.

*Legislative requirements

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4. What we heard

To measure community engagement performance over the consultation period, Council has tracked the number of aware, informed and engaged community members. These are defined in the following table with the associated performance measure.

Description	Channels	Performance
Aware visitors Number of those who visited the Engagement Hub page and saw the social media posts.	Engagement Hub Views	214
	Engagement Hub Unique Views	152
	Web article Views	83
	Web article Unique Views	73
	Avg time on page	1:15
	Social Media	811
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post impressions Post reach Post engagement 	744 38
Informed visitors Number document downloads	Engagement Hub Document Downloads	96
Engaged visitors Number of those who provided feedback in some way – either on Engagement Hub, emailed or called	Feedback	Nil

Community Consultation Summary

There were 152 unique views of the Playford Engagement Hub resulting in 96 document downloads of the following:

- City of Playford (Miscellaneous) Amendment By-Law
- By-Laws requiring amendment (contained within the one document)
 - Permits and Penalties By-Law 2022
 - Moveable Signs By-Law 2022
 - Local Government Land By-Law 2022
 - Dogs By-Law 2022
 - Roads By-Law 2022

No community feedback was received during the consultation period.

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5. Next steps

Council to review the What We Heard Report – Proposed Amending By-Law at an Ordinary Council meeting on 24 October 2023 prior to endorsement. Following the Council meeting, we will provide information on Playford Engagement Hub about what Council decided and the next steps.

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5. APPENDIX

A. Engagement Hub Page

Update to Council's By-Laws - Amending By-Law

Project Overview



There are some updates to Council's by-laws.

The State Government's Legislative Review Committee (LRC) requested Council make some language changes to its by-laws. We have done this through a draft Amending By-Law which can be viewed on this page.

Background

This time last year, Council reviewed and endorsed its by-laws after community consultation. This happens every seven years as per regulations set out in the Local Government Act 1999.

If you're not familiar, by-laws are local laws that set standards and regulate activities within a council area. They are established by councils to deal with issues specific to their community. For this reason, one council area can have different by-laws from the next.

As part of the by-laws review, the State Government's Legislative Review Committee (LRC) requested Council make some minor changes.

According to Legislation, to change an endorsed by-law, Council must make a new by-law for the purpose of amending any existing by-laws. In response, Council has developed an additional Amending By-Law to address the changes requested by the LRC.

How to provide your feedback

Consultation period 16 August - 12 September 2023.

The draft Amending By-Law is available for you to view in the document library on this page or you can request a copy from Council's Customer Contact locations

- Playford Civic Centre, 10 Playford Boulevard, Elizabeth
- Stretton Centre, 307 Peachey Road, Munno Para

If you have any feedback or questions please get in touch with us

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B. Social Media

