



## Agenda Report for Noting

**Meeting Date: 20 February 2025**

Item Name	SPC Communications and Engagement Update	
Presenters	Steven Murphy	
Purpose of Report	Noting	
Item Number	6.3	
Strategic Plan Reference	N/A	
Work Plan Reference	N/A	
Confidentiality	Not Confidential (Release Immediately)	
Related Decisions	N/A	
Conflicts Declared	Nil	
Is the Report author aware of any potential undeclared conflict?		NO

### Recommendation

It is recommended that the State Planning Commission (the Commission) resolves to:

1. Approve the designation of this item as Not Confidential (Release Immediately).
2. Note the communication and engagement update report as read.

### Discussion

This report provides an overview of the current work program of the Commission's Communications and Engagement (C&E) team, highlighting major communications and engagement activity conducted since **13 January 2025**, as well as upcoming opportunities and media issues.

## **Comms and Engagement team update**

### **Regional Planning Program**

<b>Key Element</b>	<b>Status</b>
Greater Adelaide Regional Plan (GARP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Engagement Report endorsement by Commission on 23 January 2025.</li> <li>• GARP will be launched March 17 by Premier.</li> <li>• Launch details to be determined.</li> </ul>
Kangaroo Island Regional Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engagement Report is finalised and submitted for approval 18 December.</li> <li>• KIRP launch to be scheduled. No longer launching on March 25.</li> </ul>
USG Regional Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USG Engagement Plans endorsed by Commission on 12 December.</li> <li>• Engagement commenced on 12 February 2025.</li> <li>• Road trips to regions planned to commence from week 3 of engagement</li> </ul>
South East Regional Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engagement Plans for Limestone Coast and Murray Mallee Regional Plans endorsed by Commission on 6 February 2025.</li> <li>• Engagement to commence 25 March 2025</li> </ul>

### **Communication Platforms**

<b>Key Element</b>	<b>Status</b>
Websites – PlanSA and SPC	<p>Code Amendments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Old Bull Creek Road – determination</li> <li>• Festival Plaza – determination</li> <li>• Centre Zone Adjustment – determination</li> <li>• 306 Twartz Road, Gawler Belt - determination</li> <li>• Onkaparinga Local Heritage – consultation</li> <li>• Felixstow (Aldersgate) Intergenerational Community – initiation</li> <li>• St Clair - initiation</li> </ul> <p>New regional plan consultation pages</p> <p>The updated Community Engagement Charter, updated Charter toolkit for practitioners, new fact sheets and streamlined website content is now live.</p> <p>Migration of Code Amendments to the new Code Amendment Tracking System (CATS)</p>
SPC & Chair LinkedIn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commission's LinkedIn now has 2073 followers, up 11 since</li> </ul>

	<p>3 December.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Chair's LinkedIn now has 2012 followers, up 61 from 13 January.</li> </ul>
PlanSA Facebook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PlanSA Facebook now has 6,211 followers, up 11 since 13 January.</li> </ul>
SPC & PLUS Events	<p><u>Upcoming events:</u></p> <p>Nuclear-Powered Submarine Construction Yard EIS in-person drop-in information sessions involving ASA, ANI &amp; PLUS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>19 Feb, 11:30am-1:30pm State Library, Adelaide</li> <li>20 Feb, 5pm-7pm, Port Adelaide Plaza, Port Adelaide</li> <li>21 &amp; 22 Feb, 1pm-3pm, Lefevre Community Stadium, Osborne</li> </ul> <p>USG Regional Planning Engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>stakeholder briefing sessions 19, 21, 25, 26 Feb (industry, state agencies, EMs, community interest groups)</li> </ul> <p><u>Previous events:</u></p> <p>Assessment Improvement Code Amendment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>key stakeholder online information sessions – 12 December, 22 January and 11 February</li> </ul> <p>Accommodation Diversity Code Amendment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>public online information session – 6 February</li> <li>public online information session – 11 February</li> </ul>
<i>Planning Ahead</i> Newsletter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The December edition was released on 18 December</li> <li>The first edition for 2025 is scheduled to be issued in late February</li> </ul>

### **Code Amendment Engagement**

Key Element	Status
Nuclear-powered submarine construction yard EIS consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation began on 3 February and closes 17 March, run concurrently with ASA/Australian Government consultation re Strategic Assessment against EPBC Act.</li> <li>URPS (on behalf of ANI) have prepared communications materials including fact sheets, FAQs, event display boards and completed a letter-drop to neighbouring properties.</li> <li>PLUS comms and engagement activities include: YourSAy and PlanSA website, stakeholder letters, social media, Planning Ahead, drop-in information sessions, public notice</li> <li>25 submissions have been received so far.</li> </ul>
Draft Festival Plaza	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>87 submissions were received during the consultation period,</li> </ul>

Code Amendment	<p>12 September to 24 October (6 weeks).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Closing-the-loop communications activities were delivered 15 January notifying people of the decision, including media release, PlanSA and YourSay website updates, social media, email to engagement participants.</li> </ul>
Draft Future Living Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>248 submissions were received during the consultation period, 15 August to 7 November (12 weeks).</li> <li>While there were mixed responses, the majority support the Code Amendment or support it with some concerns.</li> <li>The engagement report is currently being finalised.</li> </ul>
John Rice Avenue Smithfield Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>28 submissions were received during the consultation period, 21 October to 2 December.</li> <li>The majority support the Code Amendment or support it with concerns.</li> <li>The 'what we heard' summary and engagement evaluation survey was sent to all engagement participants and 4 surveys were returned.</li> <li>The engagement report is going through internal approvals.</li> </ul>
Assessment Improvements Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation continues through to 4 March (12-week consultation)</li> <li>Three online information sessions for key stakeholders have been held across December, January and February – 55 people attended.</li> </ul>
Accommodation Diversity Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation launched on 5 December and closes on 27 February (12 weeks).</li> <li>More than 60 submissions have been received so far.</li> </ul>
Tree Protection and Planting Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A draft engagement plan for the Code Amendment is in development.</li> <li>Consultation is pencilled in for late March, although it is pending a decision sitting with DEW on the development of a policy for native vegetation.</li> </ul>
Interface Management Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The engagement plan is currently being developed.</li> <li>Consultation timing to be confirmed; pencilled in to begin Quarter 1 2025.</li> </ul>
State-wide Bushfire Mapping Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>188 submissions were received during the consultation period, from 23 November 2023 to 5 April 2024.</li> <li>The engagement report has been finalised.</li> </ul>
Engineering Design Standard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engagement plan is being prepared</li> </ul>

## **Communications Activity**

Key Element	Status
Community title land division regulations consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15 submissions were received from councils and state agencies during the consultation period, 27 November to 20 December</li> <li>Promoted via stakeholder letters, SPC and PlanSA social media, Planning Ahead e-newsletter, PlanSA website.</li> </ul>
Vehicle Parking Bill consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Communications materials have been developed to support consultation on the draft Development and Infrastructure (Vehicle Parking) Amendment Bill 2025.</li> <li>Members of the Minister's Liaison Group have been invited to provide feedback on the draft bill by 21 February 2025.</li> </ul>
Community Engagement Charter Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The updated Community Engagement Charter was launched on Monday 10 February.</li> <li>The launch included updated and streamlined information on the PlanSA webpage, an updated Charter toolkit for practitioners and new fact sheets on complying changes engagement and engagement with diverse communities.</li> <li>The launch also included a summary email to "close the loop" with all consultation participants alongside all consultation reports and information published on the PlanSA website.</li> <li>Communications activities to promote the updated Charter included emails to key stakeholders and industry, social media posts via LinkedIn and Facebook and a carousel and newstory on the PlanSA homepage</li> <li>The updated Charter will also be promoted in the next edition of <i>Planning Ahead</i></li> </ul>
Murray Bridge Infrastructure Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter has been sent to landowners, council and developers to notify and seek feedback on the draft outline for the infrastructure scheme.</li> <li>The consultation on the draft outline is open for 3-weeks and closes on Monday 3 March.</li> <li>The consultation on the draft infrastructure scheme will occur after this, date TBC.</li> </ul>

## Media

Key Element	Status
Media interest	<p>The team prepared information for the media and the Ministers Office on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Festival Plaza CA</li> <li>Car Parking Bill</li> <li>Mount Barker Hospital</li> <li>Three infrastructure schemes – Concordia, Sellicks and Murray</li> </ul>

	<p>Bridge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Osborne Construction Yard</li><li>• Felixstowe CA</li><li>• St Clair CA</li><li>• Twartz Rd Gawler CA</li><li>• Launch of three country regional plans</li><li>• Planning protections for wildlife corridors</li><li>• HIA announcement – No. 1</li><li>• Lockley's CA</li><li>• Smithfield Regeneration CA</li></ul>
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