

## Agenda Report for Noting

**Meeting Date: 21 May 2026**

<b>Item Name</b>	SPC Engagement and Communications Update	
<b>Presenters</b>	Steven Murphy	
<b>Purpose of Report</b>	Noting	
<b>Item Number</b>	6.1	
<b>Strategic Plan Reference</b>	N/A	
<b>Work Plan Reference</b>	N/A	
<b>Confidentiality</b>	Not Confidential (Release Immediately)	
<b>Related Decisions</b>	N/A	
<b>Conflicts Declared</b>	Nil	
<b>Is the Report author aware of any potential undeclared conflict?</b>		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.

### Discussion

This report provides an overview of the current work program of the Commission's Engagement and Communications (E&C) team, highlighting major engagement activity and supporting communications conducted since **5 February 2026**.

## Engagement

Key Element	Status
Smithfield Regeneration Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Code amendment adopted on 26 March.</li> <li>Engagement Report finalised adopted and 'closing the loop' email sent to stakeholders on 31 March.</li> <li><a href="#">View code amendment   PlanSA</a></li> </ul>
Seaton Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Code amendment adopted on 28 March.</li> <li>Engagement report finalised and 'closing the loop' communications distributed 31 March.</li> <li><a href="#">View code amendment   PlanSA</a></li> </ul>
Southwark Ground Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation closed 20 February.</li> <li>What we heard summary and evaluation survey sent to participants and engagement report prepared.</li> <li>Engagement details: <a href="#">Southwark Grounds Code Amendment   YourSAy</a></li> <li><a href="#">View code amendment   PlanSA</a></li> </ul>
Southern Barossa Winery and Tourist Accommodation - EIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community and stakeholder engagement closed on 17 December.</li> <li>What we heard summary sent to engagement participants.</li> <li>The Minister approved the development on 5 May 2026.</li> <li>Media release sent on 6 May 2026.</li> <li>Closing the loop communications to notify affected and interested stakeholders and community of the outcome completed.</li> <li><a href="#">Southern Barossa Winery and Tourist Accommodation Project   PlanSA</a></li> </ul>
Engineering Design Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation opened 9 April and closes 21 May.</li> <li>Stakeholder online information session on 14 April received 30 registrations and public online information session on 29 April received 100 registrations.</li> <li>Information session for LDAP members held 11 May.</li> <li><a href="#">Draft engineering requirements for land division - stage 2 consultation   YourSAy</a></li> </ul>
State-wide Flood Hazards Mapping Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finalising communication materials for launch on 21 May.</li> <li>Meeting with DEW and SES to coordinate communications and potential events across flood related projects during consultation period.</li> <li>Pre-engagement underway including SPC Chair presenting introduction at council information session on 14 May and information provided at LGA &amp; SPC monthly catch up on 14 May.</li> </ul>

Northern Park Lands Master Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BW and SM presented engagement plan overview to NPL project team.</li> <li>• Draft engagement plan provided to NPL project team and directors for review and feedback on 1 May 2026.</li> <li>• Engagement anticipated to take place in Jul/Aug for 8-week period.</li> </ul>
Interface Management Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation of engagement plan currently underway; expected to go to SPC in July as per project team.</li> <li>• Consultation expected to begin in mid to late August 2026.</li> </ul>
Tree Protection and Planting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation of engagement plan currently underway.</li> <li>• Consultation expected to begin in September or October 2026.</li> </ul>
Tourism Development Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Code amendment going to Commission in June – no date confirmed as yet.</li> <li>• Early work on engagement plan currently underway.</li> <li>• Engagement anticipated to take place in Jul/Aug.</li> </ul>

### **E&C Projects**

<b>Key Element</b>	<b>Status</b>
Community Engagement Charter Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pathway to Community Engagement Charter review and amendment determined by SPC on 16 April.</li> <li>• Engagement plan to be presented to SPC in July 2026.</li> <li>• Review to be undertaken with targeted key stakeholders in 2026, with the amendment to follow in 2027.</li> </ul>
Engagement Reference Group Investigations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Investigations to create a community reference group to determine broad community sentiment and feedback.</li> <li>• Statement of intent to be drafted.</li> <li>• Work to coincide with the Charter review and will create opportunities for co-design and collaboration.</li> </ul>

### **Engagement Platforms**

<b>Key Element</b>	<b>Status</b>
Websites – PlanSA and SPC	<p><b>Code Amendments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 27 Dequetteville Terrace, Kent Town CA – initiation</li> <li>• Fisherman’s Wharf CA – initiation</li> <li>• Leader Street Bakery CA – determination</li> <li>• Beachport Local Heritage CA – initiation</li> <li>• Port Wakefield CA – determination</li> <li>• Historic Area Statement Update CA – determination</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mill Road, Waterloo Corner CA – determination</li> <li>• 28-58 Mumford Road Waterloo CA – determination</li> <li>• Mumford Road CA – determination</li> <li>• Murray Bridge Residential Growth Areas CA – determination</li> </ul> <p><b>Other</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MBS 007 update and NCC 2022 updates</li> <li>• Southern Barossa Winery and Tourist Accommodation Project – Assessment Report release and Minister’s decision</li> <li>• New Regional Plan publication pages</li> <li>• Planning and Design Code publication page re-design</li> <li>• Engineering requirements for land division – stage 2 – consultation</li> <li>• Outline consent – new pages</li> <li>• Updates to multiple Practice Directions</li> </ul>
SPC & Chair LinkedIn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commission’s LinkedIn now has 2,403 followers, up 60 since 20 November.</li> <li>• The Chair’s LinkedIn now has 2,968 followers, up 238 since 20 November.</li> </ul>
PlanSA Facebook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PlanSA Facebook has 7,553 followers.</li> </ul>
SPC & PLUS Events	<p><u>Recent events:</u></p> <p>Engineering design standard – stage 2 consultation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 14 March, stakeholder online information session</li> <li>• 29 March, public online information session</li> <li>• 11 May, information session for LDAP members</li> </ul> <p>State-Wide Flood Hazard Code Amendment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 27 April, Flood Management Advisory Group presentation</li> <li>• 1 May, IPWEASA Stormwater Symposium presentation</li> <li>• 14 May, briefing at LGA &amp; SPC monthly catch up</li> <li>• 14 May, pre-engagement briefing for state-wide council planners</li> </ul> <p><u>Future events:</u></p> <p>State-Wide Flood Hazard Code Amendment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 21 May, Gawler River Flood Campaign Working Group meeting</li> <li>• June-July, series of online and in-person information sessions</li> <li>• June, Local Government Assessment Managers Forum presentation</li> <li>• 10 July, Country Planning Officers Group presentation</li> </ul>

<p><i>Planning Ahead and The Building Standards Newsletters</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning Ahead is scheduled to be distributed in May</li> <li>• The Building Standard was distributed in April: <a href="#">Newsletter April 2026 Edition   View Newsletter   PlanSA</a></li> </ul>
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## **Media**

Key Element	Status
<p>Key media announcements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 May - <a href="#">Green light for Barossa InterContinental   Premier of South Australia</a></li> <li>• 2 April - <a href="#">Housing approvals continue to surge in South Australia   Premier of South Australia</a></li> <li>• 26 March - <a href="#">A connected housing vision for the Inner South   Premier of South Australia</a></li> <li>• 21 February – Full vision for Southwark’s transformation revealed (media release not online, content here: <a href="#">Southwark 210226 - Google Drive</a>)</li> </ul>

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