DISTRICT COUNCIL of TUMBY BAY

On behalf of:

District Council of Tumby Bay

MEDIA RELEASE

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Have Your Say on How Council Engages with the Community

The District Council of Tumby Bay is inviting residents, ratepayers, businesses, community organisations and other interested stakeholders to provide feedback on its Draft Community Engagement Policy.

Council is updating the Policy to align with the South Australian Government's new Community Engagement Charter and amendments to the *Local Government Act 1999*.

The Draft Community Engagement Policy provides a framework for how Council will inform, consult and engage with the community when considering decisions, activities and projects that may affect residents, businesses, landowners, community organisations and visitors across the Tumby Bay District.

Council values effective community engagement as it supports open and transparent decision-making and provides the community with meaningful opportunities to share local knowledge, identify priorities, raise concerns and contribute ideas before Council makes a final decision.

Have Your Say

Feedback can be provided by:

- completing the downloadable feedback form: https://www.tumbybay.sa.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0013/2018011/Community-Feedback-Form-Draft-Community-Engagement-Policy.pdf
- emailing a written submission to **dctumby@tumbybay.sa.gov.au**;
- Picking up a hard copy survey at the Library or Council Office
- delivering or posting a written submission to the Council Office; or
- providing verbal feedback to Council staff during the consultation period.

The Draft Community Engagement Policy can be viewed at:

- https://www.tumbybay.sa.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0020/2018036/DRAFT-Policy-2.33-Community-Engagement-Jul-2026.pdf

Hard copies of the Draft Policy and feedback form are also available from the Council Office.

Community Consultation Period

The community consultation period will remain open for 21 days.

Submissions close at 5.00 pm on Wednesday 12 August 2026.

Community members are encouraged to provide their feedback before the closing date to ensure their views can be considered as part of Council's review of the Draft Policy.

Further Information

For further information regarding the consultation process or the draft Community Engagement Policy, please contact:

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