



Have your say



Community Engagement Policy

Council has prepared a new principles-based Community Engagement Policy to outline our commitment to informed, representative and supported engagement and outcomes with the Baw Baw Shire Community.

The draft policy provides a starting point to build on with the community. Council is committed to adapting the policy to get the best outcomes for the Baw Baw community.

This consultation opportunity is open until 5.00pm on Thursday 24 December 2020.

Feedback collated from the community through this Have Your Say process will be collated and presented to Council in early 2021.

To view the draft Policy along with an online version of this survey, visit www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/HaveYourSay

Tell us your feedback

Name

Address

Phone

Email

How do you participate in Baw Baw life?

- Resident
- Non-resident owner
- Business owner
- Worker
- Student
- Leisure/recreation
- Shopper/visitor
- Other (please specify)

Does the draft policy provide a way for the community to influence Council's strategic direction?

Yes No

If no, please tell us how we could do this better:

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After reading the policy, do you have a good understanding of when Deliberative Engagement practices will be used?

Yes No

If no, please tell us how we could do this better.

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Council will engage with the community in different ways depending on the significance of the matter (see 'how we do this' in the Level of Engagement model, page 7 of policy)

Which of the methods do you think are most appropriate for the Baw Baw community? Are there other methods you think are suitable?

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Council has defined three broad categories to establish the level of community engagement needed and if matters require deliberative engagement (refer to pages 8 and 9 of policy).

Do the levels represent what is important to you?

Yes No

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Here is how we've defined Community Engagement in the policy.

"The meaningful, respectful exchange of information and ideas. It is a planned process that provides opportunities for Council and the community to communicate, improve services, and enhance decision making through participation."

Do you have any suggestions to improve this definition?

Yes No

If yes, please let us know below.

Here is how we've defined Deliberative Engagement in the policy.

"When a representative sample of the community is provided with the information and time to reach a joint position or preferred solution through considered discussion."

Do you have any suggestions to improve this definition?

Yes No

If yes, please let us know how below.

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Is the language used in the policy easy to understand?

Yes No

If no, please suggest how we could do this better.

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If you have any other suggestions on the draft Community Engagement Policy 2021, please let us know below.

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Are you interested in contributing further and would like to be a part of influencing Council's strategic direction?

Yes No

(If you tick yes, please ensure your contact details have been entered.)

What happens next?

Thank you for taking the time to provide your feedback. Your thoughts and ideas are highly valued and will ultimately form part of Council's decision making.

Council Officers will consolidate comments and feedback and consider all submissions to assist in making further recommendations to Council.