



Agenda Report for Noting

Meeting Date: 5 February 2026

Item Name	SPC Engagement and Communications Update	
Presenters	Steven Murphy	
Purpose of Report	Noting	
Item Number	6.2	
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.

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 **20 November 2025**.

Comms and Engagement team update
Regional Planning Program

Key Element	Status
Six Country Regional Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The six country regional plans were launched on PlanSA on Monday 19 January. • Documents available for each plan are the Source of Truth, Summary Doc, Engagement Report and Mapping. • Extensive media undertaken by the Minister to launch the plans • The Regional Planning Portal will go live with the plans late January. • Closing the Loop communications will coincide with the portal going live. • Regional plan launch documents: Regional plans PlanSA

Communication Platforms

Key Element	Status
Websites – PlanSA and SPC	<p>Code Amendments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ceduna Waters – Initiation • Old Port Wakefield Road Virginia – initiation • Prospect Lifestyle Precinct – initiation • Waikerie Park Master Plan - initiation • Assessment Improvements – determination • Playford Alive East – determination • Sellicks Beach Growth Area – determination • Southwark Grounds – Initiation • Golden Grove Master Planned (Stage 2) – determination • Golden Grove Neighbourhood (Stage 1) – determination • Southwark Grounds – consultation <p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Country regional plans published • Concordia Infrastructure Scheme published • Northern Water Mullaquana – impact assessed development declared • The Building Standard newsletter • Fee updates across the websites, inline with updated Ministerial Fees Notice

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministerial Building Standard 007 update • Practice Guideline 4 – Shared spaces and accommodation diversity - new • Practice Direction 12 – Conditions - update
SPC & Chair LinkedIn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Commission’s LinkedIn now has 2,343 followers, up 17 since 20 November. • The Chair’s LinkedIn now has 2,730 followers, up 157 since 20 November.
PlanSA Facebook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PlanSA Facebook has 7,593 followers.
SPC & PLUS Events	<p><u>Recent events:</u></p> <p>Smithfield Regeneration Code Amendment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25 Nov, online information session • 27 Nov, in-person drop in session • 27 Nov, stand at Munno Para Shopping Centre <p>Southern Barossa Winery and Tourist Accommodation EIS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 Dec, online information session <p><u>Future events:</u></p> <p>Southwark Grounds Code Amendment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 Jan, Renewal SA development partners information session • 2 Feb, Community drop-in information session • 3 Feb, Online community information session <p>Discussion Paper on changes to Practice Directions 8 and 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 Jan, Council workshop • 6 Feb, Builders and industry workshop
<i>Planning Ahead and The Building Standards Newsletters</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning Ahead was distributed in December, an update rather than a full edition due to volume of news generated late in the year: Newsletter Update View Newsletter PlanSA • The first edition of Planning Ahead in 2026 will be the first week of February. • The Building Standard was distributed in December: Newsletter December 2025 Edition View Newsletter PlanSA

Code Amendment Engagement

Key Element	Status
Concordia Infrastructure Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Scheme was adopted by the Minister on 19 December 2025 • Closing the Loop communications distributed.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infrastructure schemes PlanSA
Sellicks Beach Growth Area Joint Amendment and Infrastructure Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Joint Amendment has been adopted by the Minister on 23 December 2025. • The Engagement Report is available on PlanSA and Closing the Loop communications actioned. • View code amendment PlanSA
Accommodation Diversity Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial consultation was finalised in Q1 2025 • Minister adopted stage 1 on 15 October 2025 • Closing the Loop communications for stage 1 of the Minister's decision completed. • Awaiting direction on the potential stage 2 pending council responses • View code amendment PlanSA
Smithfield Regeneration Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community and stakeholder engagement was launched on 13 November and closed on 21 December. • What We Heard summary and engagement evaluation survey distributed early January. • Engagement Report currently being finalised. • View code amendment PlanSA
Playford Alive East Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The code amendment was adopted by the Minister on 18 Dec • Closing the Loop communications to be finalised and distributed mid-January. • View code amendment PlanSA
Seaton Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community and stakeholder engagement closed on 16 December. • What We Heard summary and engagement evaluation survey were distributed 14 Jan, closing 28 Jan • Engagement Report currently being drafted • View code amendment PlanSA
Southwark Ground Code Amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community and stakeholder engagement launched on 15 January and will close 20 February. • Community and stakeholder events to be held early February. • Engagement details: Southwark Grounds Code Amendment YourSAy • View code amendment PlanSA

Other Engagement

Key Element	Status
Southern Barossa Winery and Tourist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community and stakeholder engagement closed on 17

Accommodation - EIS	<p>December.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What We Heard summary and engagement evaluation survey currently going through approvals • Southern Barossa Winery and Tourist Accommodation Project PlanSA
Discussion paper on changes to Practice Directions 8 and 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stakeholder engagement was launched on 5 December 2025 and will close on 19 February 2026. • Online workshops to be conducted with councils and with builders and industry groups in late January and early February • Other consultations PlanSA

Communications

Key Element	Status
2026 Communications Plan for SPC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial conversations conducted with Chair in December 2026 • Draft to be finalised in mid-January • Workshop with Chair to finalise plan 28 January • Communications Plan will be presented to SPC once finalised
SPC Agenda Report presentation – 5 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of SPC Communications Plan • Final update on launch of six country regional plans • Upcoming Caretaker period – 21 February to 21 March

Media

Key Element	Status
Key media announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 19 Jan, Launch of country regional plans: Planning for the future of regional South Australia Premier of South Australia • 15 Jan, Southwark Grounds Code Amendment: Adelaide's newest suburb set to soar Premier of South Australia • 15 Dec, Kudla Growth Area: Adelaide's new growth front in the north Premier of South Australia

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