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Draft Strathalbyn and Surrounds Town Plan released for public consultation

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Alexandrina Council has released its draft Strathalbyn and Surrounds Town Plan for public consultation, asking the community to provide feedback on the proposed direction for growth over the next 15-plus years.

The draft Plan seeks to replace the Strathalbyn Town Plan 2014-2024, which has expired.

“This draft Plan is the next stage of our community engagement on the long-term future for the Strathalbyn township and surrounding areas,” Alexandrina Mayor Keith Parkes said.

“Back in March and April we did some Stage 1 preliminary engagement, holding information sessions and surveying residents, businesses and key stakeholders to seek broad direction from the community about housing, recreation, commercial land use, and infrastructure needs.

“Working with specialised planning consultants, Council has used this feedback to create the draft ‘Strathalbyn and Surrounds Town Plan 2026-2041’.

“The draft Plan considers housing supply and diversity; future residential growth and land supply; the importance of protecting Strathalbyn’s heritage and character; the need for investment in infrastructure such as roads, water and wastewater systems as well recreation and community services; support for employment, business and tourism opportunities; the need to improve connectivity within the township; and measures to protect local waterways and native vegetation, the scenic entry corridors into the town and the productive agricultural land around Strathalbyn.

“I encourage everyone who lives or works or has a keen interest in Strathalbyn to attend one of our information drop-in sessions and to fill in our online survey which you can find on our community engagement website mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au and at our Council Offices in Strathalbyn and Goolwa.”

Council is running four (4) public drop-in sessions at the Strathalbyn Town Hall on High Street, Strathalbyn:

- Wednesday, 16 September, 10am-12pm & 4-7pm
- Wednesday, 30 September, 10am-12pm & 4-7pm

Council is also hosting an information booth at the Strathalbyn Show on Monday 5 October 2026.



Feedback on the draft Plan will help guide the finalisation of the 'Strathalbyn and Surrounds Town Plan 2026-2041' which is scheduled for adoption by Council in the first quarter of 2027.

The new 'Strathalbyn and Surrounds Town Plan 2026-2041' will become the Local Area Plan as required by the State Government, which will in turn inform their Greater Adelaide Regional Plan (GARP).

While Strathalbyn is expected to experience strong residential growth, the GARP has not formally identified the township as a designated growth area.

Community engagement on the draft 'Strathalbyn and Surrounds Town Plan 2026-2041' closes at 5pm on Friday 16 October.

To find out more, visit mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au/strath-town-plan

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