

Council News

Date: 4 January 2025

Community Engagement Strategy

The Bathurst Regional Council Community Engagement Strategy is our commitment to quality consultation and actively involving our community in decision-making and information sharing.

This Strategy ensures that we approach all our engagement activities consistently, especially for projects that need community input. Our aim is to keep you well-informed about Council issues, strategies, projects, and plans, and to give you the chance to be part of the decision-making and policy development process.

Under the Local Government Act 1993 - Section 406 Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R), the IP & R framework Council is required to review its Community Engagement Strategy (CES) within three months of the election of the new Council.

Council is seeking the community's views on the draft Community Engagement Strategy.

Submissions close 4pm Tuesday 28 January 2025.

For more information and to provide your feedback visit yoursay.bathurst.nsw.gov.au/ces

Annual Funding/Donations Program - Section 356 Donations

Council is seeking expressions of interest from community organisations and individuals seeking funding from Council to be included in the 2025/2026 budget. Funding is available for the period from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.

To apply, **submit an application form** which is available on Council's website or from the Civic Centre, 158 Russell Street, Bathurst **by 4pm on Friday, 7 February 2025.**

Organisations/groups who have received funding previously should re-apply if they wish to be considered for further funding.

For more information, contact Council on 6333 6257 or visit Council's website.

Ngarang Arts Residency (BARN) project

Council is seeking community feedback on the Ngarang Arts Residency (BARN) project to inform future decision making regarding the facility.

Council is seeking broader community feedback on the project. Specific comments are requested regarding:

- Whether there is significant community support for the facility and its objectives
- The financial viability of Council operating the facility, with reference to the economic modelling provided and the project's potential public value.
- Potential social and economic benefits to the community

Have your say on the project by completing our survey below. Submissions can also be sent to Bathurst Regional Council, PMB17, Bathurst 2795 or emailed to council@bathurst.nsw.gov.au <https://yoursay.bathurst.nsw.gov.au/ngurang-barn>

Submissions close 4pm Friday 10 January 2025.

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