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Feedback from the City of Campbelltown for the:

Performance Indicators Discussion Paper

Discussion Points

DP 1 – Are the System Indicators collected now useful?

The system indicators have limited use and simply measure the efficiency of the system. While this has validity, the focus on monitoring should be on the quality of the outcomes particularly given the enhanced role of quality design in the new planning framework.

Aiming to narrow the distance between the best quality design and the poorest is of vital importance.

DP 2 – Is the information in the annual report released by the Planning Minister useful? How could it be improved?

The information is useful but need to make sure the data is robust and that it is collected from all Councils which will be benefit of the new system.

DP 3 – What examples of interstate planning system performance indicators do you think could effectively be used in South Australia?

Some other states have developer contribution schemes and if these were introduced the measurement of the outcomes of funding drawn from contributions could be reported on to highlight the investment in surrounding community infrastructure to support new development.

DP 4 - Do you have suggestions for other things that are done well interstate in collecting and evaluating information about the planning system that could be introduced to the South Australian system?

As mentioned developer contribution schemes in other states draw funding from developments and inject this into surrounding infrastructure to support these new community members. Measuring this is a good indicator as to the wellbeing of a community and if sufficient public infrastructure is in place to support these new communities and their social development capacity. This is particularly important where there is significant infill development as is the case with Campbelltown and many other inner rim and surround councils where the under 20-lot ratio sees the funding going to a central pool and not where the funding is generated. Some measurement of the funding drawn and how it is used in various areas is required to understand the social infrastructure investment and community impact development has, not just the economic impact.

DP 5 – What parts of the existing system indicators program should be carried over into the new scheme?

The existing system indicators which measure performance against statutory timeframes should be brought across as they are a valid indicator of efficiency provided the e-planning portal can be designed to be accurate enough to provide start and stop mechanisms for all the relevant scenarios, but must compliment qualitative measures on good design

DP 6 – What are some important types of data or statistics that you think should be collected in the new planning system?

- How long applicants take to respond to requests for information.
- Quality of information and plans provided.
- State Planning Commission Performance.
- Land division and community titles net allotment change (existing and proposed) type/use, size and dimensions (frontage and depth)
- Dwelling number change (existing and proposed), type and floor area.
- Commercial use/class type, floor area and vehicle parking number

DP 7 – Do you have ideas about other ways in which data on activities in the planning system could be collected and evaluated?

No comment made

DP 8 – Do you have a preference for how the State Government reports on and presents data and statistics about the planning system?

- Strong visual presentation with info-graphics
- Not specific to Council.

DP 9 – What are some alternative ways to present data and statistics?

No comment made