

# Engagement Plan:

## LEP20/0010 – Height of Buildings at 63-65 Johnston Street

<b>Project Name:</b>	Exhibition – Change to increase the permissible height of buildings at 63-65 Johnston Street from 16 metres to 25 metres.
<b>Project owner:</b>	Adam Wood, Strategic Town Planner
<b>Team:</b>	Strategic Planning
<b>Directorate:</b>	Regional Activation

### Background:

Council has received a planning proposal to increase the permissible height of buildings at 63-65 Johnston Street, Wagga Wagga from 16 metres to 25 metres.

The planning proposal will be submitted to NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment for Gateway Determination where community consultation will be conditioned.

### Goals and objectives

To seek community and agency feedback on the proposed changes to the minimum lot size.

### Target audience

- Adjoining and affected land owners of the site
- General community and key stakeholders

### Key message

The following are the key messages for the exhibition:

- Council has received a planning proposal to increase the permissible height of buildings at 63-65 Johnston Street, Wagga Wagga from 16 metres to 25 metres
- Seeking feedback on the proposed change
- Planning process
- How to make a submission
- Where is information available and how to get involved
- What will happen after exhibition?

## Engagement methods

The following engagement methods will be utilised:

- Dedicated website on Connect.Wagga
  - Project updates
  - Contact details
  - FAQ's
  - Proposal information
- Direct mail notification to adjoining and nearby land owners
- Two newspaper advertisements
- Hard copies available for inspection at customer service
- Direct appointments and consultation with staff

## Timeline

- Application lodged
- Council meeting resolution to support submission of application to NSW State Government
- Gateway Determination Received
- Community Consultation
  - 6-week exhibition / submission period
  - Two public notices in Daily Advertiser

**Note:** where a proposal generates a large amount of community concern, community sessions can be arranged.
- Council meeting to consider outcomes of consultation and decision on support, further requests or refusal

## Requirements

The following requirements for engagement are identified:

- Website content detailing the proposed amendments to the Wagga Wagga LEP
- Public notice
- Strategic planning team for enquires and feedback

## Roles and responsibilities

Who	Requirements / Interest
Project owner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Key contact</li><li>▪ Develop communication information, advertisements and mail out documents</li><li>▪ Media liaison</li><li>▪ Develop and maintain website material</li><li>▪ Provide material for viewing at customer service</li></ul>

Communications and Engagement team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Assist with website</li><li>▪ Assist with graphic exhibition material / videos if required</li></ul>
Business support / customer service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Acknowledge submissions</li><li>▪ Field enquiries / requests</li></ul>

## Risk assessment

Risks associated with planning proposals include:

- Community misunderstanding of process
- Controversial matters being taken to the media
- Compliance with governance and legal requirements
- Lack of community or key stakeholder awareness, buy-in or engagement

## Key issues

For this site, the following key issues are identified:

- Strategic importance of the Wagga Wagga CBD
- Streetscape and built form outcomes
- Nearby heritage locations at Fitzmaurice Street and Wollundry Lagoon