

Community Engagement – Our Commitment Information Brochure

The Outback Communities Authority (OCA) is dedicated to improving the lives of those people who live and work in outback South Australia. In doing its work the OCA will often make decisions that have the potential to affect the lives of those people.

It is the genuine desire of the OCA to give people who live and work in the outback opportunities to have meaningful input into the decision making process. The OCA also wants outback communities to be aware of the reasons behind the decisions it makes, and the effect those decisions might have on them.

Community Engagement - Our Commitment Policy sets out how, when and with whom the OCA will consult. It describes the various ways the OCA will seek to engage with the community. Using state/local newspapers, electronic and hard copy correspondence, and convening public meetings are just a few examples.

The policy also ensures that the public can make submissions on matters that interest them easily and efficiently.

The OCA will consult when:

- changing its Public Consultation Policy
- preparing Strategic Management Plans
- preparing Annual Business Plans and Budgets
- entering into, or changing a Community Affairs Resourcing and Management (CARM) Agreement
- taking action through the *Local Government Act 1999* such as *introducing a levy*
- making regulations
- making a decision that has the potential to affect the lives of those people living and working in outback South Australia.

The Outback Communities (Administration & Management) Act 2009 sets out the circumstances when OCA must consult. The OCA is also committed to consulting before making any decisions that might have an impact on those living and working in outback South Australia.

This policy sets out the steps the OCA will follow when seeking to engage with outback communities.

Get to know the policy, get to know the OCA and have your say.

For a copy of the Community Engagement – Our Commitment Policy contact the OCA office at Port Augusta on 8648 5970 or visit our website: www.oca.sa.gov.au

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