

10 Notices Of Motion

10.1 Notice of Motion 1068 - Cr Cameron

Motion

That Council resolves to:

1. Note the Victorian Government has made a number of changes to the planning system in the last 18 months which have reduced the community's third party public notice and appeal rights and Council's role as responsible planning authority
2. Note the Victorian Government is currently considering further significant planning reform through the Planning Reform Program 2020-2024.
3. Strongly voice its concern consultation to date has been limited to only selected councils on separate parts of the reform program and has required council offers to sign confidentiality agreements to be a part of this consultation.
4. Note:
 - a. Meaningful consultation with community and with local government on any reform proposals must occur before reforms are considered or introduced;
 - b. Community consultation must remain an integral consideration for planning decisions;
 - c. Community consultation must be a core part of major planning decisions;
 - d. Community voice is critical for ensuring a transparent Planning system which strengthens local neighbourhoods and economies;
5. Urge the Minister for Planning to:
 - a. Ensure full consultation with councils and community before any planning reform decisions are made;
 - b. Ensure appropriate time is provided for feedback, including consideration of council meeting cycles.
6. Notes the Mayor has recently sent a letter to the Hon Richard Wynne, MP Minister for Planning, with copies to Member for Eastern Victorian Region and Member for Bass, advocating that Councillors, Council officers and the community are consulted prior to any changes being made to the planning system.
7. Use the Council communication channels to inform the community regarding the planning reforms and to encourage them to provide feedback to the Victorian Government directly and to local members of parliament.
8. Request the CEO or her delegate coordinate with other councils in regard to advocacy.