

FACT SHEET Overview of the plan-making process

The formal process for making the planning scheme

A planning scheme is a document made by a council which has legal effect. It contains both policy and regulatory content about how the council plans to manage development and growth in its region and respond to change.

A planning scheme is made under the *Planning Act 2016*. The process that a council must follow to make a new planning scheme is determined by a notice issued under section 18 of the Act, to the council by the chief executive of the Act (the Director-General of the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning). The section 18 notice for this current plan-making process was issued to Barcaldine Regional Council on 14 February 2020.

Public consultation is a vital component of the plan making process and this requirement is embedded in the Act and required by the section 18 notice.

When being prepared, a planning scheme is required to be reviewed by the State to ensure it appropriately integrates and is not inconsistent with State planning policies.

A council can only adopt a new planning scheme with the approval of the Planning Minister.

Below is an overview of the process for making a new planning scheme for the Barcaldine Region. The process diagram shows the stage we are presently at.



The Section 18 notice - sets out the process

A notice is issued by the chief executive of the Planning Act 2016 to council under section 18 of the Act setting out the process council is required to follow to make its new planning scheme.

Stage 1 - Council prepares the proposed planning scheme

Stage 2 - Council submits proposed planning scheme for State interest review and approval to proceed to public consultation

Stage 2 - State interest review and response

The chief executive of the Planning Act 2016 issues a notice to council advising the outcome of the State interest review, any changes required to be made to the proposed planning scheme and advising the consultation strategy council must follow for public

Stage 3 - Council undertakes public consultation

For a minimum of 40 business days council makes the proposed planning scheme and supporting material available to the public and invites submissions about it.

WE ARE HERE

Stage 5 - Council requests Ministerial approval to adopt proposed

planning scheme
Council considers if any changes need to be made to the proposed planning scheme
arising from submissions received. If significance changes are made, Stages 2 & 3 need to be undertaken on the changes.

Stage 5 - Minister considers adoption request and issues response The Planning Minister may impose conditions on an approval for council to adopt its new planning scheme.

Stage 5 - Council decides to adopt and commence its new planning

In deciding to adopt its new planning scheme, council will also decide the date on which it legally commences in effect. On or before the commencement date, council is required to publish public notices about commencement and make the planning scheme available online and at its office.

Want to find out more?

Public consultation of the proposed planning scheme will occur from:

Monday 5 September 2022 up to and including Tuesday 8 November 2022.



During the public consultation period, the proposed planning scheme and supporting documents will be accessible to you. We have a dedicated webpage for the proposed planning scheme project: www.barcaldinerc.qld.gov.au/proposed-planning-scheme.

We have also produced further fact sheets which are accessible on the proposed planning scheme project website or in hardcopy by request.

Alternatively, email your enquiry to our planning services email address planning@barc.qld.gov.au or call 07 4651 5600 to speak with us.

The content of this information sheet is a summary and provided as guidance only. It has been prepared to assist the reader to understand and navigate the proposed Barcaldine Region Planning Scheme. Please refer to the complete version of the proposed Barcaldine Region Planning Scheme document available on Council's website for further detail.