

## **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.



## 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](http://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](mailto: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.*