



Media Release

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New Citywide LEP takes a significant step forward

On Tuesday 3rd May 2011, Councils Development Committee considered a report on the new draft Citywide Local Environmental Plan (LEP) for the Shoalhaven and recommended that Council proceed to exhibit the draft plan. This is a significant milestone in what has been a long planning process.

If the recommendations are accepted by Council later this month, staff will be able to finalise the arrangements to exhibit the draft LEP.

The Draft LEP exhibition, scheduled to be for 13 weeks around the middle of the year, will allow for comprehensive community consultation. This will enable landowners, interest groups and the broader community to review and comment on the draft plan prior to its finalisation.

Results of the final exhibition will be well publicised and Council will write directly to all landowners and key community groups to advise them of the arrangements.

Councils Development Committee Chairman, Councillor John Fergusson said he was pleased with the outcome. "We are really happy to be moving forward with the draft LEP" Cllr Fergusson said.

"It's important for our city that we get this right, the final LEP will have a significant impact on our future and we welcome feedback from the community" Cllr Fergusson said.

Shoalhaven City Mayor Councillor Paul Green said "This is a significant step in the long process of preparing the new LEP for Shoalhaven. I'm looking forward to the broader community having their say on the draft plan when it is exhibited".

For further information on Council's Draft LEP, you can contact Gordon Clark – Strategic Planning and Infrastructure on (02) 4429 3355, or visit Council's internet site at www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au.

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