



Community Engagement Report

Strath Neighbourhood Centre – Lease Proposal

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1.0 Background

Council is seeking feedback on a proposal to enter into a 10-year lease with the Strath Neighbourhood Centre Incorporated so they can remain in occupancy at 6 and Lot 5 Parker Avenue Strathalbyn in order to continue to deliver well-being support services to Strathalbyn and the wider community.

As the land is classified as community land and the term of the lease is greater than 5 years, community engagement is required to ensure the community is provided with the essential terms of the proposal and an opportunity to comment on the proposal should they choose to do so.

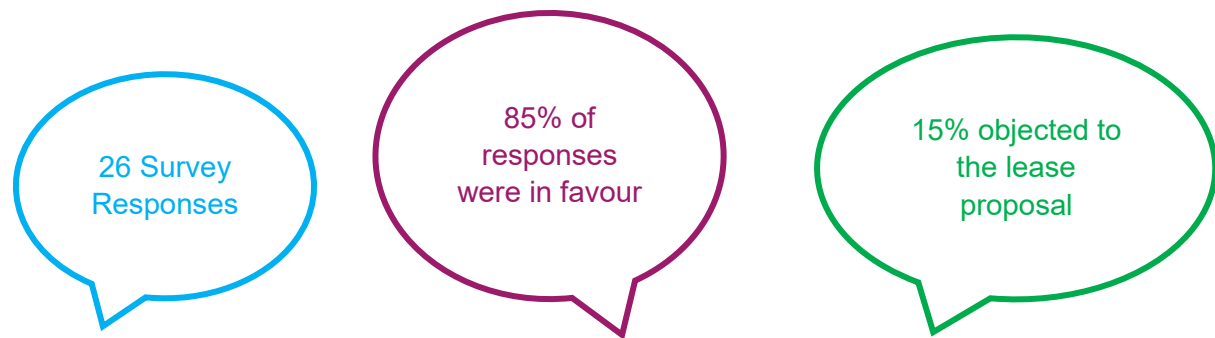
Proposed Essential Terms of the lease

- Ten-year lease term (5 + 5)
- Renewal after an initial 5-year term.
- Commencement date of 1 July 2025.
- Lease area as identified in red as contained within the key documents listed on the My Say page.
- Lessee is responsible for maintenance.
- Council responsible for replacement of infrastructure at end of useful life.
- Lessee is responsible for public liability and contents insurance.
- Council responsible for building insurance.
- Lessee responsible for all applicable outgoings (rates, taxes and services)

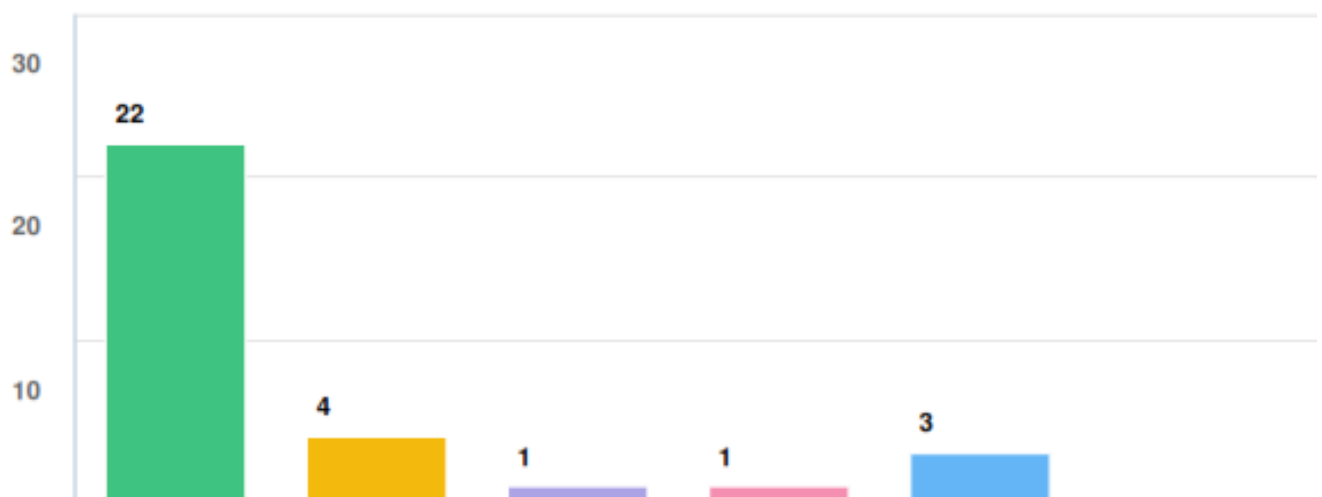
2.0 Engagement Snapshot

During the consultation period from 29 May 2025, 9 am until 20 June 2025, 5 pm. **A total of 26 responses** were received across both the My Say platform and via email/hard copy.

Email and hard copy surveys were consolidated into the My Say platform to streamline data and keep it in one central location.



Who we heard from:



Question options

- Ratepayer and ongoing resident
- Resident (ie. residential tenant)
- Frequent visitor
- Infrequent visitor
- Interested stakeholder
- Ratepayer and seasonal/ holiday resident
- Ratepayer and business owner

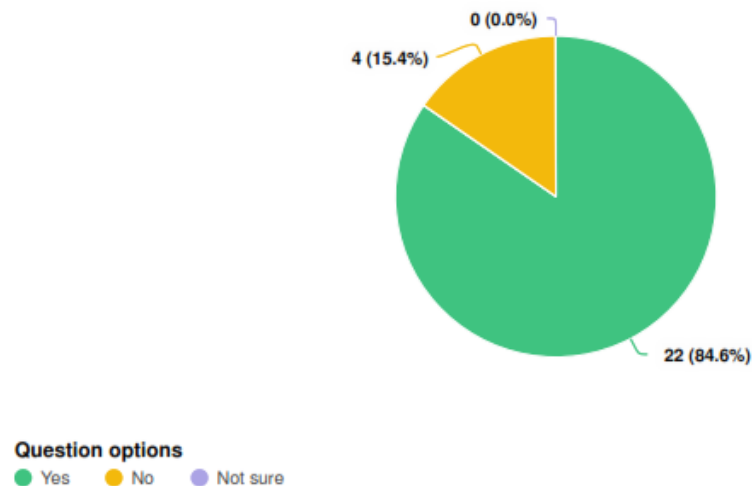
2.1 Engagement Snapshot Methods and Outcomes

Activity/ Method	Date	External stakeholder	Outcome/ Result
My Say project page	29 May	Public	131 total page visits 26 submissions via the online survey 17 document downloads
My Say e-newsletter		Those that registered for email updates via My Say	Email sent to 1,338 subscribers 53.6% open rate
Local Displays – Council Office, library, community noticeboards	29 May – 20 June	Notice to be placed on Council display boards including promotion of ways to get involved.	

3.0 Consultation Response Overview

3.1 Evaluation

Q5 Do you support the lease proposal?



Key themes in support of the proposal are:

- Much needed and well used community service
- Great asset for the community
- A 10-year lease gives the Centre the stability and security it needs
- A 10-year lease allows the Centre to develop and expand for a growing community
- Stable and safe place for locals to gather
- Important Strathalbyn service and part of the town

Key themes objecting to the proposal are:

- Preference for a 5-year lease with right to renew.
- 10 years is too long and restricts ability to sell or a commercial opportunity
- Social Supermarket is not required as there is a church operating a similar service nearby
- Centre should resource its existing community programs rather than operate as a commercial entity (social supermarket)
- Centre should be returned to Council for council run programs that are inclusive, community engaging, enhance or improve the local community.
- Centre should be returned to the Senior Citizens.

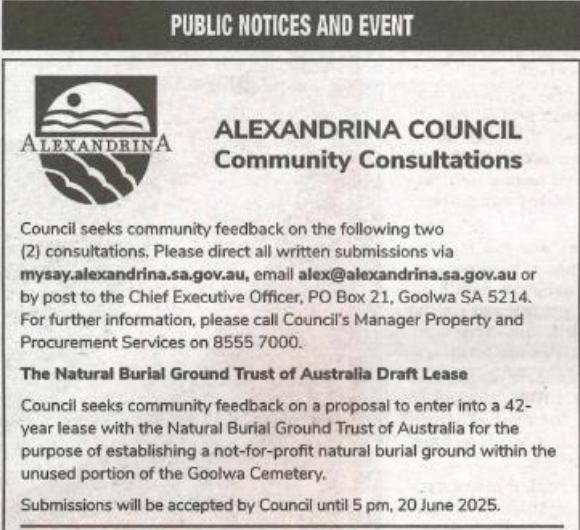
4.0 Self-nomination to participate

It is important to acknowledge that involvement in the public consultation process is voluntary, with participants self-nominating to contribute. As a result, the feedback gathered should not be regarded as statistically representative of all perspectives.

5.0 Consultation images

N/A

6.0 Communication channels and media reach

Website	Date	Results
Facebook post	29 May and 16 June	Over 1,932 views and 1,163 accounts reached
Instagram post	29 May and 16 June	Approximately 381 views and 321 accounts reached
Public Notice Fleurieu Sun and Southern Argus	29 May	 ALEXANDRINA COUNCIL Community Consultations Council seeks community feedback on the following two (2) consultations. Please direct all written submissions via mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au, email alex@alexandrina.sa.gov.au or by post to the Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 21, Goolwa SA 5214. For further information, please call Council's Manager Property and Procurement Services on 8555 7000. The Natural Burial Ground Trust of Australia Draft Lease Council seeks community feedback on a proposal to enter into a 42-year lease with the Natural Burial Ground Trust of Australia for the purpose of establishing a not-for-profit natural burial ground within the unused portion of the Goolwa Cemetery. Submissions will be accepted by Council until 5 pm, 20 June 2025.  PUBLIC NOTICES AND EVENT ALEXANDRINA COUNCIL Community Consultations Council seeks community feedback on the following two (2) consultations. Please direct all written submissions via mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au, email alex@alexandrina.sa.gov.au or by post to the Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 21, Goolwa SA 5214. For further information, please call Council's Manager Property and Procurement Services on 8555 7000. The Natural Burial Ground Trust of Australia Draft Lease Council seeks community feedback on a proposal to enter into a 42-year lease with the Natural Burial Ground Trust of Australia for the purpose of establishing a not-for-profit natural burial ground within the unused portion of the Goolwa Cemetery. Submissions will be accepted by Council until 5 pm, 20 June 2025.