

Planning Commission finalises Alice Springs Land Use Plan

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Planning Commission Chairman Gary Nairn says the plan establishes future land uses for the Alice Springs region, including surrounding areas from the Joint Defence Facility Pine Gape in the west to Undoolya in the east, Amoonguna in the south-east and the Brewer Industrial Estate and Alice Springs Correctional Facility in the south.

“This is a long term strategic framework that helps planners, decision-makers and the broader community anticipate and manage future growth and development in the Alice Springs region.

“It integrates strategic land use, transport and infrastructure planning to deliver more sustainable and cost-effective outcomes for the community while safeguarding natural resources for future generations.”

The Planning Commission commenced discussions with the community in September 2015, with the release of a detailed discussion paper and background investigation report, and a draft plan for further feedback in November 2015.

“The response has been terrific, with a wide range of submissions and feedback received. The interest and enthusiasm of residents and the broader Alice Springs community has been heartening.

The final draft of the Alice Springs Regional Land Use Plan was recommended to the Minister for inclusion in the NT Planning Scheme on Monday 21 March 2016, and if adopted, will guide more detailed planning including the future development of area plans in consultation with the Alice Springs Community.

“Alice Springs is a vibrant community, with a prosperous regional economy. This Land Use Plan will guide strategic decisions around housing, economic growth and essential infrastructure to grow the region into the future,” Mr Nairn said.

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