

August 2024 Update

Council commenced a review of the existing Kempsey Development Control Plan 2013 (DCP) at the beginning of 2024. A survey seeking the community's views on the current DCP was announced and undertaken from February to April this year. Council thanks all those who took the time to both view the material and respond. We value all the feedback received and aim to deliver the best possible outcome.

All responses have been reviewed and we acknowledge there were wide ranging views for the plan. Some of the comments raised were:

1. The length and complexity of the current DCP
2. Greater clarity needed around the DCP's application
3. Incomplete sections which need to be populated
4. Out-of-date provisions which require updating
5. The need for more illustrations to demonstrate desired outcomes

All responses have been considered and form part of the review process. Council has been working to develop a new structure and approach to the DCP which seeks to address these matters and to refine the document as a useful and practical guideline for development across our Shire

Further information is available in the attached Discussion Paper.

Where to from here?

The next step is to refine the drafting of the proposed revised DCP and provide a further opportunity for the community to raise matters that the DCP may address, prior to the document being placed on public exhibition towards the end of the year.

Continue to being part of the DCP Review

Council will be working on development planning, building and infrastructure coordination with our technical teams within the organisation in the third week of September 2024. If you are interested in attending a separate session where you can meet with Council to discuss the DCP review, please indicate this by using the below expression of interest response form.

Please note: Council will only contact those who register an interest below, with details of meeting place(s) and time(s).

Time available is Thursday 19 September, at 4:00pm