

Mount Barker Town Centre Review Have your say...



create a sense of "place"

CARPARKING

Walkable
Town Centre

Diversity of
Activities

Revised Building Heights

Increased links across Adelaide Rd
+ Watercourses

More employment
opportunities

Development
of a
"focal point"

HERITAGE

youth
opportunities



Invitation to Participate in the

Mount Barker Town Centre Review

Information Sheet October 2010.

Purpose of the Review

Recognised as a Regional Centre for the Adelaide Hills, the Mount Barker Town Centre provides a range of commercial, business, retail and entertainment opportunities as well as community, education and health services.

The District Council of Mount Barker is undertaking a community consultation process to provide directions to address current issues in the Town Centre. The Review will result in a Town Centre Strategy that establishes a sound foundation for the future development of the Centre to meet the needs of those who live, work and recreate in the District.

Key Challenges to be addressed

Council's vision of a vibrant and well functioning Town Centre recognises the need to address the following challenges:

- The use of public and private spaces to create a sense of place
- Development of a focal point for the community
- Car parking and access
- Better pedestrian environments and pedestrian and cycle links
- Links across Adelaide Road and Mount Barker Creek
- Opportunities for expansion of Town Centre
- Increased employment opportunities
- Ability to revise building height limits
- Building design that responds to local heritage and topography
- Role of former Council administration site and other Council and Community assets.

What does Council want for the Town Centre?

Council has developed the following draft goals for the Town Centre Strategy.

1. Further enhance Mount Barker as a regional centre for the Adelaide Hills that provides retail business, entertainment and community services.
2. Build on the valued elements of historic township character as part of continued growth and renewal.
3. Provide a range of employment opportunities.
4. Contribute to creating a stronger sense of place and visual identity.
5. Provide an integrated transport network that supports safe walking and cycling and efficient vehicle movements.
6. Public and private spaces that encourage social interaction.
7. Identify opportunities to develop a centre that provides a focus for civic, cultural and community activities.



Map of Study Area

The map above shows the indicative Study Area for the Town Centre Review. It takes into account the Regional Town Centre Zone and the areas immediately adjacent to the current Town Centre.

Council owned land is also identified to assist the Community to consider the contribution this land could make to achieving an appealing, accessible and well functioning Town Centre.

Community and stakeholders are invited to contribute to the Town Centre Review

Three Open House Sessions will be held in the Mount Barker Town Hall on;

1. Thursday 25th November at 1-4pm,
2. Friday 26th November at 12-3.30pm
3. Saturday 27th November at 11.30-2.30pm

Participants are invited to drop in at any time and comment on any issues. Information materials and facilitators will be available to assist.

A dedicated **youth session** will be held on **Thursday 25th November 2010 from 4.30pm to 7pm** in the Mount Barker Town Hall. All young people are welcome to attend this session. In addition the involvement of young people will be encouraged through schools, colleges and TAFE. Please call Rosanna on 8333 7999 to book a place so we can arrange catering.

Written Responses

Council encourages community input. Feedback forms can be completed online at www.dcmtbarker.sa.gov.au or collected from Council offices at 6 Dutton Road, Mount Barker or the Library at 5 Dumas Street.

Written responses are also welcomed. All comments and suggestions will be considered as part of the development of a draft Mount Barker Town Centre Strategy which will be released for your feedback in a second stage of consultation when completed.

All responses should be sent to:

Mount Barker Town Centre Review Feedback
The District Council of Mount Barker
PO Box 54, Mount Barker SA 5251
or emailed to towncentrereview@dcmtbarker.sa.gov.au
by 20th December 2010.