



INNER WEST COUNCIL

Community Engagement Outcomes Report

Draft Sustainable Procurement Policy

Summary

The Community Engagement and public exhibition of the draft Sustainable Procurement Policy took place from Wednesday, 19 September 2018 to Wednesday, 31 October 2018.

The draft Policy was placed on the Your Say Inner West project page and was also promoted via Council's social media pages in a post on 26 September 2018. Feedback was invited to be submitted by using the online form or by mail.

Over the course of the exhibition period, Council received 12 favourable submissions from the community via the Your Say Inner West page with 11 of the submissions indicating support for the Policy with changes. Respondents were from suburbs spread across the LGA.

The feedback generally indicated:

- That specific targets should be included for increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Procurement.
- That specific targets and benchmarks for measuring sustainable principles should be included.
- That Social outcomes and initiatives should be considered in the Procurement process and Policy.

Background

At the Extraordinary Council meeting on 21 August 2018, Council resolved to harmonise the legacy procurement Policies from the three former Councils in to one for Inner West Council. The draft Sustainable Procurement Policy was placed on public exhibition in September 2018 and as requested by Council Resolution, the exhibition page contained a summary on the significant differences between the proposed IWC Sustainable Procurement Policy and any of the pre-amalgamation council Sustainable Procurement Policies. The commentary on these key differences helped to inform the community to the background of the draft Policy.

Council received 12 responses during the exhibition period in favour of the policy. The Policy has been amended to incorporate feedback raised in the submissions.

Engagement Methods

The following engagement methods were used for this Policy:

- Online feedback form on yoursay.innerwest.nsw.gov.au

Promotion

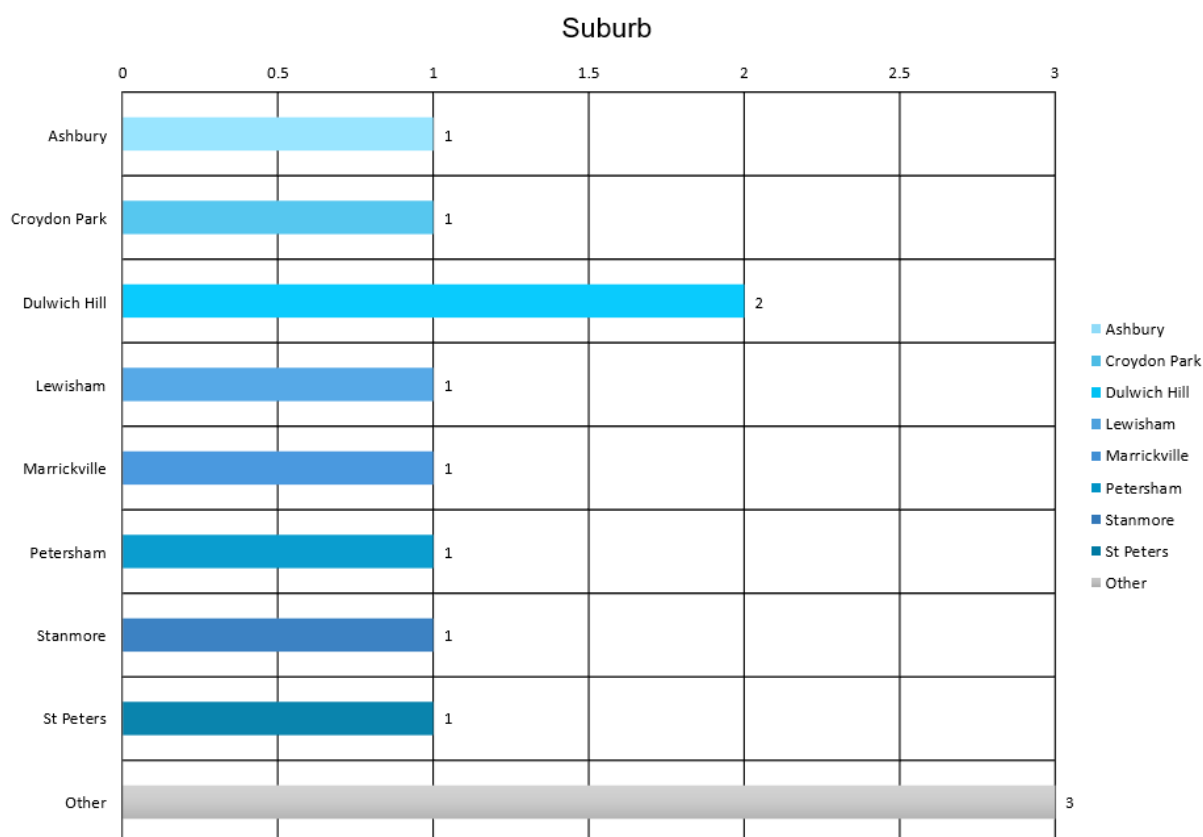
The engagement period was promoted by the following means:

- Your Say Inner West Project Page and Home Page
- Council's Website
- Council's Social Media Accounts

Engagement outcomes

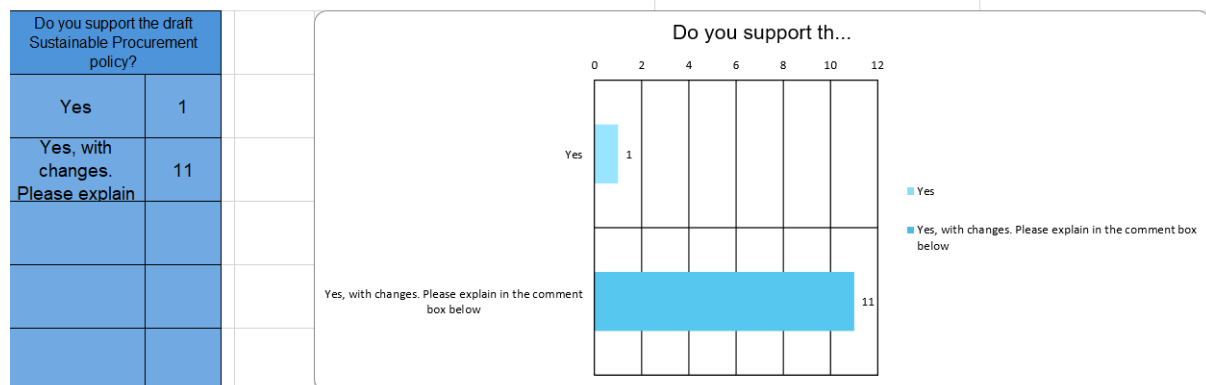
Who did we hear from?

Council received 12 submissions and indicated their suburbs of residence as per below:



Survey Responses Graph

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What did they say?

Key points raised by the respondents were regarding:

- *Increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Procurement.*
- *Other Social outcomes consideration.*

On the feedback that Council should investigate further social outcomes and include specific targets in procurement from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander suppliers and various disadvantaged groups, Council has incorporated this in the final policy.

- *Making the Policy more explicit with its Sustainability targets and objectives.*

Council's response is that this is an operational matter that will be dealt with by Council's Procurement procedures, where the aim of the Policy is to set high-level strategic framework.