

Phase 1 of Consultation: **Sharing**

**On Thursday 17 and Friday 18 November 2022, three events were held in Gungahlin as part of the sharing and learning phase of the PSRR consultation project.**

Communication Link hosted 2 pop-up sessions on Thursday 17 November, to share information about the proposed Territory Plan and the draft Gungahlin District Strategy. The pop-ups provided the community an opportunity to clarify their understanding with guidance from ACT Government representatives.

On Friday 18 November, we hosted a follow up workshop with a video and presentation from representatives at the Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate on the draft new Territory Plan the draft Gungahlin District Strategy.

The objectives of the workshop were to:

1. Inform interested people about the draft district strategy and the draft new Territory Plan
2. Encourage understanding to support participants to give feedback on the new proposed planning system.
3. Collect questions and feedback on the draft documents and other elements of the proposed planning system and provide feedback to workshop participants.

**WHO ENGAGED****Thank you for participating****36**

community members attended pop-up sessions on 17 November

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community members attended the workshop on 18 November

**Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate representatives** attended all engagement sessions

**WHAT WE HEARD**

Participants were invited to ask clarification questions about the Gungahlin District Strategy and draft Territory Plan. Areas of question and feedback are summarised below.

**Growth**

Concerns were raised that Gungahlin is growing significantly and the community don't know about future development in the area.

**Traffic congestion**

Community members raised concerns about the current traffic congestion in Gungahlin, especially around the Gungahlin shops entry and existing the town centre.

**Public transport**

Community members raised the need more rapid buses to connect people to shops and other facilities. They noted that the Government had implemented some ways to reduce car dependence, however most of the community in the district drive due to the lack of reliable public transport and the tram not connecting to other districts.

**Hospital**

Several community members asked about a hospital being developed in Gungahlin as they felt it is really needed in the area.

**Territory Plan**

Some community members raised that the Territory Plan needs to be digestible. They mentioned that if industry people are finding it hard to understand than it will be even more of a challenge for the community.

**Over 50s community**

A community member raised the potential development of an over 50s community on rural block 348. The community would include both residential and commercial development.

**Land availability**

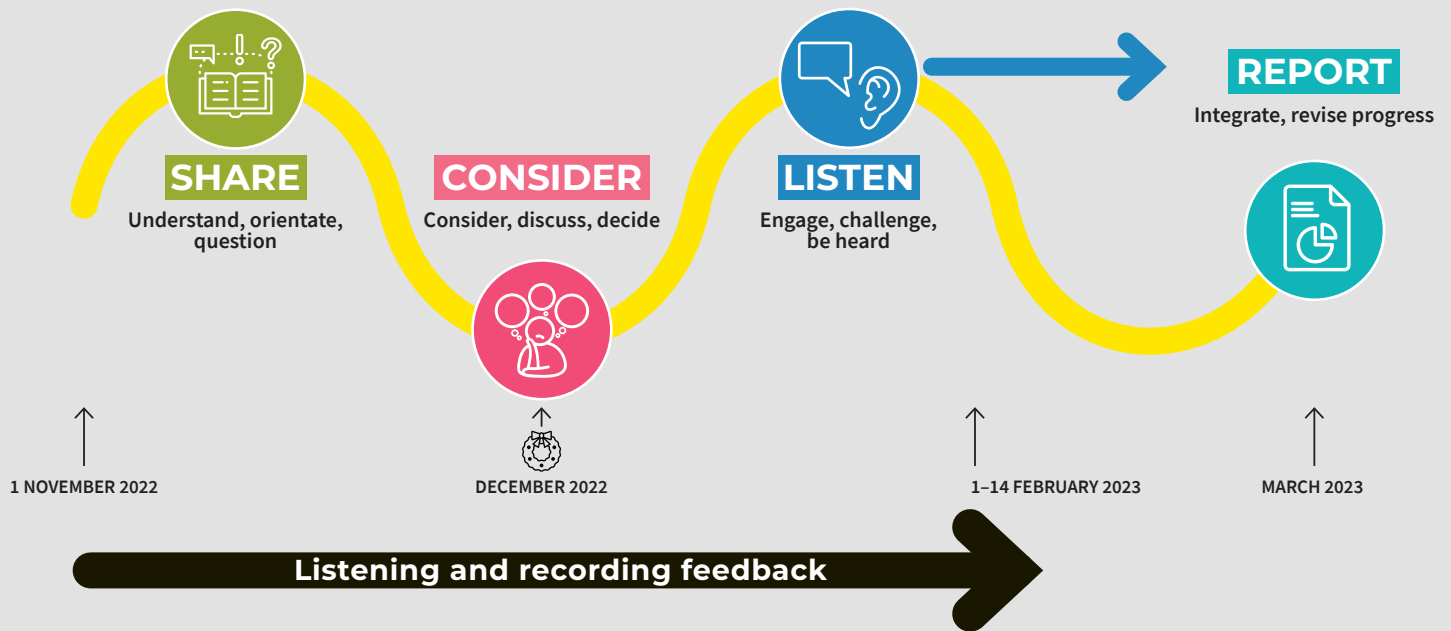
Some community members raised that there is not enough land available for facilities needed in the area, for example a hospital.

**Future development**

Community members questioned whether continued development in the area would contribute to the further transport issues.

**New planning system**

Some community members raised concerns that the current planning system lets through poorly designed developments and would like to know how this will be improved in the planning system.



## NEXT STEPS

Submissions and feedback are welcomed throughout all three phases. The Sharing phase was about introducing the various parts of the system and highlighting where feedback is being sought.

You can engage during this consultation on YourSay in several ways:

- Ask a question and receive an answer from EPSDD within one week and see a record of all Q & As
- Make a quick comment
- Answer a long survey
- Make a submission

You are also invited to participate in events during the Listening Phase 3 throughout February 2023.

See more information about February events and register to receive project updates by using the 'Follow' function online at:

[yoursayconversations.act.gov.au/act-planning-review](https://yoursayconversations.act.gov.au/act-planning-review)

To find out more about the new Territory Plan or other draft Canberra District Strategies, visit [www.planning.act.gov.au](https://www.planning.act.gov.au)

