



Inner South Canberra Community Council

Dear Members of the Legislative Assembly

Re: Planning Legislation Amendment Bill 2020

The Inner South Canberra Community Council (ISCCC), the peak body for inner south Canberra residents' groups, is writing in support of the Planning Legislation Amendment Bill tabled by Caroline Le Couteur MLA in the Legislative Assembly on 7 May 2020. The legislation is a first step in improving community consultation, as well as transparency and accountability in the planning system.

The final report of the Legislative Assembly's Standing Committee on Planning and Urban Renewal *Inquiry into Engagement with Development Application Processes in the ACT* also contained many other recommendations not dealt with in this Bill that, if implemented, could go a long way in enhancing community confidence in DA assessment processes. The ISCCC seeks early advice from the ACT Government on its response to the Inquiry report's recommendations.

The ISCCC intends to advocate for implementation of many of these recommendations in the next phase of legislative and administrative reform.

Yours sincerely

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Chair
11 June 2020