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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT BEGINS FOR NEW WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE IN MOUNT BARKER

SA Water will start engaging with the Mount Barker community to discuss water and wastewater infrastructure to service the future new development planned for the area following the release of the South Australian Government's *'30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide'*.

New water and wastewater infrastructure is required to support the potential growth at Mount Barker and Nairne which have been identified as part of Adelaide's urban land supply for the next 15 years.

SA Water Head of Infrastructure Management and Delivery, Jeremy Randell, says the projects will enhance the water and wastewater infrastructure for the Mount Barker community and service future growth.

"SA Water is currently implementing a planning process that will enable the delivery of appropriate solutions.

"As part of this planning process SA Water will prepare a concept design for the new water supply system and want to engage with the community to ensure that we have a workable and sustainable solution.

"We have already commenced discussions with the local Mount Barker Council. We are also working to develop and deliver a wastewater solution for Mount Barker and the surrounding area," Mr Randell said.

"Although SA Water has identified an option for water infrastructure that minimises impacts to the community and environment it is important that we listen to the views of the community as they will ultimately be the beneficiary of the project.

"During our engagement process, stakeholders and the community will have the opportunity to influence the design and development of both the water and wastewater infrastructure," he said.

This engagement is the first step in a comprehensive planning process.

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