

**MEDIA RELEASE**  
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## Community input key to liveable Waratah-Wynyard strategy

Community members will have one final opportunity to contribute to the direction of Waratah-Wynyard's liveability, before the Draft Liveable Waratah-Wynyard Settlement Strategy community consultation period closes on February 19, 2021.

The draft strategy will help set the direction of a planning strategy to enhance the liveability of Wynyard, Waratah, Somerset, Boat Harbour Beach, Sisters Beach and Yolla.

The first round of consultation (June 2020) took detailed feedback from 107 survey respondents which helped to form the framework of the draft strategy.

Input from members of the Waratah-Wynyard's six towns and villages has been key to drafting a strategy that will help create sustainable, inclusive, inspiring and nurturing places to live, visit and work.

"The strategy is a planning document that sets a direction for the development of these towns and villages to ensure they become (even) better places to live, work and visit," Waratah-Wynyard Mayor Robby Walsh said.

For the final stage of community consultation, community members will have a chance to talk face-to-face with Council staff at key locations leading up to the closing date, with community drop in sessions to be held at Boat Harbour, Sisters Beach, Somerset, Yolla, Waratah and Wynyard to answer any questions you might have.

"The findings from the first round of consultation in June last year were very helpful for us to understand what the community feels contributes to liveability and what they like and dislike about living and working in our towns and villages," Mayor Walsh said.

Council invites the community to review the draft strategy and leave feedback via the survey, which is open until Friday, February 19, 2021.

You can find the strategy, survey and associated documents at Council's website [www.warwyn.tas.gov.au/have-your-say/draft-liveable-waratah-wynyard-settlement-strategy/](http://www.warwyn.tas.gov.au/have-your-say/draft-liveable-waratah-wynyard-settlement-strategy/)

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Community drop-in sessions will be held at the following venues (additional sessions to be confirmed):

**Yolla** – General Store, 1586 Murchison Highway Monday January 18, 9-11am and Tuesday January 19, 9-11am

**Waratah** – Council Chambers meeting room Monday, January 18, 2-5pm

**Sisters Beach** – Pear tree Café Tuesday, January 19, 12-2pm

**Somerset** – Burnie Bicycle Centre, 18 Wragg Street, Somerset, Wednesday, January 20, 9-11am

**Wynyard** - Waratah-Wynyard Council Chambers, 21 Saunders St, Wednesday, January 20, 1-3pm

**Doctors Rocks** – Bruce’s Café, 145 Old Bass Highway, East Wynyard, Thursday, January 21, 9-11am

**Boat Harbour** - Sweetness at The Sea café, 290 Port Road, Friday, January 22, 2-4pm

If you can’t make these times you can phone Jenny Donovan, the Council’s Strategic Planner on 6443 8310 who will be happy to answer your questions.

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