



SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES FORUM **COMMUNIQUE - MEETING 25 MARCH 2019**

The development of a blueprint aimed at providing a snapshot of the health of Western Australia's community was one of the main achievements discussed at the first Supporting Communities Forum meetings of the year.

Endorsed by the Forum and now with the Government for further consideration, the "Our Communities Dialogue" blueprint will help progress the Government's election commitment to deliver the biennial snapshot in the "Our Communities Report".

Also endorsed at the March meeting was the Forum's Working Group Status Plan for 2019 which brings together the work of our seven Working Groups, highlights past achievements and sets out a plan to deliver outcomes and deliverables in 2019. More information on all Working Groups are available on the Forum's [webpage](#).

Community consultation and engagement remains a top priority for the Forum and an update provided by the Outcomes Framework Working Group highlighted the significant collaboration and consultation undertaken with key stakeholders including the community services sector, Government and Lotterywest to develop a draft Framework that provides a consistent approach to community services in WA. The final draft of the Framework which also highlights outcomes with a short, medium and long-term view, is expected to be presented at the next meeting.

The 25 March meeting marks the fifth for the forum, with the next meeting scheduled for 24 June 2019. This meeting will also consider the final draft of the 10 Year Strategy on Homelessness, plus substantive discussions on the guiding principles for collaboration between Government and the community services sector; the proposed Personal Information Privacy Bill; and draft report on procurement best practice examples.

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