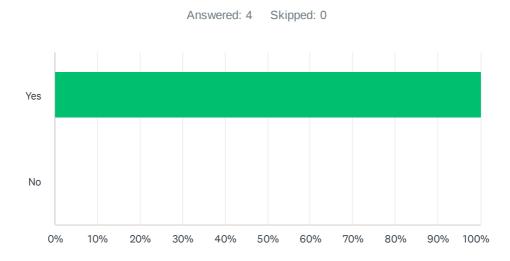
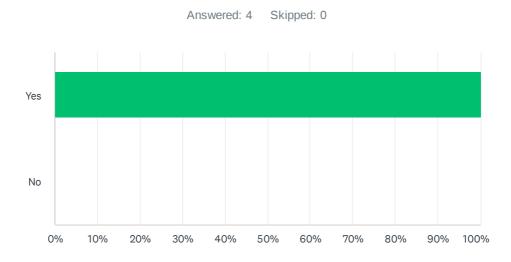
Q1 What requirements should be set for councils' community engagement for what decisions?CoA Comment:The City of Adelaide (CoA) endorses the Local Government Association's (LGA) draft Community Engagement Charter (Charter) and supports the minimum consultation period for those activities outlined in that document.Standardised engagement approach for those items listed in Category A in the LGA's draft charter.



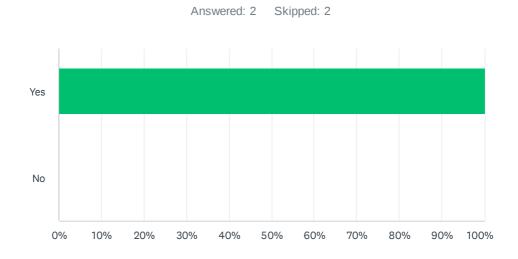
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Q2 What should be included in the Charter and what should be left for councils' own community engagement policies?CoA Comment:CoA considers the current proposal outlined in the draft LGA Charter appropriate. The engagement approach should be standardised for significant engagements and activities listed in Category A. Other engagements should be based on principles and what the council wants to achieve rather than being prescriptive about the how.



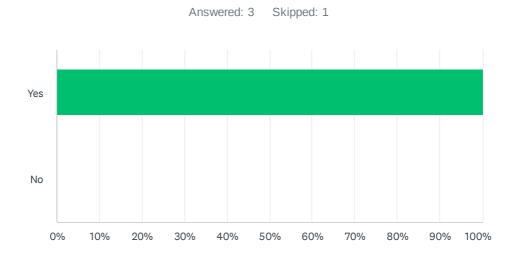
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Q3 Should councils have the capacity to determine how they will engage with their communities, or should the Charter be more directive in its approach?CoA Comment:Councils should have the capacity to determine how they engage. It is recognised, however, that there are some topics (such as those identified in Category A of the draft charter) that there would be a community expectation to a minimum consistent standard. As a Capital City Council, it is essential that CoA is able to develop a consultation policy appropriate for its community. As a capital city, a significant part of our community is non-residents. As such, we need to ensure our engagement approach is fit for purpose.



ANSWER (	CHOICES	RESPONSES		
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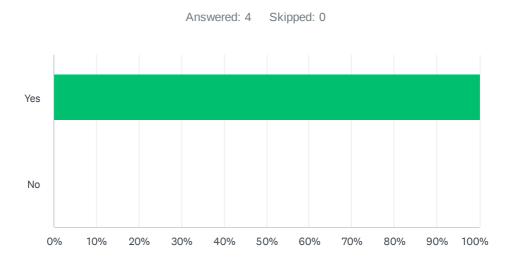
Q4 What other ideas do you have for councils' community engagement? CoA Comment: Having a panel of hard-to-reach groups and stakeholdersCoA recognises the community's expectation of having plain English documents with both summarised and detailed information. Councils must also communicate better regarding how community feedback has been incorporated into decisions Focus on building a relationship with the community rather than a one-way relationship of 'obtaining feedback'.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	100.00%	3
No	0.00%	0
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#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	Genuine consultation needs to happen	3/5/2024 2:17 PM
2	Yes engage with advisory groups charged with providing feedback who then engage with Council or Committee meetings	3/4/2024 11:53 AM

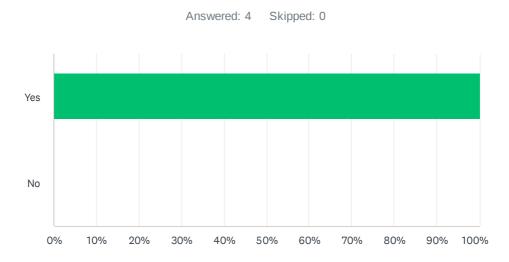
Q5 How would you like to see councils engage with you?CoA Comment:Feedback from we have heard from the community via our engagement activities includes the following:Longer consultation periods so group submissions can be madeRegular events where community members can discuss matters directly with the Lord Mayor and Councillors. The community is informed of the decision made and the outcome as a result of the feedback they have provided (closing the loop).



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	100.00%	4
No	0.00%	0
TOTAL		4

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	Regular events for constituents to engage with the LM and Councillors. Reinstate LM fora for resident groups and precinct groups and expand to include randomly identified individuals to be asked to attend discussions with LM and Councillors 3 times a year	3/4/2024 11:53 AM

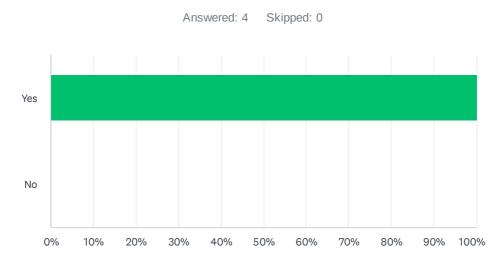
Q6 Should councils be required to livestream their meetings and make recordings available?CoA Comment:CoA has live-streamed its meetings and made them available on the internet before COVID-19.Councils should ensure that the meetings are inclusive and accessible to all members of the CommunityCouncil considers live streaming an essential service for those members of the community unable to attend meetings in personIt should remain the decision of individual Councils whether they do so.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	100.00%	4
No	0.00%	0
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#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	Continue live streaming but more efficiently (CofA livestreams often miss the start and drop in and out). Add subtitles (automatically generated) as the audio is not as good as it could be. Make agenda for Council, Committee, Audit and Risk, Reconciliation etc more widely available including on paper at libaries and community centres	3/4/2024 11:53 AM

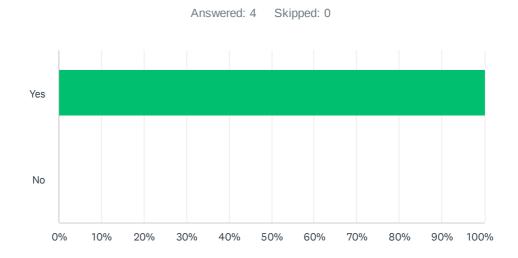
Q7 All metropolitan councils hold their council meetings during the evenings, but councils in regional areas often hold their meetings during business hours.CoA Comment:This should be an individual decision for each council, as well as considering how this may impact community participationSome regional councillors may have to travel long distances to attend meetings.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
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TOTAL		4

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	Strongly support this. Day time meetings would prevent many Elected Members from attending meetings.	3/5/2024 4:02 PM
2	Capital City Council meetings should be held at evenings when they are accessible to ratepayers with work or child minding responsibilities	3/4/2024 11:53 AM

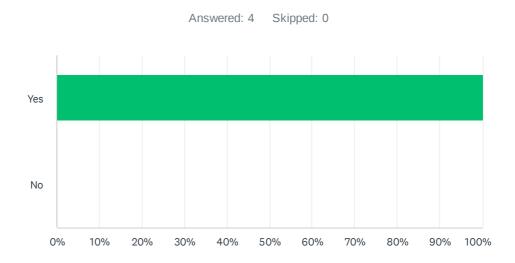
Q8 Should councils be required to hold their meetings at a particular time to maximise community participation? CoA CommentRather than a prescriptive time and given that each community has different needs, where a council chooses to hold meetings during business hours, community consultation should occur. This could occur as part of the adoption of the Code of Practice for Access to Council Meetings and Documents.



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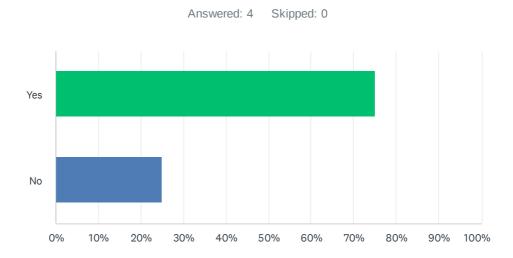
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1	Formal Council and Commitee meetings should continue to be held when ratepayers can attend outside of working or family responsibilities. It may be appropriate when discussing particular community matters to hold meetings or parts of a meeting in community locations at times other than otuside of hours.	3/4/2024 11:53 AM

Q9 How should members be supported to engage directly with their communities?CoA Comment:There needs to be a clear delineation regarding context and purpose, i.e are they representing a Councilendorsed view or their own?If Council Members speak on behalf of the Council, all correspondence and communications should be authorised.Council Members should remain responsible for their statements.



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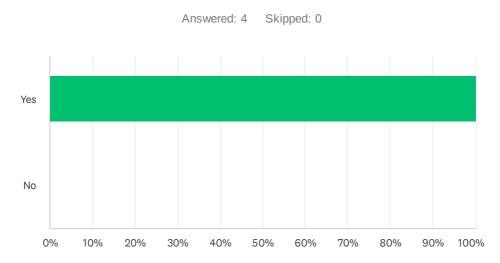
Q10 Should all council members be provided with a specific allowance to support constituent work, similar to the allowance that is provided to Members of Parliament?CoA Comment:Should be a decision of council as part of the Allowance and Benefit policy.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	75.00%	3
No	25.00%	1
TOTAL		4

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	Should be a statewide amount set by the regulator.	3/5/2024 2:17 PM
2	Communication is costly and an allowance or even assistance with printing and distribution would be helpfyl	3/4/2024 11:53 AM

Q11 What other ideas do you have to strengthen the relationship between council members and their local community members?CoA Comment:Training as part of the Council Member Mandatory Training sessions on how to engage with communities.This training should provide guidance on using social media as well as clarifying roles and responsibilities.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	100.00%	4
No	0.00%	0
TOTAL		4

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	social media activity by elected members needs to be governed by stricter rules with potential bad behaviours detailed	3/4/2024 11:53 AM