

## Local government reform update



## 16th July 2021

A commencement timeline for the Statutes Amendment Local Government Review Act 2021 is now available.

Following further advice from the Office of Local Government the LGA is now able to provide additional information regarding the timing of proclamation and commencement of provisions of the <u>Statutes Amendment</u> (<u>Local Government Review</u>) <u>Act 2021</u> (Amendment Act).

Based on information currently available, and consistent with previous advice from the Minister for Local Government, the intention is that the first round of proclamations will occur in August 2021, with a number of those provisions due to commence on proclamation. A detailed list of the Amendment Act sections proposed to commence on proclamation in August is available here. These sections are largely matters where council won't need to take specific action to update documents, policies or provide training. The LGA is preparing resources and these will be made available on our website.

As anticipated, the reforms relating to Local Government Elections are also expected to be proclaimed in August, with a proposed commencement of November 2021. A detailed list of the Amendment Act sections propage commence in November 2021 is available here.

Timing of the commencement of the balance of sections in the Amendment Act is less clear, although current advice from OLG indicates proclamation will occur prior to the end of the calendar year. Commencement will be determined over the coming months ahead of proclamation and the LGA will be working closely with the OLG to

ensure implications for councils are considered in timeframes. A detailed list of the remaining sections of the Amendment Act, with <u>proclamation and commencement timeframes still be determined, is available here</u>.

Please note the details of proclamation and commencement are subject to change and the LGA will continue to provide updates as information becomes available.



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