

# Local councils embrace planning reform bill

ADELAIDE'S KelledyJones Lawyers and planning firm Development Answers met with representatives from the Naracoorte Lucindale Council, the District Council of Robe, the City of Mount Gambier and Wattle Range Council last month.

Held at the Naracoorte Town Hall, the group facilitated a seminar for local councils and communities to discuss the planning reform bill, which was introduced to parliament on September 8.

KelledyJones lawyer Victoria Shute said local councils and communities now have the opportunity to put forward their views as part of the four-week community engagement period.

"Today we're exploring the proposed reforms with local councils and what they mean for local people," she said.

"We're helping local councils in the region be prepared, informed and ready to respond as the bill presents an opportunity to achieve positive things concerning the future of SA."

Ms Shute said the proposed reforms are important for everyone.

"Planning plays such a large role in most people's lives at some point, whether it be the house you live in, the roads you drive on or the places you work and play," she explained.

"Councils, naturally, have a large part to play in the reform process."

"The bill is an opportunity for them to put forward their community's views on the reforms."



KelledyJones Lawyers' Victoria Shute (left) and Tracy Riddle with David Altmann from Development Answers, visited Naracoorte to meet with local councils regarding the planning reform bill, which was recently introduced to parliament.