

Easy Read:

Karoonda Community Garden Community Consultation

What is happening?

The District Council of Karoonda East Murray wants to know what the community thinks about a proposed Community Garden.

The idea came from students in the Year 7–9 Pastoral Care Group at Karoonda Area School.

What is a Community Garden?

A community garden is a shared place where people can:

- Grow fruit, vegetables and plants
- Learn new gardening skills
- Meet other people
- Share food and ideas
- Spend time outdoors

Where could the Community Garden be located?

Location Option 1 (Preferred location):

- This is one place Council is thinking about for the Community Garden.
- It is located at Pioneer Park on East Terrace, Karoonda. Next to the red tractor display at the front entrance.



Location Option 2:

- This is another place Council is thinking about for the Community Garden.
- It is located at the Karoonda Town Oval on Stokes Road, Karoonda. Next to the existing water tanks.



What could be included in the Community Garden?

If it goes ahead, the garden would be built in 2 stages.

Stage 1 ideas include:

- Six (6) raised garden beds
- Good quality soil
- A watering system
- Rubble pathways
- Fruit trees
- A seating area

Stage 2 ideas include:

- A sensory garden
- A community gathering space
- Children's play areas
- A food swap stall
- A composting area
- Signage

Stage 2 ideas do not have funding yet.

They may happen in the future if funding becomes available and Council decides to proceed.

Why is Council asking for feedback?

Council wants to:

- Find out if people support the Community Garden
- Find out what location people prefer for the Community Garden
- Hear ideas for the garden design
- Understand any concerns people may have

What are the benefits of a Community Garden?

A Community Garden could:

- Help people eat healthy food
- Help people be active and spend time outdoors
- Help people meet new people and spend time together
- Give students a place to learn and grow plants
- Turn food scraps and garden waste into compost
- Create a space that everyone can use and enjoy
- Make use of an open space that is not being used

What happens next?

18 September 2026

- Council will ask the community for feedback.

09 October 2026

- Feedback closes at 5:00pm

After 09 October 2026

- Council will read all the feedback and decide what to do next

Your feedback is important

Council has not made a final decision yet.

Council will read the feedback from the community before deciding what happens next.

How can I give feedback?

You can tell Council what you think in different ways.

Option 1:

Complete the online survey

Use your phone camera to scan the QR code and complete the survey.
Or visit councils website for the link:
www.dckem.sa.gov.au



Option 2:

Send an email

Send an email to: council@dckem.sa.gov.au

Option 3:

Send a letter

Send your letter to:

Chief Executive Officer
PO Box 58
Karoonda SA 5307

Please provide feedback by 5:00pm on 09 October 2026.

Council want to know:

- If you support the Community Garden
- Which location you prefer
- Any ideas you have for the garden

Need Help?

We can help you:

- complete the survey
- understand the information
- give feedback

Phone (08) 8578 1004

Email council@dckem.sa.gov.au