



# Summary of the Local and Regional Voice Proposal

Indigenous Voice

Details for the proposal for a Local and Regional Voice have been developed through the Indigenous Voice Co-design Process.

## ? The proposal

A regional level governance structure that would:

- be designed and led by communities
- provide advice to all levels of government about what's important in communities and in the region
- work in partnership with all governments to make plans on how to meet community aspirations and deliver on local priorities
- provide local views to the National Voice where this informs national issues.



## 🔍 What could it look like?

There would be no one set structure for a Local and Regional Voice. Different regions could have different structures, based on what works best for their local communities. A flexible principles-based framework would guide and support all Local and Regional Voices.

This framework responds to the diversity that exists across the country. It would also allow communities to build on existing arrangements that are already working well.



## ⚡ Important features

Each Local and Regional Voice could:

- provide clear ways for local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, communities and organisations in the region to get involved and have more of a say. This includes Traditional Owners and all other residents
- allow for local priorities to be addressed at the local level
- have an agreed way to work together in partnership with governments (for example through regular partnership meetings).

The Interim Report proposes from 25 to 35 Local and Regional Voice regions across Australia. Feedback from consultations will help to inform the advice to Government in the Final Report on this number. If the Government supports this proposal, there will be more discussions with communities and all governments to help decide regional boundaries.



## 💬 Have your say!

We want your feedback:

- What features of the Local and Regional proposal are most important and why?
- How would the proposed Local and Regional Voice work for you, your community or your organisation?

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