

Item 3: - *Review of School Levies and Charges – Strategic Policy and Planning*

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You would recall that in 2017 adjustments were made to the School Levies and Charges Policy to reflect changes to the *Education Act 2016* and *Secretary's Instruction No 9 for School Levies and Charges*.

A broader review of school levies and charges has now commenced, with consultation continuing throughout 2018. It is anticipated that feedback will be sought on a revised draft Policy in early 2019, with the final agreed Policy released in Term Two or Three 2019, for implementation in 2020.

Consultation

As part of the review consultation, the views of a range of school stakeholders including students, families, and school staff will be sought. Students, families or staff at your school may be contacted as part of this consultation.

Student, family and staff views will be sought through the School Satisfaction Survey. Student feedback on factors that influence subject selection, including cost, will be sought through focus groups for students in Years 9-12. Feedback from families on the current Policy and what works well in their school will be sought through School Association Committee Meetings.

Principals and School Business Managers are being offered a range of avenues to provide feedback on potential elements for change to the School Levies and Charges Policy. These avenues are:

- A phone conversation
- Feedback via email
- A school visit.

If you would like to be involved in consultation, including consultation with students and families at your school, please send an email detailing how you would like to be involved and when you would like to be contacted to: strategicpolicyandplanning@education.tas.gov.au