Measuring What Matters — Second consultation process

The Australian Government Treasury is in the process of working with the community to release a new standalone Measuring What Matters Statement in 2023. The recent Measuring What Matters consultation identified emerging policy themes that aim to better understand our economy and society and support policy making and improved accountability.

The Treasury sought feedback on the following policy themes:

- Prosperous: A growing, productive and resilient economy
- Inclusive: A society that shares opportunities and enables people to fully participate
- Sustainable: A natural environment that is valued and sustainably managed in the face of a changing climate for current and future generations
- Cohesive: A safe and cohesive society that celebrates culture and encourages participation
- Healthy: A society in which people feel well and are in good physical and mental health now and into the future

Cancer Council acknowledged the Consultation Paper views wellbeing as holistic and therefore the themes are interconnected and there should be less consideration of which themes take priority. With that in mind, Cancer Council outlined that there is considerable alignment between the Healthy, Inclusive and Cohesive policy themes and our priorities to:

- Take action to prevent cancer.
- Take action to find cancers earlier.
- Take action to support people affected by cancer.
- Take action to ensuring that research investment best underpins advances across the cancer continuum.
- Take action to advance greater health equity in access to prevention, screening, health and cancer care services and the provision of optimal cancer care.

Information about the progress of the consultation, can be found on the consultation’s webpage.