



DISTRICT COUNCIL of TUMBY BAY

ANNUAL REPORT

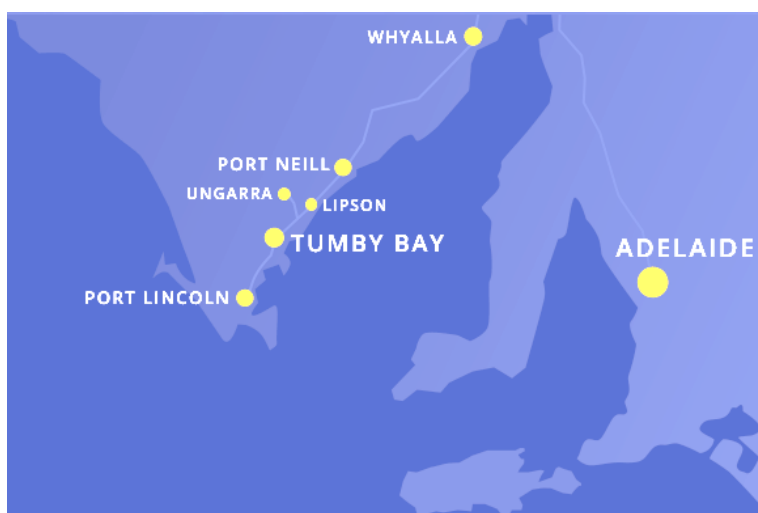
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STATISTICS

Established	1906
Population	2,733 (Source: ABS)
Area	266,907.5 (Source: ABS)

This report describes the Council's performance over the 2021/2022 financial year against the objectives of the 2021/2022 Annual Business Plan and Budget, Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 and Strategic Plan 2020-2030 and is designed to meet our obligations under Section 131 of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

In the spirit of reconciliation, the District Council of Tumby Bay acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respect to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.

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MESSAGE FROM THE CEO AND MAYOR

REBECCA HAYES & HANNAH ALLEN-JORDAN

I am pleased to present the 2021/22 Annual Report that highlights the programs, activities and developments the District Council of Tumby Bay has undertaken to ensure our district continues to be a vibrant and engaged community.

Whilst the past few years have proved some of our most challenging, this past year has proven to be no different. With state and international borders opening and restrictions easing we saw the emergence of COVID-19 into our community. It is clear this pandemic will continue to impact on our daily lives over years, however, we are learning to live with it and to navigate the ever-changing world in which we now find ourselves.

Despite the impact of this economic and social setback, it is pleasing to report that we delivered exceptional service during a difficult time, and I congratulate our elected members and staff who have worked hard to achieve this for our community, and to adapt quickly and willingly to changed circumstances.

We have been further challenged by significant weather events over the past 12 months which have had a detrimental effect on our road network and foreshore infrastructure. These impacts are by no means easy to manage or navigate. *La Nina* continues to expose our fragile environment and assets causing significant funds being re-directed throughout 2021/22 to emergency works, at the detriment of planned works, which will have an ongoing impact on our works schedule as we enter into the new financial year.

Council applied a small rate rise in 2021/22 in response to ongoing concerns around COVID-19. However, Councillors have a statutory obligation and a fiduciary duty to ensure the council is managed in a sustainable manner, both in the short and long term. Whilst the decision to only offer a minimal rate increase was benevolent at the time, it does influence council's operating surplus/deficit and its impact will need to be considered in future planning.

Looking back over the financial year, there are many highlights worthy of mention. From the excitement and colour of Illuminate Adelaide, the Adelaide Guitar Festival – On the Road and the Colour Tumby Festival 2022 to the celebration of our Australia Day award recipients and the replacement of the Graham Smelt Causeway. 2021-22 has been a year of implementing visionary projects.

The success of the collaboration between the Council, Colour Tumby Street Art, Fringe and the Cruzee Car Club continued in 2022 with a revamped Colour Tumby Festival. Held over the March long weekend the event was a ‘celebration of colour’ and demonstrated what could be achieved with good planning, tenacity and imagination. It was marvellous to see the community involvement that drove new and refreshing components to the festival weekend, including a 5km fun run and fireworks display.

Council’s successful partnership with ElectraNet and its head contractor, Downer, included enhancements to council-owned infrastructure, including a major upgrade to the Tumby Bay Wastewater Treatment Plant, securing treatment quality and future township growth.

The South Australian Government, through the Local Government Infrastructure Partnership Program, provided a \$200 million stimulus package to Councils. With community infrastructure projects at the heart of the package the council was able to leverage this funding and was awarded \$1.6 million towards the replacement of the Graham Smelt Causeway culvert.

Built in the 1980s the original culvert restricted natural tidal flows through to the mangrove environment.

Through the replacement of the culvert, Council not only reinstated a failing piece of infrastructure but increased the town’s capacity for residential growth and importantly reinstated more natural tidal flow into the mangrove wetlands providing an increase of approximately 45% tidal flow capacity.

Pleasingly, 2021-22 saw the completion of several key infrastructure projects within the district.





The ongoing road construction and re-sealing program were completed along with an extension to the Tumby Bay Foreshore walking trail, the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade and Graham Smelt Causeway culvert replacement. Successful grants were obtained and provided opportunities for Council to partner with the Tumby Bay Progress Association to deliver a Women's Leadership Program and with Youth Opportunities to create and host an Eyre Peninsula Youth Expo. Both programs were well attended and positively received by those involved.

At the time of writing this report we are quickly advancing towards the completion of the present elected member's term in November 2022.

Members of council are elected for a four-year term and have a responsibility to consider and make decisions with respect to Council business, policy and strategy, based upon the interests of the council area as a whole.

In the past year we have had several changes within our elected member body. In September 2021, Julie Elliott was elected through a supplementary election, replacing Helen Kroemer who had resigned earlier in the year. In January 2022, Mayor Sam Telfer, took leave of absence to contest the state election in the Seat of Flinders. Mayor Telfer was successful in his endeavour and resigned from Council in March 2022. Hannah Allen-Jordan was elected as the person acting in the role of Mayor and has fulfilled this role since February 2022. Councillor Stephen Hibbit also resigned from Council in 2022.

Finally, I would like to thank our staff for their hard work this year and pay tribute to our many volunteers who continue to play a vital role in our community and whose contribution is greatly appreciated. By continuing to work together we will continue to create a vibrant and welcoming district of which we can all be proud.

Rebecca Hayes, Chief Executive Officer

Hannah Allen-Jordan, Mayor

OUR DISTRICT

The District Council of Tumby Bay is located 45km north of Port Lincoln, 630km from Adelaide, and covers an area of 266,907 hectares with a population of 2,733. Tumby Bay is the major centre of the district, Port Neill a small coastal town 40km north-east of Tumby Bay, Ungarra a small agricultural based town located 28km north west of Tumby Bay and Lipson a small historic farming town located 12km north-west of Tumby Bay.



It is an agricultural district farming cereal, oil seed and pulse crops along with sheep and cattle, some fishing activity and tourism industries. There are also two private companies currently exploring opportunities for the establishment of future port facilities along the coast north of Tumby Bay.

Council is committed to strong and sustainable economic growth to ensure that the opportunities afforded by the twenty first century are fully realised and that its district and the Eyre Peninsula is enhanced as an attractive destination for productive long-term investment.

The advent of mining on Eyre Peninsula and the possibility of future port facilities along with renewable energy enterprises have the potential for significant long-term economic impacts, particularly on Tumby Bay and Port Neill as well as for the region in general. Residential and industrial land development will play a critical role should port facilities be developed, particularly in catering for the land and housing needs.

Infrastructure will become critical with further development (e.g. industrial land, transport systems, port infrastructure, housing and related businesses, recreation and soft infrastructure like children's services – childcare and education and health facilities).

Council has undertaken a Master Planning exercise to assist it to plan for the future and minimise risks associated with increased population. The Master Plan is an overarching spatial and built form framework which sets out the broad land use, infrastructure and development intent for the study area over a set period of time. Its intention is to provide clear design and planning outcomes that can form the basis for future Development Plan Amendments. The Master Plan will guide the planning and delivery of services and infrastructure, such as transport, health, schools and community facilities, while ensuring the protection of productive agricultural and environmentally significant land. With reference to the objectives of the Region Plan, the purpose of the Master Plan is to create vibrant places that are competitive, liveable and sustainable.

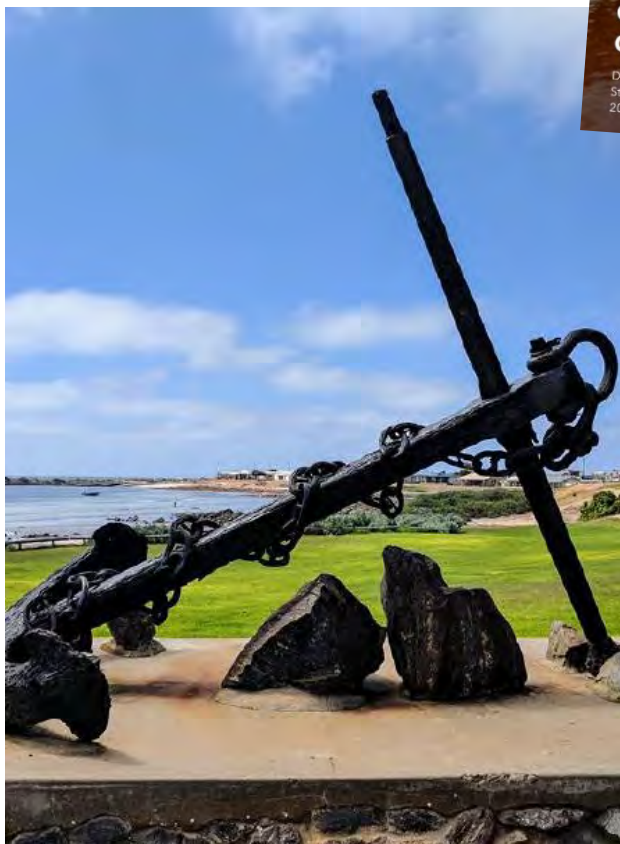
OUR VISION

We are a district of vibrant, engaged communities. Our residents, businesses and visitors enjoy a relaxed lifestyle that our seaside and rural location affords, a pristine natural environment and a regional centre that is not compromised in character or services.

In actively pursuing the vision and in implementing the associated strategies we will:

- provide leadership on behalf of our community
- advocate for the retention and enhancement of essential services
- support sustainable growth in our population and local economy
- partner with stakeholders including State and Federal Government, Regional Development Australia (RDA), progress associations and community groups, Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association, and private sector
- provide for, and be responsive to, our community's needs and expectations for services and infrastructure.

Our vision and values are incorporated in the Strategic Plan 2020-2030 under four key themes.



OUR STRATEGIC THEMES

THEME 1: A HARMONIOUS BALANCE BETWEEN LIFESTYLE AND GROWTH

- Retention of the unique qualities of the region
- A community where residents are safe
- An inclusive community
- Growth in the region, without compromise to the lifestyle and amenity that our residents enjoy and value
- Maintaining affordable Local Government Services
- Effectively managing an increase in population

THEME 2: CONNECTED, VIBRANT AND EMPOWERED COMMUNITIES

- An engaged community
- Opportunities for social inclusion across all generations
- Empowered community groups
- Maintaining high levels of volunteering
- Retention of services relevant to the demographics of our community
- Well-run and well-patronised community events that are meaningful to diverse and changing community interests
- Retention and enhancement of existing community services

THEME 3: A STRONG AND DIVERSE LOCAL ECONOMY

- Manageable and sustainable economic growth
- Sustained and enhanced success of our existing industries and local business
- Value adding to agricultural product before it leaves the district
- Sustainable development of new industries providing local employment opportunities
- New tourism initiatives
- Improved local employment opportunities
- Increased Gross Regional Product
- A high level of business confidence and healthy local businesses
- Diversity in retail businesses
- A more diverse range of commercial services

THEME 4: QUALITY SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

- Access to appropriate services
- A quality road network that meets community expectations
- Community assets maintained to a high standard
- High levels of utilisation and satisfaction with assets
- Meeting service expectations of community
- Maintain, develop and improve Council's infrastructure to meet current and future needs
- Flexibility in the services delivered by Council to adapt to changing community needs

KEY OUTCOMES

THEME 1: A HARMONIOUS BALANCE BETWEEN LIFESTYLE AND GROWTH

ADOPTING GOOD DESIGN PRINCIPLES THAT PROMOTE INCLUSION

Tumby Bay Soldiers' Memorial Hall Upgrade

Upgrade works to the Tumby Bay Districts Soldiers' Memorial Hall were completed. Works included removal and replacement of internal partition walls, and the installation of an accessible path of travel and alternative entrance.

INVESTIGATE OPTIONS FOR THE PERMANENT PROTECTION OF FORESHORE INFRASTRUCTURE

Tumby Bay foreshore protection works

The Council applied grant funding received from the Federal Government via the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Funding to the installation of an engineered geosynthetic sand container (sandbag) erosion protection wall to protect an eroding section of foreshore in front of the carpark to the north of the Ritz Café.

PARTNER WITH STATE GOVERNMENT IN SECURING THE LONG-TERM RETENTION OF, AS WELL AS IMPROVEMENTS TO, RECREATIONAL JETTIES

Port Neill and Tumby Bay jetties

The Council has continued to raise with the State Government the need for certainty in the future ownership and maintenance of the two jetties that the Council currently manages under a lease agreement. With the current lease agreements expiring in just over two years and a significant investment required to retain them in a serviceable condition, this issue remains a high priority for Council to seek to resolve in conjunction with the Department for Infrastructure and Transport and other impacted coastal Councils.

The Council has allocated Stage 3 of the Federal Government Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program to jetty maintenance works, with planning ongoing through 2021/22 and works to be delivered during 2022/23.

ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE COMMUNITY PRIDE

Annual Australia Day awards and community breakfast

This year's Australia Day awards took on a different flavour due to inclement weather predicted for the day. Rather than our usual breakfast at the yacht club the award service was held in the Tumby Bay Districts Soldiers' Memorial Hall and attended by a strong number of locals.

We were again able to celebrate the strong community in which we live by recognising those that continuously go above and beyond and support not only our community but our natural environment. Congratulations to Tyler Hutton, Tumby Bay Districts Citizen of the Year, Keira Berryman, Young Citizen of the Year, Melvin Charlton, Award for Active Citizenship and the combined Colour Tumby Street Art and @ The Bay Markets was awarded Event of the Year.

Melvin Charlton was also recognised at an event held by the Governor of South Australia, Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, for his significant contribution to the District of Tumby Bay and the State of South Australia, in particular reference to his work with the Country Fire Service.

We also welcomed a new Australian citizen at this year's ceremony. It is always a moving and special experience to welcome someone who has committed to the values of our nation and wishes to make their home in Australia and be called an Australian. We wish them much success and happiness as they make their life here.



DEMONSTRATE STRONG AND PROACTIVE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP ON OPPORTUNITIES AND ISSUES FOR THE DISTRICT

Grant funding

Council was successful in several State Government grant applications throughout the financial year, including the SA Tourism Commission for the Colour Tumby Festival, SA Healthy Towns Challenge for the Youth Expo, and the Local Government Infrastructure Partnership Program for the upgrade of the Graham Smelt Causeway culvert.

The Federal Government grant funding rounds culminated in the funding of the Tumby Bay foreshore protection works, completion of the upgrade to the Port Neill foreshore playground, and access alterations at the Tumby Bay Districts Soldiers' Memorial Hall.

Total grant funding received for the financial year was over \$4 million, almost half of which was specifically for new or upgraded assets.

District Council of Tumby Bay

2021/2022 - Note 2 - Grants

Source of Grants

<u>Grant</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Provider</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Downer Utilities Australia Pty	CWMS Treatment Plant Upgrade	Other	New	\$305,000
Sub Total				\$305,000
Age Friendly SA	Living Well Project	State	Other	\$4,672
SA Tourism Commission	Colour Tumby	State	Other	\$10,000
State Library	Materials & Community Information	State	Other	\$12,438
SA Healthy Towns Challenge	Youth Expo	State	Other	\$47,700
Grants Commission Road Grants	Road Construction	State	Other	\$496,895
Grants Commission General Purpose Grant	General Council Purposes	State	Other	\$578,865
Local Government Infrastructure Partnership	Graham Smelt Causeway Bridge	State	New	\$1,566,912
Sub Total				\$2,717,482
LRCIP Phase One	Playground Shade & Softfall	C/W	Other	\$11,100
LRCIP Phase One	Island Walking Trail	C/W	Other	\$22,500
LRCIP Phase One	Causeway Renewals	C/W	Other	\$27,300
LRCIP Phase One	Footpaths & Kerbing	C/W	Other	\$53,200
LRCIP Phase One	Causeway Upgrade	C/W	Other	\$25,398
LRCIP Phase Two	Foreshore Protection	C/W	Other	\$54,033
LRCIP Phase Two	Hall Path & Mtce	C/W	Other	\$6,671
LRCIP Phase Three	Jetty Maintenance	C/W	Other	\$523,116
Festivals Australia	Colour Tumby	C/W	Other	\$36,000
Roads to Recovery 2	Road Construction	C/W	Other	\$266,649
Sub Total				\$1,025,967
Total Grants				\$4,048,449

Grants, Subsidies, Contributions

Amounts Specifically for New or Upgraded Assets		New	\$1,871,912
Other Grants, Subsidies & Contributions		Other	\$2,176,537
Total Grants			\$4,048,449

Unexpended Grants

<u>2021 Grants Unexpended</u>			
LRCIP Phase Two	N/A	\$199,637	
Less			
<u>2021 Expenditure</u>			
LRCIP Phase Two	N/A	\$199,637	\$0
<u>2022 Grants Unexpended</u>			
LRCIP Phase Two	Jetty Maintenance	\$523,116	\$523,116
Total			\$523,116

*Note: Unexpended grants to be included at Note 2 & Note 10



THEME 2: CONNECTED, VIBRANT AND EMPOWERED COMMUNITIES

RECOGNISE, PROTECT AND PROMOTE LOCAL HERITAGE AND HISTORY

Ongoing funding and rate rebates for local museums

Council currently provides 100% rate rebates for the National Trust museums in both Tumby Bay and Koppio and provides an annual funding allocation to the Excell Museum in Tumby Bay to assist with the ongoing operations of this facility.

RECOGNISE AND SUPPORT THE HIGH LEVELS OF VOLUNTEERING ACROSS THE COMMUNITY

Financial support for local community groups and sporting clubs

Council provides general rate rebates to 15 community groups and sporting clubs throughout the district including district halls, golf clubs and show societies. Annual donations for water are also made to several sporting clubs with other small cash donations to service groups etc. also provided.

SUPPORT COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY EVENTS THAT CATER TO ALL AGE GROUPS

Eyre Peninsula Youth Expo – The Resilience Effect

This two-day expo event was held to build and empower a resilient and connected community of rural youth via inspiring and informative presentations, workshops, activities and resources for senior school students, parents, families, and other support people. The focus was discovery of tools for personal resilience and successful transition to a post-school environment.

Youth Advisory Committee

The local Youth Advisory Committee was involved in multiple community events this year, including the Colour Tumby Festival, Christmas Pageant and Christmas lights competition. A movie screening for the young people of the district was also held.

ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE NEW AND INTERESTING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Colour Tumby Festival

In 2021 Council's @ the bay market event and Tumby Progress Association's Colour Tumby Street Art Festival collaborated and achieved unprecedented success. In 2022 the two organisations partnered to combine the two festival programs for 2022 as an all-inclusive festival under the most recognisable and marketable brand, bringing together multiple community groups, activities and drawcards.

The Colour Tumby Festival 2022 was another huge success, involving the street art, a market and a new regional business/tourism expo, the Cruzee Car Show, Adelaide Fringe, fireworks, a fun run and art workshops. Commercial funding, grant funding and involvement from multiple community sectors saw a sustainable annual festival model evolve.

Data collected (visitation and spend) show significant economic benefit to the region has been realised. Council's investment in the festival has achieved not only economic benefit and further development of the town and region's profile, but social benefits such as better relationships between Council and community, connection between generational groups, community cohesiveness, and community pride.

Stobie Pole Art

In 2022, SA Power Networks (SAPN) contributed \$13,000 sponsorship to Colour Tumby Festival, becoming the festival's principal sponsor. SAPN suggested paintings on stobie poles within the council area as a new element to the festival which would be specifically supported by SAPN. SAPN sponsorship was inclusive of cash rewards to each of the schools involved.

Tumby Bay, Ungarra and Port Neill schools cooperated enthusiastically and produced great pieces of art that are proudly displayed on stobie poles in their respective local areas.

Students completed their panels prior to the Colour Tumby Festival, where they were displayed for public viewing. Meanwhile the wider community were given the opportunity at the Colour Tumby Festival to join in painting six panels using a paint-by-numbers system, designed by locals: 1. Robyn Barratt – red poppies, 2. Tennent Carr TBAS student – rainbow flowers, 3. Megan Carr – Billy the dog at the beach, 4. Deb Blacker – mermaid, 5. Grant Coote – man with fish, 6. Rosemary Lawrie – diving seal. These paintings now adorn stobie poles in the Tumby Bay township.



PURSUE OPPORTUNITIES TO ENHANCE COMMUNITY WELLBEING AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

Women's Leadership Program

Council partnered with the Tumby Bay Progress Association to develop and implement a Women's Leadership and Development Program in Tumby Bay. The program has been funded by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet for \$235,000 for a period of three years. Positive comments from participants included, "*loved everything about it, very welcoming*", "*inspired me to make some changes*". In the first year, the following outcomes were achieved:

- Over 300 training places have been delivered.
- More than 30 courses such as micro skills in digital literacy, communication and career skills, Town Ambassador Program, First Aid and Mental Health First Aid, 50 ideas to start a business, Indian Cooking, Xero software training and Certificate II in Kitchen Operations.
- Around 100 individual women have attended classes – most more than 1 class.
- 11 x \$1,000 scholarships awarded for individual study.
- Participants have included women aged 16-80 plus years.

ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE NEW AND INTERESTING COMMUNITY EVENTS

The positive social and economic aspects of these events have been excellent for the district and should not be underestimated in their impact given the ongoing effects of covid. The Tumby Bay Progress Association should be acknowledged for their significant contribution in bringing these festivals to the district and enabling them to run so smoothly and with such success.

Illuminate Adelaide

Illuminate was held from 13 August – 21 August 2021 inclusive. It was truly an amazing experience to bring an event that has historically only been held in Adelaide to our region; Tumby Bay should be proud of this achievement. Illuminate had three regional events this year, the others based in Mount Gambier and Renmark. Given the size of these councils it is a real testament to the people of our district that we could attract an event of this calibre.

Over the Illuminate week we had around 5,000 visitors to the installations, with 2,500 visiting on the last night. Hubs on Saturday 14 and 21 August provided an opportunity for families and friends to enjoy the festival feel and immerse themselves in the experience. People travelled from Coober Pedy, Adelaide and around the Eyre Peninsula to experience the festival. Illuminate provided a significant boost to our economy in what is generally a quiet time of the year with visitor numbers to local businesses increasing with the Tumby Bay Caravan Park gaining extra visitors, Tumby Bay hotels being booked out for dinner on both Saturday nights, the Tumby Bay Bakery choosing to remain open late and a generally positive atmosphere around the district.



Adelaide Guitar Festival – On the Road

Adelaide Guitar Festival is the most significant festival of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere and now runs annually (since 2021)¹. Festival goers experienced world-class guitarists coming together to deliver an exciting program of events. The festival is made up of regional roadshows, free and low-cost workshops, master classes, artist's talks, panel discussions and ticketed performances showcasing the world's finest guitarists throughout South Australia.² The Guitar Festival was held in Tumby Bay on Saturday 17 July 2021 and was a great success. Conservative figures indicated 600 people in attendance, many from out of township. Inclusion of local artists, including the Ukulele Group, into the program provided for great variety and inclusivity across the district.

MAINTAIN, DEVELOP AND ENHANCE PRODUCTIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS ACROSS THE DISTRICT

Progress Associations

The Council remains committed to growing and strengthening its relationship with our Progress Associations. Collaboration with the Tumby Bay Progress Association on the Colour Tumby Festival, Illuminate and the Adelaide Guitar Festival is a clear example of how successful this commitment and partnership can be and one the Council wishes to pursue and enhance into the future. Each Progress Association has a Council representative appointed to facilitate communication between the Association and Council.

As part of the previous review process for Council's Long Term Financial Plan, Council met with local Progress Associations in September 2020 to discuss and consider the Strategic Plans of each organisation. This information was then considered by Council during the February 2021 review of its Long-Term Financial Plan and remained a relevant source of information and guidance to the Council throughout 2021/22.

DELIVER AND CONTINUOUSLY IMPROVE OUR MECHANISMS FOR COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT WITH COMMUNITY

Council meetings held throughout the district

Each year, Council holds some of its meetings in different locations throughout the district to recognise the contributions that each town/area makes to the district as a whole, and for Council to further improve its engagement and communications with the community. The September 2021 Council meeting was held at the Port Neill War Memorial Hall.

My Local Services App

Council implemented the My Local Services App during the 2021/22 year.

¹ <https://guitar.adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au/about>

² Ibid.

The app delivers information about council services to communities and was developed by the LGASA and is used across many regional and metropolitan councils. Implementation of the App is part of Council's commitment to improving its customer service delivery and customer experience.

Features of the My Local Services app include the ability to:

- set the app to feature your local council
- check kerbside collection services and set up weekly notification reminders to be sent out to you the night before
- see a listing of local events
- use the near me map to see key facilities including libraries, playgrounds, toilets and council buildings
- use a report me feature to upload and report to council any damaged council infrastructure.

There are some great advantages of this app for both the consumer and the staff. The ability to access council information enables the community to be better engaged and informed, with information being uploaded to the app and linked to the website providing a better customer experience.

The report me feature is particularly useful. Users of the app can upload photos of the damaged or problematic infrastructure and send this via the app directly through to the council as a customer request. Having a visual understanding of the issue enables staff to quickly assess priority and appropriate response.



THEME 3: A STRONG AND DIVERSE LOCAL ECONOMY

PARTNER WITH SA TOURISM AND OTHER STATE AND REGIONAL AGENCIES TO PROMOTE TOURISM ACROSS THE DISTRICT

Tourism Advisory Committee update

The Council is actively involved with promotion of tourism opportunities across the Eyre Peninsula, in particular the support of continuing attractions and enhancement of our natural sites coupled with the lure of new and innovative concepts/events and tools to support visitors to the Eyre Peninsula.

The Chief Executive Officer as the Chair of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association's Tourism Advisory Committee facilitates a committee bringing together representatives from each Eyre Peninsula council, along with Regional Development Australia Eyre Peninsula, South Australian Tourism Commission, Landscape SA and Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association.

Eyes on Eyre update

Eyes on Eyre (EoE) was established to create a consistent and collaborative approach to tourism development on the Eyre Peninsula. To date focus areas have included signage, telecommunications, coastal access, regional trails, visitor experience and camping nodes. An exciting development for the 2021/22 year is the implementation of an online campsite booking platform to address visitor impacts which aligns with ongoing development of the EoE project.

The platform was implemented in the District Council of Elliston and the District Council of Franklin Harbour during the year and will be implemented across further Eyre Peninsula councils in the 2022/23 year, including the District Council of Tumby Bay. Initially the platform will only be used for the Lipson Cove campground, but it is anticipated it will be applied more broadly once in use.

Cruise ship visits to Tumby Bay

With the continued impact of COVID-19 on the cruise ship industry, Tumby Bay was fortunate to attract a number of cruise ships bringing tourists from other parts of the country. Visitors were treated to an educational tour of our mangrove environment as well as a walking tour of our famous street art.

Council continued to work with various tourism operators and community groups to showcase the town and district as a great destination for the ships with desirable tourism product to offer.

The district was already building a great relationship with the South Australian Tourism Commission (SATC) through its local events, and this has been strengthened by working closely with SATC on Tumby Bay being one of many new cruise ship destinations in South Australia.

ACTIVELY ENGAGE WITH LOCAL INDUSTRY AND BUSINESS TO ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Tumby Bay Business Group

The Council is pleased that the establishment of the Tumby Bay Business Group has proven so successful. The Council continues to work closely with the group sharing information and meeting with the group as required.

REPRESENT THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE COMMUNITY IN CONSIDERING MAJOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Electranet campsite

A temporary construction camp in the district to service the ElectraNet upgrade of the high voltage transmission line for Eyre Peninsula was constructed and opened. This significant project required the housing of up to 150 workers during construction, and the Council engaged with ElectraNet and their Head Contractor, Downer Group, to assist with the siting of this camp near Tumby Bay, to open short- and long-term opportunities for the community.

The Council negotiated a lease agreement that saw the camp located on Council owned land adjacent the aerodrome, with contributions received to upgrade community road and wastewater treatment infrastructure to support the camp and to service the community into the future.

Ports

Whilst the commencement of a port facility at either Cape Hardy or Lipson Cove did not occur during the year, the CEO was able to secure several meetings in Adelaide, including with Minister Brock, Minister for Local Government and Regional Roads, Minister Champion, Minister for Planning and Minister Koutsantonis' staff and the CEO of DTI Jon Whelan. Matters raised included the disconnect between the major project assessment and the consideration of broader strategic considerations such as the road network impacts and re-zoning.

THEME 4: QUALITY SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

ENSURE NEW AND IMPROVED INFRASTRUCTURE MEETS THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY

Tumby Bay Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade

A major upgrade to the capacity of the Tumby Bay Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) was completed and commissioned in 2021/22. This upgrade was supported by a capital contribution from Downer Group as part of their development of a construction camp on the northern edge of town during the construction of the ElectraNet EP Link High Voltage Transmission Line project. The WWTP upgrade will ensure the quality of wastewater treatment for safe re-use during times of peak township occupation, as well as providing for future township growth.

Road construction and re-sealing program

Road renewal works were completed in line with Council's adopted Asset Management Plan. 3.6km of sealed road re-sealing was completed and approximately 25km of unsealed road re-sheeting. The completed length of road re-sheeting was below that planned for because of flood damage works impacting on resource availability during the first quarter of 2022. Two re-sheeting jobs have been carried over and budgeted for completion in 2022/23.

Graham Smelt Causeway culvert replacement

The replacement and upgrade of the deteriorated culverts under the Graham Smelt Causeway was largely completed in 2021/22. The upgraded culvert provides greater width to improve pedestrian and cyclist access, as well as significantly larger cross-section to improve tidal flows into the First Creek Wetland. This project was made possible by the support of the State Government through the Local Government Infrastructure Partnership which contributed 50% of the total project cost.

EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF MULTI-USE TRAILS

Extension of Tumby Bay foreshore walking trail

The Council continued with their Strategic Plan objective to improve the quality of footpaths in townships, with works completed to the Tumby Bay Esplanade foreshore. The new surface has made the trails more suitable for various users, including those with pushbikes, prams and gophers.

CONTINUE TO DEVELOP AND REVIEW ASSET MANAGEMENT PLANS AND THE LONG-TERM FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN TO ENSURE EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF ASSETS OVER THE SHORT AND LONG TERM

Annual review of Long Term Financial Plan and Asset Management Plans

Council's suite of asset management plans includes the following:

- Plant and Equipment

- Buildings and Structures
- Community Wastewater Management Systems
- Transport and Stormwater

All asset management plans are reviewed on an annual basis along with the Council's Long Term Financial Plan. A major review of all plans is completed every four years.

Council's current policy is to endeavour to complete 100% of asset renewals as identified in its suite of Asset Management Plans. Due to some carry over projects this figure was 124% for 2021 financial year.

LEVERAGE OPPORTUNITIES FOR GREATER EFFICIENCY IN SERVICE DELIVERY THROUGH FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR SHARED SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS WITH OTHER COUNCILS

Shared Services update

Jeff Tate Consulting Pty Ltd was engaged by the 11 Councils of the Eyre Peninsula, in conjunction with the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association (EPLGA), to identify opportunities and develop business cases for further collaboration (including shared services). The Environmental Services functions of environmental health, building control and planning were selected at an early stage of the project as the focus.

The project was commissioned in the context of the 11 Councils of the Eyre Peninsula facing challenges in relation to:

- attracting and retaining staff
- ageing workforces and increasing demand for skilled workers
- pressure to do more with less
- duplication of effort and competition for limited skilled resources.

As a result, the Councils were seeking a 'best fit' solution for further collaboration and the delivery of shared services across the region that recognises the differences between potential functions and their circumstances. A nuanced approach was required, rather than a single delivery model.

CONTINUE TO DELIVER AND IMPROVE UPON HIGH STANDARDS OF CUSTOMER SERVICE

ArcGIS implementation

The Council upgraded their end-of-life Geographical Information System (GIS) viewer software to a newer, cloud-based GIS system which enhances staff access to a range of Council data. The new system provides future opportunity to better share information on Council assets with stakeholders via website accessibility.

Undertake routine food safety inspections

Council conducts inspections of food businesses to monitor compliance with the *Food Act 2001*.

Routine inspections can occur at any reasonable time and Council does not charge a fee for routine food inspections, however, a fee is applicable if a follow up inspection is required. In addition to routine food premises inspections, inspections to assess compliance with the *Australian New Zealand Food Standards Code* can also occur to investigate complaints and responding to food safety incidents.

THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO IN 2022/2023

- Port Neill and Tumby Bay jetty upgrades
- Tumby Bay foreshore protection planning
- Council election
- Port Neill boat ramp navigational aids upgrade
- Colour Tumby Festival, including multiple Adelaide Fringe acts, and Under the Pines
- SA Tourism Commission Awards – Colour Tumby Festival – 2022 Finalist
- Change in rating basis

OUR COUNCIL

ELECTED MEMBERS



MAYOR SAM TELFER

(Resigned effective 30/03/2022)

Councillor: 2010 – 2022
Mayor: 2014 – March 2022



MAYOR HANNAH ALLEN-JORDAN

Councillor: 2014 – Current
Deputy Mayor: February 2022 – March 2022
Mayor: March 2022 – Current



CR ROBERT RANDALL

Councillor: 2018 – Current
Deputy Mayor: 2018 – November 2020



CR STEPHEN HIBBIT

(Resigned effective 06/02/2022)

Councillor: 2018 – February 2022
Deputy Mayor: October 2021 – February 2022



CR ROBERT "BOB" LAWRIE

Councillor: 2000 – 2003
Councillor: 2006 – Current



CR RICKY TRENBERTH

Councillor: 2018 – Current



CR JULIE ELLIOTT

Councillor: September 2021 – Current
Deputy Mayor: April 2022 – Current

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 5.30pm in the Council Chambers, Mortlock Street, Tumbly Bay.

Ordinary Meetings Held 12

Special Meetings Held 5

	Attended	Apology / Absent
Mayor Sam Telfer	11	2
Mayor Hannah Allen-Jordan	17	0
Cr Robert Randall	17	0
Cr Stephen Hibbit	9	1
Cr Robert “Bob” Lawrie	15	2
Cr Ricky Trenberth	14	3
Cr Julie Elliott	13	0

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

The following training courses, seminars and conferences were attended by Elected Members of Council:

Name	Date	Details
Mayor Telfer	1 July 2021	EPLGA Meeting
	29 September 2021	Tri-Council Meeting
Mayor Allen-Jordan	29 September 2021	Tri-Council Meeting
	29 March 2022	Three Wise Agencies Presentation
	3 May 2022	Elected Member Roles and Responsibilities
Cr Randall	29 September 2021	Tri-Council Meeting
	29 March 2022	Three Wise Agencies Presentation
	3 May 2022	Elected Member Roles and Responsibilities
Cr Hibbit	29 September 2021	Tri-Council Meeting
Cr Lawrie	29 March 2022	Three Wise Agencies Presentation
	3 May 2022	Elected Member Roles and Responsibilities
Cr Trenberth	29 March 2022	Three Wise Agencies Presentation
	3 May 2022	Elected Member Roles and Responsibilities

Cr Elliott	4 November 2021	Introduction to Local Government
	5 November 2021	Council and Committee Meetings
	11 February 2022	Legal Responsibilities
	11 February 2022	Financial Management and Reporting
	29 March 2022	Three Wise Agencies Presentation
	3 May 2022	Elected Member Roles and Responsibilities

ALLOWANCES PAID TO MEMBERS

The following allowances were paid to Elected Members of Council:

Position	Allowance
Mayor	\$27,932
Deputy Mayor	\$8,729
Committee Chair	\$8,729
Members	\$6,983

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Council's Audit Committee consists of four members including Cr Ricky Trenberth Chairperson, and three independent members. The Committee met on three occasions throughout the 2022 financial year with the major items of business including:

- Long Term Financial Plan
- Asset Management Plans
- Budget Adoption and Reviews
- Financial Statements
- Audit Reports.

A total of \$2,150 was paid to the independent members of the Audit Committee.

ELECTOR REPRESENTATION

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 12 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (the Act), the Council undertook a review of all aspects of its composition and structure to ensure the fair and adequate representation of the electors within the Council area. It is the intent of Council that the arrangement which it now proposes will come into effect at the next scheduled Local Government election in November 2022. Council formally completed its review in October 2021 and the next review will occur within the relevant period as described in the regulations or such date as set by the Minister.

The key issues addressed during the review included:

- whether the principal member of Council should be a Mayor elected by the community or a Chairperson selected by (and from amongst) the elected members
- the division of the Council area into wards, or the retention of the existing "no ward" structure
- the number of elected members required to provide fair and adequate representation
- the need for area councillors in addition to ward councillors (under a ward structure)
- the level of ward representation (and elector ratio) under a ward structure
- the identification of any proposed future wards (under a ward structure).

Having duly completed a review of its composition and ward structure, the Council proposes the following remain in effect at the next Local Government election:

- The principal member of Council be a Mayor who is elected by the community.
- The Council comprise the Mayor and six (6) area councillors.
- The Council area not be divided into wards (i.e. the existing "no wards" structure be retained).

The following table presents, for comparison purposes only, information pertaining to the composition, size and elector ratio of a number of regional councils which are similar in size (i.e. elector numbers) and type (i.e. regional councils) to the District Council of Tumby Bay.

Council	Electors	Members	Quota
Tumby Bay	2105	7	300
Barunga West	2046	9	227
Ceduna	2124	9	236
Goyder	3119	7	445
Kangaroo Island	3617	10	361
Kingston	1896	8	237
Lower Eyre Peninsula	3940	7	562
Mount Remarkable	2196	7	313
Peterborough	1236	9	137
Southern Mallee	1339	7	191
Yankalilla	4576	9	508

Data source: Electoral Commission SA 2021 (available from Local Government Association of SA)

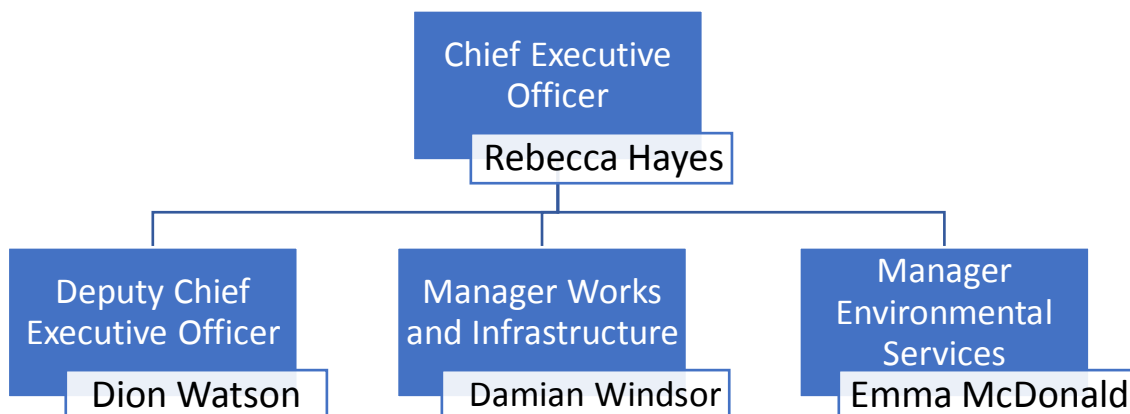
OUR ORGANISATION

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE



EXECUTIVE TEAM

Council's Senior Executive team consists of four staff members. Their remuneration includes salary, employer superannuation contribution, private use of a Council supplied vehicle (salary sacrificed), mobile phone, internet, laptop computer and uniform.



COUNCIL REPORTING

COMMUNITY LAND

Community Land Management Plans identify the purpose and objectives of land held for community use, and operate in accordance with Section 196 of the *Local Government Act 1999*. The management plans are reviewed annually and in the 2021/22 financial year, no changes were made.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

The *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (FOI Act) provides legislation and guidelines for access and provision of information to the public. Some Council documents are available to the public at no charge, or minimal reproduction charge, without recourse to the FOI Act.

For the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022, Council received one application under provisions of the FOI Act. Approximately five staff hours were utilised in addressing the application which was determined Full Release.

DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE

The following documents are required to be kept under the *Local Government Act 1999* and the *Local Government (Elections) Act 1999*:

Registers	Section
Members Register of Interests	68
Members Register of Allowances and Benefits	79
Officers Register of Salaries	105
Officers Register of Interests	116
Community Land	207
Public Roads	231
By-Laws	252
Register of Gifts and Benefits	Local Government (General) Regulations 2013
Codes	
Members Code of Conduct	63
Code of Practice for Access to Meetings and Documents	92
Employees Code of Conduct	110
Code of Practice for Procedures at Meetings	Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013

REVIEW OF COUNCIL DECISIONS

Under Section 270 of the *Local Government Act 1999* Council must establish procedures for the review of decisions of the Council, employees of Council, and/or other persons acting on behalf of the Council. In accordance with Section 270(8), one application for internal review was received during the 2021/22 financial year. The application was refused.

CONFIDENTIALITY PROVISIONS

Section 90 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (the Act) details the provisions for when a Council or Committee may order that the public be excluded from attendance at a meeting for the purposes of receiving, discussing or considering in confidence information relevant to section 90(3) of the Act. The Council or Committee may also order that some or all of the documents associated with the item also be kept confidential. If this occurs, the Council or Committee must also specify the duration of the order or the circumstances in which the order will cease to apply, or a period after which the order must be reviewed.

In some instances, the Council or Committee may delegate the power to revoke the order to an employee of the Council (such as the Chief Executive Officer). In any event, in accordance with section 91(9) of the Act, any order that operates for a period exceeding 12 months must be reviewed at least once in every year.

The below table lists the orders made under section 90(2) the Act during the financial year, the date and subject of each order, the paragraph of section 90(3) to which the order relates and the use of section 91(7).

Date	Item No.	Title	90(3)	91(7)
13 July 2021	CONFCEO 1/721	TTEG Pre-Action Response	(h) & (i)	√
3 August 2021	SPCONFMES 1/821	Illegal Dumping	(h)	√
21 September 2021	LATESPCONFCEO 1/921	Technical Officer	(e)	√
21 September 2021	SPCONFCEO 1/921	CEO Performance Review	(k)	√
21 September 2021	SPCONFCEO 2/921	Council Roof	(d)	√
12 October 2021	CONFCEO 1/1021	Legal Opinion	(h) & (i)	√
12 October 2021	CONFCEO 2/1021	Depot Land	(b)	√
9 November 2021	CONFDCO 1/1121	Rates in Arrears	(a)	√
9 November 2021	CONFCEO 1/1121	7 Pumpa Street, Tumby Bay	(b)	√
9 November 2021	CONFCEO 2/1121	Legal Advice	(h) & (i)	√
14 December 2021	CONFCEO 1/1221	7 Pumpa Street, Tumby Bay	(b)	√
14 December 2021	CONFCEO 2/1221	Depot Land	(b)	√

11 January 2022	SPCONFMAYOR 1/122	CEO Performance Review	(a)	√
8 February 2022	CONFMWI 1/222	Tumby Bay Waste Transfer Station	(b) & (h)	√
12 April 2022	CONFDCEO 1/422	Rate Arrears	(a)	√
10 May 2022	CONFCEO 1/522	ESCOSA Rates Oversight Scheme	(j)	√
14 June 2022	CONFMWI 1/622	Subsidy Agreement Tumby Bay Waste Transfer Station	(d) & (h)	√

21 orders made under section 91(7) of the Act expired, ceased to apply or were revoked during the financial year. The below table lists the orders made under section 91(7) that remained operative at the end of the financial year, and the date and subject of each order.

Date	Item No.	Title
10 December 2019	CEOCONF 1/1219	Developer Agreement – B & S Smith
18 February 2020	CONFMAYOR 1/220	CEO Recruitment
14 April 2020	CONFMAYOR 1/420	CEO Recruitment and Future Arrangements
4 August 2020	CONFMAYOR 1/820	CEO Recruitment
11 August 2020	CONFMWI 1/820	Section 51 Development Agreement
13 October 2020	CONFMAYOR 1/1020	WIMBA Scholarship
8 December 2020	CEOCONF 1/1220	Cape Hardy Port Proposal
8 December 2020	MESCONF 1/1220	Sale of Lot 443 and 444 Trezise Street
9 March 2021	CONFMES 1/321	Unauthorised Waste Storage
11 May 2021	CONFCEO 3/521	Section 51 Development Agreement
8 June 2021	CONFCEO 3/521	Section 51 Development Agreement
8 June 2021	CONFCEO 1/621	Cape Hardy Proposal
8 June 2021	CONFCEO 2/621	Depot Land Development Fee Proposal
21 September 2021	SPCONFCEO 2/921	Council Roof
12 October 2021	CONFCEO 1/1021	Legal Opinion
12 October 2021	CONFCEO 2/1021	Depot Land
9 November 2021	CONFCEO 1/1121	Allotment 7 Pumpa Street Tumby Bay
9 November 2021	CONFCEO 2/1121	Legal Advice
9 November 2021	CONFDCEO 1/1121	Rates in Arrears

14 December 2021	CONFCEO 1/1221	Allotment 7 Pumpa Street Tumby Bay
14 December 2021	CONFCEO 2/1221	Depot Land
13 January 2022	SPCONFMAYOR 1/122	CEO Performance Review
8 February 2022	CONFMWI 1/222	Tumby Bay Waste Transfer Station Option to Purchase
12 April 2022	CONFDCO 1/422	Rate Arrears
10 May 2022	CONFCEO 1/522	ESCOSA Rates Oversight Scheme
14 June 2022	CONFMWI 1/622	Subsidy Agreement Tumby Bay Waste Transfer Station

NATIONAL COMPETITION POLICY

Under the Local Government Act 1999 Schedule 4, Clause 1 (j), the Government Business Enterprise (Competition) Act 1996 and the Revised Clause 7 Statement on the application of competition principles to Local Government under the Competition Principles Agreement (September 2002), Council is required to submit relevant information on the application of competitive neutrality principles.

Council reports that there were no significant business activities created, undertaken or ceased during the reporting period.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

LEGAL EXPENSES

The amount of legal costs incurred by the Council during the financial year totalled \$87,000. Refer to Note 3 of the Audited Financial Statements included with this Report.

COMPETITIVE TENDERING

The Council is committed to ensuring a fair, transparent, and accountable process in the provision of services, including the carrying out of works, purchasing of goods and services, and in the sale and disposal of land and/or other assets. Council aims to ensure that its methods are cost effective, meet the needs of the community, and represent best value for money.

The Council's *Procurement, Disposal of Land and Assets* and *Asset Management* policies address the key elements of the conduct of Council affairs in these areas and the principles that will guide its decision-making processes. The policies have been developed and adopted in accordance with Section 49 of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

CREDIT CARD EXPENDITURE

Expenditure incurred using credit cards provided by the Council for use by members or employees of the Council during the financial year totalled \$62,997.23.

TRAVEL EXPENSES

No interstate or international travel undertaken by council members or employees during the financial year was funded in whole or in part by the Council.

GIFTS RECEIVED

Nil gifts above the value of \$50 were provided to members or employees of the Council during the financial year.

AUDITORS

Dean Newbery and Partners have been engaged to undertake Council's auditing for a 5-year term from 1 July 2020 – 30 June 2025. Independence has been confirmed in accordance with the requirements under the Regulation 22 (5) *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011*. Certification is included in the annual Financial Statements included in this report.

Pursuant to section 128(9) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, remuneration payable for the annual audit of the Council's financial statements for 2021/2022 totalled \$17,000.

LOCAL NUISANCE AND LITTER CONTROL

Pursuant to Schedule 4, Clause 1 (j) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, section 8 of the *Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act 2016* and Regulation 5 of the *Local Nuisance and Litter Control Regulations 2017*, Council reports the following:

COMPLAINTS

Nature	Number of
Local Nuisance	
Dust	1
Noise	2
Odour	3
Smoke	0
Fumes	0
Aerosols	0
Animals	18
Insanitary	1
Unsightly	5
Vibrations	0
Graffiti	0
Other	0
Litter Control	
Disposing of Litter	16

OFFENCES EXPIATED

Section	Offence	Expiations
20	Fail to cease local nuisance	0
22(1)9d)	Disposing of up to 50L of general litter	0
D1(17)(A)	Causing Local Nuisance by Smoke and Odour	1

ABATEMENT NOTICES

Section	Offence	Abatement Notices
S30(1)(a)	Local Nuisance	0
S30(1)(b)	Litter Control	2

SUBSIDIARIES

Council does not have any subsidiaries established under Section 42 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (the Act).

EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Council is a member of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association (EPLGA) which is a regional subsidiary under section 43 of the Act. The 2021/22 Annual Report of the EPLGA is included in this document as per schedule 2 clause 28 of the Act.

APPENDICES

1. Audited Financial Statements 2021/2022
2. EPLGA Annual Report R22/25153

District Council of Tumby Bay

**General Purpose Financial Reports
for the year ended 30 June 2022**

District Council of Tumby Bay

General Purpose Financial Reports

for the year ended 30 June 2022

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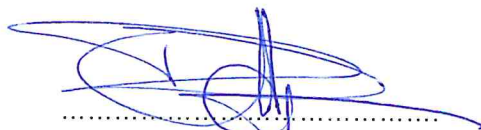
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**District Council of Tumby Bay
Annual Financial Statements
for the year ended 30 June 2022**

CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have been authorised by the Council to certify the financial statements in their final form. In our opinion:

- the accompanying financial statements comply with the *Local Government Act 1999, Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011* and Australian Accounting Standards.
- the financial statements present a true and fair view of the Council's financial position at 30 June 2022 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the financial year.
- internal controls implemented by the Council provide a reasonable assurance that the Council's financial records are complete, accurate and reliable and were effective throughout the financial year.
- the financial statements accurately reflect the Council's accounting and other records.



Rebecca Hayes

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Date: 8/11/2022



Hannah Allen-Jordan

MAYOR/COUNCILLOR

District Council of Tumby Bay
Statement of Comprehensive Income
for the year ended 30 June 2022

	Notes	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
INCOME			
Rates	2	5,457	5,282
Statutory charges	2	105	89
User charges	2	297	188
Grants, subsidies and contributions	2	2,176	1,440
Investment income	2	24	22
Reimbursements	2	27	16
Other income	2	78	40
Total Income		8,164	7,077
EXPENSES			
Employee costs	3	2,067	1,953
Materials, contracts & other expenses	3	2,947	2,833
Depreciation, amortisation & impairment	3	2,495	2,343
Finance costs	3	147	133
Total Expenses		7,656	7,262
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		508	(185)
Asset disposal & fair value adjustments	4	242	(436)
Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets	2	1,872	1,285
Physical resources received free of charge	2	-	50
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) (transferred to Equity Statement)		2,622	714
Other Comprehensive Income			
Changes in revaluation surplus - infrastructure, property, plant & equipment	9	6,973	-
Total Other Comprehensive Income		6,973	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		9,595	714

This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes.

District Council of Tumby Bay
Statement of Financial Position
as at 30 June 2022

		2022	2021
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	2,474	2,369
Trade & other receivables	5	1,248	521
Inventories	5	46	19
Total Current Assets		<u>3,768</u>	<u>2,909</u>
Non-current Assets			
Financial assets	6	100	60
Infrastructure, property, plant & equipment	7	75,617	65,193
Other non-current assets	6	45	867
Total Non-current Assets		<u>75,762</u>	<u>66,120</u>
Total Assets		<u>79,530</u>	<u>69,029</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Trade & other payables	8	428	560
Borrowings	8	430	337
Provisions	8	547	533
Total Current Liabilities		<u>1,405</u>	<u>1,430</u>
Non-current Liabilities			
Borrowings	8	3,513	2,590
Provisions	8	13	5
Total Non-current Liabilities		<u>3,526</u>	<u>2,595</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>4,931</u>	<u>4,025</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>74,599</u>	<u>65,004</u>
EQUITY			
Accumulated Surplus		10,264	8,494
Asset Revaluation Reserves	9	61,762	54,789
Other Reserves	9	2,573	1,721
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>74,599</u>	<u>65,004</u>

This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes.

District Council of Tumby Bay
Statement of Changes in Equity
for the year ended 30 June 2022

		Acc'd Surplus	Asset Rev'n Reserve	Other Reserves	TOTAL EQUITY
2022	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at end of previous reporting period		8,494	54,789	1,721	65,004
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for Year		2,622			2,622
Other Comprehensive Income					
Gain on revaluation of infrastructure, property, plant & equipment			6,973		6,973
Transfers between reserves		(852)		852	-
Balance at end of period	9	10,264	61,762	2,573	74,599

		Acc'd Surplus	Asset Rev'n Reserve	Other Reserves	TOTAL EQUITY
2021	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at end of previous reporting period		7,738	54,789	1,763	64,290
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for Year		714			714
Transfers between reserves		42		(42)	-
Balance at end of period	9	8,494	54,789	1,721	65,004

This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes

District Council of Tumby Bay
Statement of Cash Flows
for the year ended 30 June 2022

		2022	2021
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Receipts:</i>			
Rates - general & other		5,535	5,309
Fees & other charges		110	92
User charges		285	169
Investment receipts		53	61
Grants utilised for operating purposes		1,440	1,454
Reimbursements		90	18
Other revenues		174	328
<i>Payments:</i>			
Employee costs		(2,003)	(2,007)
Materials, contracts & other expenses		(3,344)	(3,248)
Finance payments		(145)	(137)
Net Cash provided by (or used in) Operating Activities		2,195	2,039
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Receipts:</i>			
Amounts specifically for new or upgraded assets		1,872	1,285
Sale of replaced assets		150	218
Sale of surplus assets		159	-
Sale of real estate developments		318	91
Repayments of loans by community groups		24	35
<i>Payments:</i>			
Expenditure on renewal/replacement of assets		(1,593)	(1,870)
Expenditure on new/upgraded assets		(3,956)	(1,514)
Loans made to community groups		(80)	-
Net Cash provided by (or used in) Investing Activities		(3,106)	(1,755)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Receipts:</i>			
Proceeds from borrowings		1,395	-
<i>Payments:</i>			
Repayments of borrowings		(379)	(348)
Net Cash provided by (or used in) Financing Activities		1,016	(348)
Net Increase (Decrease) in cash held		105	(64)
Cash & cash equivalents at beginning of period	11	2,369	2,433
Cash & cash equivalents at end of period	11	2,474	2,369

This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes

District Council of Tumby Bay
Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements
for the year ended 30 June 2022

Note 1 - Significant Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial report are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

1 Basis of Preparation

1.1 Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards as they apply to not-for-profit entities, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Interpretations and relevant South Australian legislation.

The financial report was authorised for issue by certificate under regulation 14 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011.

1.2 Historical Cost Convention

Except as stated below, these financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

1.3 Critical Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Australian Accounting Standards requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and requires management to exercise its judgement in applying Council's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are specifically referred to in the relevant sections of this Note.

1.4 Rounding

All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars (\$'000).

1.5 Covid-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has had minimal impact on the 2021/22 financial statements. The budget assumptions for 2022/23 assume that no further harsher restrictions are put in place by the Government. However Council has determined that there is no material uncertainty that casts doubt on Council's ability to continue as a going concern.

2 The Local Government Reporting Entity

The District Council of Tumby Bay is incorporated under the SA Local Government Act 1999 and has its principal place of business at 25 West Terrace, Tumby Bay. These consolidated financial statements include the Council's direct operations and all entities through which Council controls resources to carry on its functions. In the process of reporting on the Council as a single unit, all transactions and balances between activity areas and controlled entities have been eliminated.

Other entities in which Council has an interest but does not control are reported in Note 19.

3 Income recognition

3.1 Revenue

The Council recognises revenue under AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities (AASB 1058) or AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers (AASB 15) when appropriate.

In cases where there is an 'enforceable' contract with a customer with 'sufficiently specific' performance obligations, the transaction is accounted for under AASB 15 where income is recognised when (or as) the performance obligations are satisfied (i.e. when it transfers control of a product or service to a customer). Revenue is measured based on the consideration to which the Council expects to be entitled in a contract with a customer.

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In other cases, AASB 1058 applies when a not-for-profit (NFP) entity enters into transactions where the consideration to acquire an asset is significantly less than the fair value of the asset principally to enable the entity to further its objectives. The excess of the asset recognised (at fair value) over any 'related amounts' is recognised as income immediately, except in the case where a financial asset has been received to enable the council to acquire or construct a recognisable non-financial asset that is to be controlled by the council. In this case, the council recognises the excess as a liability that is recognised over time in profit and loss when (or as) the entity satisfies its obligations under the transfer.

In recent years, the payment of untied grants (financial assistance grants/ local roads/ supplementary grants) has varied from the annual allocation as shown in the table below:

	Cash Payment Received	Annual Allocation	Difference	
2019-20	\$764,090	\$900,879	-	\$136,789
2020-21	\$754,308	\$885,663	-	\$131,355
2021-22	\$1,075,760	\$888,764	+	\$186,996

Because these grants are untied, the Australian Accounting Standards require that payments be recognised upon receipt. Accordingly, the operating results of these periods have been distorted compared to those that would have been reported had the grants been paid in the year to which they were allocated.

The Operating Surplus Ratio disclosed in Note 15 has also been calculated after adjusting for the distortions resulting from the differences between the actual grants received and the grants entitlements allocated.

3.2 Construction Contracts

Construction works undertaken by Council for third parties are generally on an agency basis where the third party reimburses Council for actual costs incurred, and usually do not extend beyond the reporting period. Reimbursements not received are recognised as receivables and reimbursements received in advance are recognised as "payments received in advance".

For works undertaken on a fixed price contract basis, revenues are recognised over time using the input method, with costs incurred compared to total expected costs used as a measure of progress. When it is probable that total contract costs will exceed total contract revenue, the expected loss is recognised as an expense immediately.

4 Cash, Cash Equivalents and Other Financial Instruments

4.1 Cash, Cash Equivalent Assets

Cash assets include all amounts readily convertible to cash on hand at Council's option with an insignificant risk of changes in value with a maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

4.2 Other Financial Instruments

Receivables for rates and annual charges are secured over the subject land, and bear interest at rates determined in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999. Other receivables are generally unsecured and do not bear interest.

All receivables are reviewed as at the reporting date and adequate allowance made for amounts the receipt of which is considered doubtful.

All financial instruments are recognised at fair value at the date of recognition. A detailed statement of the accounting policies applied to financial instruments also form part of Note 13.

5 Inventories

Inventories held in respect of stores have been valued by using the weighted average cost on a continual basis, after adjustment for loss of service potential. Inventories held in respect of business undertakings have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

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5.1 Real Estate Assets Developments

Real Estate Assets developments have been classified as Inventory in accordance with AASB 102 and are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value. Cost includes the costs of acquisition, development, borrowing and other costs incurred on financing of that acquisition and up to the time of sale. Any amount by which cost exceeds the net realisable value has been recognised as an expense.

Revenues arising from the sale of property are recognised in the operating statement when settlement is completed.

5.2 Other Real Estate held for resale

Properties not acquired for development, but which Council has decided to sell as surplus to requirements, are recognised at the carrying value at the time of that decision.

6 Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment

6.1 Initial Recognition

All assets are initially recognised at cost. For assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition.

All non-current assets purchased or constructed are capitalised as the expenditure is incurred and depreciated as soon as the asset is held "ready for use". Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including architects' fees and engineering design fees and all other costs incurred. The cost of non-current assets constructed by the Council includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead.

Capital works still in progress at balance date are recognised as other non-current assets and transferred to infrastructure, property, plant & equipment when completed ready for use.

6.2 Materiality

Assets with an economic life in excess of one year are only capitalised where the cost of acquisition exceeds materiality thresholds established by Council for each type of asset. In determining (and in annually reviewing) such thresholds, regard is had to the nature of the asset and its estimated service life. Examples of capitalisation thresholds applied during the year are given in Note 7. No capitalisation threshold is applied to the acquisition of land or interests in land.

6.3 Subsequent Recognition

All material asset classes are revalued on a regular basis such that the carrying values are not materially different from fair value. Significant uncertainties exist in the estimation of fair value of a number of asset classes including land, buildings and associated structures and infrastructure. Further detail of these uncertainties, and of existing valuations, methods and valuers are provided at Note 7.

6.4 Depreciation of Non-Current Assets

Other than land, all infrastructure, property, plant and equipment assets recognised are systematically depreciated over their useful lives on a straight-line basis which, in the opinion of Council, best reflects the consumption of the service potential embodied in those assets.

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values of classes of assets are reviewed annually.

Major depreciation periods for each class of asset are shown in Note 7. Depreciation periods for infrastructure assets have been estimated based on the best information available to Council, but appropriate records covering the entire life cycle of these assets are not available, and extreme care should be used in interpreting financial information based on these estimates.

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6.5 Impairment

Assets whose future economic benefits are not dependent on the ability to generate cash flows, and where the future economic benefits would be replaced if Council were deprived thereof, are not subject to impairment testing.

Other assets that are subject to depreciation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount (which is the higher of the present value of future cash inflows or value in use).

Where an asset that has been revalued is subsequently impaired, the impairment is first offset against such amount as stands to the credit of that class of assets in Asset Revaluation Reserve, any excess being recognised as an expense.

6.6 Borrowing Costs

Borrowing costs in relation to qualifying assets (net of offsetting investment revenue) have been capitalised in accordance with AASB 123 "Borrowing Costs". The amounts of borrowing costs recognised as an expense or as part of the carrying amount of qualifying assets are disclosed in Note 3, and the amount (if any) of interest revenue offset against borrowing costs in Note 2.

7 Payables

7.1 Goods & Services

Creditors are amounts due to external parties for the supply of goods and services and are recognised as liabilities when the goods and services are received. Creditors are normally paid 15 days after the month of invoice. No interest is payable on these amounts.

7.2 Payments Received in Advance & Deposits

Amounts received from external parties in advance of service delivery, and security deposits held against possible damage to Council assets, are recognised as liabilities until the service is delivered or damage reinstated, or the amount is refunded as the case may be.

8 Borrowings

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value net of transaction costs incurred and are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption amount is recognised in the income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Loans are carried at their principal amounts which represent the present value of future cash flows associated with servicing the debt. Interest is accrued over the period to which it relates and is recorded as part of "Payables". Interest free loans are carried at their nominal amounts; interest revenues foregone by the lender effectively being a reduction of interest expense in the period to which it relates.

9 Provisions

9.1 Employee Benefits

Liabilities for employees' entitlements to salaries, wages and compensated absences expected to be paid or settled within 12 months of reporting date are accrued at nominal amounts (including payroll based on costs) measured in accordance with AASB 119.

Liabilities for employee benefits not expected to be paid or settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows (including payroll based on costs) to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Present values are calculated using government guaranteed securities rates with similar maturity terms.

No accrual is made for sick leave as Council experience indicates that, on average, sick leave taken in each reporting period is less than the entitlement accruing in that period, and this experience is expected to recur in future reporting periods. Council does not make payment for untaken sick leave.

Superannuation:

The Council makes employer superannuation contributions in respect of its employees to the Hostplus Super Fund. The Scheme has two types of membership, each of which is funded differently. Details of the accounting policies applied and Council's involvement with the schemes are reported in Note 18.

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10 Joint Ventures and Associated Entities

Council participates in cooperative arrangements with other Councils for the provision of services and facilities. Council's interests in cooperative arrangements are accounted for in accordance with AASB 128 Investments in Associates and are set out in detail in Note 19.

11 GST Implications

In accordance with UIG Abstract 1031 "Accounting for the Goods & Services Tax"

- Receivables and Creditors include GST receivable and payable.
- Except in relation to input taxed activities, revenues and operating expenditures exclude GST receivable and payable.
- Non-current assets and capital expenditures include GST net of any recoupment.
- Amounts included in the Statement of Cash Flows are disclosed on a gross basis.

12 New and amended standards and interpretations

The Council has not early adopted any standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective.

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Note 2 - INCOME

	Notes	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
RATES REVENUES			
<u>General Rates</u>		4,150	4,026
Less: Mandatory rebates		(21)	(32)
Less: Discretionary rebates, remissions & write offs		(20)	(18)
		<u>4,109</u>	<u>3,976</u>
<u>Other Rates</u> (including service charges)			
Landscape levy		190	187
Waste collection		348	325
Community wastewater management systems		764	760
Separate and Special Rates		7	7
		<u>1,309</u>	<u>1,279</u>
<u>Other Charges</u>			
Penalties for late payment		22	23
Legal & other costs recovered		17	6
		<u>39</u>	<u>29</u>
Less: Discretionary rebates, remissions & write offs		-	(2)
		<u>5,457</u>	<u>5,282</u>
STATUTORY CHARGES			
Development Act fees		28	25
Town planning fees		37	29
Health & Septic Tank Inspection fees		10	8
Animal registration fees & fines		17	16
Other licences, fees, & fines		13	11
		<u>105</u>	<u>89</u>
USER CHARGES			
Cemetery/crematoria fees		24	23
Property Rental		68	68
Sundry		205	97
		<u>297</u>	<u>188</u>

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Note 2 - INCOME (con't)

	Notes	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
INVESTMENT INCOME			
Interest on investments:			
Local Government Finance Authority		20	18
Loans to community groups		4	4
		<u>24</u>	<u>22</u>
REIMBURSEMENTS			
Private works		10	8
Other		17	8
		<u>27</u>	<u>16</u>
OTHER INCOME			
Insurance & other recoupments - infrastructure, property, plant & equipment		14	-
Sundry		64	40
		<u>78</u>	<u>40</u>
GRANTS, SUBSIDIES, CONTRIBUTIONS			
Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets		1,872	1,285
Other grants, subsidies and contributions			
Untied - Financial Assistance Grant		1,076	754
Roads to Recovery		267	267
SA Healthy Towns Challenge		48	-
LRCIP Phase One		139	174
LRCIP Phase Two		61	213
LRCIP Phase Three		523	-
Festivals Australia		36	-
SA Tourism Commission		10	-
Living Well Project		4	19
Library & Communications		12	13
		<u>2,176</u>	<u>1,440</u>
		<u>4,048</u>	<u>2,725</u>
<i>The functions to which these grants relate are shown in Note 12.</i>			
Sources of grants			
Commonwealth government		1,026	903
State government		2,717	1,796
Other		305	26
		<u>4,048</u>	<u>2,725</u>

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Note 2 - INCOME (con't)

	2022	2021
Conditions over grants & contributions		
<i>Grants and contributions which were obtained on the condition that they be expended for specified purposes or in a future period, but which are not yet expended in accordance with those conditions, are as follows:</i>		
<i>Unexpended at the close of the previous reporting period</i>	200	-
<i>Less: expended during the current period from revenues recognised in previous reporting periods:</i>		
<i>RCLIP Phase Two</i>	<u>(200)</u>	<u>-</u>
<i>Subtotal</i>	(200)	-
<i>Plus: amounts recognised as revenues in this reporting period but not yet expended in accordance with the conditions</i>		
<i>RCLIP Phase Two</i>	-	200
<i>RCLIP Phase Three</i>	<u>523</u>	<u>-</u>
<i>Subtotal</i>	523	200
<i>Unexpended at the close of this reporting period</i>	<u>523</u>	<u>200</u>
<i>Net increase / (decrease) in assets subject to conditions in the current reporting period</i>	<u>323</u>	<u>200</u>
PHYSICAL RESOURCES RECEIVED FREE OF CHARGE		
Skate Park Facility	<u>-</u>	<u>50</u>
TOTAL PHYSICAL RESOURCES RECEIVED	<u>-</u>	<u>50</u>

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Note 3 - EXPENSE

	Notes	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
EMPLOYEE COSTS			
Salaries and Wages		1,708	1,717
Employee leave expense		287	238
Superannuation - defined contribution plan contributions	18	128	118
Superannuation - defined benefit plan contributions	18	51	58
Workers' Compensation Insurance		48	42
Less: Capitalised and distributed costs		(155)	(220)
Total Operating Employee Costs		2,067	1,953
 Total Number of Employees		 23	 25
<i>(Full time equivalent at end of reporting period)</i>			
MATERIALS, CONTRACTS & OTHER EXPENSES			
<u>Prescribed Expenses</u>			
Auditor's Remuneration			
- Auditing the financial reports		17	16
Bad and Doubtful Debts		52	-
Elected members' expenses		80	86
Election expenses		14	1
Subtotal - Prescribed Expenses		163	103
<u>Other Materials, Contracts & Expenses</u>			
Contractors		5,685	3,420
Energy		48	56
Plant Expenses		317	299
Water		108	100
Professional Services		209	168
Insurance		158	156
Levies paid to government - NRM levy		188	188
- Other Levies		9	9
Contributions		98	103
Advertising, Printing & Stationery		68	56
Telecommunications		33	31
Plant & Machinery		3	8
Legal Expenses		87	78
Materials		282	434
Information Technology		141	167
Sundry		165	163
Less: Capitalised and Distributed Costs		(4,815)	(2,706)
Subtotal - Other Materials, Contracts & Expenses		2,784	2,730
		2,947	2,833

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Note 3 - EXPENSE con't

	2022	2021
Notes	\$'000	\$'000
DEPRECIATION, AMORTISATION & IMPAIRMENT		
Depreciation		
Buildings & Other Structures	-	7
Buildings & Other Structures	670	507
Infrastructure		
- Sealed Roads	360	377
- Unsealed Roads	726	739
- Bridges, Footpaths, K & W/T	230	231
- Stormwater Drainage	69	68
- CWMS	262	238
Plant, Machinery & Equipment	211	231
Furniture & Equipment	2	1
	<u>2,530</u>	<u>2,399</u>
Less: Capitalised and distributed costs	(35)	(56)
	<u>2,495</u>	<u>2,343</u>
FINANCE COSTS		
Interest on Loans	147	133
	<u>147</u>	<u>133</u>

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Note 4 - ASSET DISPOSALS AND FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENTS

	2022	2021
Notes	\$'000	\$'000
INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT		
<i>Assets renewed or directly replaced</i>		
Proceeds from disposal	150	218
Less: Carrying amount of assets sold	156	689
Gain (Loss) on disposal	(6)	(471)
<i>Assets surplus to requirements</i>		
Proceeds from disposal	159	-
Less: Carrying amount of assets sold	(188)	-
Gain (Loss) on disposal	(29)	-
REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT ASSETS		
Proceeds from disposal	318	91
Less: Carrying amount of assets sold	41	56
Gain (Loss) on disposal	277	35
NET GAIN (LOSS) ON DISPOSAL OR REVALUATION OF ASSETS	242	(436)

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Note 5 - CURRENT ASSETS

		2022	2021
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
CASH & EQUIVALENT ASSETS			
Cash on Hand and at Bank		376	184
Deposits at Call		2,098	2,185
		<u>2,474</u>	<u>2,369</u>
TRADE & OTHER RECEIVABLES			
Rates - General & Other		204	282
Accrued Revenues		782	31
Debtors - general		60	80
GST Recoupment		148	90
Prepayments		22	22
Loans to community organisations		32	16
Total		<u>1,248</u>	<u>521</u>
<i>Amounts included in receivables that are not expected to be received within 12 months of reporting date.</i>		90	114
INVENTORIES			
Stores & Materials		6	19
Real Estate Developments	6	40	-
		<u>46</u>	<u>19</u>

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Note 6 - NON-CURRENT ASSETS

		2022	2021
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
FINANCIAL ASSETS			
Receivables			
Loans to community organisations		100	60
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS		<u>100</u>	<u>60</u>
 OTHER NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories			
Real Estate Developments		-	81
Capital Works-in-Progress		45	786
		<u>45</u>	<u>867</u>
 Real Estate Developments - Current & Non-Current			
<i>(Valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value)</i>			
Industrial & Commercial		40	81
Total Real Estate for Resale		<u>40</u>	<u>81</u>
 <i>Represented by:</i>			
Development Costs		40	81
Total Real Estate for Resale		<u>40</u>	<u>81</u>
 Apportionment of Real Estate Developments			
Current Assets		40	-
Non-Current Assets		-	81
		<u>40</u>	<u>81</u>

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Note 7 - INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT (IPP&E)

	Fair Value Level	2021 \$'000				2022 \$'000			
		Fair Value	Cost	Acc' Dep'n	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Cost	Acc' Dep'n	Carrying Amount
Land	2	11,676	456	-	12,132	5,931	-	-	5,931
Land	3	-	-	-	-	8,495	-	-	8,495
Buildings & Other Structures	2	521	-	(241)	280	580	-	(280)	300
Buildings & Other Structures	3	18,486	1,639	(11,453)	8,672	29,026	305	(16,495)	12,836
Infrastructure		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Sealed Roads	3	15,820	597	(6,113)	10,304	15,471	965	(6,158)	10,278
- Unsealed Roads	3	14,352	1,629	(7,816)	8,165	13,877	2,343	(8,079)	8,141
- Bridges, Footpaths, K & W/T	3	15,520	1,421	(6,109)	10,832	15,024	4,275	(5,854)	13,445
- Stormwater Drainage	3	1,270	2,459	(633)	3,096	1,270	2,616	(701)	3,185
- CWMS	3	12,854	23	(3,127)	9,750	12,748	1,371	(3,330)	10,789
Plant, Machinery & Equipment		-	3,426	(1,483)	1,943	-	3,804	(1,604)	2,200
Furniture & Equipment		-	41	(22)	19	-	41	(24)	17
Total IPP&E		90,499	11,691	(36,997)	65,193	102,422	15,720	(42,525)	75,617
Comparatives		92,472	8,752	(36,232)	64,992	90,499	11,691	(36,997)	65,193

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Note 7 - INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Fair Value Level	Carrying Amounts Movement During the Year							2022
	2021 \$'000	\$'000					Net Reval'n	Carrying Amount
		Additions		Disposals	Dep'n			
Carrying Amount	New / Upgrade	Renewals						
Land	12,132	-	-	(130)	-	(6,071)	5,931	
Land	-	-	-	-	-	8,495	8,495	
Buildings & Other Structures	280	-	-	-	-	20	300	
Buildings & Other Structures	8,672	293	12	-	(670)	4,529	12,836	
Infrastructure								
- Sealed Roads	10,304	-	368	(34)	(360)	-	10,278	
- Unsealed Roads	8,165	44	670	(12)	(726)	-	8,141	
- Bridges, Footpaths, K & W/T	10,832	2,854	-	(11)	(230)	-	13,445	
- Stormwater Drainage	3,096	158	-	-	(69)	-	3,185	
- CWMS	9,750	1,348	-	(47)	(262)	-	10,789	
Plant, Machinery & Equipment	1,943	-	578	(110)	(211)	-	2,200	
Furniture & Equipment	19	-	-	-	(2)	-	17	
Total IPP&E	65,193	4,697	1,628	(344)	(2,530)	6,973	75,617	
Comparatives	64,992	1,564	1,725	(689)	(2,399)	-	65,193	

Comparatives

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Note 7 (con't) – INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Valuation of Assets

General Valuation Principles

Accounting procedure: Upon revaluation, the current new replacement cost and accumulated depreciation are re-stated such that the difference represents the fair value of the asset determined in accordance with AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement*: accumulated depreciation is taken to be the difference between current new replacement cost and fair value. In the case of land, fair value is taken to be the current replacement cost.

Highest and best use: For land which Council has an unfettered right to sell, the "highest and best use" recognises the possibility of the demolition or substantial modification of some or all of the existing buildings and structures affixed to the land.

Much of the land under Council's care and control is Crown land or has been declared as community land under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1999. Other types of restrictions also exist.

For land subject to these restrictions, the highest and best use is taken to be the "highest and best use" available to Council, with a rebuttable presumption that the current use is the "highest and best use". The reason for the current use of a large proportion of Council's assets being other than the "highest and best use" relates to Council's principal role as the provider of services to the community, rather than the use of those assets for the generation of revenue.

For buildings and other structures on and in the land, including infrastructure, "highest and best use" is determined in accordance with the land on and in which they are situated.

Fair value hierarchy level 2 valuations: Certain land, and the buildings and structures thereon, are shown above as being based on fair value hierarchy level 2 valuation inputs. They are based on prices for similar assets in an active market, with directly or indirectly observable adjustments for specific advantages or disadvantages attaching to the particular asset.

Fair value hierarchy level 3 valuations of land: Valuations of Crown land, community land and land subject to other restrictions on use or disposal, shown above as being based on fair value hierarchy level 3 valuation inputs, are based on prices for similar assets in an active market, but include adjustments for specific advantages or disadvantages attaching to the particular asset that are not directly or indirectly observable in that market, or the number and / or amount of observable adjustments of which are so great that the valuation is more fairly described as being based on level 3 valuation inputs.

Fair value hierarchy level 3 valuations of buildings, infrastructure and other assets: There is no known market for these assets and they are valued at depreciated current replacement cost. This method involves:

The determination of the cost to construct the asset (or its modern engineering equivalent) using current prices for materials and labour, the quantities of each being estimated based on recent experience of this or similar Councils, or on industry construction guides where these are more appropriate.

The calculation of the depreciation that would have accumulated since original construction using current estimates of residual value and useful life under the prime cost depreciation method adopted by Council.

This method has significant inherent uncertainties, relying on estimates of quantities of materials and labour, residual values and useful lives, and the possibility of changes in prices for materials and labour, and the potential for development of more efficient construction techniques. Accordingly, formal sensitivity analysis does not provide useful information.

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Note 7 (con't) – INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Capitalisation thresholds used by Council for a representative range of assets are shown below. No capitalisation threshold is applied to the acquisition of land or interests in land.

Office Furniture & Equipment	10,000
Other Plant & Equipment	10,000
Buildings - new construction/extensions	10,000
Park & Playground Furniture & Equipment	10,000
Road construction & reconstruction	10,000
Paving & footpaths, Kerb & Gutter	10,000
Drains & Culverts	5,000
Road Seal & Reseal	5,000

Estimated Useful Lives: Useful lives are estimated for each individual asset. In estimating useful lives, regard is had to technical and commercial obsolescence, as well as legal and other limitations on continued use. The range of useful lives for a representative range of assets is shown below, although individual assets may have an estimated total useful life of greater or lesser amount:

Plant, Furniture & Equipment

Office Furniture & Equipment	3 to 10 years
Vehicles and Road-making Equip	2 to 20 years
Other Plant & Equipment	3 years

Building & Other Structures

Airstrip - Seal	20 years
Airstrip - Pavement	80 years
Airstrip - Formation	240 years
Sandbag Seawalls	25 years
Concrete Seawalls	40 years
Stone Seawalls & Breakwalls	100 years
Boat Ramps & Pontoons	25 to 40 years
Buildings - Masonry	20 to 100 years
Buildings - Other Construction	25 to 80 years
Building Components - Structure	60 to 100 years
Building Components - External Fabric	60 to 80 years
Building Components - Roofing	40 to 50 years
Building Components - Internal Fabric	15 to 30 years
Building Components - Services	30 to 50 years
Solar Systems	15 years
Carparks	25 to 40 years

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Memorials	100 years
Park Structures - Fencing, Shades, etc	25 to 50 years
Playground Equipment	10 to 25 years
Site Improvements	25 to 30 years
Walking Paths & Trails	20 to 40 years
Infrastructure	
Sealed Roads - Upper Seal	10 to 30 years
Sealed Roads - Lower Seal	30 to 90 years
Sealed Roads - Pavement	30 to 132 years
Unsealed Roads	10 to 40 years
Footpaths - Sealed	25 years
Footpaths - Paved	45 to 50 years
Footpaths - Concrete	80 years
Kerb & Watertable	80 years
Bridges - Structure	50 to 100 years
Bridges - Surface	12 to 50 years
Cross Drains - Pipes	70 to 100 years
Cross Drains - Headwalls	50 to 70 years
Floodways	60 years
CWMS - Pipes	70 to 100 years
CWMS - Pump Stations	15 to 30 years
CWMS - Treatment Plant	10 to 50 years
CWMS - Irrigation Systems	10 to 100 years

Land & Land Improvements

Land was revalued as at 1 July 2021 by Brooke Smith FAPI (Certified Practising Valuer), of AssetVal.

Council being of the opinion that it is not possible to attribute a value sufficiently reliably to qualify for recognition, land under roads has not been recognised in these reports. Land acquired for road purposes during the year is initially recognised at cost, but transferred to fair value at reporting date, effectively writing off the expenditure.

Freehold land and land over which Council has control, but does not have title, is recognised on the cost basis. No capitalisation threshold is applied to the acquisition of land or interests in land.

Buildings & Other Structures

Buildings and other structures were revalued as at 1 July 2021 by Brooke Smith FAPI (Certified Practising Valuer), of AssetVal.

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Note 7 (con't) – INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Infrastructure

Roads, Footpaths, Kerb & Water Table, Bridges, Cross Drains, Floodways, Stormwater and Community Wastewater Management Systems were revalued at current depreciated replacement cost as at 1 July 2019 by Tonkin Consulting in conjunction with Council staff. All additions recognised after the date of valuation have been recognised at cost.

Plant, Furniture & Equipment

These assets are recognised on the cost basis.

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Note 8 - LIABILITIES

		2022 \$'000		2021 \$'000	
TRADE & OTHER PAYABLES	Notes	Current	Non-current	Current	Non-current
Goods & Services		336	-	481	-
Accrued expenses - employee entitlements		64	-	53	-
Accrued expenses - other		28	-	26	-
		<u>428</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>560</u>	<u>-</u>
BORROWINGS					
Loans		430	3,513	337	2,590
		<u>430</u>	<u>3,513</u>	<u>337</u>	<u>2,590</u>

All interest bearing liabilities are secured over the future revenues of the Council.

PROVISIONS

LSL Employee entitlements (including oncosts)	317	13	317	5
AL Employee entitlements (including oncosts)	230	-	216	-
Other Provisions	<u>547</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>533</u>	<u>5</u>

Movements in Provisions - 2022 year only
(current & non-current)

	<i>Insurance Losses</i>	<i>Future Reinstatement</i>	<i>Leave & Other Provision</i>
Opening Balance	-	-	538
Add Additional amounts recognised	-	-	248
(Less) Payments	-	-	(226)
Closing Balance	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>560</u>

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Note 9 - RESERVES

ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE	1/7/2021	Net Increments/ (Decrements)	Transfers, Impairments	30/6/2022
Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Land	8,913	2,424	-	11,337
Buildings & Other Structures	11,050	4,549	-	15,599
Infrastructure				
- Sealed Roads	8,389	-	-	8,389
- Unsealed Roads	10,292	-	-	10,292
- Bridges, Footpaths, K & W/T	10,648	-	-	10,648
- Stormwater Drainage	949	-	-	949
- CWMS	4,548	-	-	4,548
TOTAL	54,789	6,973	-	61,762
Comparatives	54,789	-	-	54,789

OTHER RESERVES	1/7/2021	Transfers to Reserve	Transfers from Reserve	30/6/2022
CWMS	72	19	-	91
Township Waste Collection	(2)		(14)	(16)
Open Space Contributions	9	-	-	9
General	1,642	847	-	2,489
TOTAL OTHER RESERVES	1,721	866	(14)	2,573
Comparatives	1,763	523	(565)	1,721

PURPOSES OF RESERVES

Asset Revaluation Reserve

The asset revaluation reserve is used to record increments and decrements arising from changes in fair value of non-current assets (less any subsequent impairment losses, where applicable).

(Other Reserves)

CWMS - Funds set aside for operation and future capital renewal of CWMS.

Township Waste Collection - Funds set aside for waste collection services.

Open Space Contributions - Developer open space contributions set aside for open space projects.

General - Reserve funds set aside by Council for future projects and budget works.

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Note 10 - ASSETS SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

The uses of the following assets are restricted, wholly or partially, by legislation or other externally imposed requirements. The assets are required to be utilised for the purposes for which control was transferred to Council, or for which the revenues were originally obtained.

		2022	2021
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
CASH & FINANCIAL ASSETS			
Community Wastewater Management Systems		91	72
Open Space Contributions		9	9
TOTAL ASSETS SUBJECT TO EXTERNALLY IMPOSED RESTRICTIONS		100	81

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Note 11 - RECONCILIATION TO CASH FLOW STATEMENT

(a) Reconciliation of Cash

Cash Assets comprise highly liquid investments with short periods to maturity subject to insignificant risk of changes of value. Cash at the end of the reporting period as shown in the Cash Flow Statement is reconciled to the related items in the Balance Sheet as follows:

	Notes	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Total cash & equivalent assets	5	<u>2,474</u>	<u>2,369</u>
Balances per Cash Flow Statement		<u>2,474</u>	<u>2,369</u>

(b) Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets to Cash from Operating Activities

Net Surplus (Deficit)	2,622	714
Non-cash items in Income Statement		
Depreciation, amortisation & impairment	2,495	2,343
Net increase (decrease) in unpaid employee benefits	22	(62)
Change in allowances for under-recovery	-	(3)
Non-cash asset acquisitions	-	(50)
Grants for capital acquisitions treated as Investing Activity	(1,872)	(1,285)
Net (Gain) Loss on Disposals	<u>(242)</u>	<u>436</u>
	3,025	2,093
Add (Less): Changes in Net Current Assets		
Net (increase) decrease in receivables	(711)	128
Net (increase) decrease in inventories	13	-
Net increase (decrease) in trade & other payables	<u>(132)</u>	<u>(182)</u>
Net Cash provided by (or used in) operations	<u>2,195</u>	<u>2,039</u>

(c) Non-Cash Financing and Investing Activities

Acquisition of assets by means of:

Physical resources received free of charge	2	<u>-</u>	<u>50</u>
		<u>-</u>	<u>50</u>

(d) Financing Arrangements

Unrestricted access was available at balance date to the following lines of credit:

Corporate Credit Cards	33	33
LGFA Cash Advance Debenture facility	740	1,520

The bank overdraft facilities may be drawn at any time and may be terminated by the bank without notice.

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Note 12 - FUNCTIONS

INCOMES, EXPENSES AND ASSETS HAVE BEEN DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTED TO THE FOLLOWING FUNCTIONS & ACTIVITIES

	INCOME		EXPENSES		OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		GRANTS INCLUDED IN INCOME		TOTAL ASSETS HELD (CURRENT & NON-CURRENT)	
	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	2022	2021	2022	2021
	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Rates	5,456	5,282	-	-	5,456	5,282	-	-	-	-
Governance	-	-	570	519	(570)	(519)	-	-	-	-
Administration	24	25	878	749	(854)	(724)	-	-	5,103	4,018
Public Order & Safety	17	26	121	151	(104)	(125)	-	-	601	534
Social Security & Welfare	68	20	90	59	(22)	(39)	52	19	586	313
Health	2	3	56	51	(54)	(48)	-	-	-	-
Housing & Community	224	317	1,917	1,796	(1,693)	(1,479)	359	462	18,352	16,891
Recreation & Culture	741	96	1,086	1,009	(345)	(913)	622	189	11,880	10,368
Agriculture	21	27	1	5	20	22	-	-	-	-
Mining & Manufacture	27	21	105	112	(78)	(91)	-	-	-	-
Transport & Communication	894	718	2,512	2,517	(1,618)	(1,799)	2,436	1,595	38,254	32,727
Economic Affairs	30	10	111	109	(81)	(99)	-	-	173	171
Other Purposes	660	532	209	185	451	347	579	460	4,581	4,007
TOTALS	8,164	7,077	7,656	7,262	508	(185)	4,048	2,725	79,530	69,029

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Note 12 (con't) - COMPONENTS OF FUNCTIONS

The activities relating to Council functions are as follows:

Governance

Elected Members, Elections, Training, Staff Support, Policy Management, Conferences, Strategic Planning.

Administration

Administration, Organisational, Support Services, Accounting/Finance, Payroll, Human Resources, Information Technology, Communication, Rates Administration, Records, Occupancy, Contract Management, Customer Service, Compliance, Other Support Services and Revenues.

Public Order and Safety

Supervision of various By-Laws, General Inspection, Fire Prevention and Dog Control.

Social Security and Welfare

Rate Rebates, Youth Welfare including YAC

Health

Inspectorial Services, Food Premise Inspections, AED Servicing, Immunisation Programs, Asebestos Monitoring and Record Keeping.

Housing and Community Amenities

Planning, Public Conveniences, Septic Tank Administration, Street Lighting, Garbage Collection Services, Street Sweeping, Waste Oil Disposal, Drummuster, Transfer Stations, Urban Stormwater, Community Wastewater Management Systems, Foreshore Protection, Cemeteries, Regional Landscape Levy.

Recreation and Culture

Soldiers Memorial Hall, Excell Museum, Regional Development, Community Events, Assistance to Community Organisations, Libraries, Parks & Gardens, Campgrounds, Playgrounds, Sporting Reserves and Recreational Jetties.

Agricultural Services

Pest Plant Control and Council owned Rural Land.

Mining, Manufacture and Construction

Administration of the Development Act and Building Inspection.

Transport and Communication

Construction and Maintenance of Roads, Bridges and Culverts, Footpaths, Parking Facilities, Traffic Control Devices, Roadside Tree Clearance, Local Airstrip, Community Bus, Boat Ramps and Marina Facilities.

Economic Affairs

Tourism, Traveller's Rest Area, Economic Development Proposals, Community Development.

Other Purposes

Ritz Café and Private Works

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Note 13 - FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

All financial instruments are categorised as *loans and receivables*.

Accounting Policies - Recognised Financial Instruments

Bank, Deposits at Call, Short Term Deposits

Accounting Policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost, interest is recognised when earned

Terms & conditions: Deposits are returning fixed interest rates between 0.3% and 1.05% (2021: 0.30% and 0.45%).

Receivables - Rates & Associated

Accounting Policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method

Terms & conditions: Secured over the subject land, arrears attract interest of 5.05% (2021: 5.2%) Although Council is not materially exposed to any individual debtor, credit risk exposure is concentrated within the Council's boundaries in the State.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).

Receivables - Fees & other charges

Accounting Policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method

Terms & conditions: Unsecured, and do not bear interest. Although Council is not materially exposed to any individual debtor, credit risk exposure is concentrated within the Council's boundaries.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).

Receivables - other levels of government

Accounting Policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method.

Terms & conditions: Amounts due have been calculated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the respective programs following advice of approvals, and do not bear interest. All amounts are due by Departments and Agencies of State and Federal Governments.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value.

Liabilities - Creditors and Accruals

Accounting Policy: Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Council.

Terms & conditions: Liabilities are normally settled on 30 day terms.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value.

Liabilities - Interest Bearing Borrowings

Accounting Policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost, interest is charged as an expense using the effective interest rate

Terms & conditions: secured over future revenues, borrowings are repayable over various terms ranging from 5 to 20 years; interest is charged at fixed rates between 2.09% and 4.35% (2021: 4.2% and 6.75%)

Carrying amount: approximates fair value.

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Note 13 - FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (con't)

Liquidity Analysis

2022	Due < 1 year	Due > 1 year ≤ 5 years	Due > 5 years	Total Contractual Cash Flows	Carrying Values
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<u>Financial Assets</u>					
Cash & Equivalents	2,474	-	-	2,474	2,474
Receivables	1,230	106	-	1,336	1,326
Total	3,704	106	-	3,810	3,800
<u>Financial Liabilities</u>					
Payables	336	-	-	336	336
Current Borrowings	430	-	-	430	430
Non-Current Borrowings	-	2,158	2,071	4,229	3,513
Total	766	2,158	2,071	4,995	4,279

2021	Due < 1 year	Due > 1 year; ≤ 5 years	Due > 5 years	Total Contractual Cash Flows	Carrying Values
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<u>Financial Assets</u>					
Cash & Equivalents	2,369	-	-	2,369	2,369
Receivables	502	65	-	567	559
Total	2,871	65	-	2,936	2,928
<u>Financial Liabilities</u>					
Payables	481	-	-	481	481
Current Borrowings	459	-	-	459	337
Non-Current Borrowings	-	1,799	1,313	3,112	2,590
Total	940	1,799	1,313	4,052	3,408

The following interest rates were applicable to Council's borrowings at balance date:

	30 June 2022		30 June 2021	
	Weighted Average Interest Rate	Carrying Value	Weighted Average Interest Rate	Carrying Value
	%	\$'000	%	\$'000
Fixed Interest Rates	3.8	3,943	4.3	2,927
		<u>3,943</u>		<u>2,927</u>

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Note 13 - FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (con't)

Net Fair Value

All carrying values approximate fair value for all recognised financial instruments. There is no recognised market for the financial assets of the Council.

Risk Exposures:

Credit Risk represents the loss that would be recognised if counterparties fail to perform as contracted. The maximum credit risk on financial assets of the Council is the carrying amount, net of any impairment. All Council investments are made with the SA Local Government Finance Authority and are guaranteed by the SA Government. Except as detailed in Notes 5 & 6 in relation to individual classes of receivables, exposure is concentrated within the Council's boundaries, and there is no material exposure to any individual debtor.

Market Risk is the risk that fair values of financial assets will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices. All of Council's financial assets are denominated in Australian dollars and are not traded on any market, and hence neither market risk nor currency risk apply.

Liquidity Risk is the risk that Council will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations with financial liabilities. In accordance with the model Treasury Management Policy (LGA Information Paper 15), liabilities have a range of maturity dates. Council also has available standby borrowing facilities that it can access.

Interest Rate Risk is the risk that future cash flows will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Cash flow fluctuations are managed holistically in seeking to minimise interest costs over the longer term in a risk averse manner.

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Note 14 - COMMITMENTS FOR EXPENDITURE

	2022	2021
Notes	\$'000	\$'000
Capital Commitments		
Capital expenditure committed for at the reporting date but not recognised in the financial statements as liabilities:		
Foreshore Protection	-	254
CWMS Treatment Plant	-	564
Council Office Roof	80	-
Graham Smelt Causeway Bridge	46	-
	<u>126</u>	<u>818</u>
These expenditures are payable:		
Not later than one year	126	818
	<u>126</u>	<u>818</u>

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Note 15 - FINANCIAL INDICATORS

	2022	2021	2020
Operating Surplus Ratio			
<u>Operating Surplus</u>	6.2%	(2.6%)	(21.5%)
Total Operating Income			

This ratio expresses the operating surplus as a percentage of total operating revenue.

Net Financial Liabilities Ratio

<u>Net Financial Liabilities</u>	13.6%	15.2%	20.4%
Total Operating Income			

Net Financial Liabilities are defined as total liabilities less financial assets. These are expressed as a percentage of total operating revenue.

Adjustments to Ratios

In recent years the Federal Government has made advance payments prior to 30th June from future year allocations of financial assistance grants, as explained in Note 1. These ***Adjusted Ratios*** correct for the resulting distortion in key ratios for each year and provide a more accurate basis for comparison between years.

<i>Adjusted Operating Surplus Ratio</i>	4.0%	(2.6%)	(17.1%)
<i>Adjusted Net Financial Liabilities Ratio</i>	21.5%	21.1%	25.3%

Asset Renewal Funding Ratio

<u>Outlays on Existing Assets</u>	88.5%	120.7%	83.7%
Asset Renewals - IAMP			

Asset renewals expenditure is defined as net capital expenditure on the renewal and replacement of existing assets, and excludes new capital expenditure on the acquisition of additional assets.

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Note 16 - UNIFORM PRESENTATION OF FINANCES

The following is a high level summary of both operating and capital investment activities of the Council prepared on a simplified Uniform Presentation Framework basis.

All Councils in South Australia have agreed to summarise annual budgets and long-term financial plans on the same basis.

The arrangements ensure that all Councils provide a common 'core' of financial information, which enables meaningful comparisons of each Council's finances

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Income	8,164	7,077
Expenses	<u>(7,656)</u>	<u>(7,262)</u>
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	508	(185)
Net Outlays on Existing Assets		
Capital Expenditure on renewal and replacement of Existing Assets	(1,593)	(1,870)
Add back Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	2,495	2,343
Proceeds from Sale of Replaced Assets	<u>150</u>	<u>218</u>
	1,052	691
Net Outlays on New and Upgraded Assets		
Capital Expenditure on New and Upgraded Assets <i>(including investment property & real estate developments)</i>	(3,956)	(1,514)
Amounts received specifically for New and Upgraded Assets	1,872	1,285
Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets <i>(including investment property and real estate developments)</i>	<u>477</u>	<u>91</u>
	(1,607)	(138)
Net Lending / (Borrowing) for Financial Year	<u>(47)</u>	<u>368</u>

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Note 17 - OPERATING LEASES

Council as a Lessor

Council owns various buildings and other facilities that are available for hire or lease (on a non-cancellable basis wherever practicable). Rentals received from such leases are disclosed as rent and hire of non-investment property in Note 2.

Future minimum rentals receivable under non-cancellable operating leases as at 30 June 2022 are as follows:

	2022	2021
	\$'000	\$'000
Not later than one year	32	51
Later than one year and not later than 5 years	81	127
	<u>113</u>	<u>178</u>

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Note 18 – SUPERANNUATION

The Council makes employer superannuation contributions in respect of its employees to Hostplus Super Fund (formerly Statewide Super). There are two types of membership, each of which is funded differently. Permanent and contract employees of the South Australian Local Government sector with Salarylink benefits prior to 24 November 2009 have the option to contribute to the Accumulation section and/or Salarylink. All other employees (including casuals) have all contributions allocated to the Accumulation section.

Accumulation only Members

Accumulation only members receive both employer and employee contributions on a progressive basis. Employer contributions are based on a fixed percentage of ordinary time earnings in accordance with superannuation guarantee legislation (9.5% in 2020-21; 10.0% in 2021-22). No further liability accrues to the Council as the superannuation benefits accruing to employees are represented by their share of the net assets of the Fund.

Salarylink (Defined Benefit Fund) Members

Salarylink is a defined benefit scheme where the benefit payable is based on a formula determined by the member's contribution rate, number of years and level of contribution and final average salary. Council makes employer contributions to Salarylink as determined by the Fund's Trustee based on advice from the appointed Actuary. The rate is currently 6.3% (6.3% in 2020-21) of "superannuation" salary.

In addition, Council makes a separate contribution of 3% of ordinary time earnings for Salarylink members to their Accumulation account. Employees also make member contributions to the Salarylink section of the Fund. As such, assets accumulate in the Salarylink section of the Fund to meet the member's benefits, as defined in the Trust Deed, as they accrue.

The Salarylink section is a multi-employer sponsored plan. As the Salarylink section's assets and liabilities are pooled and are not allocated by each employer, and employees may transfer to another employer within the local government sector and retain membership of the Fund, the Actuary is unable to allocate benefit liabilities, assets and costs between employers. As provided by AASB 119.34(a), Council does not use defined benefit accounting for these contributions.

The most recent actuarial investigation was conducted by the Fund's actuary, Louise Campbell, FIAA, of Willis Towers Watson as at 30 June 2020. The Trustee has determined that the current funding arrangements are adequate for the expected Salarylink liabilities. However, future financial and economic circumstances may require changes to Council's contribution rates at some future time.

Contributions to Other Superannuation Schemes

Council also makes contributions to other superannuation schemes selected by employees under the "choice of fund" legislation. All such schemes are of the accumulation type, where the superannuation benefits accruing to the employee are represented by their share of the net assets of the scheme, and no further liability attaches to the Council.

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Note 19 - INTERESTS IN OTHER ENTITIES

Joint Operations

Council is party to an agreement with the Minister of Education for the provision of a school/community library in Tumby Bay. Certain classes of library materials are acquired at Councils cost, and are recognised in these statements. Each party is responsible for its own direct costs, and joint expenses are shared on the basis set out in the agreement. Council's share of joint expenses are included in Note 3 to the statements.

Equity accounted Council Businesses

All equity accounted Council businesses are required to prepare Annual Financial Statements that comply with the SA Local Government Model Financial Statements.

The following interests in equity accounted Council businesses are assessed as being non-material:

Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association

Established to represent the eleven Councils on Eyre Peninsula on a regional basis.

Regional Development Australia Eyre Peninsula Inc

Established to promote and assist regional development on Eyre Peninsula.

The principal place of business of each entity is within the boundaries of the constituent Councils. There are no restrictions on the ability of these entities to pay cash dividends to or make repayment of advances to Council.

Council has an ongoing commitment to make contributions to support the ongoing activities of each business in accordance with the terms of each agreement.

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Note 20 - CONTINGENT ASSETS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The following assets and liabilities do not qualify for recognition in the Statement of Financial Position but knowledge of those items is considered relevant to user of the financial report in making and evaluating decisions about the allocation of scarce resources.

1. LAND UNDER ROADS

As reported elsewhere in these Statements, Council is of the opinion that it is not possible to attribute a value sufficiently reliably for these assets to qualify for recognition, and accordingly land under roads has not been recognised in these reports. Land acquired for road purposes during the year is initially recognised at cost, but transferred to fair value at reporting date, effectively writing off the expenditure.

At reporting date, Council controlled 1,397 km of road reserves of average width varying between 20 and 60 metres

2. POTENTIAL INSURANCE LOSSES

Council is a multi-purpose organisation providing a large range of building, parks infrastructure, playgrounds and other facilities accessible to the public. At any time, it is likely that claims will have been made against Council that remain unsettled.

Council insures against all known insurable risks using a range of insurance policies, each of which is subject to a deductible "insurance excess", the amount of which varies according to the class of insurance.

Council has recognised the potential losses arising from claims known at reporting date based on average historical net cost (including insurance excess) of similar types of claims. Other potential claims not reported to Council may have existed at reporting date.

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Note 21 - RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The Key Management Personnel of the Council include the Mayor, Councillors, CEO and certain prescribed officers under section 112 of the Local Government Act 1999. In all, 13 persons were paid the following total compensation:

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Salaries, allowances & other short term benefits	766	815
Long term benefits	61	65
TOTAL	827	880

Other than amounts paid as ratepayers or residents (e.g. rates, swimming pool entry fees, etc.), Council received the following amounts in total:

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Contribution for CWMS Connection		3
TOTAL	-	3

PARTIES RELATED TO KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

A family member of KMP provided drone footage to Council at a fee of \$1567.

Key management personnel or close family members (including related parties) may have lodged planning and building applications during the year. In accordance with the Local Government Act 1999, Key Management Personnel are required to declare conflicts of interest and take no part in the assessment or approval processes for these applications.

District Council of Tumby Bay
Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements
for the year ended 30 June 2022

Note 22 - EVENTS AFTER THE BALANCE SHEET DATE

Events that occur after the reporting date of 30 June 2022, up to and including the date when the financial statements are "authorised for issue" have been taken into account in preparing these statements.

Council has adopted the date of receipt of the Auditor's Report as the appropriate "authorised for issue" date relating to these General Purpose Financial Statements.

Council is unaware of any material or significant "non adjusting events" that should be disclosed.

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the members of the District Council of Tumby Bay

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report of the District Council of Tumby Bay (the Council), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2022, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity, the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the Certification of the Financial Statements.

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of the Council as at 30 June 2022, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1999* and the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 2011* and the Australian Accounting Standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described as in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Council in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110: *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (Including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Council's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Council is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations), the *Local Government Act 1999* and the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011* and for such internal control as Council determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report to be free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, Council is responsible for assessing the Council's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless Council either intends to liquidate the Council or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Council's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that the audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by Council.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Council's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Council's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Council to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

DEAN NEWBERY



Jim Keogh
Partner

Signed on the 9th day of November 2022,
at 214 Melbourne Street, North Adelaide

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INDEPENDENT ASSURANCE REPORT ON THE INTERNAL CONTROLS OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF TUMBY BAY

Opinion

In our opinion, the Council has complied, in all material respects, with Section 125 of the *Local Government Act 1999* in relation to the Internal Controls established by the Council relating to the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, acquisition and disposal of property and incurring of liabilities so as to provide reasonable assurance that the financial transactions of the Council have been conducted properly and in accordance with law for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022.

Basis for opinion

We have audited the Internal Controls of the District Council of Tumby Bay (the Council) under the requirements of *Section 125 of the Local Government Act 1999* in relation only to the Internal Controls established by the Council to ensure that financial transactions relating to the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, acquisition and disposal of property and incurring of liabilities for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 have been conducted properly and in accordance with law.

We conducted our engagement in accordance with Standard on Assurance Engagements *ASAE 3000 Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information* and *ASAE 3150 Assurance Engagements on Controls* issued by the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

The Council's Responsibility for the Internal Controls

The Council is responsible for implementing and maintaining an adequate system of internal controls, in accordance with *Section 125 of the Local Government Act 1999* to ensure that the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, the acquisition and disposal of property, and incurring of liabilities have been conducted properly and in accordance with law.

Our Independence and Quality Control

We have complied with the independence and other relevant ethical requirements relating to assurance engagements, and applying Auditing Standard *ASQC 1 Quality Control for Firms that Perform Audits and Review of Financial Reports and Other Financial Information, and Other Assurance Engagements* in undertaking the assurance engagement.

Assurance Practitioner's Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Council's compliance with *Section 125 of the Local Government Act 1999* in relation only to the Internal Controls established by the Council to ensure that financial transactions relating to the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, acquisition and disposal of property and incurring of liabilities, based on our procedures have been conducted properly and in accordance with law.

ASAE 3150 requires that we plan and performed our procedures to obtain reasonable assurance about whether, in all material respects, the controls are suitably designed to achieve the control objectives and the controls operating effectively through the period. ASAE 3000 also requires us to comply with the relevant ethical requirements for the Australian professional accounting bodies.

An assurance engagement to report on the designed and operating effectiveness of controls involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the suitability of the design of the controls to achieve the control objectives and the operating effectiveness of the controls throughout the period. The procedures selected depend on our judgement, including the assessment of the risks that the controls are not suitably designed or the controls did not operate effectively. Our procedures included testing the operating effectiveness to the controls that we consider necessary to achieve the control objectives identified. An Assurance engagement of this type also includes evaluating the suitability of the control objectives.

Limitation on Use

This report has been prepared for the members of the Council in accordance with *Section 129(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1999* in relation to the Internal Controls specified above. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report to any persons or users other than the members of the Council, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Limitations of Controls

Because of the inherent limitations of any internal control structure it is possible that, even if the controls are suitably designed and operating effectively, the control objectives may not be achieved so that fraud, error, or non-compliance with laws and regulations may occur and not be detected.

An assurance engagement on operating effectiveness of controls is not designed to detect all instances of controls operating ineffectively as it is not performed continuously throughout the period and the tests performed are on a sample basis. Any projection of the outcome of the evaluation of controls to future periods is subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with them may deteriorate.

DEAN NEWBERY




Jim Keogh
Partner

Signed on the 9th day of November 2022,
at 214 Melbourne Street, North Adelaide

District Council of Tumby Bay
Annual Financial Statements
for the year ended 30 June 2022
CERTIFICATION OF AUDITOR INDEPENDENCE

To the best of our knowledge and belief, we confirm that, for the purpose of the audit of the District Council of Tumby Bay for the year ended 30 June 2022, the Council's Auditor, Dean Newbery, has maintained its independence in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1999* and the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011* made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 22(3) *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011*.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke, positioned above a dotted line.

Rebecca Hayes
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

A handwritten signature in blue ink, featuring a large loop and a checkmark-like flourish, positioned above a dotted line.

Ricky Trenberth
PRESIDING MEMBER AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: 2/11/2022

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Certification of Auditor's Independence

I confirm that, for the audit of the financial statements of the District Council of Tumby Bay for the year ended 30 June 2022, I have maintained my independence in accordance with the requirements of APES 110 – Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, Section 290, published by the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board, in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011* made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 22 (5) *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011*.



JIM KEOGH

Partner

DEAN NEWBERY

Dated this 9th day of November 2022

EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



ANNUAL REPORT



The Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association is a regional subsidiary of eleven member councils.



Author:

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Executive Officer

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First nations acknowledgement

The Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land of the Eyre Peninsula, and their continuing connection to land, sea, culture and community. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging, and we extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in our community.

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

This annual report details the last 12 months activity undertaken by the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association, its financial accounts, and operative regional collaborative partnerships.

2021/22 has been a time of incredible challenge, working through the ongoing social and financial effects of dealing with the COVID-19 global pandemic. Our eleven member councils and their communities have been endeavouring to work together to ensure the best outcomes possible and maximise opportunities which are arising from these challenges.

We said goodbye to Mayor Sam Telfer, past President of the EPLGA, in January 2022 as he successfully won the seat of Flinders in the State Government Election. Mayor Clare McLaughlin, City of Whyalla, took up the role as President from February 2022.

As well as these things, there will continue to be work on a range of other challenges, including native vegetation legislation, tourism, waste management, infrastructure funding, shared service opportunities, economic development, and many more.

The EPLGA is a vital conduit between its member councils and the LGA of SA, with the potential for close collaboration to help deliver outcomes for our communities. State Parliament has developed

new local government legislation which will mean a significant body of work will be necessary for our member councils, and we will need to be working together as councils to streamline that process. The communication with both State and Federal governments will also be very important, with the need to maximise funding and partnership opportunities.



This upcoming year will need the EPLGA Board and member Councils to show strong, responsive and accountable leadership, driving the opportunities for innovation while still respecting the characteristics which we all value in our communities and councils. This leadership and representation throughout our communities and with other levels of government will mean that the Eyre Peninsula will continue to add to its many strengths in the years to come.

The vision and goal of the EPLGA, to “**enable Eyre Peninsula councils to excel, innovate, and thrive**”, has never been more relevant for the region than now. We have been facing many challenges and opportunities, with the need for the councils of the EP to be working closely together.

Peter Scott
Executive Officer – EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Eyre Peninsula Regional Profile

- provided by Regional Development Australia Eyre Peninsula

AREA

11 council areas

234,937 km²

POPULATION

Number of residents (ABS ERP 2019)

57,805

ECONOMY

Gross Regional Product (NIEIR 2019)

\$3.35 billion

JOBS

Local jobs (NIEIR 2019)

21,949 FTE

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT

Employed residents (NIEIR June 2019)

26,375

WELL-BEING

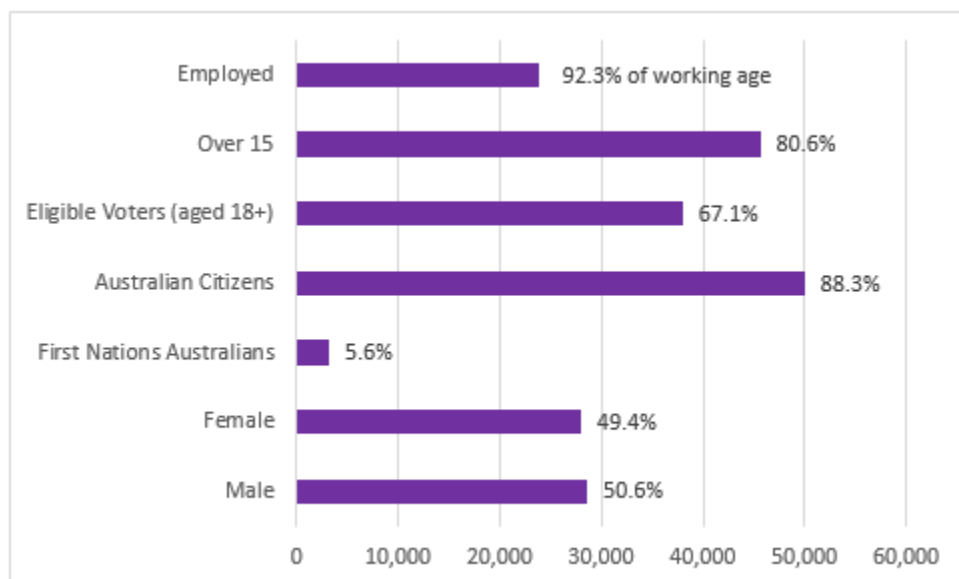
Median weekly household income (ABS 2016)

\$1,081

BUSINESS

Registered Businesses

5,134



Residential Population

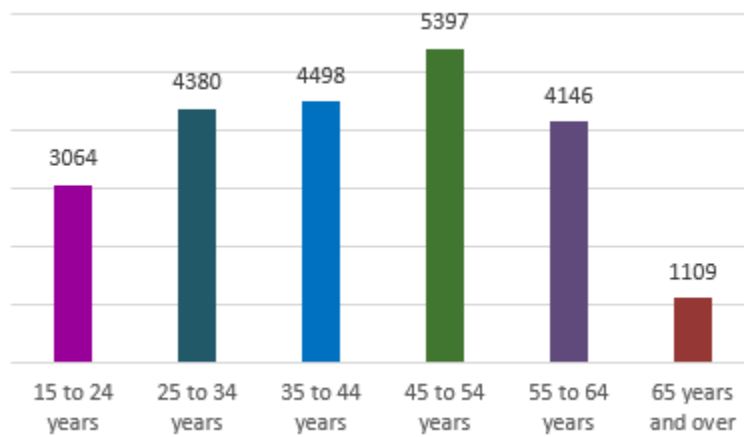
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA	LAND AREA		POPULATION (2019 ABS ERP)	
	Km ²	% of Region	No.	% of Region
Whyalla	1,072	0.46	21,665	37.5
Port Lincoln	30	0.01	14,718	25.5
Ceduna	5,424	2.31	3,442	6.0
Cleve	5,018	2.14	1,792	3.1
Elliston	6,741	2.87	1,008	1.7
Franklin Harbour	2,755	1.17	1,304	2.3
Kimba	5,700	2.43	1,065	1.8
Lower Eyre Peninsula	4,715	2.01	5,780	10.0
Streaky Bay	6,226	2.65	2,192	3.8
Tumby Bay	2,671	1.14	2,702	4.7
Wudinna	5,079	2.16	1,300	2.2
Maralinga Tjarutja and Unincorporated SA	189,453	80.64	724	1.3
Collective Local Government Total	234,884	99.98	57,692	99.8
REGION TOTAL	234,937		57,805	

Population Summary

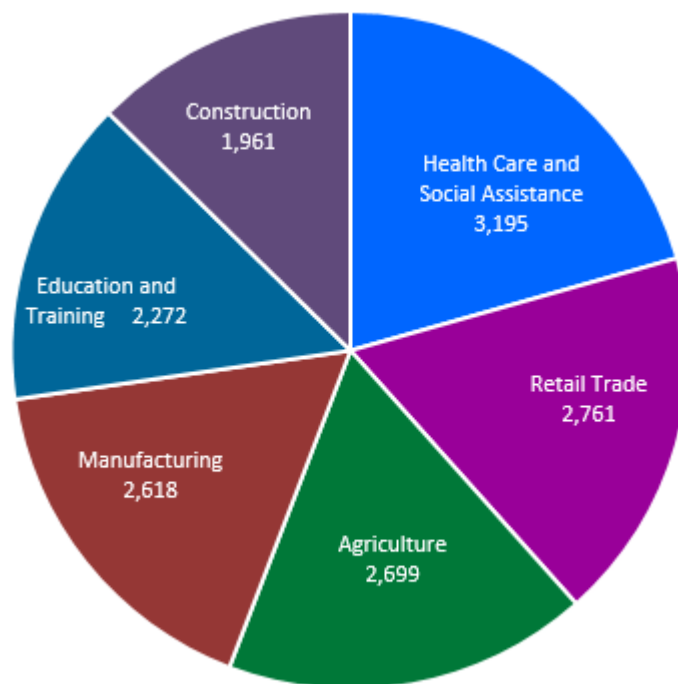
The Census usual resident population of the RDA Eyre Peninsula region in 2016 was 56,612 living in 30,441 dwellings with an average household size of 2.28. 2019 ABS ERP (Estimated Resident Population) shows marginal growth of 2.06% across the region to 57,805. Indications for the City of Whyalla and District Council of Elliston show population declines of .75% and 3.6% respectively.

The median age of Eyre Peninsula residents is 42, compared to 45 in regional SA, 40 in South Australia and a median age of 38 in Australia.

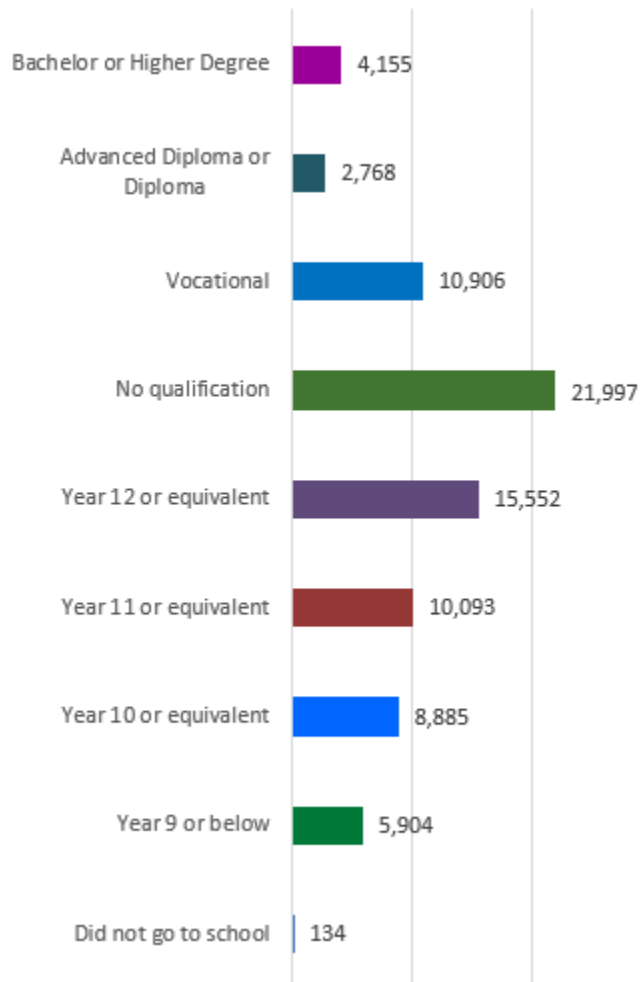
Local Workers Age Structure



Top 6 Employing Industries



Level of Qualification



In 2016 (ABS Census) 23,868 people living in the RDA Eyre Peninsula region were employed, of which 58% worked full-time and 40% part-time.

Most part-time employment occurred in the Health Care and Social Assistance, Accommodation and Food Services, Retail Trade, Fishing and Aquaculture industries. These industries typically rely on a high proportion of part-time workers, and the number of jobs provided markedly exceeds the total FTE hours being worked.

Employment continuity in the Fishing and Aquaculture industries is also impacted by the seasonal nature of some jobs.

A growing future workforce demand is set to provide a major challenge for the region and specific strategies are required to meet industry requirements.

The transformational economies such as space, renewable energy, advanced manufacturing and agricultural technologies will require a sustainable highly-skilled workforce.

Top 10 Exporting Industries in Region 2018-2019 (\$m)

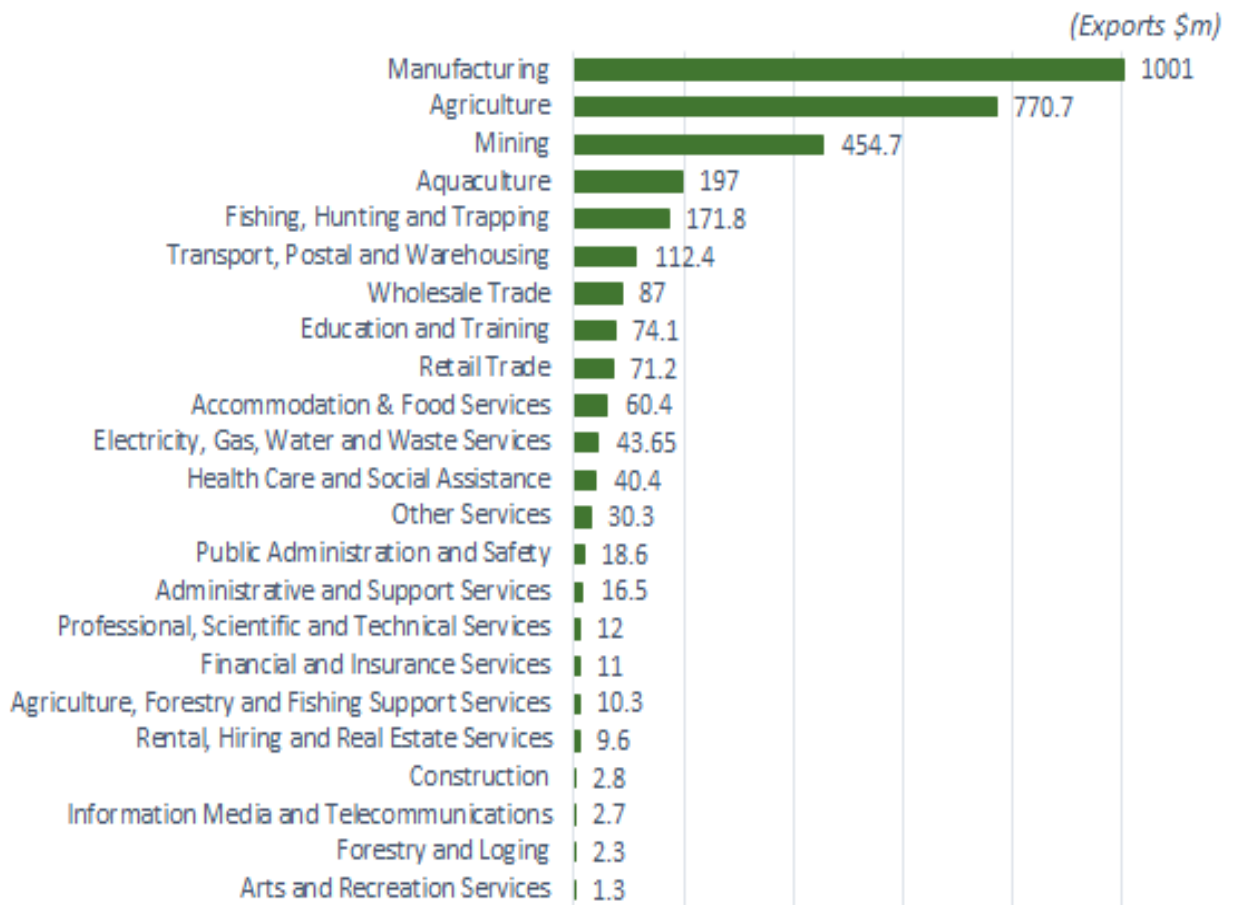
	Whyalla	Port Lincoln	Ceduna	Cleve	Elliston	Franklin Harbour	Kimba	Lower EP	Streaky Bay	Tumby Bay	Wudinna	LGA Totals	Region Totals
Manufacturing	897.9	76	3.1	4.7	1.1	1.2	0.2	5.3	7.4	1.9	1.5	1000.3	1,001
Agriculture	0.2	3.3	47.7	113	59.7	20.4	74.4	147.7	78.1	128.2	90.3	763	770.7
Mining	382.1	6.4	16.4	0	1.3	5.4	0	5.7	0.4	2.9	1	421.6	454.7
Aquaculture	1.3	95.6	17.6	8.6	1.7	6.2	1.9	56.9	7.1	0	0	196.9	197
Fishing, Hunting and Trapping	4.4	129	7.2	0.7	10.2	0.6	0	5.3	12.8	1.6	0	171.8	171.8
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	19.3	44	15.8	9	2.1	0.6	1.2	6.9	6.8	2.1	3.9	111.7	112.4
Wholesale Trade	14.5	36.6	15.9	0.9	0.2	1.4	0.8	5.3	0.9	6.2	4.2	86.9	87
Education and Training	28.6	26.1	7	2.3	1.4	1.2	0.8	0.5	2	0.4	3	73.3	74.1
Retail Trade	8.8	46.7	3.4	3.8	0.7	1	0.9	1.5	2	1	1.2	71	71.2
Accommodation & Food Services	10.4	27.1	7.2	2.6	1.6	0.7	1.3	2	3.3	2	1.2	59.4	60.4
Total (Top 10 Council Exports) (\$m)	1367.5	490.8	141.3	145.6	80	38.7	81.5	237.1	120.8	146.3	106.3	2955.9	3,000

In 2018-19, regional exports to intrastate, interstate and overseas markets were valued at \$3.201 billion. The region's main exporting industries were:

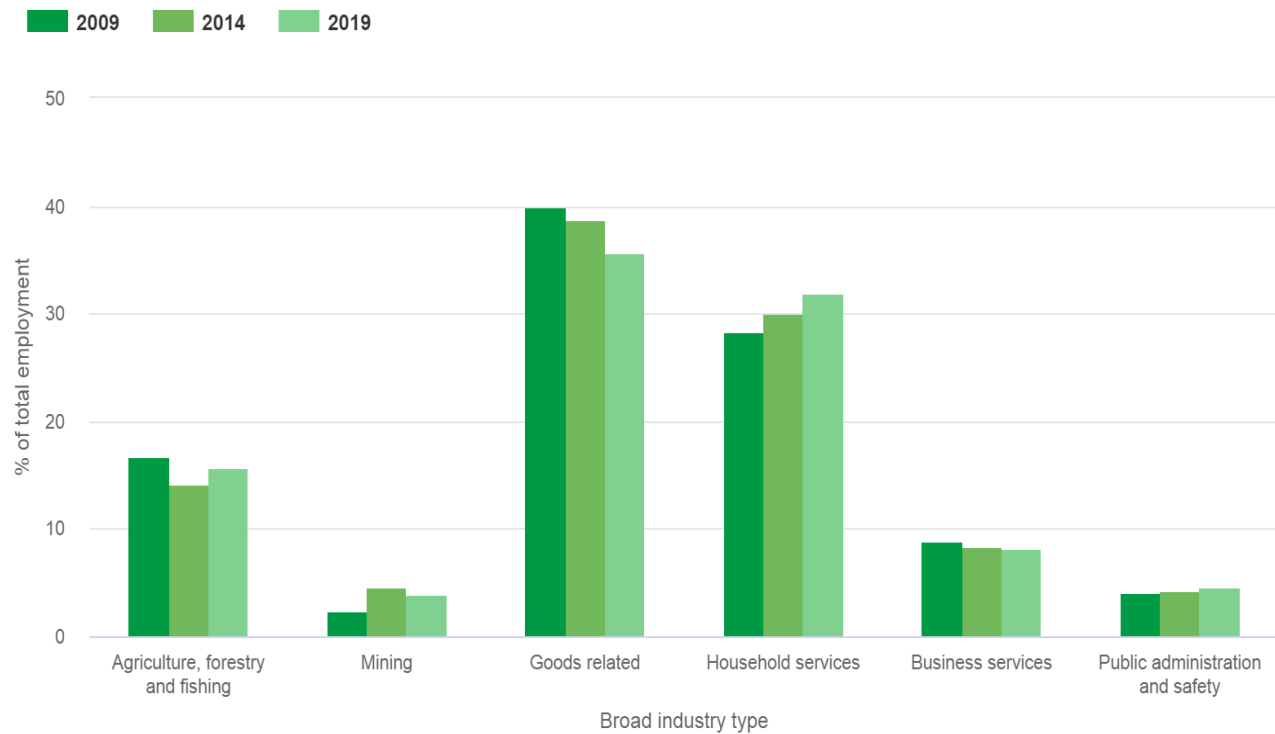
Manufacturing –\$1 billion.

Agriculture –\$770.7 million.

Mining –\$454.7 million.



Employment Composition



In 2019 the Goods related sector (Manufacturing; Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services; Construction; Wholesale Trade; Retail Trade; and Transport, Postal and Warehousing) accounted for 35.6% of employment in the RDAEP region. The importance of this sector has declined over the last 10 years (39.9% in 2009).

Small and medium size business enterprises (SMEs) are the backbone of the regional economy. Small business sustainability is directly related to the success of the region's major industries – i.e. manufacturing, agriculture, mining, aquaculture, health care, and tourism.

In 2019, the region had 5,134 registered businesses. The Agriculture, Fishing and Forestry had the largest number, comprising 1,836 (35.8%) followed by Construction with 625 registered businesses (12.2%) and Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services 448 (8.7%).

From 2018 – 2019, the total number of registered businesses declined by 114 with the biggest declines in the Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services (-23%) and, Financial and Insurance Services industries (-20%). Increases in businesses services were mostly in the Mining (+12%), Manufacturing (+7%), and Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services and Education and Training industries (both +3%).

MEMBER COUNCILS

- City of Whyalla
- City of Port Lincoln
- DC Ceduna
- DC Cleve
- DC Elliston
- DC Franklin Harbour
- DC Kimba
- Lower Eyre Council
- DC Streaky Bay
- DC Tumby Bay
- Wudinna DC

EPLGA BOARD MEMBERS 2020/21

Under the terms of the EPLGA Charter, the following Board appointments were current as at 30 June 2022.

MEMBER COUNCIL	BOARD MEMBER	DEPUTY BOARD MEMBER
Ceduna	Perry Will (Mayor)	Ian Bergmann (D/Mayor)
Cleve	Phil Cameron (Mayor)	Robert Quinn (D/Mayor)
Elliston	Malcolm Hancock (Mayor)	Peter Hitchcock (D/Mayor)
Franklin Harbour	Robert Walsh (Mayor)	Daven Wagner (D/Mayor)
Kimba	Dean Johnson (Mayor)	Megan Lienert (D/Mayor)
Lower Eyre	Jo-Anne Quigley (Mayor)	Peter Mitchell (D/Mayor)
Port Lincoln	Brad Flaherty (Mayor)	Jack Ritchie (D/Mayor)
Streaky Bay	Travis Barber (Mayor)	Graham Gunn (D/Mayor)
Tumby Bay	Hannah Allen-Jordan (Mayor)	Julie Elliott (D/Mayor)
Whyalla	Clare McLaughlin (Mayor)	Phil Stone (D/Mayor)
Wudinna	Eleanor Scholz (Mayor)	Ned Luscombe (D/Mayor)

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES/ APPOINTMENTS

EPLGA Board Executive:

President	Mayor Clare McLaughlin	City of Whyalla
Immediate Past President	Mayor Travis Barber (In absence of Mayor Bruce Green – did not stand for election)	DC Streaky Bay
Deputy President	Mayor Dean Johnson	DC Kimba
Chief Executive Officer	Deb Larwood	DC Kimba

The President (LGA Board and SAROC), Deputy President (Proxy LGA Board), Mayor Jo-Anne Quigley (second SAROC Representative due to Mayor McLaughlin being an Upper Spencer Gulf LGA representative on SAROC) were the nominated representatives to the LGA.

Chief Executive Officers Committee:

All Chief Executive Officers of member Councils or nominee in their absence.

Other Regional Organisations:

Regional Development Australia Eyre Peninsula Inc:

Bryan Trigg AFSM, Chair

Ryan Viney, Chief Executive Officer

Zone Emergency Management Committee:

Mathew Morgan (Presiding Member)

Peter Scott, Executive Officer

Representatives from each Council

- City of Port Lincoln

- EPLGA

South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils (SAROC) Executive Officers Committee:

Peter Scott, Executive Officer

- EPLGA

ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND BOARD MEETINGS SCHEDULE

A highlight on the EPLGA calendar is the Annual Conference, hosted each year by a member Council. To assist in host Council planning, the following conference and Board meeting schedule is included (including the past 12 months meeting and conference locations).

Friday, 2 July 2021	Wudinna
Friday, 3 September 2021	Port Lincoln
Friday, 3 December 2021	Kimba
Monday, 28 February 2021	online
Friday, 3 June 2022	Elliston
Friday, 2 September 2022	Tumby Bay
Conference, 22-23 September 2022 (delayed due to COVID)	Cleve
Friday, 2 December 2022	Whyalla
Conference Feb/ March 2023 (either last week of Feb & first week of March)	Franklin Harbour
Friday, 2 June 2023	Ceduna
Friday, 1 September 2023	DCLEP
Friday, 1 December 2023	Port Lincoln
Conference Feb/March 2024 (either last week of Feb & first week of March)	Streaky Bay
Friday, 7 June 2024	Wudinna
Friday, 6 September 2024	Kimba
Friday, 6 December 2024	Cleve
Conference Feb/March 2025 (either last week of Feb & first week of March)	Elliston
Friday, 6 June 2025	Whyalla
Friday, 5 September 2025	Franklin Harbour
Friday, 5 December 2025	Ceduna
Conference Feb/March 2026 (either last week of Feb & first week of March)	Tumby Bay
Friday, 5 June 2026	DCLEP
Friday, 4 September 2026	Streaky Bay
Friday, 4 December 2026	Wudinna
Conference Feb/March 2027 (either last week of Feb & first week of March)	Whyalla
Friday, 4 June 2027	Port Lincoln
Friday, 3 September 2027	Kimba
Friday, 3 December 2027	Cleve
Conference Feb/March 2028 (either last week of Feb & first week of March)	Ceduna
Friday, 2 June 2028	Elliston
Friday, 1 September 2028	Tumby Bay
Friday, 1 December 2028	Franklin Harbour

Our Partners

South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils

SA Regional Organisation of Councils (SAROC) Committee is formally established through the LGA Constitution. Its role is regional advocacy, policy initiation and review, leadership engagement and capacity building in the regions.

South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils (SAROC) Committee was formally established through the LGA Constitution in October 2018. Its Terms of Reference is an ancillary document to the LGA Constitution. SAROC Regional Groupings of Members are:

- Southern and Hills Councils
- Legatus Councils
- Eyre Peninsula
- Limestone Coast
- Murraylands and Riverland
- Spencer Gulf Cities

Each Regional Group can elect 2 Council elected members to SAROC biennially.



SAROC met nine times in 2021-2022 and agendas, minutes, the Strategic and Business Plans can be viewed here: <https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/about/lga-meetings/saroc>

EPLGA SAROC representatives:



Mayor Jo-Anne Quigley

Eyre Peninsula Region
District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula



Mayor Dean Johnson

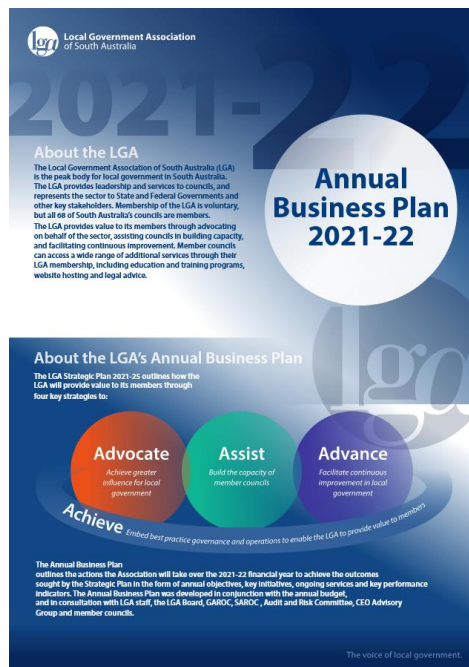
Eyre Peninsula Region
District Council of Kimba

Local Government Association of South Australia

The Local Government Association of South Australia (LGA) is the peak body for local government in South Australia. The LGA provides leadership and services to councils and represents the sector to State and Federal Governments and other key stakeholders. Membership of the LGA is voluntary, but all 68 of South Australia's councils are members. The LGA provides value to its members through advocating on behalf of the sector, assisting councils in building capacity, and facilitating continuous improvement. Member councils can access a wide range of additional services through their LGA membership, including education and training programs, website hosting and legal advice.

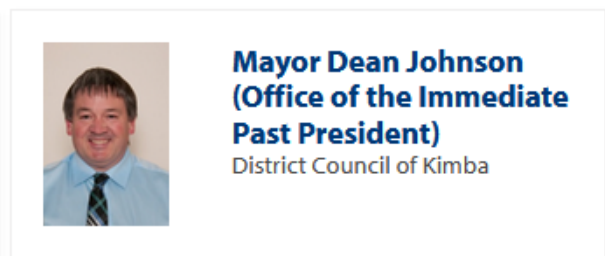
The role of the Board of Directors is to manage the activities of the LGA in between General Meetings in accordance with policy and other decisions taken at Ordinary and Annual General Meetings and to report annually on those activities. Members of the LGA Board of Directors include:

- President (elected by all Councils);
- Office of the Immediate Past President;
- SAROC Chair
- GAROC Chair
- 3 Board Directors (elected by SAROC); and
- 3 Board Directors (elected by GAROC).



LGA of SA minutes, agenda, Business and Strategic Plans can be downloaded <https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/>

EPLGA representatives on LGA Board or Directors are:





City of Whyalla Mayor Clare McLaughlin, EPLGA President, has been recognised for outstanding service to the local government sector in South Australia during the 2022 LGA's Council Best Practice Showcase dinner.

Whyalla Mayor Clare McLaughlin was named the 2022 recipient of the prestigious Joy Baluch Award for her ability to build constructive relationships and develop trust and cohesion.

LGA President Mayor Angela Evans said the award, named after Mayor Joy Baluch AM, was presented

to honour the contribution of women serving as elected members in SA and Mayor McLaughlin was a worthy recipient.

"The assessment panel was impressed, not only by Mayor McLaughlin's long list of achievements, but also by the empathetic and considered approach

she has taken to representing her community through challenging periods,” Mayor Evans said.

“As well as supporting her community through recent uncertainty surrounding the Whyalla steelworks and the impacts of COVID-19, Mayor McLaughlin has been instrumental in many projects to move Whyalla forward, including the foreshore masterplan, redevelopment of the airport and plans for a Regional Hydrogen Hub.

“The Joy Baluch award is unique in that it recognises an elected member who has not only made a significant contribution in her own right but has also actively encouraged and supported other women to get involved in the sector.

“Mayor McLaughlin has supported other women through her work with the Whyalla business network ‘Enterprising Women’ for over 20 years and has mentored many women to step into leadership positions.”

Youth Led Recovery project presentation at LGASA Showcase

The Department of Human Services (DHS) has partnered with the Local Government Association of South Australia (LGA SA) and provided South Australian councils with the opportunity to apply for a one-off competitive small grant.

Recognising the role of young people as innovators in their communities and their ability to be pioneers in addressing a range of local

community needs; the Youth-led Recovery Grants has enabled councils to undertake activities and initiatives, led by young people aged 12-24 years, that respond to the impact of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Young people are identified as one of the cohorts most impacted by the short and long-term effects of the global COVID-19 pandemic and through the Youth-led Recovery Grants, they are provided with the opportunity to be leaders in the recovery effort by addressing emerging community needs and improving resilience, for themselves and their local communities.

The EPLGA applied for and won a \$36,000 grant. The project was developed in partnership with Regional Development Australia EP and West Coast Youth and Community Support (WCYCS).

The EPLGA were invited to present at LGASA Council Best Practice Showcase at the Entertainment Centre on Thursday 7 April 2022 as part of the Youth Led Grants Showcase. The project identified and developed leadership skills in a traditional classroom setting graduating to camps with Indigenous Elders. The presentation was well received by the audience – especially the heart-warming stories by Alan “CJ” Dodd (WCYCS). The success of the project was reflected in DHS awarding a further 50% of the funding enabling the identified leaders to travel to Maralinga later in the year

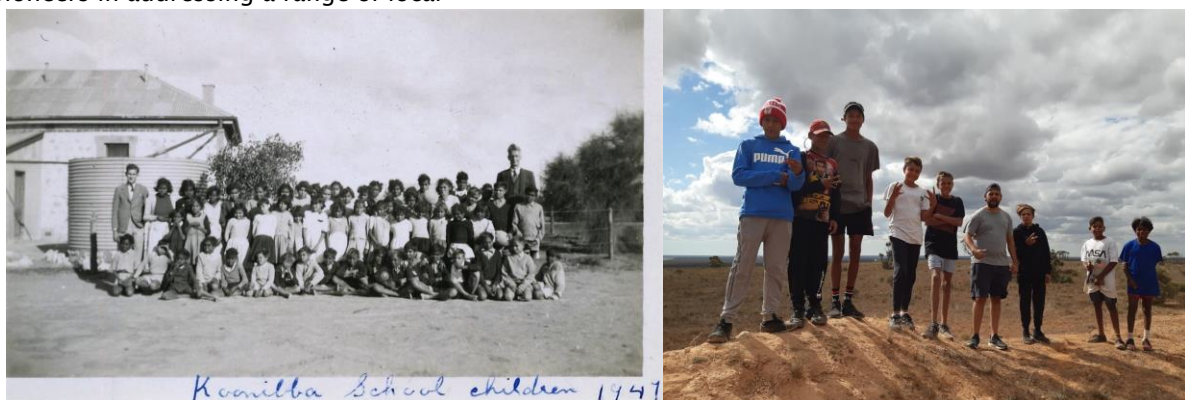


Figure 1 Who do you think you are? - Aboriginal Youth Leaders trace back their history

Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board
Mark Whitfield | Chair
Jonathan Clark | General Manager

In alignment with feedback from the EPLGA, the Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board carried out a simplified engagement process in the development of the new Landscape plan for Eyre Peninsula over February and March 2021. Only minor amendments were required as a result of feedback. Further information, including the completed plans, can be found at <https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ep/about-us/landscape-plan>.



The Landscape Priorities Fund is an initiative of the South Australian Government and is established under the Landscape South Australia Act 2019. The fund provides the opportunity for landscape boards, working in partnership with other organisations, groups and individuals, to invest in large-scale integrated landscape management projects that address sub-regional, cross-regional and state-wide priorities. It is funded from Landscape levies collected by Green Adelaide in the Adelaide metropolitan area and redistributed to South Australia's regional landscape boards. The EPLGA were provided with updates on the Landscape Priority fund in the reports previous four meetings, including that our application submitted in the first round for the Eyes on Eyre project was unsuccessful. In late 2021 the Board submitted EOIs including:

Project	Funding sought	Total Value
Eyes on Eyre – restoring the health of Eyre Peninsula's coastal environment	\$710,000	\$1,910,000

In early March 2022 the Board were advised that the Eyes on Eyre application titled "Eyes on Eyre – restoring the health of Eyre Peninsula's coastal environment" requesting \$710,000 had been successful.

The existing Eyes on Eyre Working Group will provide high level oversight of the project, with a smaller steering group established to support day to day decision making. The Board have appointed a project manager, Andrew Freeman, to manage the project.

The project commenced in early April, with Expression of Interest guidelines and application forms sent to all coastal councils, for them to apply for funding at identified priority sites. Councils have been given five weeks to lodge their applications.

The Board have commissioned Mark Thomas Productions to produce a short video to raise the profile of the EoE initiative, demonstrate the need for the project, highlight the issues experienced during recent high visitation experiences and demonstrate the benefits of an online booking platform. The video can be found at <https://youtu.be/O3cOYye8kCE>

Regional Development Australia Eyre Peninsula

Byran Trigg | Chair

Ryan Viney | CEO

Ryan Viney took over as CEO of RDAEP from Dion Doward in December 2021.



RDAEP's Key Theme for 2022-23 is "**Regional Liveability**" with the top 6 key priority areas focused on addressing workforce shortages:

1. **Healthcare** – attracting Doctors, and other healthcare professionals to the region to facilitate a quality healthcare service, thus attracting and retaining the workforce needed to support business growth.
2. **Housing and Accommodation** – development of strategies for the supply of "shovel ready" residential land; adaptive reuse of buildings; accessing finance and reducing the cost of

delivering infrastructure will be critical in providing a mix of housing choice across the region to meet demand.

3. **Population Attraction, Retention and Training** – attract, retain and train workers to facilitate greater workforce participation to meet workforce needs. Improved healthcare services, education/training, childcare and telecommunication connectivity will be vital in gaining and retaining workforce.
4. **Economic Diversification** - support the establishment of new and emerging industries

with a particular focus on “green” production to decarbonise the economy and to facilitate sustainable career opportunities (circular economies, renewable energy, mining, sustainable tourism, hydrogen production and Space Industry).

5. Infrastructure Provision - continue to advocate for nationally significant infrastructure including placemaking initiatives to improve regional amenity, as well as new and upgraded infrastructure to drive down costs of production and facilitate value adding opportunities.

6. Visitor Economy – improved visitor experience by increasing product offerings, promotion/marketing/branding and improved infrastructure.

Bookeasy Project:

The Eyes on Eyre Bookeasy Pilot launched 11 December with the DC of Elliston. The Department for Environment and Water (DEW) contract and funding has still not been received, so rather than miss an opportunity to run the pilot over summer, a pool of funding was secured between RDAEP, Landscapes SA and EPLGA. This allowed the project to proceed with two campgrounds: Walkers Rocks and Sheringa Beach. A third site at Port Gibbon in DC of Franklin Harbour was also selected for inclusion in the Pilot via the EOI process, however due to delays with the DEW funds and the amount of work required at that site we expect to bring them onboard in February 2022. EOI's for the broader roll out is due to close 26 November, however this may be extended, as it won't be possible to award funding for Phase 2 until the contract and funds are received from DEW.

Australian Tourism Data Warehouse (ATDW) - Workshops

In November the SATC digital team hosted two ATDW training sessions in Port Lincoln in collaboration with RDAEP. The first session attended by 17 tourism businesses centred around digital marketing, domestic and international travel and a trade workshop. The session outlined current campaign activity and trends in travel, as well as discussing the opportunities involved with being commissionable and 'trade ready'. Having a well written, high quality ATDW listing is the gateway to working with SATC, helping promote business far and wide via a distribution network of over 250 websites.

As distance is an obstacle to attending workshops on the Eyre Peninsula a second workshop was held for local council representatives and tourism organisations. The Train the Trainer style workshop was attended by 16 people and focused on creating an in depth understanding of ATDW and empowering replication of the training by attendees across the region.

Tourism Australia -National Experience Content Initiative (NECI)

As part of its continued COVID-19 recovery efforts, Tourism Australia (TA) is launching a new visual content creation program aimed at supporting tourism operators, driving a product-led recovery, and attracting travellers back to Australia once borders re-open. TA is working with SATC and RDAEP to create a suite of new, contemporary, and relevant marketing assets (still imagery and video footage) for a variety of Tourism Operators. Nine EP tour operators were selected by TA for the initiative including Gawler Ranges Wilderness Safaris, Oyster Farm Tours, Australian Coastal Safaris, Rodney Fox Shark Expeditions, Untamed Escapes, Chinta Air Safaris, Swagabout Tours, Kata & Belle and Experience Coffin Bay. Two photo shoots took place in October with the remainder scheduled for December. The imagery from the photoshoot was published on the TA and SATC image and video galleries for all to access, including media and trade, enhancing the marketability of Eyre Peninsula experiences.

Regional Trails Strategy

The Regional Trails Strategy which is now completed has been developed. It provides an overarching framework for consistent and coordinated planning, development, management and marketing of quality trail experiences across the Eyre Peninsula.

Trails have been an important and valued feature of the Eyre Peninsula landscape for more than 60,000 years. Some of the region's most-loved trails follow traditional pathways through country that have been used by Aboriginal people for generations. More recently, planning and development of recreational trails has been a significant pillar of strategic government and community thinking.

The project has been undertaken by trail planning specialists Tredwell Management with guidance from the project working group, as well as input

from a project reference group (local government representatives) and the broader community. The Strategy is aimed at achieving improved and sustainable outcomes for trail provision, experiences, community development, health and well-being, and the local, regional and state economies. It relates to recreational trails associated with walking, off-road cycling, horse riding, paddling and snorkelling/scuba diving. The Strategy provides a strategic framework for the region's trail network, with a focus on actionable items for Council managed trails, which have been identified for the potential to become trails of regional, state or national significance. The Strategy recognises the rapidly evolving recreation and tourism sectors, and the trends and benefits that impact trail development, management and usage into the future. It also builds upon a range of strategic planning that has been undertaken for South Australia, the Eyre Peninsula and each of the eleven local government areas across the region.

Eyre Peninsula Visitor Guide

RDAEP has been working with publisher HWR Media, in cooperation with Councils to revamp the Eyre Peninsula Visitor Guide. The revamp included an overhaul of the layout and content of the guide by respected travel journalist, Max Anderson, to improve readability and appeal to visitors. The suggestions were implemented by RDAEP in collaboration with Max Anderson to produce new content, with the intention of influencing travel behaviour, enjoyment, safety and spending. The guide is updated on an annual basis by RDAEP and provides advertising opportunities for local businesses and councils. With a circulation of 50,000 copies that are distributed via VIC/VIO outlets and participating businesses across SA and interstate, it is one of the key marketing materials for the region.

Eyre Peninsula exceeds 2025 Visitor Economy Target

As per the State Government's Regional Visitor Strategy, the Eyre Peninsula had a target of generating \$397 million by 2025, with the Region recently surpassing this target by \$91 million in 2021. The region's tourism industry is considered to now support over 600 tourism businesses employing 2,700 people. The regional South Australia visitor expenditure was \$3.6 billion in

2021, just shy of the State Government Target of \$4 billion by 2025. [More info.](#)

The Eyre Peninsula Destination Management Plan prepared by RDAEP mirrors the regional priorities of the SA RVS, with an overlaid framework of sustainable management of the tourism sector. The vision for the Eyre Peninsula is to facilitate sustainable development of the visitor economy, which is achieved via application of the following guiding principles:

- Adopt a sustainable approach across all tourism planning and management
- Attract high yield low impact visitors
- Drive balanced demand across the region
- Provide visitors with a quality and safe experience
- Strengthen the region's competitive advantage
- Provide equitable opportunities for participation in tourism
- Use data and insights to inform action.

Eyre Peninsula Regional Brand Review

Over the next 12 months RDAEP will be undertaking a review of the "*Seafood frontier*" Regional Brand, which was developed in 2006. The Eyre Peninsula food industry launched "Eyre Peninsula, Australia's Seafood Frontier", is a co-operative marketing brand designed to position Eyre Peninsula's food industry as a premium region showcasing its world-class strengths: environmental sustainability, innovation, pioneering spirit and premium food products.

The Eyre Peninsula Regional Brand Review Project aims to improve profitability and ensure Eyre Peninsula is at the forefront. The Eyre Peninsula Australia's Seafood Frontier brand and tagline was adopted by SA Tourism in 2013 and has been utilised for destination marketing purposes since including digital, signage and naming conventions on touring routes. While much of the Eyre Peninsula is located along the coast, not all districts and industries relate to the Seafood Frontier branding, particularly inland councils.

15 years since its inception, a review is required to assess the relevance of the Eyre Peninsula Australia's Seafood Frontier brand to ensure it encompasses the region's competitive strengths, supports regional priorities, resonates with past and prospective visitors, while also providing a holistic and inclusive regional identity.

To progress this initiative, RDAEP is in the process of establishing a Regional Brand Review Working Group to provide strategic oversight and to assist in the overall management of the project. It is proposed that the Regional Brand Review Working Group will comprise of Annabelle Hender (RDAEP - Regional Tourism Manager) as Chair, Karen Hollamby (PIRSA), 2 x Local Government Representatives (nominated by EPLGA CEO's Group) and a Tourism Industry Representative to be appointed by the Working Group following a call for expressions of interest.

Along with providing strategic oversight throughout the review process, brand development and stakeholder consultation processes, a key function of the working group will be to assess all tender proposals against an assessment-criteria (methodology, experience, cost, etc) to recommend a preferred brand agency.

Eyes on Eyre - Online Camping Project

Eyes on Eyre is a mechanism to facilitate a consistent and collaborative approach to tourism on the Eyre Peninsula. An online booking system (Bookeasy) was identified as an opportunity to improve visitor management of campgrounds, and \$500,000 in funding was subsequently obtained by RDAEP from the Department of Environment and Water (DEW) to develop campgrounds in line with the [Final Concept Design Report](#).

Phase 1: Pilot

The pilot phase engaged with the District Council of Elliston to facilitate online bookings across two campsites, Sheringa Beach and Walkers Rock. The pilot was scheduled to run across the peak summer season from December 2021 to 31 January 2022.

Phase 2: DEW Parks 2025 Funds

- Agreement signed with Elliston Council. The specified works were renegotiated to facilitate major ground works during this phase at Walkers Rock in April 2022. Elliston will apply for the EOI for the Landscapes Priority Fund for the next phase of works at Walkers Rock and Sheringa Beach, which will include campsite delineation.

- Agreement signed with DC Franklin Harbour for Point Gibbon. Work commenced May 2022.

Agreement signed with DC Lower Eyre Peninsula for Fishery Bay. Work included campsite delineation and signage for 3 of 8 campsites, with works for campsites 4 to 8 fulfilled via PIRSA fishing and recreation grant funding.

Phase 3: Landscape Priority Fund

Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board was successful in receiving \$710,000 of funding to help with conservation management at priority coastal campgrounds around the region as part of the Eyes on Eyre project. The EOI process has been shared with Councils, the due date is 26th of May 2022.

SATC Marketing Co-op

RDAEP has allocated \$20,000 and further secured \$30,000 from SATC Marketing Co-op (\$50,000 in total) for a regional tourism promotion.

Approved activity includes:

- Regional Marketing Audit & Plan – Submissions received from 2 agencies with an agency to be appointed shortly, to begin work in June.

- Content creation for Eyre Peninsula website and Visitor Guide – near completion.

- Social Media Marketing & Management – ongoing throughout the **Responsible Travel Project**

RDAEP has entered into a project partnership agreement with Tourism Australia for the Responsible Travel Project. The project involves a nation-wide survey assessing key regional stakeholder issues with tourism. The project undertakes to distil the key issues residents, businesses and visitors face with tourism in their region. The results of the survey were consolidated into a report, distributed to participating Regional Tourism Organisations (RDAEP) by 30 June 2022. The report provided valuable insight which can inform action and communication of the region's own initiative and choosing. For Eyre Peninsula it is the report informed Eyes on Eyre projects, marketing strategies and education of travellers to be responsible. The survey has been shared extensively by RDAEP and stakeholders across the region, with strong participation level expected.

Joint Projects

EPLGA | RDAEP | EP Landscape Board | PIRSA | LGA SA

Flood disaster recovery

Between 21 and 24 January 2022, a significant rainfall associated with ex-tropical cyclone Tiffany caused significant localised flooding across Eyre Peninsula, with the Kimba, Cleve and Franklin Harbour Districts being impacted most severely. Damage to road infrastructure and the secondary impacts on farm logistics are the greatest issues however a number of landholders have had localised flood damage including erosion, sediment deposition and pooling water. Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board staff are working with landholders, local government, industry groups and PIRSA to better understand the agricultural and landscape issues, identify recovery needs and provide support where appropriate. The Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board have undertaken the following actions to date:

- Appointment of a recovery coordinator for landscape board activities related to recovery efforts (Tim Breuer based in Whyalla). Tim was based in Kimba two days a week and subject to demand spent a day every alternating week in Cowell and Cleve.
- Making our Water Resources Assessment officer available to provide advice and fast track approvals for recovery related water affecting activities
- Subject to Board approval, allocation of \$100,000 for recovery initiatives.
- Seeking to leverage additional funding from Australian and State Governments and other industry groups.

Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board staff are working with landholders, local government, industry groups and PIRSA to better understand and address the agricultural and landscape issues, identify recovery needs and provide support where appropriate.

The Board have committed \$100,000 for recovery initiatives as well as appointing a recovery coordinator for landscape board activities related to recovery efforts (Tim Breuer based in Whyalla). Tim is based in Kimba two days a week and subject to demand spent time in Cowell and Cleve.

Landholder's priorities for the past few months have been focused around the more immediate on-

ground works needed and addressing farm infrastructure issues (e.g. repairing washed out roads etc.) to enable crops to be sown this season, however once the crops are in the ground, that focus changed to deal with the longer-term recovery efforts.

Over the next 12 months, many of these landholders will need soils and land management support, to assist them assess and plan the most suitable course of action for their individual properties. Some damage may be repairable, whilst others may, where the scale of degradation is too severe, need to be stabilised and alternative landscape options considered.

To address this, the Board and PIRSA are looking to provide a significant grant to a local farming group to provide community led soil and land management support to severe weather affected areas of eastern Eyre Peninsula. This will include extension activities, soil testing, provision of technical support and seeking additional partnerships and funding for trials.

The Board is looking to enter into a grant agreement for the delivery of the above works through to June 2023 and will be using this commitment to try and leverage additional funding from Australian Government and other industry groups

To support local businesses across the Eyre Peninsula impacted by the recent storm events, RDAEP conducted a survey, with businesses that suffered direct damage asked to complete a short questionnaire.

It is intended that all information obtained will be used to work with the SA Government to determine appropriate strategies to support businesses in our region as they recover from this natural disaster.

In addition, RDAEP has written to the Hon Rob Lucas MP suggesting that given the scale of the disaster and the size and capacity of impacted councils, they should be considered for extraordinary assistance. Noting that within the Local Government Disaster Recovery Assistance Arrangements, which is the major funding mechanism under which impacted councils can claim financial support from the State Government, a co-contribution payment by councils is required and that councils are not generally able

to claim ordinary staff or plant hours deployed in restoring or repairing damaged assets.

It is understood the under the provisions of the Local Government Disaster Recovery Assistance Arrangements, and in the event of a catastrophic natural disaster event and/or where council has limited financial capacity, the Treasurer can grant extraordinary assistance.

The control agency for the emergency was the State Emergency Services (SES). SES did not establish a recovery committee following the emergency. Regional Coordinator Eyre & Western, Karen Hollamby, has been appointed as PIRSA's Recovery Facilitator for South Australia.

Current work includes establishment of a local, representative, community lead group to enable appropriate recovery, in conjunction with the EP Landscape Board. Close working arrangements are in place with a number of representative organisations already.

PIRSA staff undertook several site assessments on the EP to understand the full extent of the damage, including a site visit undertaken (3 February) and a proposed aerial inspection. Technical experts are available, including soil scientist (soil health, erosion issues, management/future planning).

The Department of Treasury and Finance administers Disaster Recovery Assistance for local governments and agencies after an eligible natural disaster.

Housing and Accommodation Needs Analysis Project

A program has been developed to progress this Place Based Project due for completion in August 2022. Most work on this project will commence after SAROC and the Yorke and Mid North and Far North RDAs complete local government surveys and provide RDAEP with the results.

RDAEP will be using these survey results and will also be liaising with real estate agents and builders to complete a supply picture and liaising with employers and industry sectors to create a demand picture.

Coupled with land supply information it is hoped to develop some regional solutions for the Eyre Peninsula that satisfy demand for accommodation within the timeframes of the various industries during construction and operational phases of development.

SA Water Desal Plant

Following significant community concern the Eyre Peninsula Desalination Plant proposed at Billy Lights Point was put on hold by the State Government to enable SA Water to undertake further investigations.

Since this announcement the SA Water have now engaged an independent third-party organisation, TSA Management, to lead a stakeholder and community engagement process that will see a preferred site recommended to SA Water and the State Government.

Gary Neave has been appointed as the Project Director, and he will lead the SA Water project team with the support of Steve Dangerfield, as the independent engagement facilitator, to identify a suitable location for the desalination plant on the Eyre Peninsula.

Central to the engagement process envisaged by TSA is the formation of an Eyre Peninsula Desalination Project Site Selection Committee that will ultimately make recommendation to SA Water and the SA Government regarding a preferred site. This committee will initially shortlist sites for assessment, and then consider further information provided by SA Water, and data and studies from other third parties, in guiding their overall assessment and recommendation.

The Minister has appointed Peter Treloar as Independent Chair for this committee, who will guide the committee through the process. The committee comprises senior representatives from key industries and the Mayors and Chief Executives of a range of community-based organisations such as the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association (EPLGA), Councils and the Landscape Board and RDAEP.

Eyre and Western Recovery Exercise

The Zone Emergency Management Committee has identified the need to undertake a recovery exercise to be organised for have considered planning in place should an actual emergency response be required.

This exercise is the first of its kind to be run across South Australia, and was held Thursday 21 October 2021 at the Port Lincoln Hotel.

EPLGA Report of Activities

Eyre Peninsula Strategic Planning Day - Thursday July 1 2021, Wudinna.

EPLGA, RDAEP and Landscape South Australia Eyre Peninsula met in Wudinna for a Strategic Planning Day on Thursday July 1. Facilitated by Tony Wright, Executive Officer Limestone Coast LGA, the day will provided a spring board for shared projects for 2021/22.

Regional LGA Executive Officer Meetings

Regional LGA Executive Officers meet 6 times per year.

The 8 July 2021 meeting included Stephen Smith (Planning Reform Partner) and Lea Bacon at the Limestone Coast LGA Offices.

The following matters were discussed/considered:

1. The Regional Capacity Grant review and the aggregation of Rubble Royalty Payment refunds from our members in carryover were discussed. It was noted the importance of the Regional Capacity funding, which enabled meetings and connections with the LGASA.
2. There was a discussion on Joint Planning Boards and the lack of clarity on the benefits that can be derived from forming a Board. There appears there is more clarity emerging on the potential to run code amendment processes with the development of a Regional Plan. There was discussion regarding the opportunity to develop a Regional Plan under delegation from the department. This would alleviate the need to form a JPB and address the risk of the arbitrary delegation of state functions from the Minister to a JPB.
3. There was discussion around some of the teething issues with the new SLRP process and the lack of cross-checking regional priorities with actual submissions received.
4. Presentations from ESCOSA and the Energy and Water Ombudsman SA to Regional Councils were discussed, particularly in light of requiring Councils with CWWMS to join the Ombudsman and the regulatory attention they may attract. However, not all regions have been presented to yet.
5. Paul Chapman joined the meeting to discuss a proposed study into a northern regional MRF.

6. Legatus provided an update on the Rating Equity advocacy.
7. The fracturing of mental health services in regions was also discussed.

Following the meeting, there was a tour of Bio Gro's composting business with their Operations Manager and CFO on the opportunities of recycling organic waste into high-value compost. This included the approach and success of Bio Gro in bringing organic waste from Victoria into SA for processing with VIC EPA approvals.



Figure 2 Regional LGA EOs standing on huge compost mound, BioGro Mt Gambier

The Regional Executive Officers met again on the 6th of September at the Murraylands & Riverland Local

Government Association. Lea Bacon, Michael Arman, Hannah Ellyard (DEW), Adam Gray (SACCA) and Paul Chapman (Legatus) attended the meeting via zoom at various stages.

The following matters were considered:

Regional Capacity Building Grants

We had several concerns with the report, particularly the impact and nature of Rubble Royalty Refunds to members through the capacity building grants process; and the lack of consideration of the value of programs (ongoing) versus projects (contained and limited duration).

Joint Planning Board

JPB's were discussed extensively with each region providing an update on their current position and future steps for the establishment (or not) of a Joint Planning Board. In particular, the following issues were discussed:

- Still uncertainty on the value proposition.
- A number of regions want to be actively involved in forming the Regional Plan but

- are not as keen to create a Joint Planning Board.
- There was a discussion on how a partnership model could operate.
- Noting there is no money on offer to assist in the development of the plan.
- The insurance issue remains unresolved.
- The Department and Minister have rejected a delegation model.

There was a presentation from DEW on the “Setting Our Future Urban Water Directions” strategy and consultation process. The consultation is looking to develop a strategy for urban water in SA which will also provide directions for SA Water as they head into their next regulatory pricing process. Issues around drought resilience, stormwater assets, and how to use various sources of water and recycling was discussed.

Community Wastewater Management Schemes

The Auditor General’s report in CWMS was discussed, and the future funding arrangements, asset management, and economics to replace and expand systems to cater for growth.

It was noted that Legatus has been undertaking research to support Councils in their operations of CWMS and is seeking an opportunity to present to the CWMS Committee.

Special Local Roads Program

For some regions, it was noted that there was a disconnect between the way that projects were prioritised for funding by LGTAP compared to the regional priorities submitted by the Regional LGA, as supported by their regional plans. There is a meeting being planned with LGTAP and Legatus to explore these inconsistencies further. The EPLGA process for SLRP was commended by the LGASA.

On the 27th of November 2021, there was a workshop with the Executive Officers and UniSA to explore research opportunities to leverage the Legatus (MoU) and take advantage of the UniSA campuses in Whyalla and Mount Gambier.

The workshop explored areas where there could be opportunities for regional collaboration in research (with a Local Government perspective), these include:

- liveability,
- water sensitive design,
- regional roads,
- waste management,
- CWMS,

- regional branding/image to attract workers,
- workforce (especially in areas like planning and engineering),
- housing and
- sources of research funding.

From the last meeting, there has been continued engagement in a range of issues, including:

- Rating Equity (In 1999, the State Government passed the *Electricity Corporations (Restructuring and Disposal) Act 1999* (ECD Act), which amongst other things, limited the ability of councils to set council rates based on capital improvements to land or to increase rates on land used for electricity generation (the ‘rate cap’).
- Joint Planning Boards. There has been continued engagement with the LGASA, State Government and between the regions sharing information on the range of approaches to developing a Regional Plan.
- Roads Hierarchy – Legatus is working up a project to develop a state-wide perspective on road
- priority setting.
- Special Local Roads funding, the new process needs some improvement in linking to regional priorities and feedback mechanisms as raised by a couple of regions.

Special Local Roads Program 2021-22

Region	Council name	Road	Primary Purpose	Project Details	Continuing project	Scope	Estimated project costs 2021-22	LGTAP Recommendation	Councils contribution
Eyre Peninsula LGA	District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula	Bratten Way Upgrade	Freight	This application is for stage three of a proposed 10-year project that will ensure the ongoing fit-for-purpose capability of Bratten Way to operate as a gazetted GML Freight Route. Stage two of the works is currently being carried out.	Yes	Project is currently at stage three of a proposed 10-year project.	\$1,260,000.00	\$840,000.00	\$420,000.00
Eyre Peninsula LGA	District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula	Bratten Way Upgrade	Freight	This application is for stage four of a proposed 10-year project that will ensure the ongoing fit-for-purpose capability of Bratten Way to operate as a gazetted GML Freight Route.	Yes	Stage 4 of 10	\$2,966,000.00	\$1,136,950.00	\$988,000.00
Eyre Peninsula LGA	District Council of Franklin Harbour	Cowell Kimba	Freight	Shoulder construction with stabilized sub-grade and compacted 150mm thick PM1/20 pavement with 14/7 C130 spray seal to increase lane width to 3.6m with 400mm sealed shoulder.	Yes	Stage 1 of 3	\$926,000.00	\$617,000.00	\$309,000.00
Eyre Peninsula LGA	District Council of Franklin Harbour	Beach Road in the Hundred of Hawker, Franklin Harbour Council District SA	Tourism	Upgrading Beach Road from and unsealed road by construction of an 8 meter sealed pavement with 1m unsealed shoulder to Austroads standards, Installation of drainage culverts where required and application of a 14/7 C130 sprayed seal.	Yes	The Project is at Stage 3 of 3.	\$700,000.00	\$466,000.00	\$234,000.00
Eyre Peninsula LGA Recommendations							Recommended:	\$3,059,950.00	

Special Local Roads Program – 2021 Recommendations

The EPLGA has been successful in securing a large amount of funding for local roads for 2021-22. The LGASA are considering recommendations from the recent SLRP review by Hudson Howells. This October to December 2021 will be the time to update the action plan and road database from the Regional Strategic Plan and identify projects for 2022/23. This will be done with CEOs, works managers and SMEC in time for EPLGA Board approval in February 2022. By the time the Regional Transport Strategy is updated, new guidelines will be available to guide Councils on the process to apply for funds. We saw this begin in early 2021 with the move to an online system for funding applications.

Terms of Reference for Committees

The CEOs' committee is being consulted on TORs for EPLGA committees. A literature review of TORs from across regional South Australia has been completed. The Tourism Advisory Committee TOR review is well advanced. Updates will be provided by CEO Committee Chair at the Board meeting.

Eyre Peninsula Regional Strategic Waste Management Plan funding success

Conversations with Greening Industries SA are continuing with possible grant funding for a stage 1 of a Regional Waste Strategy – data collection. This would include things such as audits, volumes of food and organics available for diversion, mapping of resources and current contracts. Stage 2 would move towards procurement and actions.

Program applied for:

COUNCIL MODERNISATION GRANTS PROGRAM 2021-2022

Waste and Resource Recovery Modernisation and Council Transition Package

Greening Industries South Australia

Green Industries SA is an enabler and driver of change, supporting the development of the circular economy through diverse collaborations which improve productivity, resilience, resource efficiency and the environment.

The Council Modernisation Grants Program supports South Australia's Waste Strategy 2020-2025 which outlines actions that can contribute to the development of a circular economy – that is, an economy that realises the best of full value from products and materials produced, consumed and recovered in South Australia through:

- a clearly articulated policy and legislative framework that gives a solid platform for investment decisions and a stable and efficient market
- supporting innovation and commercialisation
- education, advocacy and awareness to support behavioural change in the way waste and resources are managed
- applying the waste management hierarchy consistently with the principles of ecologically sustainable development.

The South Australian Government's 2019-20 Budget provided \$10 million of new funding over four years to assist councils and the waste management industry transition and modernise following changes to international market conditions. This will lead to improved competitiveness, increased employment opportunities in the sector, reduction in waste to landfill and help maintain South Australia's leading position in resource recovery.

The purpose of the Council Modernisation Grants Program is to encourage South Australia's councils to improve waste management and recycling services through the introduction of innovative measures.

The modernisation measures should result in operational efficiencies, improved customer service and economic development benefits for the community.

EPLGA was successful in obtaining matching funding for a Regional Strategic Waste Management Plan. Total budget is \$26 000 with GISA contributing half of the total cost.

Relevant Eyre Peninsula waste documents considered:

- 2004 Eyre Peninsula Waste strategy
- 2006 Waste Forum proceedings
- 2008 Whyalla Kerbside audit
- 2017 Port Lincoln Kerbside audit
- 2020 rawtec Regional SA Waste and Resource Recovery Background Report.

The 2022 Eyre Peninsula Waste Strategy objectives:

- Audit of waste contracts and waste management
- Identify opportunities for industry cooperation in organic waste circular economy
- Identify opportunities for Councils work together
- Identify pathway for compliance with EPA regulations
- 2-year action list and recommendations (as part of a 10 year plan)

Marina Wagner has been engaged to do the work and will begin with a stocktake and Council interviews.

Sustainable Solutions have been engaged to develop an EP Regional Strategic Waste and Resources Strategy. A progress report has been submitted for consideration by the CEO Committee. In summary, 42 site visits and meetings have been undertaken and works in progress include:

- A summary of EP council data in waste & resources management
- Waste and recycling services matrix EP councils, including contracts
- Review and cross-reference Council's strategic plans, objectives and goals for service delivery, sustainability, and circular economy
- Comparison to best practice waste and recycling service options
- Progress on EPA compliance matters

- Cross-reference above with relevant EPA and GISA documents

Initial findings, collaborative opportunities, and key opportunities for improvements, resource recovery and market developments on the EP, including business cases were discussed with Council CEOs on 2 June 2022.

EPLGA Submission to the Inquiry into the Review of the Native Vegetation Act 1991

The EPLGA has provided a submission to the Natural Resources Committee (membership Ms Paula Luethen, Presiding Member, Dr Susan Close, Hon John Darley, Hon Russell Wortley, Mr Nick McBride, Hon Nicola Centofanti and Mr Adrian Pederick). The 6-page submission provided details of previous collaboration success (EP Roadside Vegetation Management Plan and Eyes on Eyre Camping Nodes) before making the following recommendations:

1. Townships, as defined by a Council by notice in the SA Government Gazette, are granted exemption from the Native Vegetation Act (the Act) to bring them into line with metropolitan Adelaide councils.
2. Native Vegetation Council considers making the Native Vegetation Assessment Clearance Approvals valid for a period of 5 years.
3. The Australian Road Research Board (ARRB) is commissioned to review the NVC Guidelines for the Management of Roadside Native Vegetation and Regrowth Vegetation (Under Native Vegetation Regulation 11(23).
4. Establish and resource an expert group that Council Works Managers can access on an on-going basis to achieve best practice for management of roadside native vegetation.
5. Undertake trials for cost-effective management of roadside vegetation using wheeled machinery owned by Councils.
6. Update and endorse a specific Eyre Peninsula Roadside Vegetation Management Plan that includes practices tested through the trials, results of the regional risk assessment and mechanisms for targeting non-traditional sources of funding to manage high-risk areas.



The **2021-221 Annual Business Plan and Budget** has been consulted with Local Councils and was adopted by the EPLGA Board. The EPLGA Business Plan 22/23 has been updated to reflect the EPLGA Strategic Plan.

Joint Planning Board (JPB) – Response to the Minister

In 2017 to 2019, six groups of Councils participated in a pilot led by the Department to explore how Planning Agreements and Joint Planning Boards will work, and to prepare guidelines to assist Councils that are seeking to form a JPB.

Councils were invited to participate in the pilot and 40 Councils in eight groups initially participated. This reduced to 29 Councils in 6 groups early in 2018 when the project moved into stage two – preparation of a business case.

The 6 groups were Eyre Peninsula, Yorke Peninsula, Limestone Coast, Riverland, Barossa and neighbours and the Spencer Gulf Cities (the Murraylands and Eastern Region Alliance maintained a watching brief). The LGA and Office of Local Government were also involved, and Jeff Tate Consulting played a lead role.

In parallel with the pilot, Jeff Tate Consulting was also engaged to prepare a set of guidelines for the

preparation of Regional Plans by JPBs and a Regional Plan template.

The pilot has concluded, and the guideline documents have been prepared. It is worth noting that establishing JPBs is an entirely new approach in South Australia, essentially creating a new form of regional governance. As such the project was quite exploratory and required creation of new templates for undertaking a business case exercise and for a model Planning Agreement.

Outputs from the JPB pilot are:

- *Initiating and Establishing a Planning Agreement and Joint Planning Board Guidelines* – a local government ‘tool-kit’ based on the learnings and challenges faced during the pilot
- *Business Case Template for Joint Planning Boards* – developed to lead potential Council JPB groups through a process to understand what they seek to achieve and to set up the right governance framework
- *Planning Agreement Template* – developed with significant input legal input to ensure it satisfies legal considerations

Outputs from the Regional Plans project are:

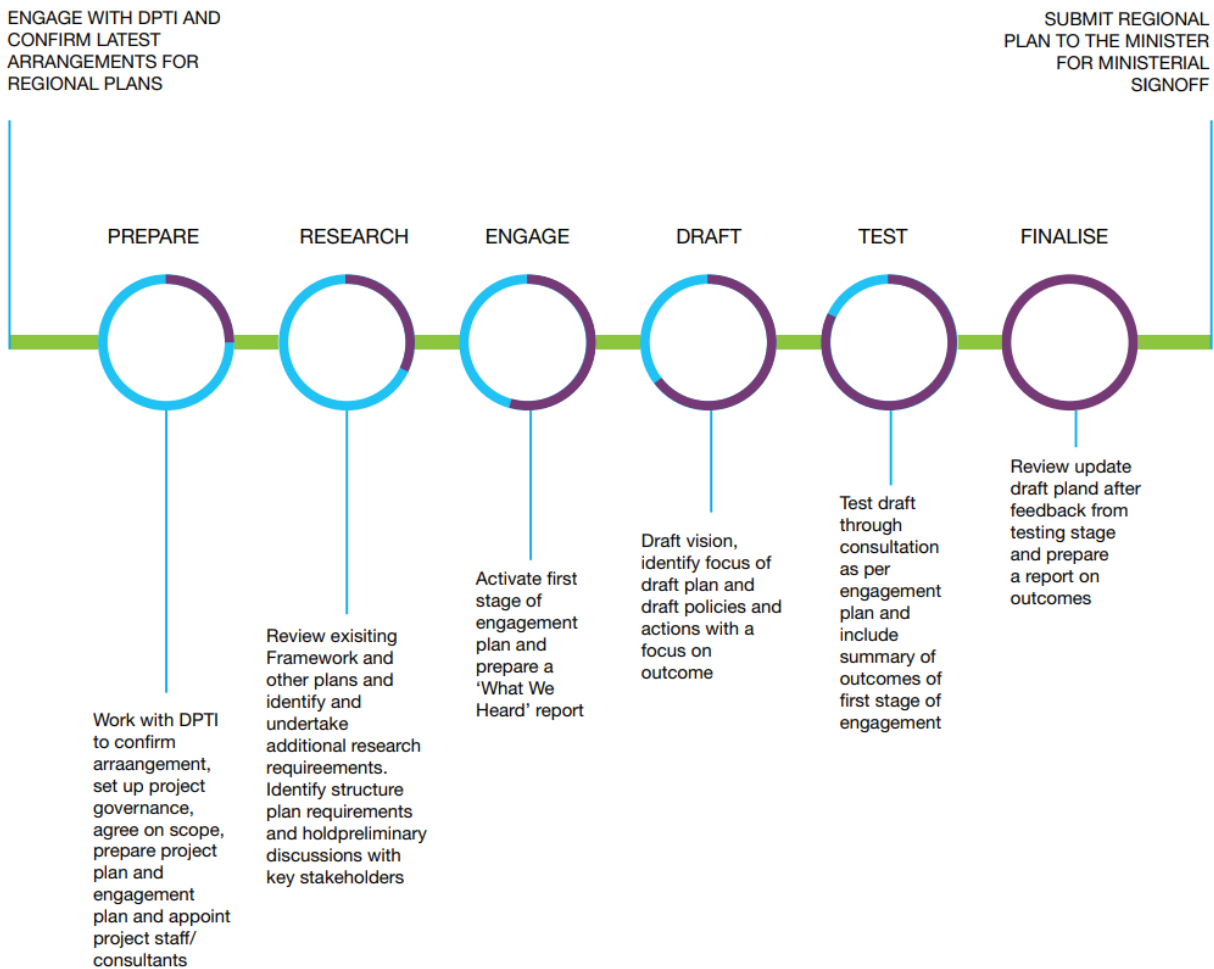
- *Regional Plans Guidelines* – to assist JPBs to prepare a Regional Plan
- *Regional Plan Template* – to allow regional policies and actions to be specified and to ensure consistency between Regional Plans prepared by various JPBs

In 2019 the EPLGA led the preparation of a business case (using the template) for the Eyre Peninsula Councils and in late 2019 ten Councils formally resolved to establish an Eyre Peninsula JPB (Whyalla resolved to form a JPB with Port Augusta and Port Pirie Councils). Since that time the focus of the Councils was on transition to the Planning and Development Code and establishment of a (now established) Eyre Peninsula Regional Assessment Panel.

Under the Planning, Development and Infrastructure (Planning Agreements) Regulations 2020, a group of Councils can enter into an agreement with the Minister for Planning and Local Government (the Minister) to form a Joint Planning Board (JPB).

Once formed, the Directors of a Joint Planning Board are subject to specific Codes of Conduct under the PDI Act (2016). However, these do not appear to be any more demanding than what would be expected of a Director of any Board.

REGIONAL PLAN PROCESS



The maximum life of a JPB is ten years. The only mandated activity a JPB can undertake is developing a Regional Plan, which the Department and the Minister must approve. The process to develop a Regional Plan recommended by the Department is shown in the figure below. In promoting the value of a Joint Planning Board, the Minister and Department have focused on a range of other things a JPB can do, such as developing a Regional Health Plan or undertaking shared services, all of which can be achieved without a JPB. The other benefit cited is the opportunity for the Minister to delegate state government functions to a JPB, although it is unclear how this delegation process would work and if a JPB could refuse to accept such a delegation. In a workshop with the EPLGA and Department, it was suggested a JPB would develop a Regional Plan which would have more weight when seeking funding for infrastructure projects as it would be

more attuned and aligned to the region's needs. It was also stated that parallel processes could be undertaken to process code amendments while developing the Regional Plan.

If a region decides not to form a Joint Planning Board, the Department must then develop the Regional Plan, and Councils become a stakeholder in that process.

The EPLGA Board have approved the formation of a JPB. However, this has not progressed to presenting the Minister with an agreement due to the uncertainty of the value proposition. To clarify each region's position, the Minister wrote to each Council requesting that a Planning Agreement be submitted for the Ministers consideration by the 4th of October 2021. Following on from the EPLGA workshop with Anita Allan, Director of Planning and Development on Joint Planning Boards in Wudinna on July 1st, 2021,

the LGASA conducted a similar information session on the 12th of August 2021.

Some key questions:

1. What is the additional value a JPB can achieve in developing a Regional Plan when compared to the Department and participating as a key stakeholder?
2. Is the process to develop a Regional Plan by the Department different from that recommended to a JPB?
3. Can a Regional Plan be developed without forming a JPB, for example, under delegation from the Department?
4. What process would be used to delegate other State Gov functions to a JPB, can this process be agreed to in the JPB agreement.
5. Can Code Amendments be simultaneously processed with the development of the Regional Plan?
6. Is there any funding available to support a JPB in developing a Regional Plan?
7. What scope is there for innovation in the development and structure of a Regional Plan, given it is still subject to State Government Approval.

KEY ISSUES:

There is an opportunity to form a JPB to develop a Regional Plan for the Eyre Peninsula.

The value proposition of forming a JPB is unclear.

No other region has agreed to form a JPB to date.

The Minister has written to each Council seeking planning agreements to form a JPB by the 4th of October 2021 to allow the Department to develop Regional Plans if required.

Governance and cost sharing arrangements need clarification.

There is an opportunity to consult with Upper Spencer Gulf Cities, Limestone Coast LGA and Murraylands and Riverland LGA towards a consistent professional approach to regional planning.

With a change in State Government the JPB process has been formally dropped. In the meantime the EPLGA have appointed two senior officers to the Local Government Regional Planning Committee (LGRPC). The LGRPC has been established by the Planning and Land Use Services Department of the Attorney General's Department (AGD-PLUS).

Resourcing, Governance and an EPLGA Strategic Plan.

Feedback from the consultation on the EPLGA annual Business Plan was overwhelmingly in favour of developing a four-year EPLGA strategic plan. After consulting the EPLGA Board and CEOs, a select group of consultants were sent a Request for Quote (RFQ).

EPLGA Strategic Plan – Appointment of Consultant

That the EPLGA Board noted that Jeff Tate Consulting was the successful quote selected by a CEO sub-committee to complete the proposed EPLGA Strategic Plan 2022-2026.

A Request for Quote was sent to a select group of three consultants to complete the proposed EPLGA Strategic Plan 2022-2026. A CEO sub-committee of Deb Larwood, Rob Donaldson and EPLGA EO Peter Scott assessed the quotes (approx. \$15k) received and deemed that Jeff Tate Consulting was successful in securing the work.

The proposed methodology has five elements:

- **Project governance – the project brief states that the consultant will:**

- work directly with LGA Mayors (the EPLGA Board), other elected members and CEOs through a facilitated workshop(s) to develop a strategic narrative for the organisation.
- report directly to the Executive Officer of the EPLGA.
- obtain advice on overall strategic direction from the CEO Network Group (Constituent LGA CEOs), which will also monitor progress.

- **Familiarisation – to include:**

- review of key EPLGA documents.
- discussions with the Executive Officer.

- **Information gathering – to include:**

- desktop research on matters affecting regions in general and Eyre Peninsula in particular.
- scan of key Council documents and those of other organisations such as Regional Development Australia Eyre Peninsula.
- survey of the Constituent Council CEOs.
- structured interview with each Mayor of the Constituent Councils.
- workshop and ongoing communication with the CEO Network Group.
- workshop with Mayors, other Elected Members and CEOs of the Constituent Councils.

- **Framing of the Strategic Plan** which would happen progressively during the project, with an early focus being on the style of document that will be most fit for purpose. A framework we have found useful for organisations such as EPLGA is shown below.

Purpose – Key Influences – Strategic Direction- Themes and Objectives – Priority Actions

- **Plan and covering report preparation – to include:**
 - **draft Strategic Plan at a point in the project to be determined.**
 - **final Plan after feedback on the draft.**

A draft plan was presented to the EPLGA Board in February 2022 which will be subsequently consulted with constituent Councils. The Final plan was adopted at the June 2022 EPLGA Board meeting.

The Strategic Plan project is funded by LGASA Regional Capacity fund and had extensive input from Eyre Peninsula Mayors and Council CEOs.

The Strategic Plan project has four elements:

- 1) Familiarisation – review of key EPLGA documents, discussions with the Executive Officer
- 2) Information gathering
- 3) Progressive framing of the Plan
- 4) Presentation of a draft Plan and, after feedback, the final version.

PROGRESS

All four elements will continue throughout the project as additional information and views come to hand. It has been helpful to also be considering the concept of a Joint Planning Board (under a Planning Agreement with the Minister for Planning) and shared services for the Eyre Peninsula Councils. The processes and information gathered from those other projects have informed aspects of the framing and draft content for the Strategic Plan.

The starting point is the Purpose of the EPLGA which has been summarised down to five points from the eight (lengthy) statements in the Charter:

1. Working with the South Australian Local Government Association (SA LGA) to achieve its objectives.
2. Acting as a forum for the Eyre Peninsula Councils to consider matters of common interest.
3. A structure for the Eyre Peninsula Councils to work together.
4. Working with other levels of government for the benefit of the Region.
5. Seeking to ensure the wellbeing of the Region and making best use of the Region's resources.

Surveys of the Mayors and CEOs of the Constituent Councils provided clarity about commonalities and differences in views about particular matters. Some of the key points from the surveys were discussed at separate workshops with the Mayors and CEOs on 26 and 27 October 2021. Those discussions helped shape the themes and priority actions.

The 'work in progress' themes for drafting are:

- Refine governance arrangements
- Assist collaboration between Constituent Councils
- Develop and evolve key relationships.

The intention is to include objectives and performance measures for each theme and also priority actions that include, for each action, the role (Initiator, Advocate, Facilitator), why, how, when and who. Given the small size of the organisation and the amount of work in some of the priority actions it will be important to (a) ensure they can all be achieved in the three-year period of the Plan and (b) schedule them for implementation over the life of the Plan rather than loading up year 1.

A small reference group of the Executive Officer and three Council CEOs was formed to assist with the later stages of the project.

The final Strategic Plan was considered at the February 2022 Board meeting and put to local councils for consultation.



Eyre Peninsula Campsites – Online Booking System using Bookeasy

The EPLGA Board have approved that the EPLGA be the single merchant point for an online booking system for Eyre Peninsula Councils.

BACKGROUND:

The \$10 honesty box for campsites has a chequered history and it has long been talked about that a better way would be to move to an online booking system for campsites on Eyre Peninsula.

The EPLGA has a quote from Bookeasy, who do the online booking for National Parks and Wildlife in South Australia, to set up a similar system for Eyre Peninsula Councils. Bookeasy take a commission of 25 cents for a \$10 fee, the rest goes to Council. The setup cost and 2 years of commissions are covered by a grant from **Parks 2025 (stage 2): Improvements to parks on the Eyre Peninsula: \$2 million investment to diversify the nature-based experiences on offer for visitors to the region.** \$500,000 of this is a grant to **Eyes on Eyre** (from Minister for Environment and Water and administered by RDAEP).

There is no cost to Councils to use the online booking system and opting in is voluntary. Training is included on how to upload campsite pictures, descriptions, do refunds, amendments, administration, and running returns. Councils will

be able to keep their listings up to date and manage their rates and availability as needed. For simplicity the EPLGA will be the single merchant in the first instance to take credit card payments or PayPal payments. Transparent reporting is available to Councils with the click of a button and funds will be transferred to Council quarterly or as the need arises. Reports including resourcing to manage the system will be reported to the CEO Committee and EPLGA Board quarterly.

DETAIL:

Setup costs (covered by grant funding for 2 years):
Bookeasy Licence & Implementation: \$8,500 (ex-GST)

The upfront Licence and Implementation Fee covers training, implementation, and system configuration. This would cover training LGA staff in Bookeasy Finance and Booking Administration, as well as training for Councils (webinar format) on how to update their own campsite listings.

Monthly Service Fees: \$500 or 2.5% of bookings (ex-GST) - whichever is greater between the two. The monthly service fees cover ongoing support, system optimisation, and continual reinvestment into the system architecture.

(Purely Optional) Hosted Engine: \$5,000 & Yearly Hosting Fee of \$600 (ex GST)

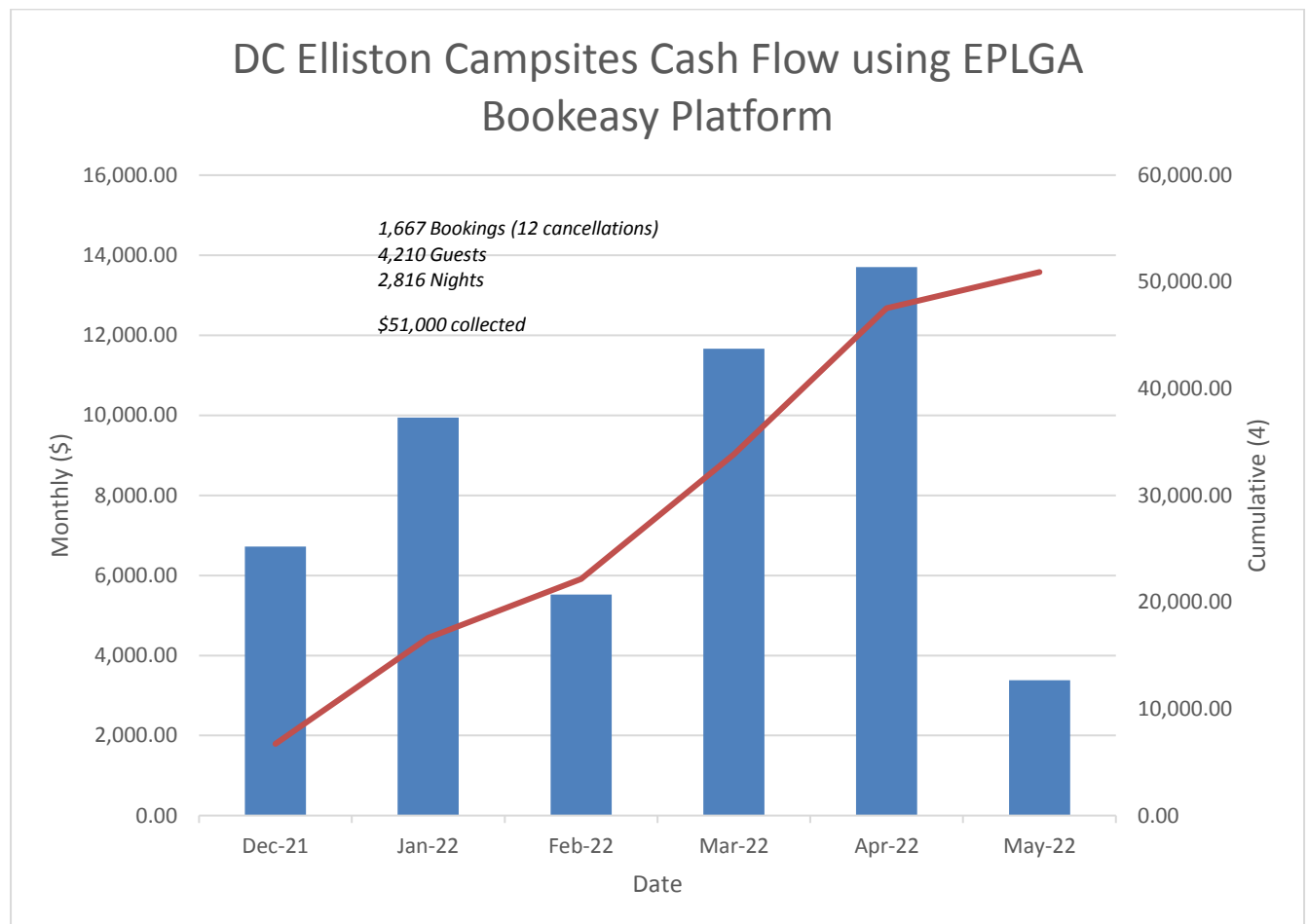
A hosted engine is a standalone web-page with the online booking gadgets, that would be styled according to the theme of one of your existing sites. A great solution to have one central booking page that could be linked from the Council sites.

The proposal has positive support from the Tourism Advisory Committee and the CEO Committee will be updated and consulted regularly.

DC Elliston, RDAEP, EP Landscape Board and EPLGA with the support of Department of Environment and Water (DEW) have completed the pilot online booking system of two campsites, Sheringa Beach and Walker's Rock. The booking system used for DC Elliston is the same used for the State's National Parks providing a consistent look and feel for campers. Included in this agenda are updates from RDAEP and EP Landscapes that include an overview of the work undertaken to make the project a success. DC Elliston will also be providing an update. EPLGA receive all monies from campers and transfer the total amount to DC Elliston each month. There have been challenges learning new finance and booking systems and reconciling hundreds of small transactions.

The Bookeasy online booking platform is owned and operated by the EPLGA on behalf of member Councils. 100% of the funds collected are returned to Council minus credit card fees (25 cents per booking) and Bookeasy fees (2.5% - deferred for pilot). The Bookeasy platform setup costs and pilot fees (approx. \$10k) were paid for by Regional Development Australia Eyre Peninsula (RDAEP). DC Council of Elliston are participating in the online booking pilot as part of the Eyes on Eyre Project managed by RDAEP.

Bookings start at www.eyrepeninsula.com/camping



Shared Services

Shared Services is a LGASA Regional Capacity funded project. The Project Sponsor is Justin Commons, CEO of the City of Whyalla, and the project is delivered collectively by the EPLGA CEO Committee led by consultant Jeff Tate. The Shared Services Project has five stages:

- 1) Building a shared understanding and identifying what may work.
- 2) Agreeing on and establishing a small number of pilot services for analysis.
- 3) Undertaking Business Case Analyses (BCAs) for the pilot services.
- 4) Considering the BCAs and determining a path forward.
- 5) Draft, then final Report.

PROGRESS

Stages 1 and 2 have been completed. From these stages the services selected to be considered through a BCA template of Jeff Tate Consulting, adapted for the specific circumstances for the Eyre Peninsula Councils are Environmental Health, Building, Planning, and Strategic procurement.

The BCA template has three parts:

Part A - SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS (prepared by the consultants in conjunction with Working Groups of representatives of each Council)

- current services for each Council, what the services involve for each Council, documented or implied service standards, how the services are currently provided, plant and equipment used, expenditure and income, strengths, and weaknesses of current service delivery arrangements
- objectives and weightings of each Council for a potential service
- identification and assessment of the shared service or other collaborative opportunities
- selection of the preferred option.

Part B - SHARED SERVICE DESIGN (prepared by the consultants in conjunction with Working Groups of representatives of each Council)

- description of the proposed shared service/s or other forms of collaboration
- how legacy issues are to be managed
- structure and working arrangements
- resourcing
- plant and equipment
- start-up costs
- risks and opportunities
- implementation plan.
- annual budget

Part C - ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS (prepared by the consultants in conjunction with the CEOs of the Councils)

- assessment against objectives
- preparedness assessment
- recommendations.

The first three services have progressed to the most resource intensive part of the project which is the gathering and documentation of detailed data and information from the 11 Councils to include in Part A. Workshops are to be held at Wudinna on 23 and 24 November 2021 to review and validate the data and information gathered and work through the remaining aspects of Part A and some early work on Part B.

At the end of Part A, the CEOs reviewed the findings before Part B commences. Part B will involve further workshops which are likely to be online.

A different approach will be taken for strategic procurement given the detailed work on procurement by ArcBlue in 2014 for ten of the 11 Councils. The intention is that a workshop be held with the CEOs to review the findings of the ArcBlue report and identify opportunities to progress the recommendations (or variations of them) through a procurement working group with a life expected to be about 12 months.

In consultation with member Councils, Jeff Tate has written a draft EP shared services business case analyses (Part A) for Environment Health, Building and Planning. These drafts have been forwarded to Council staff in advance of a workshop with EP CEOs on Friday 18 February 2022 in Port Lincoln. Consideration of which shared service opportunities will be taken to the next stage (Part B Design of the BCA) was decided and the working groups involved to complete Part B. Paul Sutton, CEO of the City of Charles Sturt, shared his experiences with the delivery of shared services at the CEO workshop. Jeff Tate will provide and update at the Board meeting on February 28, 2022.

Jeff Tate subsequently completed the following documents for consultation with EP CEOs:

1. REPORT: COLLABORATION AND SHARED SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES - ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
2. EYRE PENINSULA COUNCILS SHARED SERVICES PROJECT WORKING PAPERS
3. EYRE PENINSULA COUNCILS SHARED SERVICES PROJECT: WORKING DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ACTIVITY GUIDELINES

The report is in 'CEO consultation draft' form with the final version to be issued after a workshop with the CEOs on 2 June 2022. The other two documents are in their final form, with some room to still adjust if necessary. The Working Draft Environmental Health Activity Guidelines document is largely complete and requires validation and possibly further detail from the EHOs in the region.

Jeff reports that: *there are definite opportunities for the EP Councils in further collaboration (including shared services for Environmental Health and Building). In relation to shared services, it will be helpful to look at things from the perspectives of both the potential host Councils as well as the potential recipient Councils. Some compromises and adjustments may be required along the way, but the options modelled in the report would have an underpinning of robust and sustainable models of service provision based on a partnering relationship rather than a transactional one.*

Regional Road Action Plan for SLRP Funding

Fit-for-Purpose Assessments

For each road identified as Regionally significant (Level 1) or Locally significant (Level 2), Councils were asked to advise on whether or not the road was considered to be 'Compliant' with the 'Fit-for-Purpose' guidelines provided by the Local Roads Advisory Panel in each of the four key categories:

- Speed Environment
- Dimensions
- Geometry
- Strength/Durability

Where, the road (or a section of the road) was considered non-compliant in a category, Councils were asked to advise whether they believed the deficiency was 'Minor' or 'Major' according to the definitions below:

- A "Minor Deficiency" is defined as failing to meet the fit-for-purpose standard, but not in such a way as to affect the functional performance of the road or its inherent safety for the road user or its economic value to council and the community.
- A "Major Deficiency" is defined as failing to meet the fit-for-purpose standard to such a degree that the road is unable to safely and/or economically perform its purpose(s), requiring constant intervention by the responsible Council using a suitable risk mitigation strategy. Such intervention may include a

recognised need for more major works in the short term to maintain a fit-for-purpose level.

Information was also sought on the nature of the deficiency. The template used is provided as Appendix B (<http://eplga.com.au/publications-2/>)

Following the fit-for-purpose assessments, each regional route (or section of route) is listed on one of the following three action plans. These Action Plans will support the ongoing process of prioritising road upgrade projects and funding submissions, such as for the Special Local Roads Program (SLRP), on a Region wide basis.

Action Plan 1 – Immediate Priority (0 to 3 Years)

Roads on this list are level 1 regional routes, and the following criteria must be met to be eligible for entry into Action Plan 1:

- exhibiting one or more deficiencies in fit-for-purpose standards,
- Upgrade of the roads must be included in the council's three-year capital works programs,
- Actual traffic count data for the route must be available, and
- Equivalent standard axles (ESA's) must be accurately calculated for freight routes.

Methodology for determining ESA's is described in AUSTROADS Guide to pavement Technology Part 2. If roads on this list extend across more than one Council area, there must be a written agreement between the subject Councils on the regional priority of the road, the need for the upgrade and the proposed standard/extent of the upgrade.

In order to prepare for the 2022 SLRP road funding submissions from the EPLGA member Councils, the following process has been undertaken;

- Email distribution to Council representatives in September 2021 providing a reminder of the Regional Road prioritisation process set out within the Eyre Peninsula Regional Roads Strategy (last updated May 2021), and setting out the process and timeline for preparation of 2022 submissions for funding applications.
- Follow-up meeting to run-through the above process and discuss any aspects with Council representatives – 18 November 2021.

The first step in the overall process is for each Council to review the current Action Plans within the Regional Transport Strategy and identify changes appropriate to their Council area. Changes might be triggered by;

- Material change in use or volumes on roads (eg; due to a development etc);
- Council now able to include a road upgrade within its 3 year capital works program;
- Additional data now available (eg; Traffic data now collected).

These changes are to be advised to SMEC by late February 2022 in order for SMEC to update the Regional Action Plans accordingly, ahead of the 28 February EPLGA Board Meeting .

To date, limited updates have been received. The current status of Action Plan 1, which sets out the high priority roads ready for funding consideration, is as follows;

Table 1 Road Action Plan 1

<i>Council</i>	<i>Road</i>	<i>Comment</i>
<i>DC Franklin Harbour</i>	<i>Cowell – Kimba Road</i>	<i>Stage 1 funded in 2021</i>
<i>DC Franklin Harbour</i>	<i>Lucky Bay Road</i>	
<i>DC Streaky Bay</i>	<i>Poochera – port Kenny Road</i>	
<i>DC Lower Eyre Peninsula</i>	<i>Bratten Way</i>	<i>Stages 1,2,3 and 4 funded over 2019, 2020, 2021</i>
<i>DC Lower Eyre Peninsula</i>	<i>Farm Beach Road</i>	
<i>DC Lower Eyre Peninsula</i>	<i>Airport Lane</i>	

Accordingly, approval is sought to seek initial submissions from relevant member Councils for all Action Plan 1 road projects by no later than 31 March 2022.

These submissions will be forwarded to SMEC for independent review and assessment in accordance with Section 6.4.1 of the Eyre Peninsula Regional Transport Strategy. This process will further prioritise the Action Plan 1 roads on a regional basis, in the event that sufficient SLRP funding for all applicant projects is not available / allocated. Following completion of this prioritisation process by mid-April, Councils were able to provide final submissions to the Local Government Transport Advisory Panel by the end of April.

Applications for SLRP have moved to an online smartygrants portal with applications closing 20 May 2022 with the following 3 Councils submitting applications:

- 1) DC Franklin Harbour – Cowell Kimba and Lucky Roads upgrade
- 2) DC Lower Eyre Peninsula – Bratten Way
- 3) DC Cleve - Ballumbah/Kinna Road

Timothy Warren, SMEC, Manager – Roads and Highways, is the EPLGA independent consultant who has been guiding Councils and will be providing an assessment of the applications to the EPLGA. The assessments will also be uploaded to the smartygrants portal.

Strategic Regional Plan (SRP) for Eyre Peninsula

The SRP is a living document which provides a wide range of stakeholders, potential investors and policymakers with a better understanding of the region - including strengths, challenges, needs - and strategic priorities that outline the region's future ambitions. The audience for the SRP includes communities, community organisations, private enterprise and all levels of government. An SRP should be complementary to the Eyre and Western Region Plan (soon to be updated by Planning SA) which guides development and fulfils the vision of the State Planning Policies.

Meetings have been held with the CEOs of RDAEP and Landscapes EP to discuss and plan for an updated SRP for Eyre Peninsula. The existing Regional Strategic Plan 2019, badged by RDAEP and EPLGA, will be reset and updated reflecting:

- Landscape South Australia Eyre Peninsula have released their Regional Landscape Plan 2021-2026 which builds on the participatory approach used to develop the region's previous plan which including extensive engagement with local communities, organisations and businesses about the places and issues of importance
- Regional Development Australia's new Charter requires RDAs to 'co-ordinate the development of a strategic regional plan, or work with suitable existing regional plans that will align with the Commonwealth's regional priorities'. As facilitators of economic development, RDAs have an important role to play in bringing stakeholders together under a common strategic plan for their region.

The SRP will demonstrate that the three Boards, all made up of local people from across Eyre Peninsula,

makes up the regional voice that is universally recognised as the best approach to regional improvement. Working together the three Boards are stronger.

Electric Vehicle charging

RAA has won a State Government grant worth more than \$12 million to create a statewide network of electric vehicle (EV) charging points along highways, regional cities, tourist destinations and Adelaide suburbs. Over the next two years, with partner Chargefox, 536 EV charging points at 140 new locations will be installed to create the state's first EV charging network. More than three-quarters of the new charge points will be in regional SA with 18 across Eyre Peninsula.

RDAEP and EPLGA have had two meetings with RAA about the program, charging locations and specifications. RAA will be undertaken further consultation with business and local government in the next few months.

HDS Regional Roads Report

The SAROC 2021/2022 Annual Business Plan included the Regional Local Road – Mapping and Priorities project. This was to continue to facilitate coordination between regional LGAs to prepare a SAROC SA Regional Local Road Priorities report that will enable a cross regional approach to support funding applications to State and Federal Government based on an agreed priority list.

HDS were contracted to develop a state-wide, regional mapping activity and priority report based on the current developed local road plans that identify local road priorities. This is to be designed to assist with developing funding proposals via the Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program, the Better Regions Fund, the Regional Black Spot Fund and/or a specific infrastructure approach to State and Federal Governments. It will also be used to assist with lobbying for equity in funding to Regional Councils.

All the maps have been uploaded to QGIS Cloud - similar to the "Location SA Viewer" online database maintained by the state government as a publicly accessible resource. The login has been forwarded to all CEOs, Mayors and Works Managers enabling wholistic viewing of the state's regional road network. The draft report has been circulated and the updated report with draft watermark removed will be circulated when available.

Jetties Working Group Update

The issue of jetties funding around the State was a key issue in the LGA State election platform and the LGA is continuing to advocate on that basis: <https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/local-voices>

On 26 April 2022, the LGA President, Angela Evans, wrote to the new Treasurer, Stephen Mullighan MP, highlighting the urgent need for an immediate injection of funding into jetties around the State, and the need for the draft Jetties Strategic Plan to be released. No response has yet been received. The LGA Secretariat has also made application through the Local Government Research and Development Scheme (LGR&DS) to fund a research project to provide a sound evidence base about the historic and unique value of South Australian jetties, as well as a cost benefit analysis. This research would support the LGA's advocacy on this issue. The LGA is planning to bring together the Working Group, seeking some new members as part of the process, to provide guidance on the LGR&DS project (if successful), as well as on the advocacy issue generally.

Letter to Environment, Resources and Development Committee

The EPLGA has written to the ERD Committee regarding: Coastal Planning – Interaction between land tenure and Relevant Authority. The letter and associated documents are attached under separate cover. The ERD Committee terms of reference is to: *Investigate matters relating to the environment, land use conservation and transport. [a] to inquire into, consider and report on such of the following matters as are referred to it under this Act: i.any matter concerned with the environment or how the quality of the environment might be protected or improved; ii.any matter concerned with the resources of the State or how they might be better conserved or utilised; iii.any matter concerned with planning, land use or transportation; iv.any matter concerned with the general development of the State; [b] to perform such other functions as are imposed on the Committee under this or any other Act or by resolution of both Houses.*

Reformed on 3 May 2022 for the 55th Parliament, the new Presiding Member is Ms Jayne Stinson.

Public Lighting Working Group

The EPLGA EO is a member of the Public Lighting Working Group (PLWG).

Recent street lighting audits undertaken by various councils identified that there are approximately 7,000 council-owned lights located on main roads under the control of the Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT). Discussions between councils, DIT and SA Power Networks, convened through the LGA's Public Lighting Working Group, have confirmed that a number of Councils have lighting assets located on DIT roads. It is thought that these lights are the result of decisions made many years ago, before responsibilities for street lighting were clearly defined. The operating and maintenance costs of

these lights are currently being borne entirely by each Council.

The majority of council-owned lights on DIT roads are approaching their end of asset life and require replacement. The LGA is therefore seeking to reach agreement with DIT, as the responsible authority, on a plan for managing the replacement of these lights so as to not compromise road safety and so that Councils do not continue to incur unreasonable charges for managing these assets. DIT's position is that transfer of ownership would depend on the relevant lights meeting the appropriate lighting standards prior to transfer and that DIT does not have funding available to undertake any necessary upgrades for those lights that do not comply with the standards.

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES

EPLGA core activities have always included lobbying to State and Federal Government about legislation and policy changes that may have an impact on our region. This year ongoing concerns and/or participation have been with the following matters:

SUMMARY OF OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Natural Resources Management – joint partnership planning, delivery of services.
- Regional Recognition/Lobbying – ongoing on various matters as they arise.
- Emergency Management – regional planning and Council planning, followed by implementation.
- Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act Implementation.
- Coastal Access issues, development of a Coastal Alliance – state-wide.
- Various roads and waste issues – regional road strategy review.
- Regional Capacity Funding – General funding.
- Marine Infrastructure Planning – DPTI, jetty leases, etc.
- SAROC – meetings and regional Executive Officers’ meetings.
- Mobile phone black spots - applications.
- Water planning – state of the resource, etc.
- Energy planning – resulting from blackouts – renewables, transmission upgrade consultation, hydrogen trial plant, etc.
- Regional planning – JPB, RDAEP, EPNRM, DPTI, etc.
- Financial assistance and supplementary road funding – ongoing issues of South Australia’s injustice.
- Health – local sub-regional issues, public health planning, doctors shortages etc.

- Roadside Native Vegetation – regional planning and management issues.
- Tourism – RDAEP - restructure to sub-regional groups, Food and Tourism Prospectus, RV, Coastal Access and Caravan Strategy, Eyes on Eyre etc.
- Aged Care at the local Council level – Council’s role.
- NHVR impacts on farm machinery movements.
- Transport Plan and SLRP prioritisation and funding applications.
- Joint submissions with RDAEP on various issues.

PLANS, PROGRAMS AND REPORTS – CURRENT STATUS

CORPORATE Plan 2020 – 24

The Council Mayors and Chief Executive Officers of the EPLGA have contributed to the development of the EPLGA Corporate Plan. It was clear from responses to our 2015 survey that the member Councils placed great importance on the following:

- *advocacy (and representation) – the EPLGA being the principal regional advocate for Local Government in the region;*
- *governance – continuing to ensure that our business is conducted in accordance with the law and proper standards;*
- *member services – the EPLGA to continue to provide member support services as they are needed; and*
- *outreach services – connecting Councils with desirable services offered by the LGA of SA.*

To avoid confusion between the Business Plan prepared by respective Councils, the EPLGA uses the term ‘Management Plan or Corporate Plan’.

The Management Plan is for the period 2020-2024 and reviewed annually, incorporating an updated annual work plan and budget for the current year. It also includes the current strategic directions of the EPLGA for that period. Each year through the Annual Business Plan process the Corporate Plan Strategies and Actions are refined to those still outstanding or ongoing strategies and actions.

MANAGEMENT PLAN PERFORMANCE

Goal Area 1.1 Advocacy and Representation

Core Activities

- 1.1.1 Represent and strengthen the common values of members
- 1.1.2 Represent members and regional objectives in engagement and liaison with key stakeholder agencies – e.g., LGA, DIT, PIRSA, AGP Plus
- 1.1.3 Provide a lobbying platform to promote the interests and issues of member Councils to other levels of government

Comments:

Advocacy and representation are demonstrated through lobbying of other levels of government, which occurs as and when needed and often through the SAROC, LGA Board and in collaboration with the other regional organisations. Matters requiring lobbying this financial year included:

- **Regional Landscape Plan**
- **Marine Scale Fish Fishery Reform**
- **Eyes on Eyre Stage 2**
- **Local Government Transport Advisory Panel - Special Local Roads Funding**

Strategic Actions

- 1.1.4 Develop effective working relationships between the EPLGA and member Councils and external stakeholder agencies and organisations
- 1.1.5 Develop key EPLGA messages to demonstrate maximum alignment to the State Strategic Plan and Economic Priorities,

in particular economic reform and jobs, climate change and renewable energy

- 1.1.6 Develop the understanding of, and commitment to, mutuality of interests to optimise benefit for member Councils across the region from advocacy and partnerships
- 1.1.7 Lead the completion of the Economic Development Strategy and Regional Strategic Plan and identify and lead the development of regional strategic responses to key issues as and when required.

Comments: EPLGA have entered into a unique shared services agreement with Regional Development Australia Eyre Peninsula for the services of the EO. Reducing costs for both organisations, the shared service is working well and reinforces the cooperation across economic development and local government issues.

Goal Area 1.2 Governance

Core Activities

- 1.2.1 Comply with legislative requirements
- 1.2.2 Identify and pursue the resourcing needs of members
- 1.2.3 Manage EPLGA financial and other resources for maximum member benefit, and based on the principle that recurrent operational expenses must be funded by recurrent operational revenue

Comments:

Compliance met.

Strategic Actions

- 1.2.4 Investigate and identify options to improve local government and regional governance, including alternative governance models, strategic planning, and land use planning for the region

- 1.2.5 Assist member Councils in meeting legislative compliance
- 1.2.6 Develop and manage formal alliance and partnership arrangements with partner agencies and entities– e.g. RDAEP and EP Landscape Board.
- 1.2.7 Pursue collaborative initiatives with partner agencies – e.g. joint submissions on strategic issues with RDAEP and EP Landscape Board.

Comments:

Shared Services project led by City of Whyalla has progressed. The staff committees are useful in this process. The other regional organisations are encouraged to work closely with member Councils and to investigate opportunities for region wide projects to maximise procurement benefits, etc.

Goal Area 1.3 Member Services

Core Activities

- 1.3.1 Maintain the cycle of quarterly meetings to enable collective decision-making and enhance member networking
- 1.3.2 Maintain and support members with the coordination of the annual conference
- 1.3.3 Identify resourcing gaps and needs, and pursue resolutions to key issues in liaison with members
- 1.3.4 Facilitate initiatives to attract funding and investment
- 1.3.5 Provide advisory and support services to Elected Members
- 1.3.6 Coordinate strategic meetings and presentations on key issues; including the provision of key speakers to provide information, contact and support services
- 1.3.7 Coordinate delivery of Council-supported training and development initiatives in the region

Comments:

All core activities are being met at a regional level which brings considerable savings to individual Councils.

Strategic Actions

- 1.3.8 Continue to facilitate the activities of the EP Mineral & Energy Resources Community Development Taskforce.
- 1.3.9 Develop value-added services for member Councils, based on collective or regional value and cost-benefit
- 1.3.10 Facilitate and promote the development of shared procurement initiatives.
- 1.3.11 Facilitate the development of a regional transport strategy, including the identification of road priorities and road funding proposals.
- 1.3.12 Establish and facilitate specialised interest groups, such as Council works managers and compliance staff.
- 1.3.13 Maintain communications with member Councils and the regional community through media releases, website, newsletter and formal means of communication.
- 1.3.14 Establish an annual business (work) plan for the Executive Officer to manage and report against.

Comments:

Shared procurement services is difficult in such a large region, however the CEOs continue to work together on LG procurement council requirements and shared services in planning to complement the implementation of the updated Planning and Development Act.

Regional communications with Councils and other groups is mainly carried out through emails, media releases, staff meetings etc.

RDAEP and the EPNRM Board have, over the last 12 months, worked with the EPLGA and member Councils to add value to regional projects like Eyes on Eyre, where all parties benefit.

Staff regional committees assist in developing and refining regional strategy recommendation to the EPLGA Board.

EPLGA COMMITTEE REPORTS

All Committee minutes are on the EPLGA website for viewing via the following link: -
<http://eplga.com.au/>

USE OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The following audited statement indicates another year of sound financial performance.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Scope

We have reviewed the attached special purpose financial report for the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association for the year ended 30th June 2022.

The responsibility of the members of the Board for the financial report

The members of the board of the entity are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report. The Board's responsibility also includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian auditing standards. These auditing standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by members, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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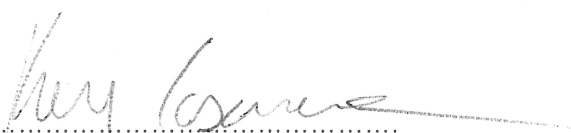
The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the Boards' financial reporting responsibilities. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional accounting bodies.

Audit opinion

In our the financial report presents fairly the financial position of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association at 30th June 2022 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.


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Kerry Casanova
Certified Practising Accountant

Dated this 20th day of August 2022

Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association
ABN 90 992 364 300

Financial Statements
For the year ended 30 June 2022

Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association

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Income and Expenditure Statement For the year ended 30 June 2022

		2022 \$	2021 \$
Income			
Grants Recieved	2	75,863.44	74,415.00
Membership Fees	3	199,187.00	199,187.00
Interest Received		3,094.11	3,259.00
Reg Economic Dev Showcase & Conference		-	133,386.00
Project Income - EP Councils		-	1,000.00
Reimbursable Expenses		60,074.32	59,544.00
Camp Booking Receipts		50,502.07	-
Non Operating Income		-	18,552.00
Total income		<u>388,720.94</u>	<u>489,343.00</u>
Expenses			
Administration		12,023.18	15,641.84
Audit Fees		1,770.00	1,690.00
Bank Fees & Charges		78.50	106.00
Camp Bookings Outgoings		51,057.08	-
Computer Expenses		4,238.88	5,382.00
Depreciation - Plant		408.00	-
Employment Expenses		158,937.92	161,070.00
Insurance		6,488.75	6,180.00
Meeting Expenses		17,327.83	5,238.00
President's Expenses		2,250.00	2,250.00
Project Expenditure	4	77,590.31	228,401.00
Secretarial Services		19,000.00	19,000.00
Telephone		668.74	702.00
Travel, accommodation & conference		7,362.30	2,376.00
Total expenses		<u>359,201.49</u>	<u>448,036.84</u>
Profit from ordinary activities before income tax		29,519.45	41,306.16
Income tax revenue relating to ordinary activities		-	-
Net profit attributable to the association		29,519.45	41,306.16
Total changes in equity of the association		29,519.45	41,306.16
Opening retained profits		388,255.16	346,949.00
Net profit attributable to the association		<u>29,519.45</u>	<u>41,306.16</u>
Closing retained profits		417,774.61	388,255.16

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2022

		2022	2021
		\$	\$
Current Assets			
Cash Assets			
Bank SA Society Cheque Account	5	79,845.08	52,331.95
Bendigo Bank Term Deposit		167,028.78	166,529.51
LGFA		264,600.73	312,023.95
		<u>511,474.59</u>	<u>530,885.41</u>
Receivables			
Debtors		<u>15,018.58</u>	<u>14,945.08</u>
		<u>15,018.58</u>	<u>14,945.08</u>
Current Tax Assets			
GST payable control account		5,023.40	12,622.00
GST payable adjustment control account		(1,135.66)	-
Integrated Client Account		<u>120.00</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u>4,007.74</u>	<u>12,622.00</u>
Other			
Prepayments		2,682.25	1,622.00
Accrued Income		<u>291.35</u>	<u>273.29</u>
		<u>2,973.60</u>	<u>1,895.29</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>533,474.51</u>	<u>560,347.78</u>
Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant and Equipment			
Plant & equipment (cost)		3,808.18	-
Less: Accumulated depreciation		<u>(408.00)</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u>3,400.18</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Non-Current Assets		<u>3,400.18</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Assets		<u>536,874.69</u>	<u>560,347.78</u>

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Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2022

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Net Assets	417,774.61	388,255.16
 <i>Members' Funds</i>		
Accumulated surplus (deficit)	417,774.61	388,255.16
Total Members' Funds	417,774.61	388,255.16

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 30 June 2022

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Board and the Members of the association. The Board has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets. The statements are prepared on an accruals basis.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

(a) Employee Benefits

Provision is made in respect of the association's liability for annual and long service leave at balance date. Long service leave is accrued from an employee's start date. Leave provision is based on current wages as at reporting date and does not include on-costs.

(b) Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Plant & Equipment is carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

(c) Operating Grants and Project Funding

When the association receives grant and funding revenue it recognises revenue upon receipt of those funds. At the end of the reporting period the association recognises a liability for unspent funding by an adjustment to the project expenditure accounts in the Statement of Income & Expenditure.

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2022

2021

Note 2: Grants Received

LGA of SA - Regional Capacity	58,863	42,151
LGA of SA - Youth-led Recovery	4,000	32,264
Green Industries SA	13,000	-
	75,863	74,415

Note 3: Membership Fees

DC of Ceduna	16,733	16,733
DC of Cleve	14,262	14,262
DC of Elliston	13,276	13,276
DC of Franklin Harbour	12,922	12,922
DC of Kimba	13,011	13,011
Wudinna District Council	13,264	13,264
DC of Lower Eyre Peninsula	19,474	19,474
DC of Streaky Bay	15,111	15,111
DC of Tumby Bay	15,781	15,781
City of Whyalla	36,524	36,524
City of Port Lincoln	28,829	28,829
	199,187	199,187

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2022

2021

Note 4: Project Expenditure

Unspent Funds at 1 July	(134,008)	(269,900)
Coastal Council Alliance	17,372	2,902
Regional Committees Support	-	2,277
Forums & Conferences	-	11,992
CWMS Users Group	-	1,000
Joint Building Fire Safety	1,650	8,132
Regional Transport Strategy	15,150	2,800
Regional Safety Focus	-	20,899
Roadside Veg-Gap and Options	-	3,000
Showcase & Conference	-	191,427
Streamlining Admin Services	-	49,500
Tourism/Signage/Promotions	658	36,364
UniSA Masters Student Program	-	4,000
Youth-led Recovery	6,264	30,000
EPLGA Strategic Plan	14,000	-
Governance and Planning Reform	2,400	-
Regional Governance - JPB Support	2,500	-
Regional Planning - General	1,500	-
Shared Services	38,840	-
Regional Waste Strategy	17,334	-
Online Booking System Campsites	11,650	-
Unspent Funds at 30 June	82,280	134,008
	77,590	228,401

Note 5: Cash assets

Bank SA Society Cheque Account	79,845.08	52,331.95
Bendigo Bank Term Deposit	167,028.78	166,529.51
LGFA	264,600.73	312,023.95
	511,474.59	530,885.41

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Depreciation Schedule for the year ended 30 June, 2022

	Total	Priv	OWDV	DISPOSAL		ADDITION		Value	DEPRECIATION			Priv	CWDV	PROFIT		LOSS	
				Date	Consid	Date	Cost		T	Rate	Deprec			Upto	Above	Total	-
Plant & Equipment																	
Asus Vivobook Laptop	1,727	0.00	0		0	10/02/22	1,727	1,727	D	40.00	267	0	1,460	0	0	0	0
Epson 3LCD Data Projector	818	0.00	0		0	10/02/22	818	818	D	40.00	126	0	692	0	0	0	0
Google Pixel 6 Mobile Phone	1,263	0.00	0		0	20/06/22	1,263	1,263	D	40.00	15	0	1,248	0	0	0	0
	3,808		0		0		3,808	3,808			408	0	3,400				
								Deduct Private Portion			0						
								Net Depreciation			408						

These financial statements are unaudited. They must be read in conjunction with the attached Accountant's Compilation Report and Notes which form part of these financial statements.

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Statement by Members of the Board

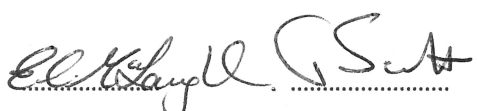
For the year ended 30 June 2022

The Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Board the Income and Expenditure Statement, Statement of Financial Position, and Notes to the Financial Statements:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association as at 30 June 2022 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board and is signed for and on behalf of the Board by:

signed		
position	President EPLGA	Exec Officer
date	2/9/22	2/9/22

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.