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Message from the Mayor and CEO



The spring/summer edition of The Communicator is, as always, jam packed with information relevant to you, your community and your Council.

Much has happened since our winter edition of The Communicator was released with significant progress on the following fronts:

- delivery of an unprecedented \$4.7 million capital program which includes the freight link upgrade of Shannon Road, Dublin
- an announcement of \$11 million by the Federal Government being injected into the Urban Employment precinct at Carlsruhe Road and Port Wakefield Road, Dublin
- delivery of \$1 million grant funds under the Drought Communities Programme which is being rolled out across a dozen community-related projects
- an announcement by Catholic Education South Australia to build a new reception to year 12 school at Two Wells, to be opened in 2021
- establishment of an independent Business Advisory Group on the Adelaide Plains
- stage 1 residential land release at Liberty, Two Wells
- completion of the Northern Adelaide Irrigation Scheme
- two further Community Engagement Forums at Two Wells and Mallala
- commencement of Council's Strategic Plan review

It has been a frantic period indeed and we take this opportunity to acknowledge the hard work of Elected Members and staff - it is hard to believe that twelve months has already elapsed since the local government elections were held!

2020 promises to see more activity and as we close out 2019, and on behalf of all at the Adelaide Plains Council, we wish you a safe and relaxing festive period and a prosperous 2020.

Enjoy the read, folks.

Mark Wasley
Mayor

James Miller
Chief Executive Officer

Reminder: To continue receiving Council's Communicator Newsletter

Please contact Council to let us know how you would like to receive the Communicator moving forward, or if you would no longer wish to receive the Communicator at all.

Please see page 6 for more information.

Public Consultation

Rural Property Addressing Policy

Adelaide Plains Council invites submissions in relation to its Rural Property Addressing Policy, which has recently been reviewed.

The Rural Addressing Project is a joint state and local government initiative aimed to provide all occupied rural properties in South Australia with a nationally consistent numbered address to assist emergency services and other service providers to find homes and businesses in regional South Australia quickly and easily.

Council's Rural Property Addressing Policy was originally adopted in 2012. No major changes are proposed for the Policy.

A copy of the Draft Revised Rural Property Addressing Policy can be viewed on Council's website apc.sa.gov.au, at Council's Principal Office (2a Wasleys Road Mallala) and the Two Wells Service Centre (Old Port Wakefield Road, Two Wells). Written submissions must be received by **5pm on Thursday 12 December 2019** addressed to:

Adelaide Plains Council
Feedback – Rural Property Addressing Policy
By post: PO Box 18, MALLALA SA 5502
Or by email: info@apc.sa.gov.au

Note: All written submissions will become public record, including forming part of a report to Council. Please indicate in your submission if you wish your correspondence to remain confidential or anonymous for the purposes of a report to Council.

Enquiries relating to the Draft Revised Rural Property Addressing Policy may be directed to Robert Veitch, General Manager, Development and Community at info@apc.sa.gov.au or (08) 8527 0200.

Road and Public Places Naming Policy

Adelaide Plains Council invites submissions in relation to its Road and Public Places Naming Policy, which has been reviewed in accordance with Section 219 of the Local Government Act 1999.

Under this Act, Council has the power to assign a name, or change the name of:

- a public road
- a private road, and
- a public place.

Council must assign a name to each public road created by land division. The Road and Public Places Naming Policy includes appropriate name sources for road and public place names as well as the principles and standards for assigning names.

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Adelaide Plains Council 2019 By-law Review

In accordance with Section 249(1) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Adelaide Plains Council gives notice of its intention to make the following By-laws as part of its 2019 By-law Review.

Motor Cycle Amenity By-law 2019

To protect and enhance the amenity of the area of the Council arising from the use of motor cycles on local government land (excluding roads) and private land.

Members of the community are invited to provide feedback on the proposed by-law to assist Council in its decision making. Feedback may be provided in writing addressed to the Compliance Officer, Adelaide Plains Council, PO Box 18 MALLALA SA 5502 or by email to info@apc.sa.gov.au.

Copies of the proposed by-law are available for inspection, free of charge, during normal business hours from the Council's principal office at 2a Wasleys Road Mallala, the Two Wells Service centre at 69 Old Port Wakefield Road Two Wells and Council's website apc.sa.gov.au from Wednesday 20 November 2019.

All Feedback must be received by close of business on **Wednesday 11 December 2019**.

For any information on the By-Law Review please contact the Compliance Officer on 8527 0200.

Rates by Email

Council remains actively committed to providing easily accessible options for ratepayers to receive their rates notices.

Council has recently introduced the distribution of rates notices by email as an option, and invites its residents to register to receive their rates notices electronically, either by:

1. Email – send a request to: info@apc.sa.gov.au or
2. Council's website – visit apc.sa.gov.au/RatesbyEmail and fill in the online form

When registering you will be asked to provide the following information:

1. A current email address
2. Information from your rates notice:
 - a. Your assessment number
 - b. Names that appear on the rate notice
 - c. Property address
3. A contact number (Should the email not be sent)

You can cancel email delivery of your rate notice anytime by submitting a request to info@apc.sa.gov.au.

Please Note: Residents who register for email rates notices will continue to receive their paper notices on an interim basis while we introduce this program.

Residents who elect not to use email to receive their rates are assured that the postage of rates notices will continue to occur.

Community Engagement Forum

Mallala Football Club Monday 11 November 2019

Adelaide Plains Council's initiative to hold three Community Engagement Forums across the region each year has proved successful, with the final forum for 2019 held at the Mallala Football Club on Monday 11 November 2019.

Approximately 40 people were in attendance, including community members, Council Members and Council staff. "As with previous forums, it was well attended, with interested residents having the opportunity to discuss current issues in an informal setting", said Mayor Wasley. It was another wonderful opportunity for Council to provide accurate and timely information to the community face-to-face.

The recent forum was constructive, with the following common themes emerging from community the community:

- Adelaide Plains Council – Strategic Plan 2020-2024
- Draft Motor Cycle Amenity By-Law
- Waste collection/dumping
- Waste transfer stations

Council is committed to working with the community; we value all feedback and encourage two-way communication with our residents and ratepayers. Reflecting on the forum, Mayor Wasley said, "Information collated from the forum will assist elected members in making future decisions relating to Council's budget and strategic planning".

A report will be presented to Council in early 2020, at which time a review of Council's Community Engagement Strategy (Forums Across Adelaide Plains Council) will be undertaken. A copy of the current Community Engagement Strategy is available on Council's website, at apc.sa.gov.au/CEF.

Community Car

Council is a partner council with the Mid North Community Passenger Network (MNCNP). The MNCNP provides a transport service for residents who are not able to access transport for medical and health appointments. Transport may also be arranged for shopping, banking, hairdressing and social appointments or visiting friends (conditions apply).

Community cars are based within each region, with the Council car based in Mallala. The cars are driven by volunteers who chose to give their time, energy, skills and experience to help others. A small fee is charged, based on distance travelled. Carers may travel free with the client. A wheelchair accessible vehicle can be booked, pending availability. For further information or to book the car, please contact the Mid North Community Passenger Network direct on 8842 1677.



**Adelaide
Plains
Council**

COMMUNITY BUS

The Adelaide Plains Council provides a monthly Community Bus service to the Elizabeth City Centre on the third Friday of each month.

Departing Mallala, the bus travels to Elizabeth via Parham, Two Wells and Lewiston.

Additional stops along the normal travel route including Dublin, Lower Light and Lewiston may be added to suit passenger needs
(by arrangement ONLY)

2019 COMMUNITY BUS TIMETABLE

JAN 18

FEB 15

MAR 15

APR 12*

MAY 17

JUN 21

JUL 19

AUG 16

SEPT 20

OCT 18

NOV 15

DEC 20

***PLEASE NOTE:**

DUE TO EASTER PUBLIC HOLIDAY
THE BUS WILL RUN ON
FRIDAY 12 APRIL

BUS DEPARTS:

- 9.00am - Mallala Post Office
- 9.20am - Pt Parham Sports & Social Club
- 9.45am - Two Wells Motel

ESTIMATED ARRIVAL:

- 10.15am - Elizabeth City Centre

RETURN BUS DEPARTS:

- 3.00pm - Elizabeth City Centre

Return bus travels same route in reverse.

Return Trip \$5.00 per person.

Children under 16 may travel free
but must be accompanied by an adult.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

For further information or to book your seat please
contact Council. **Tel 8527 0200**

A million reasons to smile

THERE are one million reasons for the communities of Adelaide Plains Council (APC) to smile after the announcement of \$1m grant funding from the Federal Government's Drought Communities Programme.

The programme supports communities impacted by drought through funding local community infrastructure and other drought relief projects. The \$1m will be used to deliver 13 community projects to be completed by June 30, 2020, with co-contributions from the various groups and other grants, totalling \$789,841.

The 13 successful community projects being funded include Mallala and Long Plains netball clubs for facility upgrade/resurfacing, up-grades to Dublin Cricket Clubroom (stage one), Parham Campground and Historic Wells Reserve at Two Wells, artificial turf at Two Wells Bowling Club, Mallala Campground redevelopment, development of dog park and equine facility at Lewiston, Moquet Lee Pinery Fire Memorial, shed redevelopment for Thompson Beach Progress Association, mental health workshops, and programme coordinator, along with funding for council sustainability infrastructure improvements (such as solar panels on council owned buildings, efficient lighting and water saving devices), and a celebratory event upon completion of projects.

The projects will increase employment, stimulate the local economy and result in improvements to local facilities and amenities for the council area.

"The programme was introduced at a much needed time for our community, with some funding projects having been in the pipeline for 15 years," APC mayor, Mark Wasley said.

"APC is excited about the wonderful opportunity the Drought Communities Programme provides for our community."

DUBLIN CRICKET CLUB

Dublin Cricket Club is very happy to receive funding to start work on stage one of its club room upgrade.

The project should be completed by June next year, and includes building framework, concrete flooring, plumbing and electrical works, a new kitchen or servery area, and tiling.

Dublin Cricket Club secretary, Chris Mason, welcomed the funding, and said the project has been in the works for some time. "This funding will ensure the club can provide a community facility that will not only benefit the cricket club but also the local community."

Project coordinator, David Cowell, hopes the programme meets the community's expectations. "The community projects are very exciting, and the programme provides the spring in my step when I get out of bed in the morning," he said.

It is also anticipated further value-adding to the projects will occur through both financial and in-kind contributions from local community groups and council, which will result in a total of approximately \$1.8m of economic investment being rolled out over the next nine months.

APC recently held information workshops at Mallala and Two Wells for local business representatives as part of the Drought Communities Programme. The sessions involved discussion on criteria, procurement processes and risk assessments, and APC identified several businesses that will be engaged with the community groups to assist in delivering the \$1.8m worth of projects.

"We thank the Federal Government for the substantial benefits this funding opportunity will bring to our council area," APC CEO James Miller said.

"It is critical we support our small business sector through stream-lined procurement processes and engagement of local services and products."

"I encourage all of our small businesses to ensure they are on our business list to be included and benefit from this exciting program where possible."

APC would like to involve as many local businesses as possible to support its commitment to economic investment in the region, so if you missed the sessions and would like to register your business, please visit APC's website at apc.sa.gov.au/businessregistration

MALLALA NETBALL CLUB

BACK in 2015-16, then president of Mallala Netball Club, Sonia Angus, investigated the possibility of having the courts resurfaced, but was unsuccessful with grant funding.

However, some four years later, Sonia was thrilled to learn funding from the Drought Communities Programme will now bring the plan to fruition.

The project, which incorporates tennis courts, will include new light poles and cages, eight sports floodlights, electrical installation, six netball, eight tennis and two basketball sleeves, and a new cushioned surface.

MOQUET LEE MEMORIAL

Moquet Lee Memorial was established for the farming community as a regional memorial of the Pinery fire.

Project coordinator, Peter March, said the memorial has been in the pipelines for three years, and is expected to be opened officially on November 25, the anniversary of the 2015 fire.

The project includes sealing the parking areas, solid access to the water tank, and memorial display boards.

A new way forward for Adelaide Plains Council

Council is creating a new vision and a new five-year Strategic Plan for its communities.

The ambition is to establish a plan that reflects the expectations of residents, businesses and visitors while providing direction, setting priorities, informing decisions and guiding resource allocation for Council.

This is not the first Council Strategic Plan. All councils must develop Strategic Plans for at least four years into the future. It is a requirement of the Local Government Act that a Strategic Plan is developed and adopted by a council within 2 years of a general election.

On review of the current Strategic Plan (2017-2020), both Council and the community can be proud of achieving 47 out of 50 priority projects and services; a result that demonstrates a track record of Council delivering what it sets out to achieve.

The creation of a new Strategic Plan (2020-2024) comes at a critical point in time for a community forecast to experience rapid economic, social and physical change that includes:

- Greater than average population growth which could see over 300 new people join our community each year long into the future
- Increasing demands for retail and recreation services and facilities for the growing number of families attracted to the Adelaide Plains
- Increasing demands for housing and accommodation to support older residents retire in the community
- Demands for public infrastructure to support the continued growth of the Council's strengthening primary industries

Have your say, be involved and help Council create a new vision and set priorities for action for the next five years

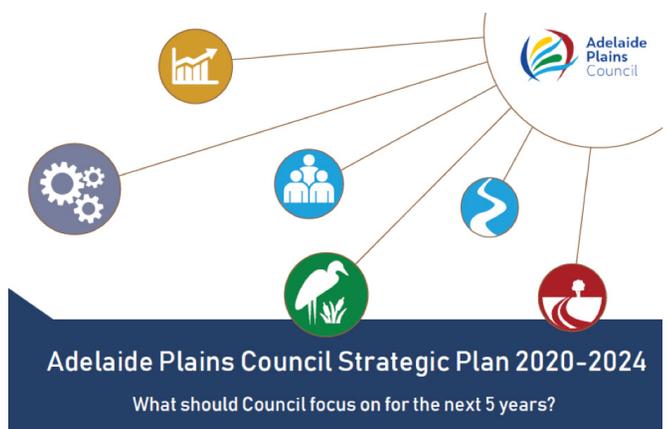
- Desire to improve the tourism experience to attract greater visitor expenditure
- Protection and promotion of heritage and character as townships and neighbourhoods change
- Restoration and promotion of Council's globally significant coastal habitats
- Critical investment in flood prevention and implementation of emergency response systems, and
- Management of increasing domestic and commercial waste including kerbside rubbish collection and improved waste water systems.

This presents a significant challenge and opportunity for Council and the community. Therefore, Council is embarking on a rigorous consultation campaign to understand what the community believes Elected Members should be focussing on for the next five years.

Everyone is encouraged to have their say.

You can help Council set a vision and priorities for the next five years by filling out a survey available at the Mallala and Two Wells Council Offices and Libraries or provide feedback direct via surveymonkey.com/r/APC-CommunitySurvey.

Council will use your feedback to draft its Strategic Plan 2020-2024 for presentation back to the community.



Thank you to everyone who has contacted Council so far, to let us know how you would like to receive the Communicator moving forward. The Communicator will no longer be automatically posted out to every property in the area. To continue receiving the Communicator, please contact Council and register for either the:

- postal list; or
- electronic document (email) list

You may contact Council by post, phone, email or website:
Post: PO BOX 18, Mallala South Australia 5502
Phone: (08) 8527 0200
Email: info@apc.sa.gov.au Website: apc.sa.gov.au

Shannon Road

WORKS ON TARGET

The sealing of Shannon Road, a major thoroughfare for livestock transport in the district, should be completed by Christmas, according to Adelaide Plains Council's team leader, civil construction and maintenance, Scott Woodcock.

The upgrade will result in an 11-metre wide road formation, with an eight-metre bitumen seal and appropriate line marking.

The upgrade of Shannon Road will improve overall safety, provide better access for larger heavy vehicles and ultimately, 'open' the area for further employment and agribusiness expansion.

Mr Woodcock confirmed technical data and surveys have been received, while shoulder widening and tree trimming is nearing completion before road construction begins in coming weeks.

He hoped with crews freed up from other sites, that earth works will start on Shannon Road in November. Final completion of the project will be subject to contractor availability and weather.

While the majority of the Shannon Road upgrade will be spray sealed, the intersection of Dublin and Shannon Road will be sealed with asphalt.

The project is one of several major items on one of the biggest works programs Mr Woodcock has seen. "I've been here about a year and a half, and when I inherited the role, I could see there was a fair bit of catching up to do," he said. "So when I presented my proposed program, I was amazed at how keen council and management were to accommodate it.

"I'm very complimentary of our management, the CEO and the elected members, as it's so refreshing to work with a positive group, and that all filters down to us."

Australia Day 2020

Come along and join the celebrations at our annual

Australia Day Breakfast

Sunday 26 January 2020

Mallala Oval Complex MALLALA

Breakfast served from 8am followed by presentation of the Australia Day Awards and a Citizenship Ceremony.

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HAVE YOUR SAY ON SOUTH AUSTRALIA'S DRAFT PLANNING AND DESIGN CODE

The Planning and Design Code (the Code) is the cornerstone of South Australia's new planning and development system and will offer a single set of planning policies for assessing applications across the state.

The changes to the Code will replace the 72 Development Plans that are currently in use across the state and offer a single, consolidated set of planning 'rules' when building a house, developing a business, or progressing large commercial developments.



More information on the above is available at: www.saplanningportal.sa.gov.au/have_your_say

Email: dpti.planningreform@sa.gov.au
Hotline: 1800 318 102



Government of South Australia

Special guest Australia Day Ambassador

All welcome . BYO chair



Australia Day
Australia Day Council
of South Australia



Christmas & New Year Opening Hours

Council Administration Offices

CLOSED 5.00pm on Friday 20 December 2019
OPEN 9.00am on Monday 6 January 2020

Kerbside Waste Collections

Please **place bin out the night before**

RECYCLING

Mon 23 Dec Normal collection service
Tues 24 Dec Normal collection service
Wed 25 Dec NO COLLECTION
Thurs 26 Dec Collection of Wednesday's run
Fri 27 Dec Collection of Thursday's run

GENERAL WASTE

Mon 30 Dec Normal collection service
Tues 31 Dec Normal collection service
Wed 1 Jan NO COLLECTION
Thurs 2 Jan Collection of Wednesday's run
Fri 3 Jan Collection of Thursday's run

Transfer Station

TWO WELLS

Sat 21 Dec OPEN
Sun 22 Dec OPEN
Wed 25 Dec CLOSED
Sat 28 Dec CLOSED
Sun 29 Dec CLOSED
Wed 1 Jan CLOSED
Sat 4 Jan OPEN

Libraries

MALLALA

CLOSED 12pm Wed 18 Dec 2019
OPEN 10am Wed 8 Jan 2020

TWO WELLS

CLOSED 12pm Fri 20 Dec 2019
OPEN 9am Tues 7 Jan 2020

**Council related
EMERGENCIES**
 (08) 8527 0200

